

Brookwood Banner

MAY 2024



WEBSITE: <https://brookwood.psd.ca/>

FACBOOK: [Brookwood School](#)

LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

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

We are excited to welcome Spring as we head into the month of May! Spring is a time to look forward to flowers, gardens, walks, and simply noticing the sights and sounds of new life. Our students and staff look forward to being outside enjoying the fresh air, sunshine and physical activity.

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 May activities!

We trust you will take time to get outside and enjoy the **blessings** of sunshine and Vitamin D.

Happy Mothers' Day to our school community!

Sincerely,

Karen Stride-Goudie
Principal

Rosanne McIntyre
Assistant Principal

MAY NOTES



Gr 4 Woodhaven Transition Visit

May 2nd

10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.



Chapel

May 3rd @ 9:00 a.m.

**Praying Parents to
follow Chapel**

A banner for Educational Assistants Appreciation Day. The background is a blue-tinted photo of an adult woman with glasses and a child sitting at a desk. The woman is wearing a t-shirt with a rainbow logo and the text 'GENTIL & KIND'. The child is smiling. On the left, the text 'Educational Assistants' is written in a large, blue, bubbly font, with 'APPRECIATION DAY' in a smaller, white, bold font below it. In the bottom left corner, there is a logo for Parkland School Division. On the right side, a green vertical bar contains the text 'MAY 3 2024' in blue, stacked vertically.

Educational Assistants
APPRECIATION DAY

PARKLAND
SCHOOL DIVISION

MAY 3 2024

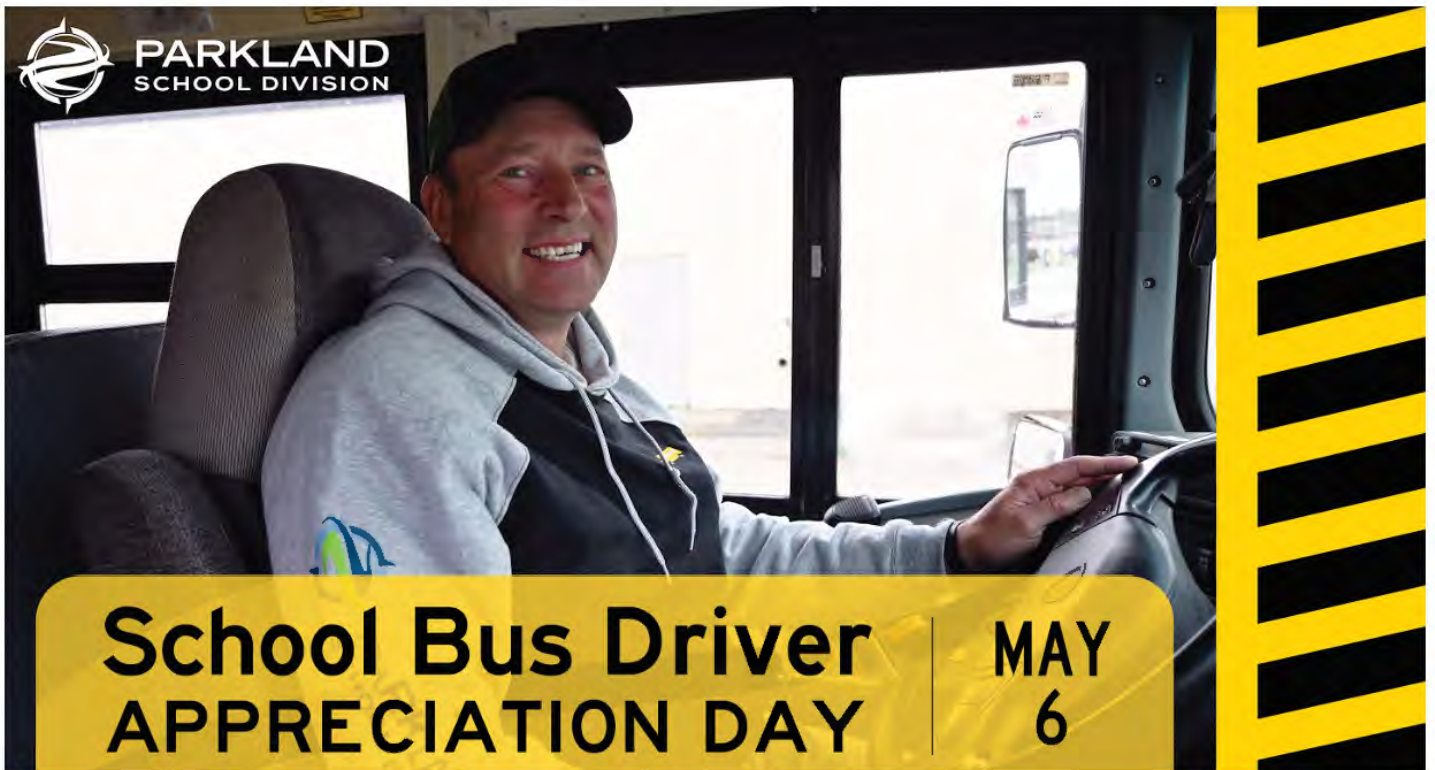
MAY NOTES



The Run Wild event is coming up on May 4th



KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION PHOTOS
MAY 6TH & 7TH



**School Bus Driver
APPRECIATION DAY**

**MAY
6**

MAY NOTES

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Hats on! for Mental Health



Spring
2024
FUNDRAISER



Enjoy quality local products and specialty food items while supporting our school!

