

Fort Assiniboine School Newsletter



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

September has come and gone and we have a great deal of thanks to our students, parents, and staff for a great start to the school year. On September 20th, we held our annual meet the staff barbeque. We had a fantastic turn out and we want to thank all of the parents and students who took the time out of their busy schedules to spend the evening with us. As we approach thanksgiving, there is much to be thankful for. A special thanks needs to be extended to Devon Canada (BBQ sponsor) and Keephills Aggregate (Terry Fox Run Sponsor). We also want to thank our Parents for their assistance at the Terry Fox Run on September 28th. They assisted with the acquisition and preparation of the food for the student and staff participants. We are also thankful for the already several parent and community volunteers we have had in our school since the start of the school year.

In our October Newsletter, there are a few items for parents and students to be aware of. First, our yearly magazine fundraiser has begun. This fundraiser provides the Student's Union with funds to support important goals and programs that benefit our students (spirit week). Second, our school is celebrating the character trait 'Gratitude' the quality or feeling of

being grateful or thankful. Third, the draw for a pizza lunch the Principal and a pal. There is a section to the newsletter that you fill out and send back to the school for a monthly draw. It is our hope that this will encourage our students to bring the newsletter home for parents to read.

In the month of October, we continue to look forward working with our students, parents, and community stakeholders to build our culture of excellence in learning. Through this, it is our aspiration to offer the chance and support for our students to develop the necessary work ethic, skill sets, and knowledge base to prepare them to be successful citizens in the global and knowledge-based economies of the 21st century. If you have any questions or concerns surrounding the programming for your child, please feel free and contact the school.

Yours in education,

Audrey Kluin
Principal
Fort Assiniboine School

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Mrs. Audrey Kluin

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Parent Teacher Student Goal Setting Conference's 4-8 p.m.	5 Robotics 3:45- 4:45 Parent Teacher Student Goal Setting Conference's 4-8 p.m.	6 Jr. High Soccer Tournament in Fawcett	7 NO SCHOOL	8
9	10 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> 	11 Robotics 3:45- 4:45 K-Gr 4 Swimming	12 K-Gr 4 Swimming	13 K-Gr 4 Swimming	14 K-Gr 4 Swimming	15
16	17 K-Gr 4 Swimming	18 Robotics 3:45- 4:45 Gr 5-9 Swimming	19 Gr 5-9 Swimming	20 Picture Day 	21 NO SCHOOL	22
23	24	25	26 Gr 5-9 Swimming EARLY DISMISSAL DAY (2:30 P.M.) School Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	27	28 NO SCHOOL	29
Spirit Week						
30	31 Halloween 	Nov 1 Robotics 3:45- 4:45	2	3	4 NO SCHOOL	5

Upcoming Important Dates:

November 4 – NO SCHOOL
 November 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly
 November 11 – Remembrance Day – NO SCHOOL
 November 11 to 14 – Mid Semester Break
 November 11 and 12 – Alumni Tournament
 November 25 – No School
 November 30 - Early Dismissal – 2:30 p.m.

LEGO ROBOTICS

We will be offering an afterschool Lego Robotics program for students in grade 3-6. The program will run every Tuesday afterschool from 3:45-4:45 starting October 5, 2011. Students will build a robot out of lego then program it to complete various missions on a specially designed mat with lego obstacles.



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The Difference Between School Council and Parent Society

Dear Parents

Thank-you for choosing the Fort Assiniboine School for your children.

Every school in Alberta has a school council as does the FAS. The school council is always looking for new parents and ideas that have the best interest of our children in mind. Our school council has about five meetings a year. The council also participates with the annual Terry Fox Run; Open House, Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week and Awards Night. We do not fundraise. If you would like to be apart of our school council watch for notices coming home, the school sign or call the school.

The FAS also has a group of parents that run the Fort Assiniboine Parent Society. This group fundraises. They have two major fundraisers a year Highway clean up and The Fort McMurray Casino. This group has done wonderful things for the school computer lab and programs, sewing machines, school sign, bussing for field trips, picnic tables and planters, and etc. This group is also looking for volunteers.

