## **HIGH PARK**

## SCHOOL

**Bi-Weekly School Newsletter** 

## HIGH PARK HERALD APRIL 11, 2025

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## PRINCIPAL'S MEMO

Welcome back! What a beautiful week we have had here at High Park and beautiful weather means full bike racks. Please remind your child to bring a lock and walk their bike or scooter when on school property, we have already had a few near misses.

Presidents Choice Children's Charity Power Full Kids has once again been providing daily meals and snacks for High Park students. We could not provide the food we do without the help of this charity.

We are looking forward to seeing families out at our Book Fair and Parent teacher interviews next week!

**Ms. Marcinkevics,** Principal

### **Hurricane Athletics & PE**



Our Cultural Event Performance with Professor Wow!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- April 14-17, 2025 Book Fair!
- April 15, 2025 (4:30-7:30)

Parent Teacher Interviews

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• April 18-21, 2025

Easter Weekend

As the weather improves we will be taking our PE classes outside. Please ensure that your student has both indoor and outdoor shoes for PE and that they come to school dressed to be outside.

Soccer: Grade 7-9 students interested in playing on the Jr High Soccer team will attend an information meeting on Tuesday April 15 at first recess. The first tryout will be held Thursday April 24 3:05-4:30. All grade 4-9 students will participate in the In-School Track Meets. These are qualifiers for the additional Track Meets. Track Dates:

#### **Junior High:**

- In-School Qualification: May 13 (rainout May 14)
- Zone 1 Meet at Westview: May 20 (for qualified athletes)
- Division Track Meet at Westview: May 30 (for qualified athletes)
- Zone 5 Track Meet Sherwood Park: June 3 (for qualified athletes)







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## Hurricane Athletics & PE cont.

#### Elementary

- In-School Qualification: May 22 (rainout May 23)
- West Division 4-6 Track Meet: June 5 (rainout June 6)

#### **Try Me Try-Athlon**

• June 6 at Stony Plain Pool & surrounding areas (registration opens May 6)

# High Park PAL Presents A COMMUNITY YARD SALE

# Donate your items on Thursdays after school by the playground!

## Pick up your kids and drop off your unwanted clutter at the same time!

Yard Sale is Saturday, May 3rd, from 9am-3pm with proceeds going toward the inclusive playground expansion! Counselling Corner

Summer programming has opened for most places. If you are considering a day camp for your child, youth volunteer opportunities, or activities to keep your child active and engaged this Summer, here are some free or low-cost options available in the Tri-Region:

<u>Parkland County</u> <u>Tri Leisure Centre</u> <u>Stony Plain Public Library Monthly Calendar</u> <u>Stony Plain Youth Centre</u>

Here is the April edition of <u>PSD's Stronger Together</u> <u>Newsletter</u>

Also, Westview PCN has an exciting opportunity for female students on May 16th! **"Go Girl",** is an exciting one-day event for girls ages 11-18! This regional collaboration aims to encourage teen girls to get active, have fun, and try something new in a supportive and energetic environment. This group offers a variety of fun and energetic activities, including yoga, gymnastics, taekwondo, and football. For more information, visit the link below.

#### Go Girl - City of Spruce Grove

## **Band Bulletin/Choir Connection**

#### **Upcoming Performance Dates:**

Stayed tuned for spring concert dates.

#### PAL - Your Fundraising Parent Group

Hot lunch is running again this year! We will be open for orders on May 5th and close on 25th of the month.

Sign up for hot lunch at <u>hpspal.hotlunches.net/</u> Access Code: HPHL

## **High Park Library**

Welcome to the Spring Edition of our Scholastic Book Fair that you will find in the library this week. Students will have the opportunity to shop during their usual library block but they are also welcome to do their shopping during morning recess or lunch recess.

#### The book fair hours are:

- Monday & Wednesday- 8:30 3:30 pm
- Tuesday Late Night! 8:30-3:30/4-7 pm
- Thursday last day of book fair! 8:30-5:00 pm

A big thank you to everyone who has empties their piggy banks, money socks and wallets to help support our school through the money raised from the book fair. All the money raised comes directly back to our school and is used to buy books.

## Drawing Styles with the U of A

High Park students have been invited to participate in a unique research study conducted by the University of Alberta to better understand how children develop their drawing styles. In this study, students will be asked to draw a picture of a landscape scene. This picture will be used as data for analysis and compared to the work of students around the world. Researchers will be rotating through classes on Tuesday April 15<sup>th</sup> and information has gone home to all participating classes.



## A message from School Council & PAL

The High Park Read-a-Thon was a HUGE success. **235 students participated** and **read over 143,336 minutes**. P.A.L. would like to thank all parents, teachers and students for making this an amazing fundraiser. Your generous donations supporting our students helped us to meet and beat our fundraising goal.

**April 25, 2025** is the **Spring Fling**! Come and dance the night away with your kiddos. Doors open at 6pm and the dance goes until 9pm. Entry is \$5 per person or \$20/family. We will have a door prizes, concession, glitter tattoos available for purchase. Music will be provided by the fabulous DJ CJ. Please remember clean, non scuffing shoes only that evening.

Be sure you are following the High Park School PAL on Facebook. Information on fundraising opportunities and goals, as well as fun school information is posted regularly.

Catrin Thomson High Park School Council Chair Contact email: highpark.scchair@partner.psd.ca



## Notes from the Office

We have had a great deal of shoes going missing and being misplaced as the new weather brings new shoes and boots out. You can help us out by **labelling these items** to ensure they stay with their proper owners!

Our **lost and found** is over flowing with winter gear and treasures! Please pop by to check for lost items this upcoming week.

**Parent-Teacher Interview**s are next week! Please book through the High Park School website under the "For Parents" tab.

If you have not already done so, Your child's **registration is overdue**. Please complete ASAP. If you need assistance, the office staff is available to help you.

Our gym floors are freshly refinished and we want to ensure we protect them as best as we can. Please ensure your child has a **pair of clean, nonmarking indoors shoes** at school at all times.

Absence Reporting - please use the new Absent Reporting Message. Click and save this link <u>Absence</u> <u>Reporting</u>

**Cultural Events** - We have been fortunate to learn drumming with Wilson Bearhead and recently had Professor Wow in to teach us a bit about science and show us some cool tricks. We are looking forward to watching Jiggers perform later in the month and teach us about the dance.