DELIVERY

All orders will be shipped to the school and must be picked up by families on **Friday, May 10th**. Just in time for a May Long Weekend barbecue! Parent volunteers will be available when school gets out to retrieve your order for you.

MAY NOTES



GRADE 4 TRACK MEET
Thursday, May 16th @
Woodhaven School



FRIDAY
June 7
2024

REGISTRATION OPENS

FIND DETAILS AT

FRIDAY
MAY 10

www.psd.ca/division/student-wellness/try-me-try-athlon

MAY NOTES

PSD COMMUNITY FAMILY SUPPORT RESOURCES MAY STRONGER TOGETHER NEWSLETTER



Stronger Together

A monthly newsletter with information to help you and your family navigate your child's educational journey.

April 2024 - HEALTHY FAMILIES

PARKLAND SCHOOL DIVISION

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!



IN PARKLAND SCHOOL DIVISION **ATTENDANCE MATTERS!**

In PSD, we help support families who need help getting their child(ren) to school. We know there are many factors that affect attendance:

- Parents' work schedule
- Transportation
- Family events
- Appointments

Often families don't realize how much school their child is missing and the impact that has on everyone. They are more behind than you think.

1 DAY MISSED = 2 DAYS BEHIND



19 or more days

Missing just **TWO** days every month can add up to **19** days in a school year. This is the equivalent of missing an **ENTIRE MONTH** of instructional days.



10 to 18 days

Students who are absent an average of 15 days per year miss **1 YEAR'S WORTH** of school by their graduating year.



9 or fewer absences

Students with good attendance generally achieve higher grades and enjoy school more.

GET INVOLVED



May 21st

Brookwood School Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
Brookwood Association Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend!!!!

MAY 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!

MAY NOTES

SCHOOL REMINDERS

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

May 1st - Hot Lunch - Jacks

May 2nd - Royal Alberta Museum (2L, 2J, 2B)

May 2nd - Woodhaven Transition Visit 10:45 a.m.

May 3rd - EA Appreciation Day

May 3rd - Royal Alberta Museum (2C, 2S)

May 3rd - Brookwood Chapel 9:00 a.m.

May 6th and May 7th - Kindergarten Celebration Photos

May 6th - School Bus Driver Appreciation Day

May 8th - Hats On For Mental Health

May 9th - Hot Lunch - Boston Pizza

May 10th - Calahoo Meats pick up

May 15th - Hot Lunch - Subway

May 16th - Grade 4 Track Meet

May 17th - No School - PD Day

May 20th - No School - Victoria Day

May 21st - School Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

School Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.

May 23rd - Hot Lunch - Boston Pizza

May 27th - Gr 1. - John Walter Museum

May 29th - Hot Lunch - Jacks

May 31st - Gr. 1 - John Walter Museum (1B)

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:***

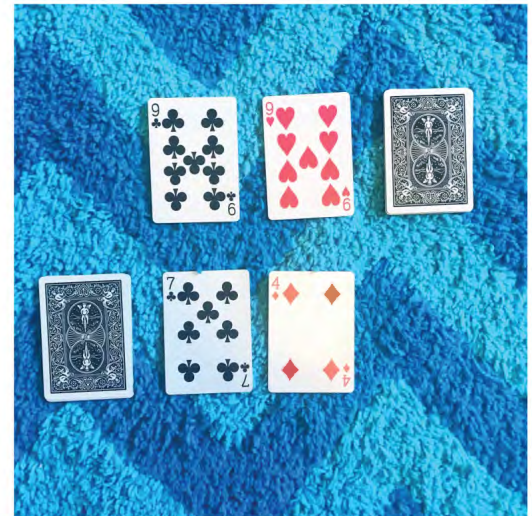
Addition/Multiplication War

This card game for math is **played in pairs with one deck of cards per pair**. The rules are similar to that of the game of war, with a few differences. Split the deck of cards in half between the two players. **Students should not look at their cards**. At the same time, the players flip over **TWO** cards from the top of their pile. Students will then either **add or multiply** (whichever operation the teacher has specified) their two cards together. Whoever drew the **greater total** keeps all four cards.

If by chance, there is a tie, then the students will **leave the cards out and go again**. Whoever is the winner of that round, wins **ALL 8 cards**. The game is over when **one student has won all the cards**.

For this game, **face cards are not necessary**. You can either take them out of the deck, or assign each one a number value (Jack = 11, Queen = 12, King = 13, Joker = 14) if desired.

-taken from <https://theaverageteacher.com/math-games-for-kids-cards/>



LITERACY CORNER

Literacy Corner

1. Draw on prior knowledge
-connect to real life experiences or knowledge.
2. Draw inferences- “read between the lines”.
3. Self-monitor-check for understanding, adjust their speed and ask questions.
4. Form mental images- form pictures in their head as they read.
5. Summarize and retell- ask your child to tell you a summary of what they have just read.



-Read more here:

<https://www.readingrockets.org/literacy-home/reading-101-guide-parents/reading-basics/comprehension>