



May 3, 2024

# The Raider's Report

The Official Paul Rowe Jr./Sr. High School Newsletter

## The Transition to 2024-2025 Has Begun! *Orientations and Celebrations Planned for May and June*



*Our Hand Games team has been invited to represent PRSD at the High Prairie Pow Wow! See pg. 5 for more details!*

### Also In this Issue:

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- ★ Provincial Exam Dates
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- ★ Updated PRSD Wildfire & Emergency Procedures
- ★ Event Updates

May is a busy time, as we begin to wrap up the current school year and prepare for the next. Events to welcome our incoming students and their families, and to celebrate milestones reached by our current students, are being planned.

### **CELEBRATIONS:**

#### **NEW! Athletics and School Activities Celebration**

We are excited to announce that student awards for athletics and student groups will be awarded at an evening ceremony in June! This means that more of our graduates and family members can be in attendance. (*Academic awards will be presented at our fall Awards Day ceremony.*)

#### **Class of 2024 Graduation Activities**

Leading up to the official Class of 2024 Graduation Ceremony, special events will be held to honour our graduates. These include the the Eagle Feather Ceremony for our graduating Indigenous students and their families, as well as the Annual Grad Walk through Manning Elementary, Rosary and Paul Rowe schools.

#### **Grade 9 Celebration**

Each year, our grade nine students and their families are invited to a special celebration recognizing a major milestone as they prepare to move on to high school.

### **2024-2025 ORIENTATIONS**

#### **Open House and Parent Orientation**

Parents and guardians of students who will be new to Paul Rowe in the upcoming school year AND/OR are transitioning from grade nine to high school are invited to attend this information session.

#### **Manning Elementary Transition Visits**

The MES grade 6 class have multiple visits planned to learn about our school before attending as students in the fall.

**MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE EVENTS (and more) CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 2-3.**

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## **PARENTS & GUARDIANS OF STUDENTS ATTENDING PAUL ROWE IN 2024-2025**

### **Will your child be entering grade 7, 10 or be new to Paul Rowe?**

Please join us for an OPEN HOUSE & PARENT ORIENTATION on Wednesday, May 22 at 6:30 PM!

### **Is your child a grade 6 student at Manning Elementary School?**

Paul Rowe's Student Mentorship Team recently visited the MES grade six class to introduce themselves and to answer questions the students had about our school. **Beginning in May, the grade 6 class will visit Paul Rowe three times:**

- **Wednesday, May 22** 10:15-11:00 AM
- **Thursday, June 6** 10:15 to 11AM
- **Friday, June 14** 2:15 to 3:30 PM *Note: Bus students will ride the school bus home from Paul Rowe this day.*

### **Is your child currently in grade 9 or 10?**

If your child is interested in traveling with Travel Club 2026 please contact Mrs. Ristesund as soon as possible. Students will begin the process of choosing the next destination soon. There will be opportunities for each student to fund a significant portion of trip through community service fundraisers - opportunities to sign up to earn hours will be shared soon.

**The next meeting parent meeting is scheduled for May 23 at 7 PM.**

### **REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS IS OPEN NOW!**

***Registration for returning students will open soon!***

To register your child(ren) visit: <https://www.prsd.ab.ca/registration>

### **PRSD SCHOOL BUS REGISTRATION FAQs**

To learn more about school bus registration visit:

<https://www.prsd.ab.ca/our-division/departments/school-bus-registration>



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## PARENTS & GUARDIANS OF CURRENT STUDENTS

*We are better together!*

### HAVE YOU SEEN YOUR CHILD'S REPORT CARD?

Term 3 report cards were sent home with students Monday, **April 29th**. If you have not received a copy, please [contact our office](#).

### FINAL EXAM DATES

Provincial Achievement and Diploma exam dates can be found on our school events calendar. *School-based final exam dates will be shared soon.*



### ATHLETICS & SCHOOL ACTIVITIES CELEBRATION

*An awards event for students & family members*  
**Thursday, June 6**  
**6:30 to 8:00 PM**

### GRADE 9 CELEBRATION


*for students & their families*  
**Wednesday, June 12**  
**at 6:30 PM**

All Parents and Guardians are invited to attend the:

### **NEW!! JOINT SCHOOL COUNCIL (New School) MEETING**

**Wednesday, May 8 at Manning Elementary School 6 PM**

### GRAD 2024 ACTIVITIES

- Tuesday, June 4 **EAGLE FEATHER CEREMONY**   
for our Indigenous Graduates and their Families **9 - 11 AM**  
*Important: Student participants in the Eagle Feather Ceremony are required to take part in the advance teachings on May 7th.*
- Date TBA **GRAD WALK**
- Saturday, June 22 **GRAD CEREMONY 2 PM** at the Jack McAvoy Arena



# APRIL SCHOOL EVENTS


## FREE HOT LUNCHES PROVIDED BY COMMUNITY MEMBERS



We are so appreciative for the thoughtfulness of our wider school community! In April, our students were treated to three free hot lunches!

