

BROOKWOOD BANNER

October 2024



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



FACEBOOK: [Brookwood School](#)



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Leadership Team Message

It is an absolute pleasure for us to lead 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 27. Together we raised **\$964.60** for Cancer Research. Thank you for your contributions! In addition, we were able to honor and commemorate “Orange Shirt Day” on September 27. Each class spent some time learning, listening and reflecting on the importance of recognizing that “Every Child Matters”. In our Parkland Christian Program, it was great to come together for worship during our first Chapel of the year! Please check out our [Brookwood School Facebook](#) for some amazing pictures of this month’s activities.

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



Stephanie Carrozza
Assistant Principal



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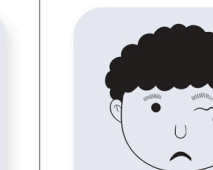

Attendance

Coming to school every day is important for the academic and social success of your children. In the coming weeks, you may receive a call or an email regarding attendance concerns. Please know we want to work with you to ensure your child is receiving the best education they can, and attendance is a key indicator of success. As part of Parkland School Division initiatives, Brookwood School will be monitoring school attendance and working with teachers and families to support and improve school attendance.

Thank you!

<https://www.psd.ca/learning/attendance>

Too Sick for School?

COME TO SCHOOL WHEN	COME TO SCHOOL WHEN	COME TO SCHOOL WHEN	COME TO SCHOOL WHEN	COME TO SCHOOL WHEN	COME TO SCHOOL WHEN
Cough is mild and infrequent or is related to allergies.	Have a mild rash but no itching and/or fever.	Free from diarrhea and vomiting for at least 24 hours.	Have a sore throat but no other symptoms.	Have infection but began antibiotic drops/ointment at least 24 hours ago.	Fever-free for 24 hours without using fever reducing medication.
 COUGHING NOT ALLERGY RELATED	 RASH	 DIARRHEA/ VOMITING	 SORE THROAT	 EYE INFECTION	 FEVER
STAY HOME IF Coughing won't stop or having other breathing problems.	STAY HOME IF Have a body rash with itching and/or fever.	STAY HOME IF Experienced diarrhea or vomiting within the past 24 hours.	STAY HOME IF Have a sore throat with persistent cough and/or fever.	STAY HOME IF Eye is red and oozing a yellow or green discharge.	STAY HOME IF Have a temperature of 100°F (37.8°C) or higher.

Still not sure? Call the school office for help.





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Safety at Brookwood



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.



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!





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PARENTS, VOLUNTEERS AND VISITORS

We are happy to welcome volunteers at Brookwood School!

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

Volunteers for In Class and Off-Site Field Trips

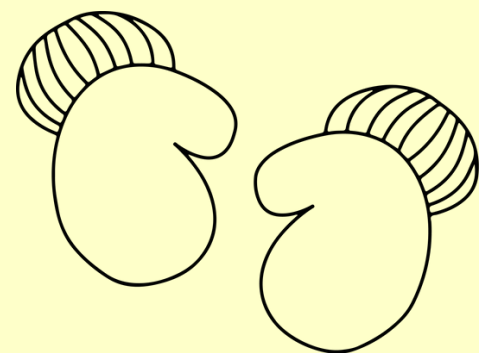
- Volunteers are required to submit a “Volunteer Registration Form” at least 48 hours prior to their actual volunteer service.
- Volunteers are required to have a “Criminal Record Check” if they are volunteering for more than ten hours per year.
- Volunteers are required to have a “Criminal Record Check” 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. This includes peanut butter alternatives that cannot be easily distinguished from peanut butter, such as Wow Butter and Almond Butter. Thank you in advance for your commitment to our safety!



As the weather changes and fall/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.





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Updating Contact Information



Parents and Guardians, please check in on **PowerSchool** to confirm that all your contact information is up to date.

It also helps to have at least 1-2 emergency contacts on file as well.

Thank You!



