

≡WHAT'S ON THE HORIZON≡

2023

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www.horizonschool.ca

Read through to the end to see all the fun we had:

- ★ Riding down the slide at the pool
- ★ Building in the snow
- ★ Taking over for the Principal
- ★ Enjoying Horizon's Breakfast Program
- ★ Experimenting with slime
- ★ Playing floor hockey with P1 + P2
- ★ Getting a bit messy (in a good way!)

Inclement Weather Update

The Board's Inclement Weather policy has been updated. Two important pieces for Horizon families:

- 1) Windchill is the measure used to determine Yellow or Red Days due to cold temperatures (no more ambient temperature measure).
- 2) The temperature used to determine when Horizon busses will be cancelled is aligned with the rest of the Division. Busses will not run when the temperature with windchill is at or below -40 celcius.

We hope these changes will make it easier for families to have transportation to school on chillier days. However, as always, if you have a concern about your child riding the bus on a colder day, you can absolutely make a choice about bus transportation based on your comfort level.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 14th: Valentine's Day

Feb 16th: Parent Society AGM

Feb 17th: Swimming
Feb 20-24

FEBRUARY BREAK



Horizon School
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Olds, AB
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School News

Horizon Parent Society Annual General Meeting February 16th 7-8pm Horizon School

The Annual General Meeting for Horizon's Parent Society is coming up! The Parent Society is a Non-Profit Society registered under the Province of Alberta. They have strong fundraising structures in place - the main one being a Casino every couple of years. This allows them to keep the time demands for Board members low. Meetings only need to be held every 2-3 months, and they are kept to less than hour.

The Parent Society needs to increase its membership in order to maintain their Society status, which allows them to continue working casinos, which allows Horizon students and families to continue to have costs covered for activities like swimming and music therapy!

The Parent Society requires the following Board positions:

President (**VACANT**) A 'figurehead' role. Attends meetings. Votes on motions.

Vice President (**VACANT**) Another 'figurehead'. Attends meeting. Votes on motions.

Treasurer (**FILLED**) This role involves the bulk of the work the Society undertakes. They complete annual returns (Society, AGLC, Charitable Status), hold signing authority, complete general accounting, and currently act as the Casino Chair.

Secretary (**FILLED**) This person takes minutes of meetings and sends them out to Board members

Members at large (**VACANT**) Attend meetings, vote on motions.

The Parent Society understands that the demands on Horizon families outside of school are great, and they strive to make the time commitment very small. It's also important to note that members of the Society do not actually need to be parents of a student. All they need to have is an interest in supporting the special needs of the students who attend Horizon! If this isn't a commitment you can make, spread the word to friends, families, members of your church, etc.

If you can attend, please RSVP to Debbie at Horizon 403-556-6310

If you require childcare to attend the meeting, we'll help you out! Let us know your need when you RSVP.

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Superintendent's Message

Division News

... for parents and guardians

February 2023



Embracing Indigenous students and their families

A message from Superintendent Kurt Sacher

Acting in support of our commitment to our 900 Indigenous students and their families, and to embrace Indigenous Learning for all students and staff, we will be installing Treaty flags inside schools across our division as a sign of respect to Indigenous Peoples.

Recently, our Board of Trustees, Leadership Team, and School Administration Teams shared an important flag ceremony with Elders, Knowledge Keepers and special guests from Treaty 6, Treaty 7 and the Métis Nation.

It was a touching and historic moment for our school division. It fills us with tremendous pride as we continue to make authentic steps forward with respect to truth and reconciliation. It was a special day in our critically important journey.

I would like to thank our Indigenous Learning team for bringing us together with our honoured guests, and to all our administrators, staff and trustees for what they have all done to this point and for what they will continue to do.

The admin team from your child's school will provide further information on their own flag ceremony as their plans evolve, and we thank you for walking alongside us throughout this journey. In Chinook's Edge, our actions will always speak louder than our words.