Thank you so much to the Mighty Moose Band for the spaghetti lunch, and to the (Tyler and Hailey) Stone family and their helpers for the pulled pork dinner. Thank you also to Kelsi Pakula and Chris Graw for volunteering to cook and prepare chicken wraps for our monthly free hot lunch funded by our school nutrition grant.





Thank you to our April Food for Thought volunteers: Roz Perez, Kerry Coulter and Terra Goodzeck!

Thank you to our April Hot Lunch volunteers: Tanice Richards, Madison Richards and Myrna Johnson!

## BABY THINK IT OVER



High school students had the opportunity experience life as a parent for two days and nights. Infant simulators mimic real babies and students must feed, soothe, change and do all of things expected in the care of a real baby. A computer records all student actions (or inaction). Students who successfully care for their baby and complete a written learning component, receive one high school credit. Thank you to Mrs. Bak for organizing this program!

## NEW SCHOOL FUNDRAISER:

★ ★ ★ 2024 ★ ★ ★

# 2-BALL

## SCRAMBLE



**NEW SCHOOL YARD FUNDRAISER**  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
PAUL ROWE SCHOOL FOUNDATION & MANNING ELEMENTARY ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY

**\$170**  
PER TEAM  
OF TWO



**SATURDAY**  
**MAY 25**  
10AM  
SHOTGUN START

REGISTRATION  
OPENS  
**APRIL 1**

TONS OF  
**PRIZES!**  
TO BE WON!

**ALL SKILL LEVELS  
WELCOME!**  
MENS, WOMENS &  
MIXED TEAMS

**REGISTER & PAY ONLINE!**  
Scan the QR code & create your UpSwing account before proceeding!



Questions?  
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manning.golf.tournaments@outlook.com

- ★ FIRST 45 PAID TEAMS ACCEPTED
- ★ LUNCH & SUPPER INCLUDED!
- ★ CARTS INCLUDED!
- ★ 50/50
- ★ PURCHASE MULLIGANS (LOWER THOSE SCORES!)
- ★ RAISING MONEY FOR A GREAT CAUSE!



# APRIL SCHOOL EVENTS

## PRSD HANDGAMES TOURNAMENT AWARD WINNERS



Congratulations to our Hand Games Team for their sweep at the Peace River School Division Pakisiwin (Hand Games) Tournament! They won the following awards:

- Jr./Sr. High Chanters
- Jr./Sr. High Movers and Shakers
- Jr./Sr. High Tournament Winners.

The team has also been invited to participate, as representatives of PRSD, in the High Prairie Regional Youth Hand Games Tournament at the High Prairie Traditional Pow Wow on May 4.



We would like to thank the Manning Metis Local 2020 for sponsoring our shirts! Thank you also to Mrs. Schmidt and Ms. Perrier for coaching and organizing this group of kids!

Way to go Raiders!

**Congratulations to Khezley for winning the PRSD Board of Trustees Attendance Matters Poster Contest in the Grade 7 to Grade 9 category!**

## SCIENCE OLYMPICS BRONZE MEDALISTS



Our Paul Rowe Junior High Science Olympics team visited Fairview on Saturday April 27th to compete in Hands-On science challenges in an event organized by the local APEGA chapter.

In the first round, students built a prosthetic leg for somebody with a below the knee amputation with a focus on function and performing different tasks. They showed a lot of teamwork and built a great prototype! The second round had our students modeling low cost emergency housing for disaster relief, with lots of planning and budgeting required. The students built a great model and worked well under pressure. In the end they had a great time and came home with bronze medals to show for their hard work and creativity!

Thank you to Mr. Bullen for coaching our team and to APEGA Peace Region Branch for hosting!



# ATHLETICS

## BADMINTON



Our Senior High Badminton team for an awesome showing at zones!

Congratulations to the following students who received silver medals and are off to the provincial tournament on May 2-4:

- Leland and Kathleen (Sr. Mixed Doubles)
- Rheyra (Jr. Singles)

Congratulations also goes out to Liam and Carter for their bronze medal win!



The zones tournament was the last badminton competition off the year for our junior high students. All three of our athletes who competed played their hearts out and made it to the final game for their categories! Congratulations to:

- Bob - Gold in Intermediate Boys Singles
- Emma - Silver in Intermediate Girls Singles
- Paul - Silver in Junior Boys Singles

Thank you to coach Cleo Pawluski for your time and dedication this season!

## COMMUNITY VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone who came out for the Community Volleyball Tournament to raise funds for the new school yard! Seven teams had a fun time competing for the title of tournament winner, as well as the award for best costume.

Thank you to Raffle Prize Sponsors:

- Reinders Law
- Big North Graphics
- Kover Transport
- Meat Sweats
- Hawk View
- ITG Automation
- True North Electric
- Paul Rowe Staff
- MES Staff

Special thanks go out to Mr. Olischefski and Mrs. Schmidt for organizing the event, and to our Students Union and staff for all their help during the event.





