

September 2019

General Information

Welcome Pumas!

Hello Prescott!

Welcome to the 2020-21 school year, while it isn't our normal start to the year we were very excited to see students in our hallways again over the past two days! I am excited to join the amazing team here at PLC and look forward to getting to know students and their families better. I had the opportunity to visit a few classrooms during staggered entry and I'm excited to see more of the amazing learning that happens in our building each day. We have worked hard to develop a plan to promote safety and responsibility and I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for reinforcing these ideas at home. I look forward to partnering with you to make this year a success. If you have questions please feel free to reach out to me at bspence@psd70.ab.ca or give me a call at the school.

Respectfully,

B. Spence

Nuts

As we have several staff and students with severe allergies to various nuts, we are a NUT-AWARE school. Please do not send items with your child that contain nuts of any type. We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this important safety matter.

Drop-Off & Pick-Up

Please note the following important information regarding **child safety** and parking at Prescott Learning Centre, according to Spruce Grove Bylaw Enforcement:

- 1. On the south side of the school on Prospect Way facing east, please do **not** allow your children to cross the road between parked cars. Rather, direct them to the crosswalks at the corners.
- 2. There is limited parking in front of the school. Once spaces are taken, please park elsewhere (i.e. on the street in front of the school). Parking in the middle of the road in the parking lot is dangerous for our students.



- 3. Please do not drop off or pick up in the Staff Parking lot at the back.
- 4. Please do not park in the Beaverbrook lot. These spots are for community members accessing the services at this private business.
- 5. At this time, we are asking parents to refrain from entering the school during drop off and pick up.

Entering and Exiting Prescott

- 1. Students enter and exit the school through their designated doors. The main doors at the front of the building are for adults and guests to our school, or students arriving late or being picked up early.
- 2. Exterior doors, with the exception of the main entrance doors are locked during instructional hours. Students who arrive after 8:25 are asked to use the main entrance.
- 3. Parents picking up students at the end of the day are asked to wait in their vehicle or outside the school, and to maintain a safe physical distance between themselves and others.

We are sure that everyone will agree that our children's safety is paramount! We appreciate your attention to these details!

Reporting Absences

To report an absence for your child, please e-mail prescott@psd70.ab.ca or call and leave a message at the school office (780-571-8079). Please include the student's name, teacher (or grade), and reason for the absence in your message.

Visiting Prescott

As part of the guide provided by Alberta Health Services, we are required to limit access to the school of any non-essential visitors or volunteers including parents. This includes drop off in the mornings and pick up at the end of the day. If a pick up is needed mid-day, the parent can come to the main office and the student will meet them there. The office will maintain records of contacts within the school by any visitors to the school. All visitors to the school are required to complete a COVID screening checklist upon entering, in addition to wearing a mask and sanitizing hands prior to entry. If you have questions about this please contact the office.

Visiting Prescott at Lunch

If you need to come to the school between 12:06-1:06, please do not use the bus lane (lane closest to the school), as we are using it as one of our recess "zones".

Photo Days

Lifetouch will be coming to our school on September 29 and September 30. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, our plan is to have all 6-9 students and T/Th Kinder see the photographer on Sept. 29 while the M/W Kinder and all the 1-5 students will get their photos taken Sept. 30.



Puma Wear

We are excited to offer Puma Wear for purchase again. With this new online store, we are able to offer a greater variety and the items will be delivered directly to you. To check out what is available, and to order your Puma Wear, use this link: https://urstore.ca/prescott-pumas.

2020-2021 Bell Schedule

Please note our revised bell schedule:

Time	Block
8:10am	Supervision Begins
8:15am	Welcome Bell
8:20am	Starting Bell / O Canada & Announcements
8:26-9:04am	Block 1
9:04-9:42am	Block 2
9:42-10:20am	Block 3
10:20-10:35am	Odd Grade Recess; Even Grade DEAR
10:35-10:50am	Even Grade Recess; Odd Grade DEAR
10:50-11:28am	Block 4
11:28am-12:06pm	Block 5
12:06-12:36pm	Odd Grade Recess; Even Grade Lunch
12:36-1:06pm	Even Grade Recess; Odd Grade Lunch
1:06-1:44pm	Block 6
1:44-2:22pm	Block 7
2:22-3pm	Block 8
3pm	Dismissal
3:10pm	Buses Depart
3:15pm	Outdoor Supervision Ends

Odd Grades = Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

Even Grades = Kindergarten and Grade 2, 4, 6, 8

"DEAR" stands for Drop Everything And Read

Fine Arts

Athletics

Choir and other extracurricular fine arts activities are on hold for the time being.

Volleyball

Due to AHS restrictions, there will be no inter-school games at this time. We will, however, be holding practices starting on September 14, from 3:00pm - 4:30pm:



- Mondays Sr. Girls Volleyball (grade 8/9)
- Tuesdays Sr. Boys Volleyball (grade 8/9)
- Wednesdays Jr. Girls Volleyball (Grade 6/7)
- Thursdays Jr. Boys Volleyball (Grade 6/7)

Cross-Country Running

There will also be no inter-school competitions, but practices will begin on September 15. All K-9 students welcome! See Ms. Johnson or Mr. Grier for more information.

Calendar

Check out our school website to see our school's monthly calendar.

School Council & Fundraising Foundation

School Council

We would like to welcome you to the new school year and invite you to our first school council meeting of the year on September 9, 2020 at 6:30. This meeting (and subsequent meetings until further notice) will be held virtually (only table officers will be meeting in person). To attend, click on this <u>link</u>.

Agenda for September 9

The Purpose of School Council

- Consult with the principal to ensure students have opportunities to meet Ministry standards, fiscal management is sound, and the community is taken into consideration during school-based planning
- Advise the principal and the school board on topics as requested
- Be involved in school-based planning
- Share ideas and information with other school councils and provincial organizations
- Communicate information to the school community and other school councils
- Set policies that relate to school council functions, such as:
 - ° location of school council meetings
 - ° mail, email address for school council correspondence
 - ° school council orientation and development
 - ° communications
 - ° privacy
 - ° minutes of school council meetings
 - ° pertinent information unique to the school council

Fundraising Foundation (PLCFF)

Please refer to our Facebook page (Prescott Learning Centre Fundraising Foundation) for all the latest news regarding fundraising at Prescott.