



Brookwood Banner

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Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year from your Leadership TEAM!

Welcome to all of our returning students, parents, families and staff! Welcome to all of those who are new to our Brookwood School community. We look forward to getting to know you!

As we look toward the future in education, it gives me great pleasure to bring my many years of experience in both Public and Christian school settings to the Brookwood community. As an educational leader, I am passionate about fostering collaboration, innovation, respect and trust. I look forward to building relationships with students, staff and parents at Brookwood, as we all work together - "*Striving to be the best we can be!*"

At Brookwood School, we are committed to activating Parkland School Division's Vision and Mission:

Vision: "*Our students possess the confidence, resilience, insight and skills required to thrive in, and positively impact the world.*"

Mission: "We assure supportive learning environments, meaningful experiences and healthy relationships that create opportunities to develop resilience, to gain diversity in perspectives and to achieve enduring success." As a school and school division, our ultimate goal is ... **"student success and well-being"**.

As a staff, we are dedicated to providing opportunities for students to achieve academic success and to be respectful and kind members of our community. Martin Kornfeld states, "If we all do one random act of kindness daily, we just might set the world in the right direction." Students ... we believe it's important for you to ... **"Respect Yourself, Respect Others and Respect Our Space"**. Get ready ... it's going to be a great year at Brookwood!

Please feel free to email me at karen.stridegoudie@psd.ca or call (780 962-3942) at any time with accolades, comments, questions, and concerns. I am excited to be your Principal!

Karen Stride-Goudie
Principal

Welcome to a new and exciting year at Brookwood School! I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our students, families, and staff as we embark on the 2023 - 2024 school year together. It is with great honor and enthusiasm that I am part of the administrative team with Karen Stride-Goudie to serve Brookwood School as Assistant Principal. In my 22 years at Brookwood, I have been fortunate to be part of a collaborative team with Mainstream and Christian Program staff who truly strive to be the best that we can be! As Brookwood's Inclusive Education Lead, I am passionate about student success and wellness, preparing our students for a bright future, and building effective relationships within our Brookwood community.

Please feel free to email rosanne.mcintyre@psd.ca or call me (780 962-3942).

Rosanne McIntyre
Assistant Principal



Brookwood School Handbook

Please reference our Brookwood School Handbook for important information. Thank you!

[BROOKWOOD SCHOOL HANDBOOK](#)

BROOKWOOD CODE:



Think of the other person.

Our Students are taught ...

Before I say or do something, I will ask myself:

- ❖ *Will this be **helpful?***
- ❖ *Will this be **hurtful?***

Be a special person..... do the right thing!



COMMUNICATION at Brookwood

We have various methods of communication at Brookwood School, as outlined below:

- ❖ **School Messenger (Email) - School wide communication**
 - **For example, Arrival & Dismissal Updates etc.**
- ❖ **Brookwood School Website**

- **Parkland School Division Messages & Communication**
- ❖ **Brookwood School Facebook**
 - **Window into what's happening (Pictures, Art work etc.)**
 - **FUN updates - For example, Theme Days**
 - **Special Events - Remembrance Day**
- ❖ **See Saw, Google Classroom etc.**
 - **Messages from classroom teachers**

SAFETY AT BROOKWOOD SCHOOL

Drop Off & Pick Up Safety Measures:

- Parents/Guardians bringing students to school and picking them up are asked to wait outside of the school.
- **Supervision Reminders:**
 - **In the mornings - Supervision begins at 8:15.**
 - We look forward to welcoming students at that time.
 - **Dismissal is at 3:05 - Supervision ends at 3:15.**
- For safety reasons, please do not bring your dogs on school property.



Parents and Visitors

- Reminder - all parents and visitors are required to enter through the front entrance of the school and check in at the office.
- Parents/Guardians who bring items for their children will be requested to leave it in the office, and we will get it to their child.
- Parents & Guardians - please wait outside the designated doors to meet your children at the end of the day.

Volunteers for In Class and Off-Site Field Trips

- Volunteers are required to submit a “Volunteer Registration Form” at least **48 hours** prior to their actual volunteer service.
- Volunteers are required to have a “Criminal Record Check” if they are volunteering for more than **ten** hours per year.
- Volunteers are required to have a “Criminal Record Check” if they are going “off-site” with students.



Some of our students and staff have life-threatening allergies to nuts and nut products. Therefore, our school is “NUT-AWARE”.