For more information please call the school at (780) 584-3751.

Peter Kuelekn
School Council Chair

**Fort Assiniboine
School Council Meeting Tentatively
set for
Wednesday October 26, 2011**

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR
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Fort Assiniboine School and Public Library
October 17-21, 2011

Monday, Oct. 17: 1-4 pm and 7-9 pm

Tuesday, Oct.. 18 to Friday, Oct. 21:
8:30 am to 4:00 pm

The library will not be close for lunch this week in order to give visitors maximum time at the fair.

We will be accepting cheques or cash only.

Please make cheques payable to:

Woodlands County Library Board

NO DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD PURCHASES

DOOR PRIZES consists of \$25 in Book Fair merchandise for the winner and \$25 in Book Fair merchandise for the Fort Assiniboine School classroom of the winner's choice. Draw will take place Wednesday in order to give the winner time to choose their prize and for the teacher to choose for the winning classroom.

Thank you for your continued support



HOTLUNCH

OCTOBER 13

NACHOS \$3.00

TACO SALAD IN A BAG \$5.00

ADD A JUICE BOX FOR \$1.00



October 20 Picture Day

Pictures packages will be sent home the week of
October 12



School Registration Fees

Fees for 2010/2011 school year are:

\$50.00/child for kindergarten

\$60.00/child for grades 1-6,

\$70.00/child for grade 7-12.

*Students in Kindergarten to grade 9 will receive a day planner for \$6.00 each

*Junior High Options \$30.00

*Payment plans are available, see office for details.

*Cheques can be made to PHRD #7 and returned to the school as soon as possible.

Fees not paid by **October 20 will be charged an interest fee and then sent to a collection agency**

MEDICATION: We can no longer administer medications such as Calamine lotion, Polysporin, Afterbite, anything with any kind of medicine in it. We will still provide bandages & ice. If a student brings any kind of medicine (prescription or over the counter) in to take during the day, the medication must be kept in the office and permission forms completed.

For those students with Epipen, puffers, Twinject etc. please bring those items to the office for safe storage.

Power School

Parents would you like more up to date reports about you son or daughters, Attendance, Timetable or Marks/ Progress Reports.

If you have a computer or access to a computer – parents – you can view your student’s attendance, timetable or progress report information on Power School.

Stop in at the school office and talk to Mrs. Fleming about obtaining a User ID and password (passed out at 2011 Open House) and crash course and/or follow up sessions.

Attendance

Please info the office if your child is going to be away from school or is sick.

You can call at any time as we do have an answering machine.

780-584-3751

From the Counselor's Corner

Welcome to a new school year. As school counselor I invite you to come in and say hello. We are busy putting together our school counseling plan and if you have any suggestions as to areas we need to address please contact the school and I will get back to you.

My regular counseling times are
11:00 to 11:45 a.m. daily

Sincerely, Charlene Assenheimer

FCSS

We are excited to offer “Breakfast Club” once again to our students. This club will be run by the FCSS Family Liaison Lorraine Locklock along with three fabulous volunteers, Claudette Olson, Selene Stowbridge and Kim Cross. Students will have access to a healthy breakfast everyday between 8:15-8:30 am. Studies show that a good breakfast is directly linked to better learning in school. Regular class time will not be missed and nutritional foods, following the Canadian Food Guide, will be offered. Every student is eligible, so if you are interested in having your child participate please be sure that you have filled out the consent form sent home with your child. The program will begin Monday October 17, 2011. If you are interest in helping out please contact the school.

“PIZZA WITH THE PRINCIPAL”

In order to encourage the reading of the newsletter, after you have read the newsletter, fill the location below out with the name of your child from a draw for “Pizza with the Principal.” One student will be chosen each month for this draw where he/she and one of their friends will have a chance to have a free pizza lunch with the Principal. Ballots are only valid with a parent or guardians signature.

