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Newsletter

June

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This Month at OP

(Please check our [school website](#) for updated [Calendar events](#))

Friday June 3

- Math A Thon Prize Day -Hotdog and juice box provided @ lunch (Please send additional snacks & supplemental food)

June 6 - 10

- Pride Week-focus on inclusion & acceptance of all people

Wednesday, June 8

- Grade 5 group photo, 11:00 am

Thursday, June 9

- Kindergarten Orientation 5-5:45 pm
- Parent Council sponsored Movie night. 5:45 pm -7:30 pm

Friday, June 10

- Staff Learning Day, no school for students

Monday June 13

- Grade 3 Field Trip to Fort Normandeu

Wednesday, June 15

- Gr 4S, 5L & 4/5C Field Trip to Telus Science Center

Thursday, June 16

- Grade 1 Field Trip to The Jungle Farm (Innisfail)

Tuesday, June 21

- Gr 4/5 B & 4 B/R Field Trip to Rocky Historic Site

Thursday June 23

- Grade 5 Farewell

Friday June 24

- Field Day (Inclement Weather Backup: June 27)

Tuesday June 28

- **Last day for Students - 2:30 dismissal**

You blink and you miss it - or so the saying goes. It feels like we blinked and the year is almost done! That late Easter Break made the last few weeks fly by and now, we focus on ensuring all our units are taught and our students have the skills they need to complete their year.

June is a busy month in a school and we have a busy one ahead of us! We now fit in the final Math-A-Thon prizes - both as individual homerooms and as a school - we are looking forward to having our hot dog & juice box lunch on Friday this week for the school raising over \$8000 for our OP Outdoor Garden! Way to go Orioles!!!!

Now that we have returned to normal activities we have our year-end field trips to look forward to. Some classes have already done theirs, while others look forward to their upcoming field trips over the next couple of weeks.

We are planning our Grade 5 Farewell - details in the newsletter - as they look forward to transitioning from elementary to their designated Middle School! We will miss them dearly, but we know they are well prepared for this next step!

School Council is planning another fun event on Thursday June 9th - a Family Movie Night! Popcorn & light treats are provided for a nominal fee and you can enjoy some time in the gym on a mat with your child/children making memories - bring a blanket for some cozy time and enjoy the evening! (NO Hot Dogs this time, so please eat first)

We'll do a wrap up newsletter for the final days of June, but for now, enjoy the last 4 weeks of the school year! Thank you all for everything that you do to ensure we work together in the best interest of your child/children & your family! Enjoy the warm days of Spring!



COVID Information

[Updated guidance - AHS for Schools](#) - as of January 5, 2022

[COVID-19 Daily Checklist \(NEW\)](#) - Children under 18 - please review daily before sending children to school

[RDPSD COVID-19 Health & Safety Protocols](#) - RDPSD Guidance Document

Please ensure you know how to log onto your child's Google Classroom - we have information on the [Parent Corner](#) of our [OP Website](#) or [directly here](#).

MATH-A-THON & THE OP OUTDOOR GARDEN

OP School Council looks after the bulk of our fundraisers at OP School. The ONLY fundraiser we did as a school this year, was the Math-A-Thon. The funds raised will go to help the students and community of Oriole Park with an educational space in an outdoor garden. So many teaching concepts in elementary curriculum can be taught and incorporated into an outdoor garden space and we can't wait to have one on site.

Our school raised \$9,356.70!!!!!! That is incredible!!!! Thank you parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends, neighbors, relatives and community! We cannot do these things without your incredible support and assistance.

Now, we take the next steps to begin the work on the Outdoor Garden. This is where we also look to our parents for any expertise in helping with the build. To hire it out would cost thousands of dollars - to show our children how we can come together and work to better our school and our OP Community is priceless.

[**If you think you might be able to donate some time to help out, please fill out this Google Form.**](#)

We certainly appreciate any and all assistance we can get to help with this project. Perhaps if you don't have the skill-set in building garden boxes, you may know someone who does that we could contact? Please let us know.

We look forward to our partnership with Creative Concrete and getting the ball rolling on breaking ground for the Garden Project - timelines and schedules will determine if that can happen in June or not until the fall - but we're working on it! Thank you all for any and all support you can offer!





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SCHOOL ENROLLMENT INTENTION FORM

We are still missing over 180 school enrollment intention forms for next year. It is very important that we know which students are returning to our school and who might be moving away or going to a different school (School of Choice).

Intention letters have been sent to you via email and you can complete the intention form online through your Parent PowerSchool app under the School Engage link.

