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### ***From the Principal's Office: ([doucetr@lrsd.ab.ca](mailto:doucetr@lrsd.ab.ca))***

Recently I was having a conversation with a parent who had heard ... "rumours." If you ever hear things said about the school, please email me directly and I will respond. These rumours are seldom accurate and only serve to paint the school in a negative light and spread like a prairie wildfire.

Yesterday the province announced changes to its COVID-19 checklist. Symptoms of runny nose and sore throat have been removed from the daily mandatory isolation checklist for students. Click [Checklist](#) for more information.

Positive cases are on the rise in the province, and despite our protocols, we are not immune to the virus entering our community and school. We ask everyone to stay home when sick, use proper hand hygiene, properly wear a non-medical mask and physical distance whenever possible.

Volleyball games start today. At this time, spectators are not permitted, but if COVID numbers are significantly reduced, we can advocate for spectators to return. The schedule for games is on our Athletics Calendar and later in this document.

Happy Halloween.

Roger

### **Online Progress Reports Are Always Available!**

**Parents/Guardians, please contact the office to set up your "Parent Internet Viewer" for real-time updates. There is a Quick Link on our website's homepage to take you there, and our office staff are always willing to assist you in using this feature!**

#### **Our Mission:**

- *To create lifelong engaged learners.*
- *To inspire excellence in leadership, academics, athletics, and fine arts.*
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## Teacher Updates

### Grade 7:

**Doucet & Porteous (Social Studies A & B):** We are wrapping up our Explorers Project this week. Next week we will be shifting to look at the growth of New France and the beginning of the conflict with the English.

**Gammie (PE):** Students continue volleyball demonstrating outcomes in manipulative skills, functional fitness, communication and effort.

**Hatch (Science):** Students have recently completed their first unit test and will be moving onto the second unit, Plants for Food & Fibre in the coming week.

**Howard (Math):** Students are working through our Operations on Decimals unit where they get a chance to hone their previous skills involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of decimal numbers.

**MacLachlan (ELA 7A):** We continue to work on our genre unit, "Oh, the Horror!" Students are working on elements of fiction, and we will begin a class novel study of "Goosebumps" shortly.

**Porteous (ELA 7B):** We are working on our Horror Unit as well. Next week we are beginning our listen to some older radio plays to get an understanding of how media types can shape our interpretations of the story.

### Grade 8:

**Baxter (ELA A & B):** Students will continue to work on their "Creativity" projects. Our next assignment is the Remembrance Day activity/contest. Students need to read 20 minutes/day = 120 minutes/ week.

**Gammie (PE):** Students continue volleyball demonstrating outcomes in manipulative skills, functional fitness, communication and effort.

**Hatch (Science):** Students have now moved onto our second unit, Cells & Systems, and will soon be entering the lab to work with microscopes and to learn proper techniques for preparing slides for examination.

**Henning (Social):** Students are learning about the impacts of trade on **Renaissance Era Italian City-States**. Next week will have students completing a Brochure detailing the benefits of trade within a chosen city.

**Howard (Math):** Students are working through our Integer Operations unit where they are building skills for multiplying and dividing Integers. This will be added to previous knowledge of adding and subtracting Integers at the end of the unit when we build order of operations skills.

### Grade 9:

**Baxter (ELA):** Students continue to work on their "Hero" projects. The next assignment is the Remembrance Day contest/assignment. Students need to read 20 minutes /day = 120 minutes/ week.

**Anderson (Science):** Unit B 1.2 continued as students learn about matter and mixtures. See Powerschool for updated quiz marks.

**Gammie (PE):** Students continue volleyball demonstrating outcomes in manipulative skills, functional fitness, communication and effort.

**Porteous (Social Studies):** We are looking at the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. All marks for Unit 1 will be available by Friday PM, except for the exam. Once all exams are completed, those marks will be posted and we will review the concepts.

## Grade 10:

**Anderson (Science 10):** Students are learning about Unit B 1.1 Motion, 1.2 Velocity and 1.3 Acceleration. Reminder the next quiz is scheduled for Wed. Nov. 4th.

**Doucet (Social 10):** Next week, students will work on the issue two project. This project is a photo essay on the legacy of imperialism. afterward the students will write their unit two exam.

**Howard (PE 10):** We are finished with outdoor units and have moved onto Box Lacrosse which is played inside. Manipulative skills as well as teamwork and fairplay are essential outcomes in this unit.

**MacLachlan (ELA 10):** We are almost done *Romeo & Juliet*, and should finish next week. We will be writing a reading comprehension test and an essay upon completion of the play.

**Baxter (CALM):** We will be completing the Sexual Education unit next week. Students must be working on their Portfolio's - the halfway check-in is Nov 6.

## Grade 11:

**Anderson (Physics 20):** Reminder to students to study this weekend for their Chapter 3 and 4 test scheduled for next Tuesday, Nov 3rd. The Unit B "Dynamics" exam is scheduled for Thursday, Nov 5th.

**MacLachlan (ELA 20):** Students are writing our first critical essay this coming week, and will be writing and workshopping in class.

**McNutt (Math 20-1):**

## Grade 12:

**Anderson (Biology 30):** Students are learning about Unit C "Cell Division, Genetics and Molecular Biology." Mitosis/Meiosis modelling projects are due Nov 3rd. See Powerschool for recent marks updates.

**MacLachlan (ELA 30):** Having finished *King Lear*, students are writing a critical essay this coming week.

**McNutt (Math 30-1):**

**Porteous (Social 30):** We are moving on from examining Fascism and Communism as responses to Classical Liberalism and now moving to look at the rise of modern liberalism as an alternative.

## JTF Athletics

### Volleyball Practice Schedule

Junior 7 Girls Thursdays 3:45-5:15 @ JTF - Coach: Erinn McRae

Junior 8 Girls Wednesdays 3:45-5:15 @ JTF - Coach: Jessica Chattaway

Junior 9 Girls Mondays 3:45-5:15 @ JTF - Coach: Jim Watson

Junior Boys Tuesdays 3:45-5:15pm @ JTF - Coach: Kasey Howard

Sr Girls Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:30-7:00pm @ JTF - Coach: Fortune Anchoris

Sr Boys Monday and Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm @ JTF - Coach: Beverly McNutt

**Volleyball Game Schedule** *(all games are subject to change)*

Oct 30 - Jr. Boys @ FPW & Sr. Boys @ JTF  
Nov 6 - Gr. 7 Girls @ FPW & Sr. Girls @ JTF  
Nov 7 - Gr. 8 Girls @ FPW  
Nov 20 - Gr. 9 Girls @ FPW & Jr. Boys @ JTF  
Nov 27 - Sr. Boys @ FPW & Gr. 7 Girls @ JTF  
Nov 28 - Gr. 8 Girls @ JTF  
Dec 4 - Sr. Girls @ FPW & Gr. 9. Girls @ JTF  
Dec 11 - Crossover games TBD  
Dec 18 - Crossover games TBD

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