I, _____ have seen and read the Fort Assiniboine Newsletter. I give permission to my Son/daughter

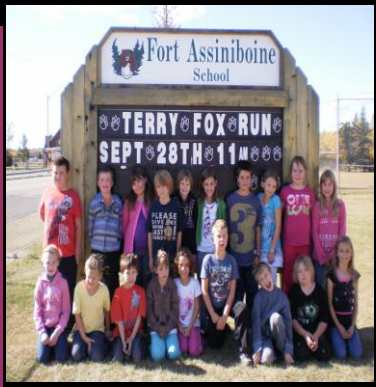
_____ to participate in the Pizza with the Principal draw.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return entry form no later than October 26, 2011

Terry Fox Run



Fort Assiniboine School was proud to participate in the Terry Fox Annual School Run on Wednesday September 28. Approx 200 people ran/jogged/walked the 2.3 km trail. Due to some hazards on the old trail we made some changes our course and ran through the town and then along the walking trail around Welsh Park. Fort Assiniboine School raised approx. \$100 this year from our 95 students who took home pledge forms.

Special thanks to Keephills Aggregate Ltd for supplying the lunch and the wonderful volunteers who came out to help cook and serve lunch.

If you would still like to make a donation to the Terry Fox Foundation, you can do so at the school office by October 15.

On behalf of the Terry Fox Foundation Thanks for your support.

Student's Union Report

As our major fundraiser this fall, we have once again chosen to offer you the magazine subscription fundraiser. The "Family Reading Program" is run by **QSP (Quality Service Programs)**. Your involvement in our fundraising campaign is appreciated and needed. The profits raised will go towards activities that will benefit all of our students. Please RENEW any subscriptions that you are currently receiving at your home or office, bring in NEW subscriptions orders of interest, or give a GIFT subscriptions to friends, relatives and business associates across Canada. (Remember Birthdays and Christmas are coming.)

FAMILY READING PROGRAM

- ☑ There are **over 550 titles** to choose from.
- ☑ Current **subscriptions can be renewed now** (with payment) and will extend your subscription.
- ☑ We **guarantee the lowest price**. If you have a publisher's offer lower than our price, simply attach that offer to the white order form and pay the lower price.
- ☑ Some seasonal magazines may take up to 12-14 weeks for delivery if NEW subscribers.

ON-LINE ORDERING: Order all your subscriptions on-line all year long. Simply go to www.QSP.ca, click "Register Now" and create your account. Use **Our School Group #361 and shop on line**. Buy/renew your magazines, and our school earns the profit. You will receive your magazines 4 or 6 weeks sooner. It's that easy!

POINTS TO REMEMBER

- 1) For the safety of our children, please sell to family, friends, relatives, neighbours and co-workers. **(Door to Door is not Necessary!)**
- 2) Extra catalogues and order forms are available in the office or from any Jr./Sr. High Student
- 3) Please pay by cash or cheque, preferably cheque, or Visa/Master Card and return payment with white and yellow order forms.

MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: FORT ASSINIBOINE SCHOOL

PLEASE RETURN ALL ORDERS BY: Wednesdays: OCTOBER 12th, 19th and 26th

WATCH FOR THE SPIRIT WEEK ACTIVITIES BROCHURE COMING HOME IN A BACKPACK/DAYPLANNER IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

**Different daily dress-up themes, contests and prizes
ALL SPONSORED BY YOUR LOCAL STUDENTS' UNION**



Ski & Snowboard Swap Plus More November 26th 2011

Swap:

Saturday, November 26/11: 10 am to 12 noon

Drop off your equipment to sell (must be newer than 6 years old)

Gently used, freshly cleaned ski/snowboard wear welcome

\$2 fee for each item consigned for sale (excluding ski poles)

20% commission taken on all gear/clothing sold

All proceeds to Tawatinaw Valley Freeriders Club

Saturday, November 26/11: 1 pm to 4 pm

Sale starts at 1 pm – **CASH ONLY!**

Get ready for the season without breaking the bank

Pick up your cash/unsold items between 4pm and 5pm

Plus More:

Bring your skis/snowboards in for waxing

Skis - \$5.00 Snowboards - \$10.00

Register for programs with the Tawatinaw Valley Freeriders, Freestyle Ski Club. Learn to ski moguls, jumps, rails & pipe.