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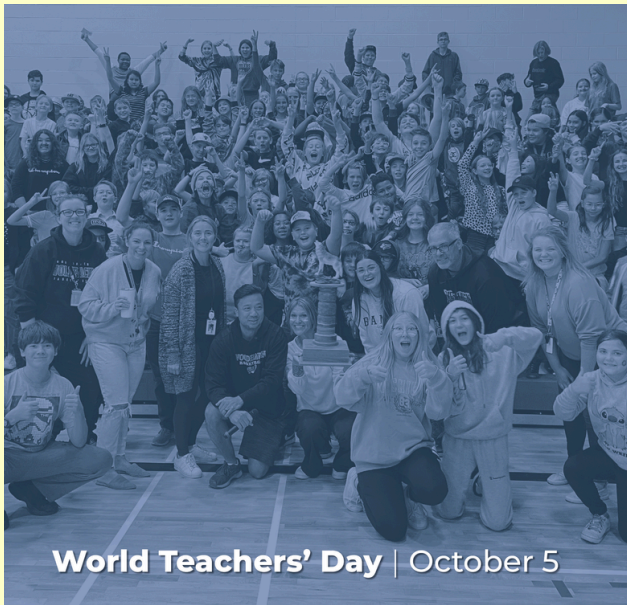
Stronger Together

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

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[Stronger Together Newsletter](#)



World Teachers' Day | October 5

To all of our
amazing
teachers,
**THANK
YOU!**



**THANK
YOU**
for being the heart
of our facilities.

Custodial & Maintenance Workers Appreciation Day | October 7



**Celebrating
literacy and
our dedicated
library staff.**

Canadian School Library Day | October 21



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School Picture Day

October 8 & 9



October Cross Country Running Dates

Cross-Country Run #4 (High Park School) - October 3

Cross-Country Run #5 (École Meridian Heights School) - October 10

Cross-Country Run #6 (Prescott Learning Centre) - October 17

School Council & Association Meetings

School Council Meeting (AGM) 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm - October 15

School Association (AGM) Meeting 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - October 15

Book Fair

October 21 -24 in the Tinker Lab



Parent Teacher Interviews

Monday, October 21 - 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Thursday, October 24 - 4:00 - 7:00 pm

*Email with sign-up and more information to come!



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No School

PD Day - Friday, October 11

Thanksgiving Day - Monday, October 14



Hot Lunch and Club Moo

Hot Lunch online ordering opens Oct 1st. Hot Lunch Coordinators will be in the Lobby on Oct. 18th for any exact cash payments for those who prefer to pay with cash.

Online Orders for **Club Moo** session 1, closes on Oct. 4th at 3pm.

Christian Program Chapel

Praying Parents to follow Chapel

Thursday, October 24 - 10:05 - 10:45 pm

at Woodhaven School (K-9 Christian Program Students)



School Assembly

Friday - October 25 @ 9:30am

We will be taking time to celebrate our "Cross Country Runners".

We will ask students to wear their participation ribbons / and medals on that day. Secondly, we will acknowledge our "Terry Fox" fundraising dollars and hopefully ... be able to dunk Mr. MacKay. ✨

Halloween Parade

Thursday, October 31. Details below.



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Costumes:

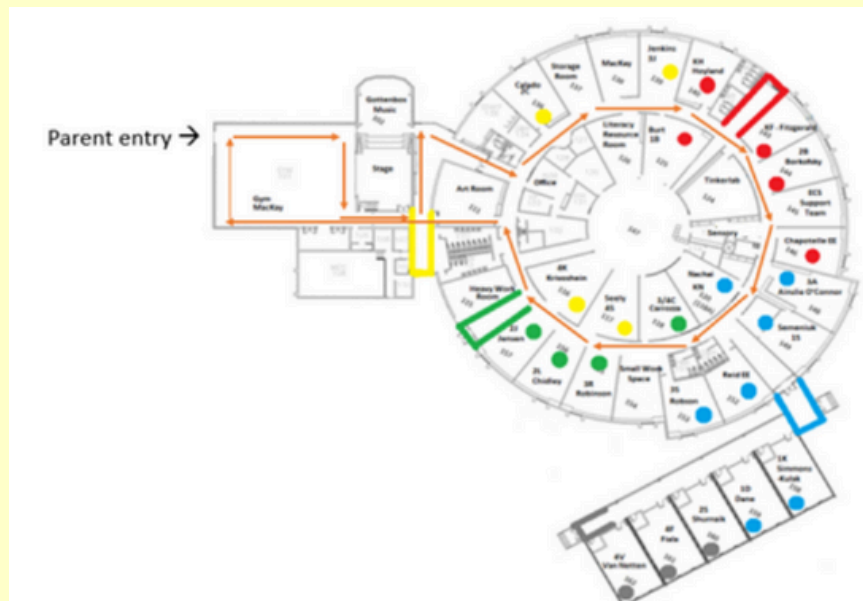
- Please ensure all costumes are respectful and fun for our Early Years' school.
- Costume guidelines:
 - Avoid all scary, bloody, gory costumes and make up
 - Please keep all costume accessories at home (wands, swords, weapons etc.)
- If students do not wish to wear a costume, please feel free to dress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

