

Brookwood Banner

March 2024

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LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

As a Leadership Team, we are grateful to work with our Brookwood community. Thank you to our students, staff and parents for continuing to work with us. We truly appreciate your support!

March is a time to look forward to Spring! We welcome the sunshine and longer daylight hours. As we focus on reading this month, we are really excited to participate in “Brookwood Read-A-Thon” and “Brookwood Clue”! Shout out to Brookwood School Association for organizing these fun activities for our students! We really value your partnership!

Our Grade Four students continue to take on leadership roles in our school and will be planning “Fun Days” and creating 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 March activities!

*Enjoy Spring Break with your family!
Be Blessed ...*

*Karen Stride-Goudie
Principal*

*Rosanne McIntyre
Assistant Principal*

MARCH NOTES

2024 - 2025 Kindergarten Registration

- Begins February 12th
- Must be be 5 years old by December 31, 2024

[Click here for Registration Link](#)



BROOKWOOD SHARE A THOUGHT

We value the thoughts and ideas of our community. Please check out our Brookwood website and share your feedback with us!



MARCH NOTES

*Substitute Teachers
and
Casual Support Staff*

APPRECIATION WEEK

♥ MARCH 11-15, 2024 ♥

A young boy with glasses is smiling and holding a white sign that says "THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!" with small heart icons. The background is a green-to-blue gradient.

**Color Day Friday,
March 15th
Dress-up in your
favorite color**



St. Patrick's Day
March 17th



MARCH NOTES



Choir News

The 75 member Brookwood Choir has been involved in some meaningful projects this year and is just about ready to do their last performance. On Monday, March 18, Parkland School Division will hold Choral Celebration; a chance for choirs across the division to come together and share their music. This event is open to the public and will be held at West Meadows Baptist Church in Edmonton from 10am-noon. Parents, please help your choir students remember to wear their "concert blacks" that day.

We congratulate the choir on their amazing work this year and appreciate their contribution to our school!



MARCH NOTES



**Easter Joint Chapel
March 19th**

**10:10 am - 10:45 am
at Brookwood School**

***Praying Parents to
follow***



**Wear your mismatched
Socks March 21st for World
Down Syndrome Day**



**NO SCHOOL:
March 22nd- PD Day**

**SPRING BREAK
March 25th - 29th**



MARCH NOTES

2024-2025 ONLINE REGISTRATION

If you haven't already done so, it's time to register for the next school year! That includes busing if you need it. Registering before the **Friday March 22nd** deadline will help us immensely in planning for next year both at our school and at the PSD Transportation department. Work is currently underway building bus routes for next year already.

Any applications received after the application deadline may not be processed in time for the first day of school. If your child does not have a valid bus pass for the 2024-2025 school year, they will not be able to ride the bus.

How do I get started?

Visit <https://powerschool.psd.ca/public/> and log into your parent account. Once inside the Parent Portal:

- Select your child's name in the blue bar at the top of the screen.
- Select the RSVP icon on the left side of the screen.
- Begin reviewing all of your current Student Information we have on file, and follow the instructions on the screen to navigate through the various tabs in the

form (Student Info, Address, Contacts, Medical, etc.).