All information and links are embedded in the email letter you received, however, [here is the link to the youtube video](#) to assist you if you require it. Although the deadline for filling out the School Enrollment Intention form for the 2022/2023 school year has passed, it is vital we have the information from all our families.

Please contact Jacki or Sandy in the office if you have any questions or require any assistance - we would be happy to help!

PARTICIPACTION CHALLENGE

ParticipACTION, Move your Mood and the Red Deer Wellness Alliance are collaborating to offer you & your family a chance to GET ACTIVE and WIN PRIZES! This is the 3rd Annual ParticipACTION Community Better Challenge and it runs from June 1st to June 30th - where we will strive to be Canada's Most Active Community!

The ParticipACTION Community Better Challenge is helping strengthen communities through physical activity and sport because *Everything gets better when you get active*. ParticipACTION is awarding a **\$100,000 prize** to the community who rallies the most participants and accumulates the most active minutes during the challenge. Individual participants can also win prizes by recording their activity on the ParticipACTION app.

[Check out this link](#) to more information & their poster!



2022-2023 TRANSPORTATION APPLICATIONS FORMS

Yellow bus applications will be done online starting **May 1st for the 2022-2023 school year**. All [eligibility rules](#) still apply. This process will involve using School Engage through your Powerschool parent account to apply for busing. The 2022-2023 online form will be **active on May 1st** and will be the only way to apply for yellow busing. Paper forms will no longer be available or accepted once this new process begins so please ensure you have a Powerschool account. Below is a link to the new process to help with the transition. Please note that just like in previous years, applications that are submitted online after June 24th will not be processed until school staff are back in late August. Specialized busing (for the Pathways Program) will still be done with paper forms through the school. Please contact Sandy for further information.



[Yellow Bus Application Process](#)

DISTRICT SATISFACTION SURVEY

When it comes to your child's education, it is very important that you have a voice. We are coming out of another year where COVID affected our return to school and the activities we were able to do until March - when things eased up.

After the majority of the day-to-day restrictions lifted, we were able to implement many of our former activities and events: Ryan Straschnitzki Guest Speaker, Choral Group, Field Trips, Activity Days, Field Day, Family Night at the Park, BBQ's, Family Movie Night, Buddy Reading in Class, Mentorship/Leadership between classes, etc.

Now it's time your voice is heard so Red Deer Public School District knows what is important to you when it comes to the education, and the safety and well-being of your child/children.

ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS are asked to fill out this survey by June 24, 2022 to let us know how we are doing at OP: [LINK](#)

[Parent/Guardian Survey:](#)

<https://forms.gle/9cToGZ74FdfAvEEb6>

LIBRARY YEAR END

Monday June 13 -
Deadline for signing
out books

Friday June 17 - ALL
books returned/
checked back into the
library

Monday June 20 - Invoices sent home for
non returned books.

All books returned or lost books paid for
by June 28th.

If families find a book previously paid for,
please return the book to OP School &
you will be reimbursed the amount.





KINDERGARTEN - 2022/2023 - ORIENTATION

Can you believe those little beans are ready for Kindergarten in September????!!!!???? It's time to welcome our new Kindergarten children and parents to OP! So, the night of our OP School Council Family Movie Night, we'll launch that evening with our Kindergarten 2022 Orientation!

Thursday June 9 5:00 - 5:45 PM - OP Library

Kindergarten parents (and Kindergarten children) - are welcome to attend. We'll meet the parents in the Library and go over some basic introductions & information. The kids will head to the Kindergarten room to do an activity while we meet in the Library!

Red Deer Child Care Society has also provided [this link to a video](#) they made on the Affordability Grant. Please have a look and contact RDCC Society if you are interested. If you have any problems accessing the video, please email or call: Jessie Collings Out of School Care Coordinator

jcollings@reddeerchildcare.ca 403 347 7973 ext 113

Parent Links - Resources - Information

Links to camps & information of interest to parents:

- **Royals Soccer** - Summer day camps (or half day) for children aged 5 - 13.
 - [Link to more information on camps](#)
 - [Link to volunteer opportunity for students 12+](#)
- **Red Deer Minor Football Program** - ages 8+ - [Link](#)
- **Lindsay Thurber Raiders Basketball Camp** - open to students from Grades 1 - 9 - Check this one out!!! [Link to more information](#)
- **Children's Festival** is planned and scheduled for **June 3-4, 2022**. See Link for more information
- **RDNFC** - June Newsletter - [Link](#)
- **Northside Community Centre - Summer Camps** - [Link](#) (various weeks & prices throughout the summer!)
- **Youth Creative Writers Residency Program** - [Link](#)
- **Aspire School** - Push n Pace (Walk or Run Event) - [Link](#)

FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER YOUR KIDS VISIT YOUTH HQ.CA

Going into grade 6? Need a challenge? Want to learn French?