- We are asking for your help and cooperation in ensuring our school continues to be safe by not sending any nut products to the school.

Thank you in advance for your commitment to our safety!

SEPTEMBER NOTES

School Council Meeting

- Mark your calendars Sept 12, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m, meeting will be held at Brookwood School in the Art Room.
- Volunteers Needed: School Councils work together with the school administration and staff to support the school in various ways.





Tuesday, Sept. 19 - 5:00 - 6:30

Brookwood School Council & Association

will provide a sweet treat for families!



**WELCOME BACK CHAPEL
FRIDAY SEPT 22ND
9:00 - 9:30 A.M.
HOSTED AT BROOKWOOD**

Christian Program Parent Meeting

Interested in helping out with Chapel?

- Meet us in the Art Room Sept 22nd at 9:40 am following Chapel.



Terry Fox Run

- Mark your calendars
- Sept. 22 (pm)
- More information to follow
- "Toonies for Terry"
- Please send in your "Toonies" to support Cancer Research
- Sept. 11 - 29, 2023



Orange Shirt Day

This school year, Orange Shirt Day will be observed on Friday, September 29, 2023



CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING DATES:

Race #1: Blueberry School - Sept 14, 2023

Race #2: Living Waters race at Jubilee Park - Sept 22, 2023

Race #3: Entwistle - Sept 28, 2023

Race #4: Woodhaven at Brookwood - Oct 5, 2023

Race #5: Ecole Meridian Heights - Oct 12, 2023

Race #6: High Park – October 19, 2023

*** Ask your student if they attended the Cross Country Meeting ***



MARK THESE DATES!!

Sept. 4th - No School

Sept. 5th - Students' First Day

Sept. 12th - School Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 14th- Cross-Country Run # Blueberry

Sept. 21st - Cross-Coutry Run # 2 - Jubilee

Sept. 22nd - Terry Fox Run

Sept. 22 - Welcome Back Chapel at Brookwood - 9:00 am

Sept. 28th - Cross-Country Run #2 Entwistle

Sept. 29th - PSD's Orange Shirt Day

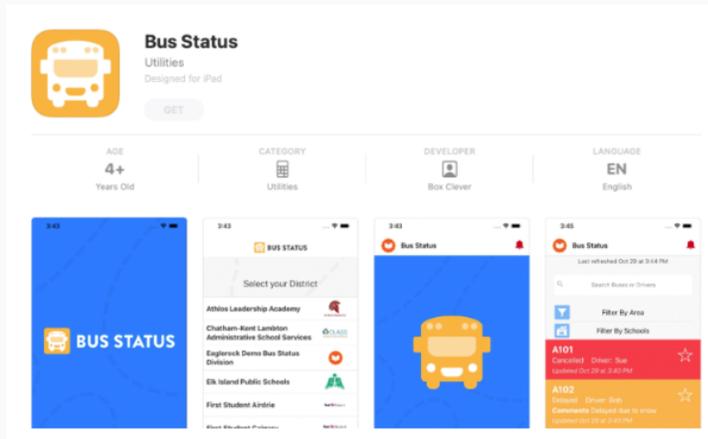
Sept. 30th - National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Oct. 5th - World Teacher's Day

Oct. 6th - NO SCHOOL - PD Day

Oct. 10th & 11th - School Picture Days

BUS STATUS APP CHANGES



What You Need to Do

- ★ Delete the old Bus Status app from your phone/device.
- ★ Download the new "Bus Status 4" app (links are below).
- ★ ○ [Bus Status 4: iOS](#)
- ★ ○ [Bus Status 4: Android](#)

IMPORTANT: On September 29, the old version of the app will be retired and removed from app provider sites. Make sure you take steps 1 & 2 above to ensure you receive current push notification



**Communication from Transportation Services
Driver Shortages - Bus Delays
Expected**

for more information visit: [Bus Driver Shortage Possibilities | Parkland School Division](#)

SCHOOL FEES

- Fees will be charged as field trips occur



***WANTED ***

A VOLUNTEER TO CHANGE OUR BROOKWOOD SIGN

❖ Contact the office if you can help us out!
780-962-3942



- Did you know that Brookwood School Association and Cobs have partnered together as a fundraising option??
- Anytime you stop in mention you're with Brookwood school and a percentage of your purchase will be donated back to the school to help with the new inclusive playground.

COBS BREAD