

November 18, 2024

We hope all families had a lovely week and are ready to get back to the routine of school as we head into the week ahead.

Staffing Update

We are excited to introduce Mrs. Glaicar, who will be joining us as the acting Vice Principal of École Joe Clark School during Mrs. Becker's absence. As the email from the division outlined, Mrs. Glaicar has a wealth of experience, and we are thrilled to have her join our Bronco team.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

We will be hosting our parent-teacher conferences next week on the evenings of November 27th and 28th. These conferences are an opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher to discuss ways to support your child's learning.

Parent-teacher interviews will be held on November 27th from 4:00 PM to 7:30 PM and on November 28th from 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM. We will send out more booking information later this week, including a link to book a time. If these times do not work for you or you need additional time, please reach out to your child's teacher to set up an alternate time.

School Council Update

This coming Thursday, November 21st, will be our November School Council Meeting. All parents are welcome to come and hear more about the amazing things we are doing in both the school and the division.

All are welcome, and we invite all voices to the table. Please note that the Parent Council offers babysitting for the meetings, and they also do draws for books and gift cards to those who attend. Those who are interested to join us for this last meeting of 2024. We also offer virtual participation.

Here is the agenda for our meeting:

- [November School Council Agenda](#)

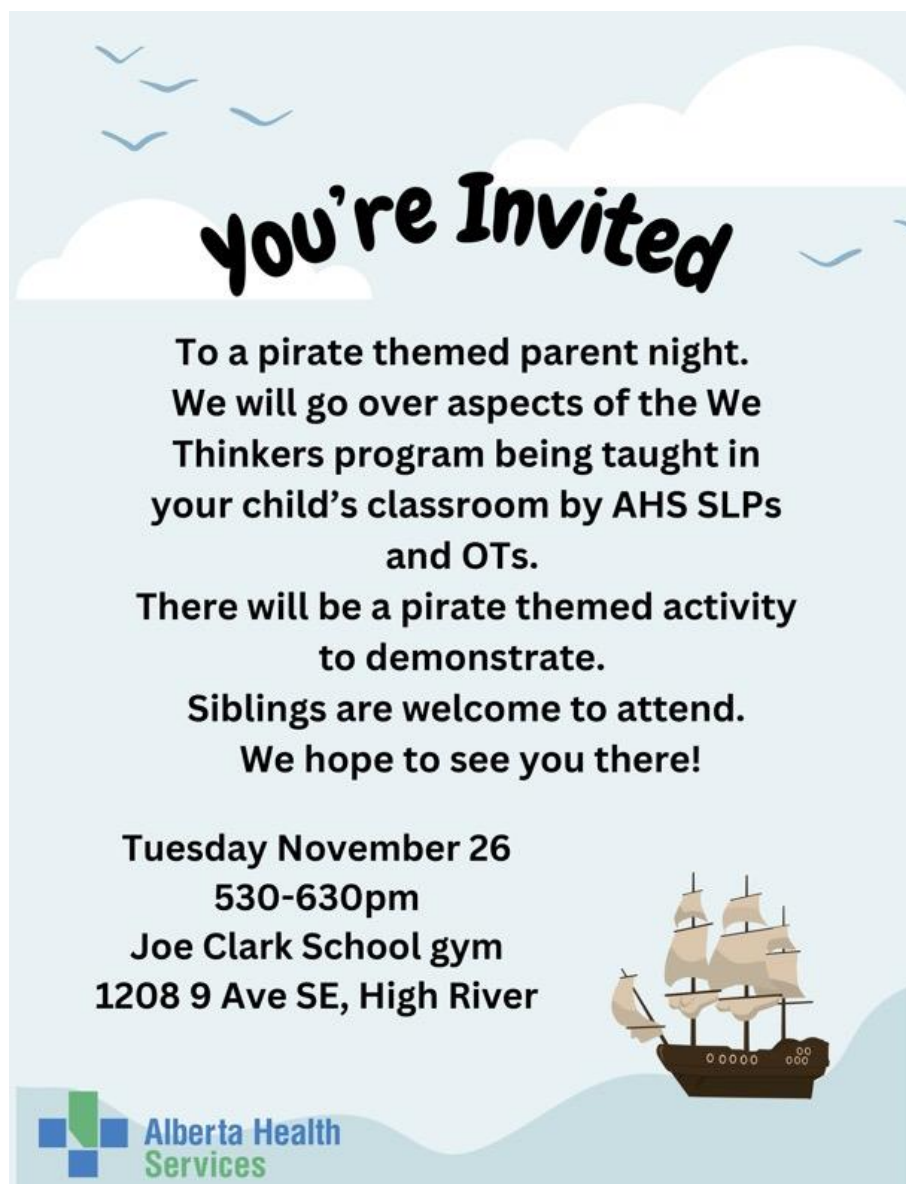
If you have any items you would like to see on our agenda or if you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Mahan.