École Intermédiaire Central Middle School offers grade 6 Late French Immersion!

Late French Immersion gives English-speaking children the opportunity to learn the French language.

For more information, please contact:

Giselle Ruest - Vice-Principal and French Immersion Liaison

Phone: 403-346-4397

giselle.ruest@rdpsd.ab.ca

Website: www.central.rdpsd.ab.ca





STUDENT RECOGNITION

The following students were nominated by their teacher in **May** for one of the RDPSD Values for Learning & Life: (Student names & values were celebrated on OPN News weekly, students receive a certificate from the Principal in class, and public recognition in the monthly newsletter.

FIRST Name	Award	Grade	Teacher
Nasma	Responsible	4	Ms. Stemmler
Elizabeth	Resilient	4	Ms. Stemmler
Cohen	Curious	4	Ms. Stemmler
Naya	Curious	1	Mme Josèe
Bridget	Respectful	1	Mme Josèe
Edward	Responsible	1	Mme Josèe
Youssef	Resilient	1	Mme Josèe
Kyle	Curious	5	Mrs. Coates
Sasha	Collaborative	2	Mme Cameron
Ansel	Curious	2	Mme Cameron
Aya	Collaborative	2	Mlle Wallace
Abdul	Resilient	K	Ms. Baird
Anthony	Curious	K	Ms. Baird
Elwyn	Responsible	3	Mme Kayla
Hajar	Curious	3	Mme Kayla
Bennett	Respectful	3	Mme Kayla
Jael	Resilient	2	Mlle Wallace
Vitaline	Resilient	2	Mme Cameron
Reese	Curious	2	Mme Cameron
Ty	Resilient	2	Mrs. Fowler
Phoenix	Curious	2	Mrs. Fowler
Allan	Respectful	2	Mrs. Fowler
Freyja	Curious	1	Mrs. Willms
Gabriel	Healthy	1	Mrs. Willms
Jayden	Resilient	1	Mrs. Willms



** Student Name cannot be printed due to FOIP

FIRST Name	Award	Grade	Teacher
Ahsaan	Respectful	1	Mme Josèe
Juniper	Responsible	1	Mme Josèe
Akhil	Curious	1	Mme Josèe
Amia	Respectful	1	Mme Josèe
Adelaide	Collaborative	1	Mme Josèe
Chloe	Resilient	3	Ms. Weststrate
Isabella	Resilient	3	Ms. Weststrate
Thomas	Resilient	3	Ms. Weststrate
Kaysen	Curious	3	Ms. Weststrate
Willow	Respectful	4	Mme Rudge & Mme Beebe
William	Curious	4	Mme Rudge & Mme Beebe
Keenan	Respectful	4	Mme Rudge & Mme Beebe
Nixon	Resilient	4	Mme Rudge & Mme Beebe
Sean	Responsible	5	Mme Boissonneault
Oliver	Responsible	5	Mme Boissonneault
Anastasia	Curious	3	Ms. Hanson & Mr. O
Ghazal	Curious	3	Ms. Hanson & Mr. O
Brendon	Respectful	3	Ms. Hanson & Mr. O
Jori	Curious	3	Ms. Hanson & Mr. O
Mihran	Responsible	3	Ms. Hanson & Mr. O
Preslie	Resilient	3	Ms. Hanson & Mr. O
Jackson	Curious	3	Ms. Hanson & Mr. O
Carson	Responsible	3	Ms. Hanson & Mr. O
Omar	Collaborative	2	Mlle Wallace
Alèa	Resilient	2	Mlle Wallace
Sam	Respectful	4	Ms. Stemmler
Emahlie	Resilient	4	Ms. Stemmler
Kolbi	Collaborative	4	Ms. Stemmler



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Victoria	Respectful	1	Mrs. Willms
Elizabeth	Resilient	1	Mrs. Willms
Keilah	Resilient	2	Mlle Wallace
Ahmed	Collaborative	2	Mlle Wallace
Jacob	Curious	5	Mme Boissonneault-Empy
Charlotte	Respectful	5	Mme Boissonneault-Empy
Penelope	Collaborative	5	Mme Boissonneault-Empy



Grow a READER

RED DEER PUBLIC LIBRARY'S
2022 KIDS' SUMMER READING CLUB

Join the Summer Reading Club so you can grow into the best reader you can be!