Kurt Sacher

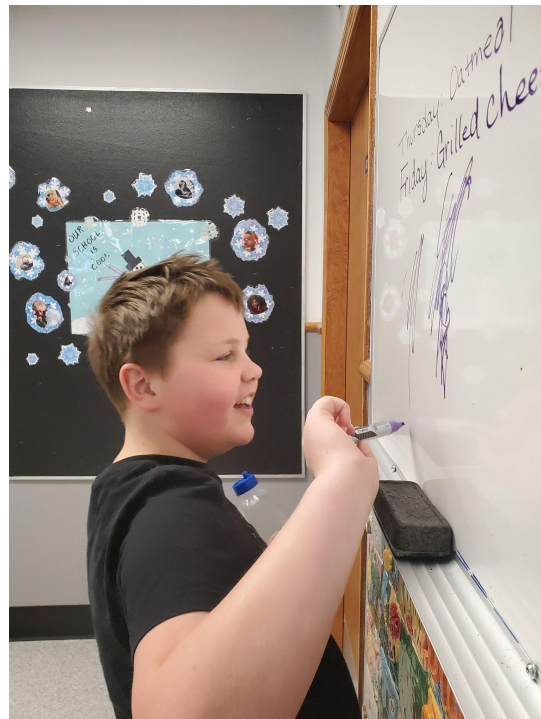


Superintendent Kurt Sacher shared a warm greeting with honoured guests before addressing the audience, while students provided a spirited celebration in dance at the Indigenous Flag ceremony. Chinook's Edge is working to ensure our Indigenous students and families feel welcome, cared for and respected through our Indigenous Students Matter committee, our Indigenous Learning Team with reps in every school, and our heartfelt commitment. Please read more [here](#).

To read the latest Board eNews, please [click here](#).

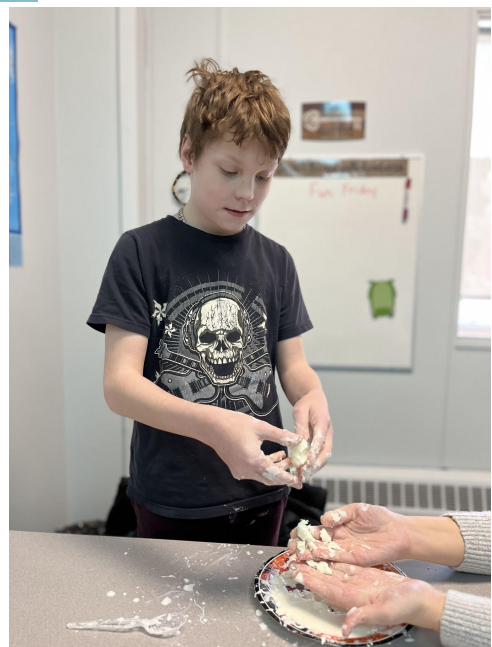
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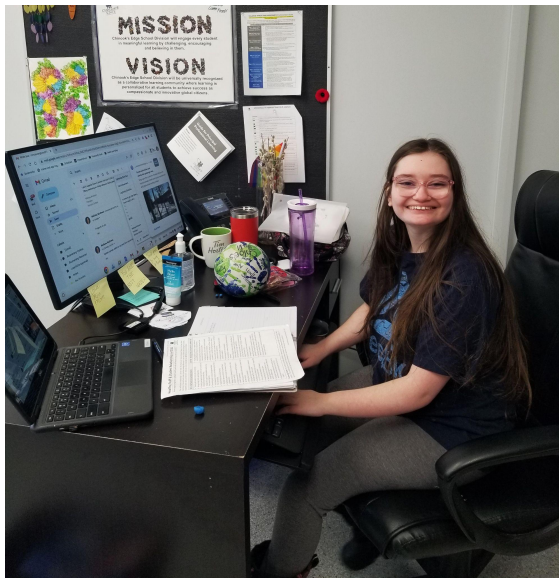
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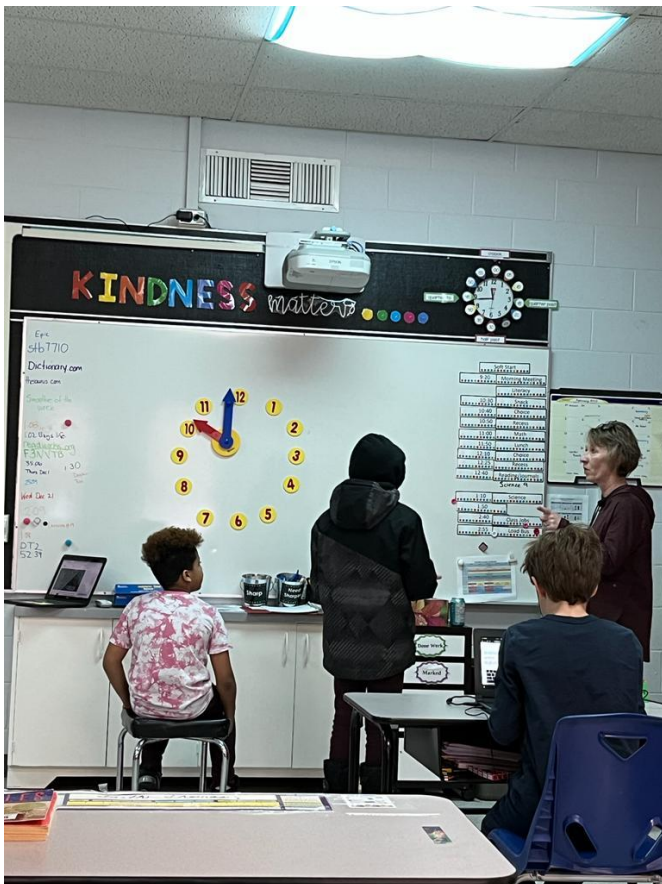


