

# Brookwood Banner

February 2024

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WEBSITE: [HTTPS://BROOKWOOD.PSD.CA/](https://brookwood.psd.ca/)



## LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

As a Leadership Team, we are grateful to work with our Brookwood community.

Our Grade four students have been taking on leadership roles in our school and will continue to plan “Fun Days” and create a focus for our school each month. We are really excited to provide this leadership opportunity for our students! GO TEAM 4! Please reference details in the Brookwood Banner and remember to check out our Brookwood Facebook Page for some amazing pictures of our February activities!

February is a time to focus on gratitude, kindness and our many blessings. We have so many things to be grateful for here at Brookwood School and we will be sharing kindness in different ways this month. Roy Bennett states, “Be the reason someone smiles. Be the reason someone feels loved and believes in the goodness in people.”

We are so blessed as a school community!

Let’s remember to be grateful ... and to share our gratitude with one another!

Karen Stride-Goudie  
Principal

Rosanne McIntyre  
Assistant Principal

# FEBRUARY NOTES



Brookwood School is registered for  
Winter Walk Day on Feb 7th



**NO SCHOOL:**  
Feb 8th & 9th - Teachers' Convention  
Feb 16th - PD Day  
Feb 20th - Family Day



Sharing valentine cards with our friends at  
Brookwood School - Feb 14th

Grade 4 Leadership Students will be selling  
Candy Grams  
(peanut free/gluten free) on Wednesday,  
February 14 for \$1.00 each. Each Candy  
Gram will come with a pre-attached label  
which can be filled out to send to a friend  
or kept for yourself.  
All proceeds from the sales will go towards  
the Grade 4 Farewell.

**Formal Day - Feb 22nd**

**Dress in your best !**



# FEBRUARY NOTES

## KINDERGARTEN



## OPEN HOUSES

Please bring your child along with you to our in-person events!

Kindergarteners must be 5 years old by Dec. 31, 2024.

JOIN OUR IN-PERSON SCHOOL EVENTS ON  
THURSDAY  
**FEBRUARY 15**  
6-7 pm



**2024-2025 ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 12.**

Must be completed for every student across the division, new or returning (Pre-K to Gr. 12).

**Blueberry School**  
blueberry.psd.ca

**Brookwood School**  
brookwood.psd.ca  
incl. PSD Christian Program

**Copperhaven School**  
copperhaven.psd.ca

**Duffield School**  
duffield.psd.ca

**Entwistle School**  
entwistle.psd.ca

**Forest Green School**  
forestgreen.psd.ca

**Graminia School**  
graminia.psd.ca

**High Park School**  
highpark.psd.ca

**École Meridian Heights School**  
meridianheights.psd.ca

**Millgrove School**  
millgrove.psd.ca

**Muir Lake School**  
muirlake.psd.ca

**Parkland Village School**  
parklandvillage.psd.ca

**Prescott Learning Centre**  
prescott.psd.ca

**Tomahawk School**  
tomahawk.psd.ca  
Preschool/Kindergarten

**Wabamun School**  
wabamun.psd.ca

**Westview School**  
westview.psd.ca

**French Immersion Kindergarten**  
Open houses are on February 13.  
For details, visit [broxtonpark.psd.ca](http://broxtonpark.psd.ca) or [meridianheights.psd.ca](http://meridianheights.psd.ca).

**Nature-based Kindergarten**  
Open house is on February 21. Details at [psd.ca/programs/programs-of-choice/nature-based-kindergarten](http://psd.ca/programs/programs-of-choice/nature-based-kindergarten).

### WHERE IS MY PSD SCHOOL?

Use the School Locator Map on

[psd.ca](http://psd.ca)

Registration information

**CLICK HERE**



# FEBRUARY NOTES



Brookwood Chapel  
Friday, Feb 23rd @ 9:00 a.m.  
Praying Parents to follow



**PINK Shirt Day Feb 28th**



# GET INVOLVED



**Feb 20th**

**Brookwood School Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.**

**Brookwood School Association Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.**

**Online Meeting - GMeet**

**Everyone is welcome to attend!!!!**

# SAFETY NOTES

## **SCHOOL REMINDERS**

**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!**

### **Pick-Up/Drop-Off Safety Reminder:**

The bus lane in front of the school is reserved for buses and maintenance vehicles from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm daily. Please do not enter the bus lane during this time.