Reading Challenge:
Grad a Book Bingo sheet from one of our branches or on our website to read and play all the summer long! And yes, there are prizes to be won!

Summer Programs:
During the summer we'll have storytimes, activity times, Book Bike stops, Books in the Park StoryWalk®, and more!

Visit rdpl.org/src after June 1 for details!



Staff Updates

Everyone is so excited at the end of the year as we look to the relaxing days of summer. But that excitement is mixed with hints of sadness and conflicted emotions as we say goodbye to some of our valued teachers, colleagues, and friends. Please join me in thanking and celebrating the contribution these incredible members of the OP Staff have made to the growth and development of our OP students and to the wonderful atmosphere at OP:

- Mr. Ian Oostindie - Vice Principal - Retiring
- Mrs. Rhonda Allen - EA - Retiring
- Mrs. Danielle Laurin - EA - Retiring
- Ms. Allison Cook - FRIM Teacher (Kindergarten)
- Mrs. Amanda Willms - Teacher (Grade 1)
- Mrs. Jessica Coates - Teacher (Grade 4/5)
- Mlle Apryl Wallace - FRIM Teacher (Grade 2)
- Mme Roberta Koelmans-Cameron - FRIM Teacher (Grade 2)
- Mme Tanya Baril - FRIM Teacher (Grade 3 & 4)

SAVE THE DATES

It might be summer holidays in a few weeks, but as the pattern appears to repeat itself, we will have some dates for you to keep in mind to start up in the school year again in August.

August 24 - Office Opens for Registrations (office staff only)

August 25, 26, 29, 30 - Teachers Back to work (EA's return on Aug 26 - 30)

August 31/Sept 1: Staggered Start:

August 31: Last Names A - M attend

Sept. 01: Last Names N - Z attend

Sept 02: ALL students attend

Sept 05: Labour Day Holiday

Supply List

On our June 10th Staff Learning Day, OP teachers will finalize their [School Supply List](#) for the 2022/2023 School Year.

We will update our website at that time and link all classroom [school supply lists](#) on our [OP website](#).

If you prefer the ease of the School Start Supply

Program, and sign up to have your supplies delivered to your door so you can prepare & label them prior to the start of the year.

Check back after June 10 for School Supplies for 2022/2023!



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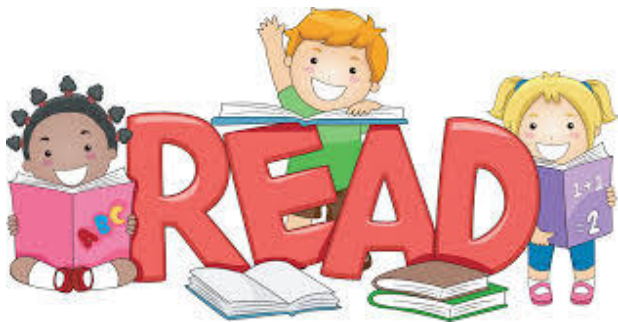
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or use the Parent App



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Video Links

[OP Winter Walk - December, 2021](#)

[OP Remembrance Day Piper](#)



School Council Corner

School Council Meetings

*Our next meeting will take place
IN PERSON (OP Library) or ONLINE:
In September!*

Please join our Oriole Park School Parents & Council
Facebook Group! Link [HERE](#)

SAVE THE DATE!!

June 9 - Family Movie Night @ OP: 5:45 PM

- Doors open @ 5:45~movie starts @ 6:00
- Popcorn/limited concession items avail to purchase for nominal cost
- Bring blankets/pillows for seating (limited chairs avail for those who need)

If you have any questions, please email:
op-schoolcouncil@rdpsd.ab.ca

Fairview School Invites you to:

Supporting Kids in Social Media -
Tues June 14: 6:30-8:00 PM

[Link here for more information](#)

IMPORTANT Links for Parents

[Child Under 18 COVID-19 Health Screening Form](#)

[COVID-19 Health & Safety Protocols RDPSPD 2021](#)

[OP Parent Corner](#) -
programs/info from
Community Sources for your
information only



opinfo@rdpsd.ab.ca - attendance email to report
your child's absence

Free Urgent Dental Screening For Children

Call the Johnstone Crossing Community Health
Centre at 403-356-6302 to see if your family qualifies.