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The Children's Link Society invites you to join us for the...


ACCESS For ALL


Resource Hub and Live Kickoff Events


*Connecting & Equipping the Pan-Disability Community
in Northern, Central & Southern Alberta*




Join us online to meet with agencies and service providers in your community and investigate the options available for [all ages and abilities](#) in the following areas:

 Preschool and Early Intervention Services and Supports

 Transition to Adulthood Services and Supports

 Community Inclusion and Recreation Resources and Options

 Respite and Wellness Opportunities Resources and Information

We invite you to join us for one, or all, of our upcoming events:

Calgary and Southern Alberta: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 ~ 7 - 9 pm

Central Alberta: Wednesday, February 22, 2023 ~ 7 - 9 pm

Edmonton and Northern Alberta: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 ~ 7 - 9 pm

Registration is free. Register at:

<https://bit.ly/3UF9Abi>



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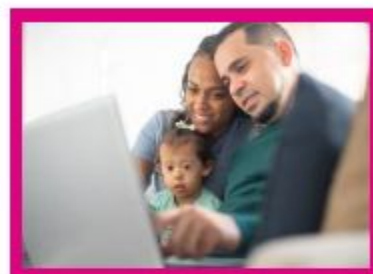
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Dear Families, Guardians, and Community Members:

The Children's Link Society is excited to invite you to our **2023 ACCESS for ALL Live Kickoff Events**, formerly known as our Community Resource Fairs!

Join us **online** to meet with agencies and service providers in your community and investigate the options available for **all ages and abilities** in the following areas:

- Preschool and Early Intervention Services and Supports
- Transition to Adulthood Services and Supports
- Community Inclusion and Recreation Options
- Respite and Wellness Opportunities
- Resources and Information



There will be many organizations and service providers at virtual booths manned with *real people*, who are prepared to give you information and answer your questions!

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Admission is free but you do need to pre-register so we can send you information about the online platform, what to expect, and the link to attend.

To register for **ACCESS for ALL**, please visit:

<https://bit.ly/3UF9Abj>

Please ensure to choose "Family Registration" as your ticket selection.

For more information, please contact us at:

accessforall@childrenslink.ca

