



Brookwood Banner

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October 2023

October Message from our Leadership Team

It is an absolute pleasure for us to lead the Brookwood School community! As a Leadership Team, we are grateful to work with such a dedicated and committed Staff TEAM!

We have had a busy September and we are so delighted to have the privilege to work with your children. We are so proud of all of the students and staff for their commitment to ongoing learning and for following the important routines to ensure the safety of our Brookwood community.

We are grateful for the opportunity our students had to participate in The Terry Fox Run on September 22. Together we raised \$927.60 for Cancer Research. Thank you for your contributions! In addition, we were able to honor and commemorate "Orange Shirt Day" on September 29. Each class spent some time learning, listening and reflecting on the importance of recognizing that "Every Child Matters". Please check out our [Brookwood School Facebook](#) for some amazing pictures!

As we head into the Thanksgiving season, let us all take some time to *give thanks ...* and *express our gratitude* to others

BE BLESSED ...
Karen Stride-Goudie
Principal



Rosanne McIntyre
Assistant Principal

SAFETY AT BROOKWOOD SCHOOL



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!

Drop Off & Pick Up Safety Measures:

- Parents/Guardians bringing students to school and picking them up are asked to wait outside of the school.
- 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.

OCTOBER NOTES ...

Terry Fox Run

- Thank you to all that contributed to "Toonies for Terry" Our school raised a total of \$927.60 - THANK YOU!!!

Choir ...

The Brookwood Choir has met two times and is already sounding amazing! Practices will be on Mondays at lunch recess. Grade 3s and 4s who have joined us will bring home a purple sheet with information for parents to read, and a permission form to sign and return. We look forward to the beautiful music making we will do together!



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY - October 5th

We encourage you to send a "gratitude" email or card to our teachers today.

Joint Chapel/Praying Parents @ Woodhaven

- Tuesday, October 10th @ 10:05 a.m
Praying Parents will follow chapel

Picture Days

- October 10th - T/TH Kindergarten to Grade 4, & Early Education
- October 11th - M/W Kindergarten, anyone that missed on October 10th



Cross Country October Running Dates:

- Woodhaven/Brookwood - October 5th
- Meridian - October 12th
- High Park - October 19th
- Race begins at 4:15 pm starting with the younger runners
- Parent supervision is required

Jersey Day

- October 11th - to celebrate the opening game of the Oilers hockey season
- Wear your favorite team's jersey, colors, or your favorite sports jersey.



Happy Birthday to Brookwood School!

Brookwood School is celebrating its 50th year of operation!



- Parents and Guardians are welcome to join us on Friday, October 20 at 9:00 am for a mini celebration in the school gymnasium!
- We want to celebrate the amazing legacy and influence of Brookwood School over the last 50 years.

Hot Lunch & Club Moo

- October 9th - online ordering will open
- October 20 - cash day
- All details will be sent home soon



NO SCHOOL:

Professional Development Day - October 6th

Happy Thanksgiving! - October 9th

Brookwood School Council & Association Meetings

- Mark your calendars October 10, 2023
- 6:30 p.m - Brookwood School Council Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. - Brookwood School Association Meeting
- Meetings will be held at Brookwood School in the Art Room
- Volunteers Needed
- Parents work together to support the schools in various ways.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

- Monday, Oct 23 - 4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, Oct 26 - 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- **More information to follow**



**PD Day - NO School on
Oct 9, 2023**

**Kindergarten PD Day -
NO SCHOOL on Oct 27, 2023**

Parkland School Divison's Student Services team newsletter for parents and guardians of students. (LINK BELOW)

[Stronger Together Newsletter page.](#)



Numeracy Corner

Did you know that playing card or board games can improve and strengthen your child's math skills while also creating valuable family bonding time?!