Upcoming Dates

- **November 21** – Parent Council Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- **November 27 & 28** – Parent-Teacher Interviews
- **December 12** – Christmas Concert – more details to come next week
- **December 13** – PD Day (no school for students)

Calling Grade 2 Parents


Joe Clark is excited to be hosting a fun evening in conjunction with our partners at Alberta Health Services. More details to follow.



you're Invited

**To a pirate themed parent night.
We will go over aspects of the We
Thinkers program being taught in
your child's classroom by AHS SLPs
and OTs.
There will be a pirate themed activity
to demonstrate.
Siblings are welcome to attend.
We hope to see you there!**

**Tuesday November 26
530-630pm
Joe Clark School gym
1208 9 Ave SE, High River**

 Alberta Health
Services

Foothills Footnotes

Here are a few notes from our Board of Trustees.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US?

Effective communication is a two-way function. From the division, you can expect to receive regular communications and opportunities to engage to inform decision making. Including:

- A monthly newsletter from FSD (Technology updates, important date reminders, celebrations of our community, opportunities to inform decision making, and more!)
- A clear plan (Education Plan, Budget, Operational Plan, Capital Plan)
- Transparent Reporting (Annual Education Results Report, Audited Financial Statements)

WHAT WE EXPECT FROM OUR PARTNERS IN EDUCATION



FOR OPINIONS, ASK FRIENDS, FAMILY, OR MAKE A RESPECTFUL POST ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

FOR FACTS AND RESOURCES TO ANSWER A QUESTION, GO TO THE SOURCE: DIVISION OR SCHOOL WEBSITES, SCHOOL PERSONNEL, OR DIVISION OFFICE.

Social media can be a wonderful communication tool, but it is not an effective way to get **factual answers** or **resolve concerns** about our students, staff members, or operations. Often, it can prolong the resolution process. When you have a question, concern, or feedback, please follow the steps within Administrative Procedure 151 - Parental/Guardian Complaints or Concerns and Dispute Resolution

LEARN MORE:

- [Administrative Procedure 151](#): Parental/Guardian Complaints or Concerns and Dispute Resolution
- [Administrative Procedure 146](#): Social Media Code of Conduct
- [Administrative Procedure 170](#): Bullying, Harassment, and Threatening Behaviour

HOW TO ADDRESS CONCERNS REGARDING A STUDENT OR LEARNING

Questions related to a Student:

- Achievement
- Behavioural/Social
- Environment
- Instructional

Class Environment

School Bus

Respectfully communicate with the Teacher

Respectfully communicate with the Bus Driver

If the concern is not resolved

Respectfully communicate with the Principal

If the concern is not resolved

Contact Division Office
Director of Education Partner Relations

YOUR TRUSTEES

WARD 1 - Jack Molyneux
WARD 2 - John Evans
WARD 3 - Theresa Letendre, Chair
WARD 4 - Lisa Penzo, Vice Chair
WARD 4 - Sharon Nichols
WARD 5 - Phil Irwin

YOUR EXECUTIVE TEAM

Superintendent of Schools - Chris Fuzessy
Assistant Superintendent, Corporate Services - Drew Chipman
Assistant Superintendent, Learning Services - Caroline Roberts
Assistant Superintendent, Employee Services - Allen Davidson

FOOTNOTES

steps toward a flourishing community

October 2024

HOW WE CONTINUE TO ADVANCE WELLNESS & WELL-BEING

WELCOME

Welcome to the Footnotes, a monthly newsletter showcasing how Foothills School Division (FSD) is placing education at the centre of a flourishing community.

These highlights are assurance to our school community that the Board of Trustees is actioning the goals and priorities of FSD's annual Education Plan making visible how the work of the Board is connected to schools and students in their classrooms.

AS A PLACE FOR ALL WE
WILL CONTINUE TO
PRIORITIZE WELLNESS
AND WELL-BEING FOR
ALL LEARNERS.

STEPS TO ADVANCE WELLNESS & WELL - BEING

DECEMBER 2024

Support Staff will participate in learning to support a **trauma-informed culture**. EAs will have the opportunity to receive **SIVA training**.

NOVEMBER 2024

We will engage with you, our partners in education, to ask what evidence you see that shows we are in a **flourishing community**.

OCTOBER 2024

Students will participate in the annual **SOS-Q** to measure student internal & external resilience factors

SOS-Q

Student Orientation to Schools Questionnaire

SEPTEMBER 2024

Members of our Teaching Staff participate in **SIVA training**.

SIVA

Supporting Individuals through Valued Attachments

AUGUST 2024

Funding for the **School Mental Health Pilot Project Grant** has been extended through to June 30, 2025

MAY 2024

FSD partners with CASA Mental Health to host a **CASA Classroom** in 2024-2025

OCTOBER 2024 FEBRUARY & MAY 2025

Students' Matters conferences engage learners to review SOS-Q data and form a plan to address areas of opportunity within their own school. This builds a **culture of compassion** and develops leadership skills



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DECEMBER 2022