The main through lane in the parking lot is a DROP and GO lane. Parents are expected to remain in their vehicles. Your child will walk from your car to the school with the assistance of staff in safety vests. Vehicles in the bus lane and unattended cars in the drop-and-go block flow and create hazards to the safety of our students.

Please park in the guest parking area or the overflow lot if you wish to walk your child to their door or to the main entrance. Additionally, please note there are three reserved parking stalls in the staff lot. Please do not park in these stalls at any time throughout the day. **Students will be dismissed from their homerooms and exit through their designated doors at 3:05 p.m.**

- Parents/Guardians picking up students at school will be asked to wait outside the school.
- We would appreciate your assistance to ensure that all of our Brookwood students are safe and accounted for at the end of the school day. Here's how you can help:
  - Please ensure that your children meet you and stay with you at the end of the school day.
  - Please do not allow your children to play on the playground & swings prior to Bus Dismissal at 3:15.

### **VOLUNTEERS AND VISITORS**

- We are happy to welcome volunteers at Brookwood School this year!
- For safety reasons, volunteers and visitors - are required to check-in at the office.
  - Our office staff are always happy to help you!

# SAFETY NOTES

## SCHOOL REMINDERS

### Dogs on Property

As much as we all enjoy pets, we ask that you keep your dog at home or away from the playground and general school population during school hours. For the safety of our students and your pet, distance is key.

Due to allergies and safety, pets cannot be brought inside Brookwood School, so we kindly ask that you please not bring your animals inside the school or on school property at any time. This includes both big and small dogs.

If you do walk your dog to school to meet your children after school, please kindly wait near the north fence by the bus loop entrance or on the east side of the fence near the alleyway. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter!

**As the weather changes and winter gear is coming out please make sure you are clearly marking your child's gear with student names or initials as we have many identical jackets, footwear etc.**



**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 outdoor classroom.

# MARK THESE DATES

**Feb 6th** - Hot Lunch - Pizza 73

**Feb 7th**- Winter Walk

**Feb 8th & 9th** - No School Teacher Convention

**Feb 12th** - Hot Lunch - Boston Pizza

**Feb 12th** - Online Registration Opens

**Feb 14th** - Valentines' Day & Ring pop sales

**Feb 15th** - Kindergarten Open House @ 6:00 p.m.

**Feb 16th** - No School PD Day

**Feb 19th** - No School Family Day

**Feb 20th** - Brookwood School Council (6:30 p.m.)

**Feb 20th** - Brookwood School Association (7:30 p.m.)

**Feb 22th** - Hot Lunch - Subway

**Feb 23th** - Brookwood Chapel @ 9:00 a.m.

(Praying Parents to follow)

**Feb 28th** - Pink Shirt Day



# 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:**

**“Tens Go Fish”**

**This take on the classic “go fish” game teaches students basic single digit addition skills. This game can be played with at least 2 players. You also need to remove all face cards and “10” cards prior to starting the game.**

**Deal each player 5 cards. Place the remaining cards in the middle as the “go fish” pile.**

**Players can look through their cards to see if they have any 2 cards that add up to 10. If they do, they can remove those cards, place them face up in pairs, and replace them with additional cards from the pile.**

**Each turn, a student will ask another student for a specific numbered card they need to create a sum of 10. If they have the card, they give it to the player and they place the new pair face up. They would then take another card from the pile. If they don't have the number, then the player would draw one card from the pile.**

**Play continues until all cards are used or there are no pairs left. The student with the most pairs is the winner.**

**Taken from [20-Activities for Learning Math with Card Games](#)**



# LITERACY CORNER



- \* Literacy Corner
- \* Simple Strategies for Creating Strong Readers
- \* Invite your child to read with you every day.
- \* When reading a book where the print is large, point word by word as you read.
- \* Read a child's favorite book over and over again.
- \* Read many stories with rhyming words and lines that repeat.
- \* Discuss new words.
- \* Stop and ask about the pictures and about what is happening in the story.
- \* Read from a variety of children's books, including fairy tales, songbooks, poems and information books.
  
- \* Taken from Reading Tips for Parents ([fldoe.org](http://fldoe.org))