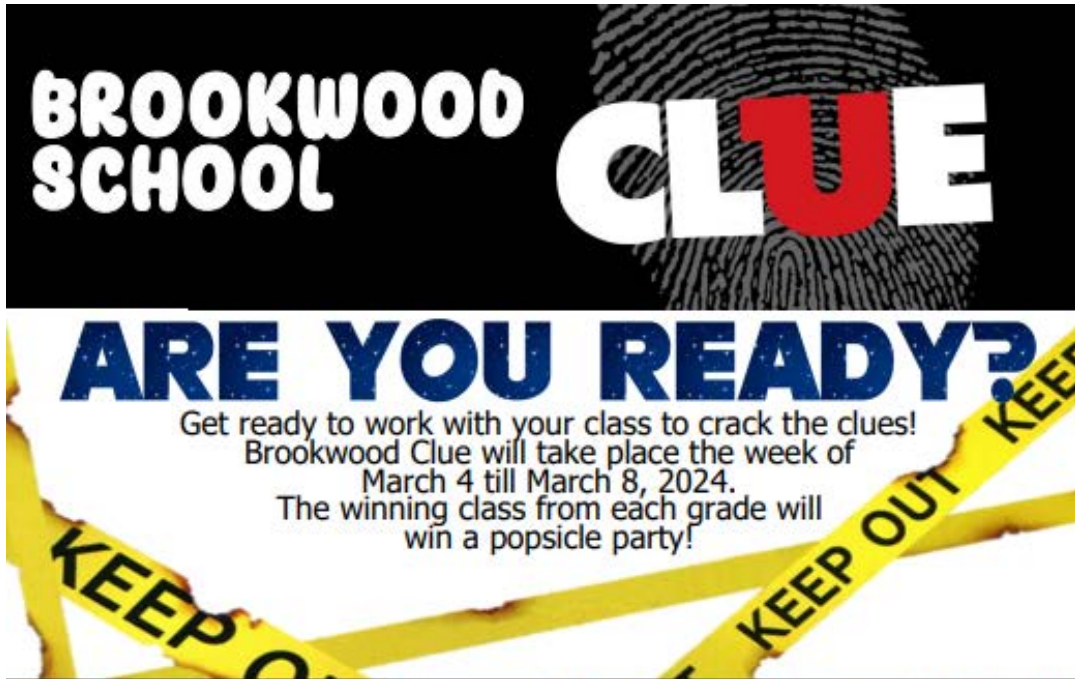
I can't remember my login for the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

If you aren't able to retrieve your login credentials using the "Forgot Username or Password?" link on the sign-in page, please contact the school directly for assistance logging in to the Parent Portal.

Early Education students are not eligible for transportation.



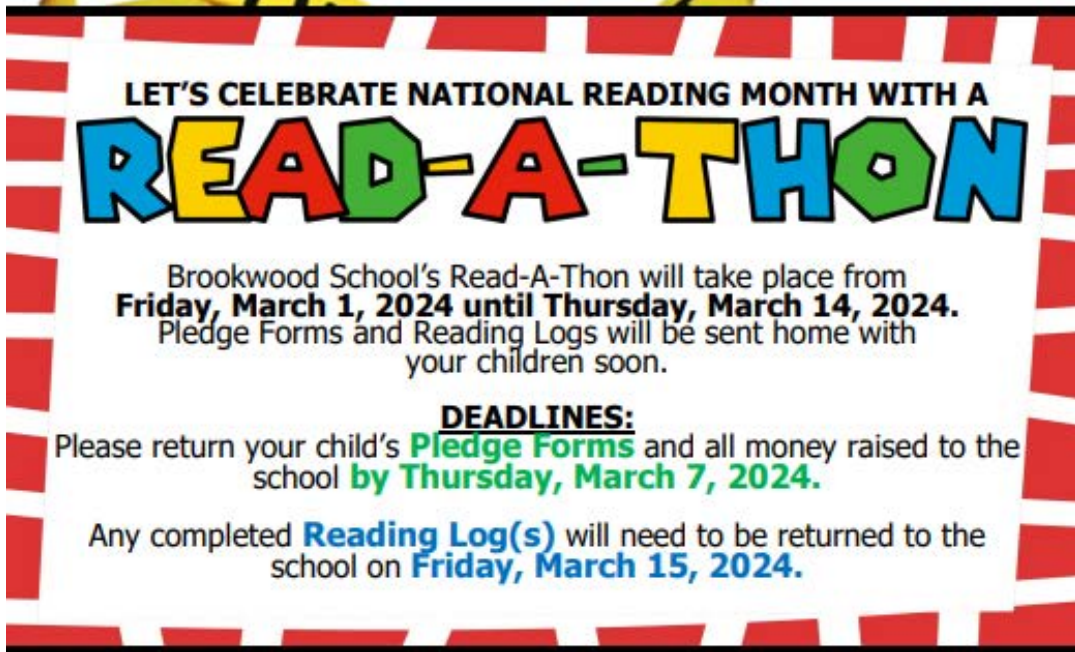
MARCH NOTES



BROOKWOOD SCHOOL **CLUE**

ARE YOU READY?