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."

Parents:

Our annual Brookwood School Costume Parade is back! Parents will be welcome to enter the school via the gym doors beginning at 1:05 pm. Seating will be available in the gym for parents to view and observe the parade. We ask that parents exit through the gym doors after the parade is complete. We look forward to you joining us! Pictures of the day will be shared via our school Facebook page for those who are unable to attend.





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Choir

We are thrilled with the interest in choir this year! Over 80 grade 3's and 4's are joining their voices to make some beautiful music.

Brookwood Choir is preparing for their first performance on November 7, 2024 at 10:45 for our school's Remembrance Day Ceremony. In the next couple weeks, choir members will be bringing home lyric sheets to practice their song. Please also remember that choir members will wear plain black clothing that day. Thank you parents for your support. It's going to be a wonderful choir season!

Mrs. Gottenbos





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Fundraising

Brookwood School Casino Volunteer Night

Brookwood School has an opportunity to partake in a Casino Event to fundraise for our school.

This year's Casino Event will take place on Thursday, **November 28** and Friday, **November 29**.

We require 13 volunteers each date, for numerous times and positions. Please look at the positions and times, and sign up for the one that you are able to volunteer for.

Each volunteer will receive a break that includes a delicious meal within the Casino restaurant.

We highly recommend bringing phone chargers. Volunteers like to play games, text, chat, and just surf the internet. Volunteers are also free to bring in books, work projects, or something else to do while it is slow.

Please note volunteers cannot gamble at the casino for the entire event: before, during, nor after their shift.

We created an SignUp Genius event for volunteers to sign up. The link is shared below. If you do not want to sign up through the link posted below, please email brookwoodschoollassociation@gmail.com and we can let you know what roles and times still need to be filled.

[SignUp Genius Link](#)



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MARK THESE DATES!



- Oct. 3rd - Cross-Country Run #4 - High Park School
- Oct. 4th - World Teacher's Day
- Oct. 7th - Custodial & Maintenance Worker Appreciation Day
- Oct. 8th & 9th - School Picture Days
- Oct. 9th - Jersey Day
- Oct. 10th - Cross-Country Run #5 - Ecole Meridian Heights
- Oct. 11th - NO SCHOOL - PD Day
- Oct. 14th - NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Day
- Oct. 15th - Brookwood School Council AGM Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 15th - Brookwood School Association AGM Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 17th - Cross-Country Run #6 - Prescott Learning Center
- Oct. 18th - Hot Lunch Cash Day
- Oct. 21st & 24th - Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Oct. 21st - 24th - Book Fair
- Oct. 24th - Christian Chapel/Praying Parents (Woodhaven)
- Oct. 24th - Hot Lunch - Bite to Eat
- Oct. 25th - School Assembly (9:30 am)
- Oct. 28th - Hot Lunch - Pizza 73
- Oct. 31st - Halloween
- Nov. 4th - Picture retakes
- Nov. 7th - Remembrance Day Ceremony (10:45 am)
- Nov. 8th - NO SCHOOL - PD Day
- Nov. 11th - 15th - NO SCHOOL - Fall Break