



The Third Academy Howler



The Third Academy School

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Principal's Message



We are off to a great start this year. The children are making new friends and settling into their classrooms with their new teachers. We are happy to report that our classes are filling up fast as we approach our maximum enrollment.

There are currently only ten spots still available for new students across our whole campus. We would encourage you to tell your friends and family to check out our school while there are still spots available.

We enjoyed our time together at Blackfoot Park last Friday where the children played soccer and other outdoor games. We look forward to spending a lot of time at the park this year. We are very busy preparing for our Ice fields trip next week. The Sr. High leaves on Tuesday September 22 and our Jr. High group leaves on Wednesday September 23.

There is a complete information package on our website for your convenience.

Have you seen our Dragon? This year we have chosen a theme similar to Harry Potter and Hogwarts. We are calling it *Thirdwarts and All*. We are slowly turning our campus into a magical school as our bulletin boards and activities reflect our fun theme. Our students will be placed into four houses; Eagle Talon (Black), Cougar Claw (Yellow), Raven Wing Orange) and Wolf Fang (Blue). The students will wear their house colors at the activities and competitions that are planned.

Jr. & Sr. High Principal

Joe Smith

Ice Fields Trip

A few reminders for next week's Ice Field's Tip.....

- ◆ Please ensure you read the information package that was sent home.
- ◆ Bring your supplies to the school a day prior to departure.
- ◆ Be at the school & ready to leave 8:45 AM (High School on Tuesday & Junior High on Wednesday).
- ◆ Pick up for all students will be at the school at 5:15pm on Friday, Sept 25th.
- ◆ Cell phone service is not available on location.
- ◆ This is a mandatory school event. If your child does not attend they must stay at home during the trip dates.
- ◆ Students cannot participate without payment & signed forms—due tomorrow, **Friday Dept. 18th.**



****ALERT****

If your family has a Banff National Park pass that we can utilize, please let us know.

Jr. High 1.....Grades 7/8

Hello Junior High 1 families!

This week in our class we have studied the Algonquians, created food chains and pyramids, enforced strategies to recognize multiples, and have begun our unit on creative short stories.

Next week will be a shorter week, we will finish up our topics from this week and we look forward to spending three days in the Ice Fields!

Just a reminder, all staff will be away on the trip and all students who are not in attendance will need to remain at home.

Thank you!

Mrs Smith, Mr Smith,

Ms Fischer and Ms Williams



Jr. High 2.....Grade 9

Thank you again to all parents, students, volunteers and contributors to The Third Academy community for their on going support of our fine institution. For this past week, we have been engaging in the following activities: Harry Potter novel study, reviewing the basics in relation to arithmetic computation and mathematical analysis, examining the biodiversity of the Galapagos Islands, and playing handball. For the next week, we will be heavily engaged in a series of educational and recreational activities that relate to our Icefields trip.

Thank you and take care,

Scott Finney and Caron McBride

High School 1...Grade 10

Dear parents, guardians, and students;

For this week, Grade 10 students have completed their CTBS testing and will begin to move into streams for their courses. Students have finished reviewing basic materials from previous years and will be moving into the core content of their curriculum for Math, Science, Social Studies, and English Language Arts. In science, students will be learning about chemicals and energy. Math classes will be working with ratios, estimation, and measurements. English classes are focusing on basic writing skills (i.e. paragraph structures, and grammar). Social studies students will be reviewing facts about Canada and Alberta.

A quick note to all Grade 10 students and parents/guardians. All students will be given opportunities to complete their coursework in class. Any incomplete assignments may be taken home to complete, but students are still responsible for submitting their assignments on the days that they are due.

Also, students are excited for the upcoming Icefields trip starting next Tuesday where they will be spending four days with classmates and staff. The trip will be a great opportunity for students to begin team-building and to stay active!

Work hard and do your best this year, Grade 10's! - Anthony Chim & Peter Lu

High School 2...Grades 11/12

The week of the 14th was a busy time for the senior high school class. Completing projects and beginning to get into the stride of daily work. As we fast approach the week of the 21st and our Ice Field trip the High School team eagerly awaits a week of adventure and fun. A quick reminder to parents/guardians of the senior high school class that several letters will be coming home either just before or just after the trip concerning your child's course load and path to graduation. Keep an eye out!

Christos Kazyas & Curtis Kennedy

Expressive Arts

In Expressive Arts we are learning the dramatic expression of swordplay through The Three Musketeers. We look forward to developing our characters and personas as we tackle this classic tale of intrigue and bravery.

Mr. G

Music & Visual Arts

In Music and Visual Arts we have been learning about the drums and reading guitar tab sheets. The students are excited to begin their band work in class on Friday and next week!

Mr. Kennedy

Volunteers

Your school community relies on the continuous support of it's volunteers to help make our programing successful and to make a difference in the lives of our children. We have had volunteers help us in the front office, in the resource room, for our lunch program, our newsletters, in maintenance, etc.. Our Casino & Bingo Events are very successful, but we need more volounteers....

- ◆ The first event is Sunday, **October 4 @ Grey Eagle Bingo**, 10:30 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ The second event is **Friday and Saturday, October 16/17 @ Cowboys Casino**.

We require a total of 36 volunteers, working in three shifts each day.

Day Shift = 11:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.; Night Shift = 6:45 p.m. – 3:30 a.m.; Count Room Shift = 10:45 p.m. – 3:30 a.m.

No experience is required for Casino volunteer jobs. Cowboys is a non-smoking facility.

Please note:

Bingos and casinos are a great way to meet your mandatory volunteer hours and support the school's fundraising efforts.

Family and friends can also volunteer as long as they are 18 years of age or older.

If you have any questions, e-mail (ksenyk@shaw.ca), call or text (403-862-5185).



PAC & Fundraising

The Annual General Meeting for the Parent Advisory Committee will take place on

Wednesday, Sept 30th at 7:00 pm.

We have many positions to fill and can use your help and support.

Please let us know if you ARE able to attend.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Pink Shirt Day	3	4	5
6	7 Labour Day No School	8	9 Pink Shirt Day	10	11 Blackfoot Park 12:10—1:00	12
13	14	15	16 Pink Shirt Day	17	18	19
20	21	22 4 Day Ice Field trip departs (Gr 9- 12)	23 3 Day Ice Field trip departs (Gr 7- 9)	24 Ice Field	25 Both Ice Field trip returns	26
27	28 PD Day No School	29 PD Day No School	30 Pink Shirt Day Annual General Meeting for PAC			