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May

11 Homemade-HONEY GARLIC MEATBALLS/BUTTER CHICKEN/PIEROGIS	12 Opa	13 Homemade- BOW TIE PASTA/MEATBALL SUB	14 Mcdonalds	15
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Grade 6 PAT Schedule

Friday, May 22	English Language Arts Part A	9am-11am
Thursday, June 4	English Language Arts Part B	9am-10am
Friday, June 12	Science	9am-10am
Monday, June 15	Math Part A	9am-9:30am
Thursday, June 18	Math Part B	9am-10:15am

Okotoks

okotoks.ca/Volunteer

Summer Day Camps YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We're looking for enthusiastic, caring, and energetic volunteers to help create an unforgettable experience for campers this summer! From leading games and crafts to being a positive role model, you'll play a huge part in making each day fun, safe, and full of smiles. This is your chance to build leadership skills, gain experience, and make a real impact in your community.

Details:

Who: Youth, ages 13 to 17

What: Day Camp Volunteers

Where: The Okotoks Rec Centre & Viking Rentals Centre

When: Camps run July to August (multiple shift times available)

Learn more and apply now at
okotoks.ca/volunteer



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Grade 9 PAT Schedule

Thursday, May 21	English Language Arts Part A	9am-11am
Tuesday, June 9	English Language Arts Part B	9am-10:15am
Tuesday, June 16	Math Part A	9am-9:30am
Friday, June 19	Math Part B	9am-10:20am
Monday, June 22	Social Studies	9am-10:20am
Tuesday, June 23	Science	9am-10:15am

Looking a-head to the 2026/ 2027.

The reason why requests for specific teachers cannot be accommodated.

Homeroom and Learning Support teachers along with Administration devote significant time and care to determining the most appropriate placement for each student. Using professional judgment, staff carefully consider a child's emotional and social needs, academic strengths and areas of growth, and the level of support required to be successful in their learning environment. Every effort is also made to place students with at least one peer they have identified as a good fit learning partner.

<https://www.foothillsschooldivision.ca/meadowridge/class-placement>

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Did you know that qualified families can receive up to \$500 to allow their children to participate in an organized sport? Just go to this link to apply

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Meadow Ridge School

Foothills School Division #38

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Principal: Debbie Payne ~ Vice Principals: Allison Stewart & Danielle Buschman

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you are likely aware, our school practices lockdowns as part of our emergency planning/preparedness cycle. We expect to hold a lockdown practice sometime next week (May 11-14, 2026). Staff and students are familiar with lockdowns, but we wish to increase your knowledge of our procedures.

It is important to understand that school staff will implement a lockdown and call police if/and when there is any reason to believe that imminent danger to students and staff may exist. At this stage, everyone in the school will move to a secure location, safe from harm. Police will respond to the school and no one will enter or leave until the situation is resolved.

The first instinct of parents/guardians is to either phone the school directly or your child, or to attend directly to the school. You are asked not to do any of these, but instead to understand and follow the procedures outlined in this letter.

Experience has shown that roadways need to be kept clear for responding emergency vehicles, and parents and others attempting to drive to the school can slow police and other emergency responders from getting to and securing the area as quickly as possible. Therefore, if you hear that a lockdown is occurring at your child's school, **do not attend to the school**. Instead, you may attend to your schools' designated Parent location (dependent on student safety) to receive information which will be provided by police and school representatives. These locations are selected as being far enough from the school to maximize your safety and that of others. Please be assured that every effort will be made to keep you informed as to what is happening during the event. Experience has shown that incorrect information often circulates during an event when it does not come directly from the police or school board. Please note that, for safety reasons, some situations may require that some information be withheld until the situation is resolved. (In lockdown situations you may also contact the school board by calling (403) 652-3001). After the lockdown, you may be asked to go to the school or to wait where you are until your child is brought to your location.

We also ask that you not attempt to phone your child. In a lockdown, everyone must remain quiet, and a ringing cell phone may draw undue attention to the secure location where your child and his/her classmates are.

Aside from lockdown procedures, your child's school may also implement a precautionary "Hold & Secure" if there is an unrelated emergency situation occurring outside the building or in

We encourage you to discuss school safety with your child and to address any concerns they may have and we welcome any questions you have about this or any other issue related to the safety and security of our school.

Sincerely,

Debbie Payne
Principal
Meadow Ridge School
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We are excited to be kicking off our annual Read-a-thon!
Running from April 28-May 11th.

This event is first and foremost about building a love of reading and celebrating the incredible effort our students put into their learning.

How does Read-a-thon work?

All students can earn prizes simply by reading! Each student should read and record the minutes read during the 2 week period. At the end they can return their reading log sheet and receive a participation prize. No pledges are required for students to take part.

The Read-a-thon is also a fundraising event for the school where every dollar donated goes directly back into our school benefiting the children. This year the money will go towards the additional playground equipment as well as literary materials for the school.

How do prizes work?

Reading Prizes:

Every student who participates by tracking their reading and returning their completed reading log sheet at the end of the Read-a-thon will receive a reading participation prize. Every student is encouraged to take part, and prizes are based on participation and effort. The top 3 readers with the most minutes read in each division will get to choose from the larger selection of prizes. Every student that hands in a log sheet will also be entered into a draw for one of the larger prizes.

Fundraising Prizes:

To celebrate fundraising efforts, prizes will be awarded to the top 3 fundraiser's in each division. (K-3, 4-6, 7-9)

Classroom Prizes:

The classroom in each division that has the most reading minutes, that fundraises the most, as well as the class with the most participation will each win a class pizza party!

THE DEADLINE TO RETURN READING LOG SHEETS IS TUESDAY MAY 12TH.

PLEASE HAVE YOUR STUDENT RETURN THEM TO THEIR HOMEROOM TEACHER.



Inspiring the Next Generation of Engineers

Engineering For Kids is excited to offer fun and engaging afterschool STEM Programs at Meadow Ridge School

We uncover the fun in S.T.E.M. learning through hands-on engineering activities. We offer the most comprehensive STEM programs around: **Hands-on Engineering**, Robotics, Coding, 3D Printing, App Development, and much more!

Our young engineers build on their natural curiosity while solving real-world problems. We encourage kids to explore their inner engineering through innovation, collaboration, and play.

Grades 6 & 7: LEGO® Mindstorms EV3 Robotics

Students will design, build, and program real working robots that think, move, and react. Through engaging challenges, they'll explore key STEM concepts like sensors, motors, loops, and logic, while developing skills in coding, engineering, teamwork, and problem-solving.

Whether programming a robot to follow a line, avoid obstacles, or complete missions – this program is perfect for curious minds and future engineers.



Mondays, May 11 - June 22
(No class May 18)
Time: 3:30 – 5:00 pm
\$180/Student



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Grades 8 – 9 → Tech Titans: Humanoid Robotics

In Tech Titans, kids design, build, and program their own humanoid robot that can talk, move, recognize faces, detect colors, and even dance.

Through hands-on coding and engineering, campers learn how real robots come to life while using creativity and problem-solving skills.

A fun, futuristic experience for young innovators and future engineers!



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