École Centennial School Newsletter October 2025

Principal's Message

From Mr. Reiter

Thank you for helping make September such a great start to our school year. September is always a busy month as we get back into routines, and I appreciate the way our students, staff, and families have worked together to make the transition smooth.

Our school yard is looking wonderful, especially with the new green grass coming up. The students have done an excellent job adjusting to the new playground spaces and respecting the freshly planted areas. It will be so nice when we are able to enjoy the grass again!

Thank you for your continued support as we move into October.

Important Dates

- Oct 1: Middle Years Pizza Day (grades 6-8)
- Oct 3: 'Time to Shine' Day (dress in ÉCS clothing or school colours) / Gym Blast AM grades 6-8
- Oct 3-4: Volleyball City Boys Home Tournament
- Oct 5: World Teacher Day
- Oct 6: Chocolate fundraiser begins
- Oct 6-10: Fire Prevention Week
- Oct 8: Middle Years Pizza Day (grades 6-8)
- Oct 13: No school (Thanksgiving)
- Oct 15: Early dismissal at 2:05 pm / Middle Years Pizza Day (grades 6-8)
- Oct 16: Outdoor Education Club (grades 5-8) Fall Hike at 3:30 pm
- Oct 22: Middle Years Pizza Day (grades 6-8)
- Oct 28: Photo retakes
- Nov 3: No School (Teacher Convention)
- Nov 6: Grade 6 Immunizations
- Nov 7: 'Time to Shine' Day (dress in ÉCS clothing or school colours) / Volleyball Girls Intermediate Tournament
- Nov 10: No School (In lieu of parent/teacher conferences)
- Nov 11: No School (Remembrance Day)
- Nov 26: Early Dismissal at 2:05 pm
- Nov 27: Outdoor Education Club (grades 5-8) Winter Prequel Hike at 3:30 pm

October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Middle Years Pizza Day	2	3 'Time to Shine' Gym Blast grades 6-8 Vball City	4 Boys Home Tournament
5	Cocolate fundraiser begins	7	8	9	10	11
World Teacher Day			Fire Prevention Week			
12	13 No School Thanksgiving	14	15 Early Dismissal @ 2:05 PM Middle Years Pizza Day	Fall Hike (Outdoor Ed Club)	17	18
19	20	21	22 Middle Years Pizza Day	23	24	25
26	27	28 Photo Retakes	29	30	31	

Office Notes: Early Dismissal

From Mrs. Bazin

The Chinook School Division will continue to provide professional development time for staff by implementing an early dismissal schedule. On designated days, all schools in the division will dismiss students exactly one hour earlier than the regular dismissal time. Division bus schedules for after-school pick-up and drop-off will also be adjusted accordingly, moving one hour earlier.

The early dismissal dates for this school year are: October 15, November 26, February 11, April 29, and June 3. Please note that on these days, school dismissal will be at 2:05 p.m. Parents will be contacted to pick up their children if they remain at school after dismissal time.

World's Finest Chocolate

Fundraiser for École Centennial School

Thank you to our star families for selling chocolates on behalf of our school! Money from this fundraiser goes directly toward class trips, sports, swimming lessons, busing for student activities, student events, track and field, extracurricular clubs, etc!!

Cases of chocolates will be sent home the week of **October 6-10th**! More boxes are available, please contact the office if wishing to take home an additional case.

We have TWO exciting prizes up for grabs!

- One prize will go to the family that sells the most boxes.
- Plus, for every case you sell, your family will receive an entry into a random draw for another prize the more
 you sell, the better your chances!

The Counselor's Corner

Parenting the Emotional Child Group



A 4-session In-Person Training Event

October 2, 2025, to October 23, 2025

Thursdays from 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.

This is a 4-week in-person group for parents of children eligible to be in school from ages 5 -12 years old. Parents will be taught strategies to regulate and recognize strong emotions in themselves and their children so they can be role models for their children. Parents will learn information about strong emotions as it relates to anxiety, depression and anger.

To register please talk with your Clinician or contact Mental Health & Addictions Centralized Intake at 1-877-329-0005





from Mrs. Foster

Middle Years Sports

September Senior Girls Volleyball



The 2025 Lady Stars Volleyball Team is set for a strong season, with a dedicated group of athletes ready to compete and grow together on the court.

Congratulations to the players who earned a spot on this year's roster: Helena Lebruno, Ainsley Jahnke, Annika Plewis, Ashlynn Wiebe, Blayke Moen, Brinley Fong, Harper Friesen, Janai Gader, Joplin Haubrich, Karly Empey, Ore Akinfiresove, Saydee Carlson, and Sloane Uteck.

The Stars began their competitive schedule by traveling to Loreburn on September 13th to take part in the Rave Tournament. Just a week later, on September 20th, the team heads to Cabri for another weekend of volleyball.

Tournament Schedule:

Sept 13- RAVE (Loreburn)

Sept 20- Cabri

Sept 27- Exhibition Matches @ ECS

9:00 ECS vs Palliser 2
10:00 Irwin vs Palliser 1
11:00 Outlook vs Palliser 2
12:00 Sunningdale vs Palliser 1
1:00 ECS vs Outlook
2:00 Sunningdale vs Irwin
3:00 3"d vs 3rd
4:00 2"d vs 2nd
5:00 1"t vs 1"t

League Schedule:

No league games in September

From Miss Taylor

Tournament Results

The Lady Stars brought energy and determination to the court at the Rave 2025 Volleyball Tournament, finishing round-robin play with a strong record. Heading into the quarterfinals, they faced off against Loreburn, taking control early and securing the match in two straight sets. Momentum carried into the semifinals, where the Stars battled the Davidson Raiders in a thrilling match. After splitting the first two sets, the Stars dug deep to edge out Davidson in a nail-biting third set. The championship final saw the Stars matched up against a tough Outlook squad. With both teams leaving it all on the court, the Lady Stars sealed the win by taking a close second set, claiming first place and bringing home the gold.

