# Poplar Ridge Elementary School



## August 30, 2022 Newsletter



#### Principal's Welcome Back - August 2022

Welcome back everyone! We are so excited to see all of our kids and families on Thursday and look forward to an amazing year together learning, growing and having fun. Here are few reminders about our start up for you:

- Grades 1-6 start school Thursday, September 1. This is a regular school day.
- \* Kindergarten has a staggered entry on Thursday September 1 and Friday September 2. Mrs. Lidgren has communicated this plan to our Kinder parents. If you have any questions, please feel free to call her at the school.
- Hours of Instruction: Our bell times are 8:45am to 3:05 pm. Supervision begins at 8:30am. Students should not be dropped off or arrive before this time. Students are dismissed at 3:05 to board their buses, walk home or be picked up.

#### Dates to Remember - Mark your Calendar

First Day of School —Sept 1
First Day of Kindergarten—Sept 1 & 2
No School—Sept 5
Parent Open House—Sept 8
Terry Fox Run—Sept 20
School Photos—Sept 22
No School—Sept 23
Orange Shirt Day—Sept 29
No School—Sept 30

- \* Our Drop Off and Pick Up routine is the same it is a finely tuned machine!! Parents pull up to the sidewalk in front of the school. A staff member will meet your car and welcome your child out or deliver your child to your car and load them in. Parents/drivers simply stay in the car. This is a great opportunity for us to connect with you! Please plan to arrive between 3:05 3:15pm. We load students as they come out, so arriving super early only creates a long line out onto the highway. Thank you for being kind and letting folks merge into the line and for being patient. It is a quick process once kids come out. Bus students are supervised as they get on their buses as well. See map on the next page
- \* Check in at Office: If you have to drop your child off late or pick them up early you will need to sign them in or out at the office. If your child forgets a back pack, lunch or anything else, please drop off those items to the office.
- \* Absent or Late: If your child is going to be absent or late, please email your teacher or call our office to let us know. We call home if we haven't heard from you and your child is absent. If your child rides the bus, you must let their bus driver know of any absences or change of plans. They will share their cell with you.

#### **Family Picture Wall**

Last year, we asked our families to send in a picture of their family for our Poplar Ridge Family Board. This was such a beautiful way to get to know all of you and the kids absolutely loved looking at it! So we are going to do it again this year. We invite you to send in a pic of your family for our board in the next few weeks. If you would like us to use the pic you sent last year let your child's teacher know.

#### **Open House**

We will be hosting an Open House on Thursday September 8 from 3:05 to 4:30pm. We invite you to stop in with your child, meet their teacher, our amazing staff and tour the school. We do not have child care, so if you cannot attend right after school, your child will go home and come back with you. You can bring your family picture in at this time too! We hope to see you all here!

#### Congratulations are in order on the Ridge!

Please join us in congratulating two of our staff members on some exciting changes in their lives. First, we are so thrilled to share that Mrs. Warder will be adding to her family with her first child in January! Second, we are so happy to congratulate Ms. Galenza on her very recent nuptials! She is now Mrs. Kuefler, pronounced "keefler". We are so happy for both of them.

We will send out another September Newsletter with more specific info on many things again next week. In the meantime, enjoy your last few days of summer break!

Carolynne

### **Class Configuration and Staffing 2022/2023**

As a staff, we have spent a great deal of time working on the configuration of our classes for next year, using the staffing allotment provided by our division. Our staffing allotment is based on next year's enrolment number. Below is our configuration for the upcoming school year.

Principal / Learner Support / PE / Alternative Learning—Ms. Carolynne Muncer

Vice Principal / Grade 5 / Alternative Learning—Mr. Darren Pickering

Administration Support – Ms Michelle Salomons

Kindergarten / Learner Support – Mrs. Alissa Lidgren

Grade 1 / Music —Mrs. Jennifer Warder

Grade 2 - Mrs. Karlan Kuefler

Grade 3 – Miss Jasmine Gerski

Grade 4 – Miss Janine Reed

Grade 5 - Mr. Darren Pickering & Mr. Mark Linski

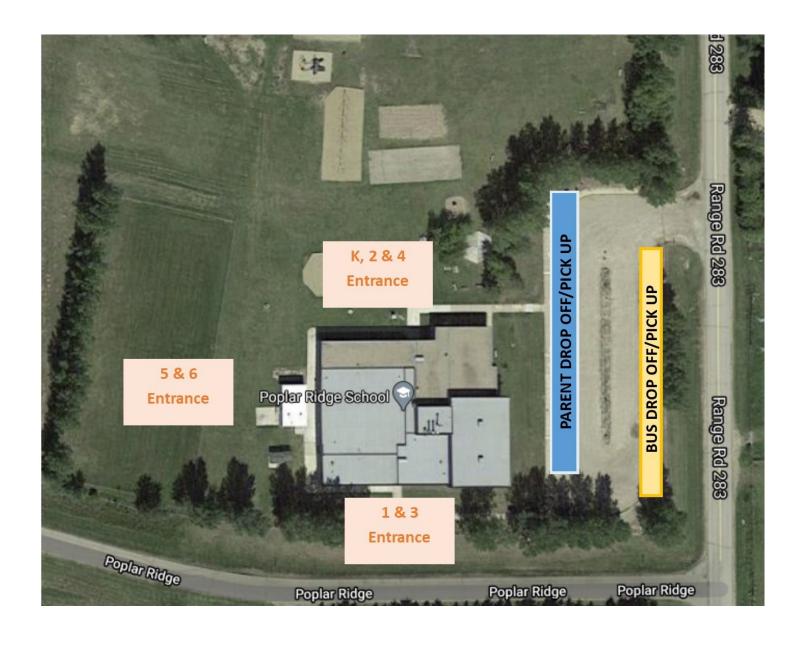
Grade 6 - Mrs. Ricki-Ann Sargent

Educational Assistants: Mrs. Debbie Czainski, Ms. Kristie Duarto,

Mrs. Darlene Wells, Mrs. Karen Unterschultz

Family School Wellness—Mrs. Melissa Frank-Douglas

Librarian – Mrs. Debbie Czainski





## Chinook's Edge School Division - Poplar Ridge School

2022-2023 Student Attendance Traditional Calendar

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Feb 3 Kindergarten Friday
Feb 10 Collaborative Day
Feb 20 Family Day

Feb 20 Family Day
Feb 20-24 Winter Break

Feb 23-24 Teachers' Convention

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Sept 5 Labour Day
Sept 23 Focused PD Day
Sept 30 National Day for Truth and

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Dec 2 Kindergarten Friday
Dec 9 Non Instructional Day
Dec 16 Kindergarten Friday
Dec 26-31 Christmas Break

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Kindergarten Friday Last day of Kindergarten Students Last Day School Organizational Day

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Christmas Break Students Return Kindergarten Friday School Organizational Day

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	School Planning Day		Teachers' Convention
	Focused PD Day		Significant Start and End Dates
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CESD appreciates feedback from all of our stakeholders in the creation of this calendar. Over 2000 CESD staff members, parents and students contributed to the most recent CESD Calendar Survey. The next opportunity for feedback will be in the 2022-2023 school year.

APPROVED: March 9, 2022