Junior Jumps & Bumps or Jumps & Bumps: 5 years & up

Freestylerz: 8 years & up Freeriders : 11 years & up

Check out the Tawatinaw Valley Ski Hill & Canadian Ski Patrol displays to see what is new for the coming ski & snowboard season.

Location: Westlock Motors 10415 – 104 Avenue Westlock

Proudly sponsored by:

Westlock Motors





The Tawatinaw Valley Freeriders Club are accepting registrations for the 2011-2012 Ski Season. Our coaches are certified by the Canadian Freestyle Ski Association (CFSA) & NCCP.

Saturday morning 10 am – noon: 5 weeks Jan 7, 21, Feb 4, 18, Mar 3, 2012

Junior Jumps & Bumps. This half day program is designed for beginning skiers (ages 5 & up). Skiers must be able to snow plow down a green run and ride a T-Bar. The focus of this program will be on developing the skills of the skier to allow them to parallel ski down a blue/black run, which is the minimum requirement to join RBC Jumps & Bumps. **\$150.00**

Saturdays 10 am – 3 pm: 10 weeks Jan 7 – Mar 17 (no session Feb 11) 2012

RBC Jumps & Bumps program is designed to give young skiers (ages 5 & up) an introduction to the skills of Freestyle Skiing in a safe and fun environment. Focus is on development of carving turns with introduction to basic jumps, moguls and terrain park. The RBC Jumps & Bumps Program is all about safely building FUNdamental Freestyle skills and skiing with friends. Skiers must be able to parallel ski down a blue/black run and ride a T-Bar. **\$325.00**

Freestylers. Ages 8 & up. In this program the focus is on progression to more advanced skills in Moguls, Slopestyle (terrain park) and Halfpipe. An emphasis on strong turning and take-off basics provides the foundation to safely launch spins off jumps in moguls and terrain park. Skiers ride with friends, but learn at their own pace with a personal Goal Book and Training Log. Skiers may opt to enter fun Club/Inter-Club events. **\$325.00**

Freeriders is a club level program for athletes 11 & up. It is designed to allow progression to competitive skills and refined techniques in Moguls, Slopestyle (terrain park) and Halfpipe, combined with training strategies. When skiers are ready they enter fun Club and Provincial Level Competitions. Whether you dream about being an Olympic champion or want to improve your skiing while making great friends and having fun on the snow, **THIS IS FOR YOU! \$325.00**

Sundays 10 am – 3 pm: 4 weeks Jan 15, 29, Feb 19, Mar 4 2012

These sessions can be an add on to the Saturday programs or may be enrolled in independently as an introduction to our programs. **\$140.00** Please note that we will require a minimum of 6 participants/grouping or that grouping will not be offered on Sundays.

Dryland Training will take place October 30 - December 4. Sundays from 6:15 - 7:45 p.m. at Dynamyx Gymnastics in St. Albert (Campbell Industrial Park). Each session will include warm-up, conditioning and trampoline training and will be led by a club coach along with a trampoline coach from Dynamyx. Dryland training is open to participants registered in full day programs. Cost is **\$75 for 6 sessions, or \$15/session.**

The cost of the programs for the 2011-2012 ski season include:

Training at the Tawatinaw Valley Alpine and Nordic Centre
Coaching costs for any competition attended with the approval of the club.

Program costs do NOT include:

Lift tickets

Equipment rental

Personal costs associated with attending a competition (travel, hotel, food, registration, etc)

CFSA/AFSA Registration for participants and volunteers

To register or for more information contact Toni Siegle 780-348-5483, info.tvfr@gmail.com