# PRSD EMERGENCY PROCEDURES UPDATED

With fire bans in place in nearly every corner of the Division, we want to take a moment to remind our school communities of the Peace River School Division's emergency procedure guides for parents and guardians. The new Wildfire & Emergency Procedure (below), along with other emergency procedures can be viewed on the Peace River School Division website at <https://buff.ly/4aT2rwK>.

## WILDFIRE PROCEDURE GUIDE



### A wildfire starts nearby, now what?

The Peace River School Division follows the direction of our municipal leaders whenever a fire, or other natural emergency, occurs in one of our school communities.

In the event that any number of student homes are affected by a road closure or evacuation order, our Transportation Department will call the affected families to notify them of any changes to busing. Families who do not receive a phone call will have their students dropped off as per their regular transportation arrangements.

All bus cancellations and delays can be viewed by visiting <https://prsd.mybusplanner.ca>.

## IF A SCHOOL EVACUATION BECOMES NECESSARY

### Parents/Guardians

- Please DO NOT call the school. Our telephone system must remain available for emergency communication. We will contact you to provide instructions on where and when to pick up your child.
- Please DO NOT come to the school unless you are instructed to.

### Where to find updates

We will post all school and transportation updates on our websites and Facebook pages, in addition to sending emails, text messages, and/or phone calls to all affected families.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO  
READ OUR EMERGENCY  
PROCEDURE GUIDE FOR  
PARENTS & GUARDIANS



### Students

- If a school evacuation becomes necessary, students will be transported home via early dismissal or to parent-child reunion location. All parents and guardians will be notified if this happens.

### Parent-Child Reunion Procedure

- Parents/Guardians will be notified regarding the location for parent-child reunions
- Parents/Guardians will need to sign the teacher's attendance form to ensure all students are accounted for and only released to an authorized legal guardian or emergency contact.
- Valid ID will be required to pick up a student.
- Once you are reunited with your child, for your safety you are encouraged to leave the area immediately.



**PAUL ROWE JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL**  
**MAY 2024**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 MAY 6 - 10 IS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK	6	7 Hot Lunch: Humble Pie (Hamburger Macaroni Soup & a Bun)	8 Hats On for Mental Health Pet Day @SOLE Joint School Council Meeting @MES 6 PM	9 Hot Lunch Orders Due Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM	10 Tie-Dye Day (SCOER Spirit Day)	11
12	13 Grade 9 Language Arts Achievement Exam Part A	14 Hot Lunch: Subway	15 Beach Day (SCOER Spirit Day)	16 Free Hot Lunch: Beef on a Bun (Nutrition Grant) Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM	17 No School for Students (Staff Meeting & Professional Development Day)	18
19	20 No School (Victoria Day)	21 No Hot Lunch	22 Neon Day (SCOER Spirit Day) MES Grade 6 Class Visits Paul Rowe Open House and Orientation for Parents/Guardians of Students Entering Grade 10 AND/OR New in 2024-2025 6:30 PM	23 Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM Travel Club 2026 Meeting 7 PM	24	25 New School Fundraiser: 2 Ball Scramble Golf Tournament
26	27	28 Hot Lunch: Maylene's	29 Colour Wars (SCOER Spirit Day) Tri-School Archery Tournament at Paul Rowe 4 PM	30 Door Decorating (SCOER Spirit Day) Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM	31	JUNE 1





# PAUL ROWE JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL JUNE 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4 Eagle Feather Ceremony for Indigenous Grade 12s & their Families 9 - 11 AM  Last day for Hot Lunch Hot Lunch: Sings	5	6 MES Grade 6 Class Visits Paul Rowe E-Mail Out to Parents/Guardians Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM Athletics and School Activities Celebration 6:30 - 8 PM	7 No School for Students (Staff Meeting & Professional Development Day)	8
9 GRAD SPIRIT WEEK is June 10-14	10	11 English 30-1/2 Diploma Exam Part A	12 Social Studies 30-1/2 Diploma Exam Part A Grade 9 Language Arts Achievement Exam Part B	13 Grade 9 Math Achievement Exam Part A Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM	14 MES Grade 6 Class Visits Paul Rowe & Ride School Bus Home from Paul Rowe	15
16	17 Math 30-1/2 Diploma Exam	18 English 30-1/2 Diploma Exam Part B Grade 9 Math Achievement Exam Part B	19 Social Studies 30-1/2 Diploma Exam Part B Grade 9 Social Studies Achievement Exam	20 Biology 30 Diploma Exam Grade 9 Science Achievement Exam	21 National Indigenous People's Day Activities	22 Class of 2024 Graduation Ceremony 2 PM
23	24 Chemistry 30 Diploma Exam	25 Physics 30 Diploma Exam	26 Science 30 Diploma Exam Last Day of Final Exams Last Day for Students	27 Report Cards Released Last Day for Staff	Event Updates <a href="#">View the PRSD Approved 2024-2025 School Year Calendar here.</a>	