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### January Message from our Leadership Team

As a Leadership Team, we would like to wish you and your families a Happy New Year! We trust you were able to enjoy quality family time during the break.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks and gratitude to our families for giving generously to the Kinettes' Christmas Hampers through our "Coins for Christmas" drive in December. Thank you Brookwood families for donating \$476.03. We appreciate it so much!

We are grateful for the opportunities we have had to share the Christmas spirit with our school community during the month of December. In our Christian Program, Woodhaven joined us for a Christmas Chapel. Our students were so excited to participate in Christmas songs and readings. At different times throughout December, it was so beautiful to hear Christmas songs and carols throughout the hallways of Brookwood. And of course, we hope you enjoyed our many Christmas Concerts ... featuring your children! Thank you Mrs. Gottenbos for your leadership in celebrating Christmas with our families!

As we head into the New Year - 2025 ... let's remember to be grateful for our many blessings!

On behalf of the staff at Brookwood School, we would like to thank you for the privilege of working with your children! We look forward to your continued partnership.

Karen Stride-Goudie Principal



Stephanie Carrozza Assistant Principal



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### **Friday, January 10** School Assembly @ 9:30 Parents are welcome to attend.

**Wednesday, January 22** Educational Assistants Appreciation Day

### Friday, January 24 - Disney Day

This is an opportunity for everyone to come to school dressed as their favorite Disney characters. Whether it's classics like Cinderella or Peter Pan, or modern favorites like Moana or Buzz Lightyear, we can't wait to see the creativity and enthusiasm!

### **Report Cards**

**January 30th** at 3:30pm Report Cards go ONLINE

You can access the report card through the Powerschool parent portal. Please call the office if you require help with the parent portal.

**January 31st** PD Day - NO SCHOOL





**SCHOOL BUS** 

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.

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# Safety at Brookwood

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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.
- Park only in the designated areas and do not block others in.

Please remember, students are not permitted to play on the playground and swings after school until after buses depart at 3:15 pm. This helps to ensure our students make it to the bus on time, or to their arranged pick-up location. Parents and guardians, we appreciate your support in ensuring all students make it home safely. Thank you.





## 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!

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!







Educational Assistants Appreciation Day | January 22



## **Stronger Together**

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

**January 2025** 

### STRONGER TOGETHER NEWSLETTER

### There's so much happening at the Spruce Grove Public Library that we wanted to share it with you!

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#### • Junior Paleontology Society

Come and learn about dinosaurs in our monthly Paleontology Program. There will be fun crafts, activities, and educational material on paleontology, fossilization, and, of course, fun facts about all your favourite dinosaurs! First Wednesday of the month February-May 4-5pm For 7-12 years.

#### • Let's Play Roblox

Each month, participants will play a different game. Play with other Roblox enthusiasts and tackle fun challenges together. Participants will be interacting in a variety of virtual worlds using private servers on the platform. Offered in-person\*.

\*If attending this program, please bring your own device

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Fourth Tuesday of the month 6-7:30pm For 7-12 years.

#### Pokémon Club

Join us once again for all things Pokémon in a supportive and inclusive space. Don't forget to bring your Kids Pokémon Club Membership Card! When you fill up your card you win a Pokémon themed prize! Second Tuesday of the month 6:30-7:30pm For 7-12 years. (walk-ins welcome if space allows)

#### • Teen Takeover

Join us after school for the Teen Takeover. Spend time with friends and enjoy awesome themed activities weekly. From gaming, true crime, anime and food creations. Snacks will be provided.

Registered Fridays 4-5pm For 12+ years

#### • T.A.C.O.S.

Join the Teen Advisory Council of SGPL to share ideas and make the library a better place for teens. Last Friday of the month 4-5pm For 12-18 years.

#### • Nerf Battle Royale

Come with your friends and dodge bookshelves in the ultimate Nerf experience! Find out what happens at the library after hours...

Bring your own protective goggles and Nerf blasters. We'll supply the darts. Last Friday of the month 6:30-7:30pm 8+ years (family-friendly, grown-ups can play too!).

### • Spruce Grove GSA Youth Program

Join SGPL and the Spruce Grove GSA for fun games, movies, crafts and activities. This is a safe and respectful space for 2S+LGBTQ youth. All are welcome. Thursdays from 4-6pm, January 16-May 29, 2025. For youth ages 16-22 years.

• Did you know we offer Library Tours and Outreach Visits to your school or organisation?

Get more information and how to book a visit right here: <u>https://sgpl.ca/services/outreach-visits</u>

Many of our programs are registered, however we do accept walk-ins if space allows. Register for programs here: <u>https://sgpl.ca/programs/events/calendar</u>

## MARK THESE DATES

January 10 - School Assembly @ 9:30 January 13 - Hot Lunch - Pizza 73 January 20 - Hot Lunch & Club Moo orders open online January 21 - Hot Lunch - Jacks School Council Meeting @ 6:30 School Association Meeting @ 7:30 January 22 - EA Appreciation Day January 28 - Cash Day for Hot Lunch & Club Moo January 30 - Report Cards go Live on PowerSchool January 31 - PD Day, NO SCHOOL

February 4 - Hot Lunch - Pizza 73 February 6 & 7 - Teachers Convention - NO SCHOOL February 10 - 2025/2026 Registration Opens February 12 - Kindergarten Open House February 14 - PD Day - NO SCHOOL