



# Poplar Ridge School November Newsletter

We had a wonderful October! The snow came a bit earlier than expected. Thank you families, for dressing your children according to the ever changing weather!

## Top 13 things you need to know about Poplar Ridge for November:

1. Academic Excellence - We had a 96% turn out for Parent Teacher Interviews! It was great to chat with you about successes, challenges and goals for the upcoming school year. Thank you for reading with your child.
2. Drop Offs and Pick Ups  
**We need your help!** It was brought to our attention at the School Council meeting that there is a safety concern about the cars on the highway during winter season as it is so icy. To eliminate this or to increase better traffic flow, we are going to encourage parents to **drive right to the end of the main loop** (by the garbage bin) to drop off and pick up children instead of stopping right by the front stairs. Parents, please remind your child(ren) to be looking for your vehicle. Also, if you need to come into the school, park in a parking stall instead of jumping out and leaving your vehicle running as this is causing congestion.
3. School Photo Retakes - We will have retakes on Nov. 3. Please write it in your child's agenda if you want your child to have retakes, please send back the Smart Photography paper with their unique code.
4. Remembrance Day Assembly  
We will be hosting our Remembrance Day Assembly on Nov. 6 at 1:45. As this is such an important event, please be on time. All of the Poplar Ridge students will be singing at this assembly. The Innisfail Legion, Sylvan Legion and the Color Party will be present.
5. Fall Break - Our Fall Break will be on Nov. 9 and 10. No school for staff or students on those days.
6. Social Emotional Wellbeing/ Physical Wellness/Community  
Our grade 5 and 6 volleyball players will be going to HJ Cody for a tournament on Nov. 17
7. Scholastic Book Fair - The Scholastic Book fair will be Nov. 21-23. Students will have the opportunity to purchase items from the fair during library class time, lunch recess and Wednesday, Nov. 22 after school until 5:00
8. Cotton Candy Day - On Nov. 30, we will have a cotton candy fundraiser. Please stay tuned for more details.
9. Professional Learning Day, Nov. 24 - Our staff will be learning more about Social Emotional Wellness as well as collaborating with all of the Sylvan teachers. No school for students.
10. Healthy Hunger, Tuesday Hot Lunch and Toast  
Wednesday and Thursday hot lunches can be ordered [www.healthyhunger.ca](http://www.healthyhunger.ca).  
Tuesday hot lunches will re-open for the Dec & Jan lunches on Nov 6 to midnight Nov 17. [Prs.hotlunches.net](http://Prs.hotlunches.net)  
Both programs serve as a School Council fundraiser.  
Thank you to the volunteers who prepare toast on Tuesdays and Thursdays.  
We need your help with Tuesday hot lunch! If you are able to help, please contact Stephanie 403-302-7444
11. The Store - Our school store is open on Monday/Wednesday/Friday for grades 4-6 and on Tuesday/Thursday for Grades 1-3. Kindergarten goes on the Fridays that they attend school. Each item is \$1.00.  
Items include: chips and ice cream. Thank you to the grade 6 students who manage the store.
12. Facebook - Did you know that since the first day of school we have posted over 80 posts and almost 600 photos?  
Make sure not to miss out on any announcements or photos and follow us!
13. Christmas Concert - Mark your calendar for Dec. 21. We will be having 2 daytime performances at 10 am and 1:30 pm.

## Dates to Remember:

Nov. 3 - School Photo Retakes  
Nov. 6 - Remembrance Day Service at 1:45  
Nov. 9 & 10 - Fall Break  
Nov. 17 - Volleyball Tournament  
Nov. 21-23 - Scholastic Book Fair  
Nov. 24 - Professional Learning Day  
Nov. 30- Cotton Candy Day  
Dec. 21- Christmas Concert Day - daytime at 10 am and 1:30 pm



# School Council Corner Nov. 2023

Once again we are thankful for all who attended the Oct. 26th meeting.

Please see the minutes posted on the school website and save the date for the next one to be held **Thursday, Nov 30.**



Thank you to Sami Rodwell for kick starting the Healthy Hunger program for the 2023/24 year and a huge thank you to Tricia Hansen for volunteering to oversee the program for the remainder of the year!



Thank you for your support, we sold 135 cases of apples and raised more than \$1200 for the ongoing enhancement of our children's learning journey!  
**THANK YOU!**



Miss Reed's grade four class had the opportunity to visit Red Deer's Waste Management Facility which fit in nicely with their science unit