The team travelled to Cabri on September 20th for tournament play, finishing the round robin undefeated. They faced Ponteix in the final and won in straight sets to take first place for a second year in a row.

Lastly, the ECS girls are hosting a mini exhibition volleyball tournament on Friday, September 27th! Teams hitting the court include ECS, Outlook, Palliser A1, Palliser A2, Sunningdale and Irwin. It's a great way to round off September and build momentum heading into the Dawg Pound tournament the following weekend.























Shining Stars

ÉCS would like to give a heartfelt thank you and a big star shout-out to the following individuals and organizations who have made a difference to our school community this month:

- The **Linnen Family Reunion** and **Jeanne Myers** for their generous donation of back-to-school supplies! Their kindness helped to ensure that every student has what they need to start the year with confidence and success.
- The **Wagner/Mann Family** for their donation of Gnubees Kids food pouches! These pouches will be used as needed for emergency lunches.
- SIGA and the Living Sky Casino for selecting our school as a recipient for their 'SIGA Day of Sharing'!
 They dropped off a generous donation of nutrition items for our school's breakfast program in September!
- **Pioneer Co-Op** for sharing proceeds raised from their 'Fuel Good Day'! This initiative donated 10 cents per litre and \$1 per slush and coffee sold on September 16. Funds will go toward school nutrition programs.
- Jorgedand Mogro and Royalty Massage for their cash donation to be put toward our school's breakfast program

Division News

Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA)

Violence prevention in our schools and neighbourhoods is a shared community responsibility. All community partners work together to promote and maintain safety and to strive to prevent violence. Chinook School Division, Holy Trinity Catholic School Division and Great Plains College are the lead partners in the Community Violence Threat Assessment and Support Protocol within the southwest area.

For more information, and access to the full protocol, please visit the <u>Mental Health & Well</u>



Student Violence Threat Risk Assessment FAIR NOTICE

Chinook School Division is committed to creating and maintaining school environments in which students, staff, parents/guardians/caregivers and others feel safe. Schools cannot ignore any threat of violence.

What is a threat?

- an expression of intent to do harm or act out violently against someone or something
- may be verbal, written, drawn, posted on the Internet, or made by gesture

Duty to Report

To keep school communities safe and caring, staff, parents/guardians/caregivers, students and community members must report all threat related behaviours to the school principal.

What is the purpose of a Student Violence Threat Risk Assessment?

- to ensure and promote the emotional and physical safety of students, staff, parents, the student making the threat, and others
- to ensure a full understanding of the context of the threat
- to understand the factors that contribute to the individual of concern's behaviour
- to be proactive in developing an intervention plan that addresses the emotional and physical safety of the individual of concern
- to promote the emotional and physical safety of all

The information in this brochure reflects the thinking and work of J. Kevin Cameron, Director of the Center for Trauma Informed Practices (CTIP).

The complete Violence Threat Risk Assessment
Protocol may be found on Chinook School
Division's website at www.chinooksd.ca.

What behaviours warrant a Student Violence Threat Risk Assessment to be initiated?

A Student Violence Threat Risk Assessment will be initiated for behaviours including, but not limited to:

- · serious violence or violence with intent to kill
- · violence with intent to do serious bodily harm
- verbal/written threats to kill others (clear, direct, and plausible)
- verbal/written threats to do serious bodily harm (clear, direct, and plausible)
- social media/technology generated threats to harm/kill others
- · possession of weapons (including replicas)
- bomb threats (making and/or detonating explosive devices)
- fire setting
- sexual intimidation or assault
- ongoing pervasive and targeted bullying and/or harassment
- gang related intimidation and violence
- hate incidents motivated by factors including, but not limited to race, culture, religion, and/or sexual or gender diversity
- suicidal ideation or attempts as related to fluidity or conspiracy of two or more

What Parents and Students Need to Know

- any threat must be reported to the school principal
- investigation may involve the student services counsellor, the police of jurisdiction, or other community agencies
- investigation may involve locker or personal property searches
- interviews will be held with the individual of concern and other students or adults who may have information about the threat
- parents of students who are directly involved will be notified
- threatening behaviour may result in disciplinary
 action.
- an intervention plan may be developed for the student making the threat and a support plan developed for any individuals targeted by threats



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In Motion Commotion

From The City of Swift Current

Hey Everyone! We hope you're having a fantastic first month back at school and staying In Motion!

Being active helps boost your self-esteem, gives you tons of energy, reduces stress, improves your sleep, and makes life more enjoyable overall!

If you're **age 7-14**, don't miss out on our **Welcome to Recreation** program! Each month, you can dive into a variety of sports and fun activities designed to keep you moving and engaged. Ready to join the excitement? Visit www.swiftcurrent.ca/play

Have you checked out the 2025-2026 Fall/Winter Community Services Guide yet? It provides information about community organizations, clubs, sport, culture and recreation opportunities that are available in the City. To view the newest guide <u>click here</u>.

Let's get active and have some fun this fall!