Get ready to work with your class to crack the clues!
Brookwood Clue will take place the week of
March 4 till March 8, 2024.
The winning class from each grade will
win a popsicle party!



LET'S CELEBRATE NATIONAL READING MONTH WITH A

READ-A-THON

Brookwood School's Read-A-Thon will take place from
Friday, March 1, 2024 until Thursday, March 14, 2024.
Pledge Forms and Reading Logs will be sent home with
your children soon.

DEADLINES:
Please return your child's **Pledge Forms** and all money raised to the
school **by Thursday, March 7, 2024.**

Any completed **Reading Log(s)** will need to be returned to the
school on **Friday, March 15, 2024.**



MARCH NOTES

La tire - Canadian Maple Shack

Skating

Music

Games

**VIVE
LE
FRANÇAIS**

Bonhomme
Carnaval

Hot Chocolate
by Perks

Bonfire

Come Celebrate
French Language and Culture

MARCH 7TH 5PM-7PM
CENTRAL PARK
SPRUCE GROVE

**SPONSORED BY CPF PARKLAND &
PERKS COFFEE HOUSE**



PARKLAND
SCHOOL DIVISION



GET INVOLVED



March 19th

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

Brookwood Association Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

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.

ATTENDANCE COUNTS

Lost Minutes = Lost Learning

It's important to **arrive and be ready to learn before the school bell rings**. Showing up 15 minutes late **each day** is the same as missing two weeks of school in one year!



MARK THESE DATES

- March 1st** - School Assembly @ 9:00 a.m.
- March 7th** - Hot Lunch - Pizza 73
- March 13th** - Hot Lunch - Subway
- March 11th - 15th** - Substitute Teachers & Casual Staff Appreciation Week
- March 15th** - Color Day
- March 17th** - St. Patrick's Day
- March 18th** - Choral Celebration
- March 19th** - Hot Lunch - Boston Pizza
- March 19th** - Easter Joint Chapel @ 10:10 am and Praying Parents to follow
- March 19th** - School Council Meeting 6:30 pm
School Association Meeting 7:30 pm
- March 21st** - Socks for Down Syndrome Day
- March 22nd** - No School PD
- March 22nd** - Online Registration Closes
- March 25th - 28th** - Spring Break No School
- March 29th** - Good Friday
- April 1st** - Easter Monday

NUMERACY CORNER

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:

"Speed" How to play Speed

Materials Needed:

Deck of cards

Objective:

To be the first player to get rid of their cards

Set Up

The dealer passes out two piles of cards, faced down, to each player. The first pile has 5 cards. The second pile has 15 cards.

The dealer then makes four piles of cards in the middle of the gameplay area. The first and fourth end piles have 5 cards each, face down and the second and third piles have 1 card each, face up.

How to Play

Both players pick up their own 5 card pile. Players then flip over the two 1 card piles in the middle. Players then use these two middle piles to get rid of their cards. Players can get rid of a card if it follows in increasing or decreasing sequence to the cards in the middle. There are no turns. Players get rid of their cards when they can.

After playing a card, players replace it with the top card in their 15 card pile.

If no player can play onto the middle piles, both players replace the middle piles with the top card of the side piles. If the side piles become exhausted, then the middle cards are shuffled and new middle piles are formed.

The player who gets rid of their cards first wins .How to play Speed

Taken from <https://playingcarddecks.com/blogs/how-to-play/speed-game-rules>



LITERACY CORNER

READING

is to the

MIND

what
exercise

is to the **BODY.**

By Elizabeth Sledge



Literacy Corner

★ Just like any sport or routine, the more your child reads, the stronger they become and the better they get at reading

★ **Make reading a regular routine each day**

★ If need be, set a reminder to read with your child

★ Take turns reading. Snuggle up and read any book to your child. Then have your child read a book at their level to you.

★ A good coach encourages so be encouraging and helpful.

Remember they are still learning!