*Read the following article to
find out more!*

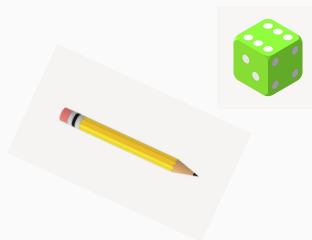
*"Family game nights boost children's math skills, 20 years of studies suggest"
[CTV News -"Family Game Night Boosts Children's Math Skills"](#)*

**Each month here, we will share an easy math game for you and your child to
play:*

Game: "Mennonite Madness"

Materials Needed:

- 6 sided dice
- 1 pencil
- Sheet of paper for each player




Objective: To be the first to write the numbers to 100

Instructions:

Place the pencil in the middle of the playing area. Players each roll the die in turn until someone rolls a six. That player takes the pencil and **starts writing out the numbers 1-100** as fast as they can. The other players continue rolling the die in turn. When someone else gets a six they grab the pencil from the player currently writing and start writing 1-100 on their sheet. Continue until someone gets to 100. The first player to write out the numbers 1-100 wins.

Instructional videos:

 [How to play Mennonite Madness: Group Games](#)

 [How to Play Mennonite Madness/Group Game for Kids Indoors/ Family Game](#)

(variation with 2 dice, rolling doubles)

Literacy Corner



Snuggle up and read with your child.** It not only strengthens their reading skills but it creates sweet bonding time with your child. ***Remember...there is no app to replace your lap!

A banner for a Scholastic Book Fair. The top section features a row of Halloween-themed icons: a ghost, a witch's hat, a broom, a pumpkin, a bat, a spiderweb, a witch's hat, a broom, a pumpkin, and a ghost. Below this is the Scholastic logo (a red book icon with the word "SCHOLASTIC" in white). The main text reads "BOOK FAIR" in large, stylized, black letters with white outlines, and "COMING SOON" in smaller, black, block letters below it. At the bottom, it says "WHEN | WHERE" followed by "Monday, October 23 till Thursday, October 26" and "Brookwood School Tinker Lab". A small line of text at the very bottom says "More Information to Come".

THANK YOU!!

To **The Ken Morrison Team**, we appreciate your annual donation. The students love having fresh fruit as a healthy option for snack.



**THE
KEN MORRISON
TEAM**

MARK THESE DATES!!

Oct 5th - Cross-Country Run
(Woodhaven's Run is held at Brookwood School Field)
Oct 5th - World Teachers' Day
Oct 6th - NO SCHOOL - PD
Oct 9th - Thanksgiving Day (No School)
Oct 9th - Hot Lunch Online Ordering Opens
Oct 10th and 11th - Picture Days
Oct 10th - Joint Chapel (at Woodhaven)
Oct 10th - Brookwood School Council and Association Meetings
Oct 11th - Jersey Day
Oct 12 - Cross-Country Run (Meridian)
Oct 16th - 20th - Swimming (Grade 3)
Oct 19th - Cross-Country Run (High Park)
Oct 20st - Hot Lunch Cash Day
Oct 23rd and 26th - Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct 27th - Kindergarten PD Day - No School for Kinders
Oct 23rd - 26th - BookFair
Oct 31st - Halloween

- Did you know that Brookwood School Association and Cobs have partnered together as a fundraising option??

COBS BREAD

- 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 outdoor classroom.



Guidelines for Halloween - October 31st

HALLOWEEN 2023 AT BROOKWOOD



COSTUMES

- Please ensure all costumes are **respectful** and **fun** for our Early Years' school.
- Costume guidelines:
 - Avoid all scary, bloody, gory costumes and make up
 - **Please keep all costume accessories at home (wands, swords, weapons etc.)**
- If students do not wish to wear a costume, please feel free to dress in orange and black.

COSTUME PARADE

- We will schedule an "outdoor parade" for students and staff @ 1:10 p.m.
 - Students will exit out their coloured dot dot door and walk around the perimeter of our school
 - We will share pictures / video of our parade with our Brookwood families on Facebook
 - Parents / guardians are welcome to attend our "outdoor parade".
 - *Please observe the parade from the back of the school near the playgrounds/ field.*

SNACKS

- Please look for a message from your child's teacher regarding snacks.
- **Please Note:**
 - If you do wish to send a treat for classmates, please ensure all items are "nut free".

Thank you!