

MARCH 2025

# A MMH MINUTE

The monthly newsletter for Mike Mountain Horse  
Elementary School



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

March is always an exciting time of year. The worst of winter is (hopefully) passed and we begin to notice a few signs of spring - birds singing, grass beginning to turn green, and the warm Spring winds begin to blow. And although we seem to say this every month, March is incredibly busy. Students will be receiving their second report card of the year and families have the opportunity to connect with the school by attending Celebrations of Learning. Our Spring fundraiser is also beginning and what could be better than chocolate! We continue to accept new and returning student registrations as we prepare for the opening of West Coulee Station Elementary School. Please continue to check the school website, newsletter, email and teacher communication for the most current happenings at MMH. We work hard to keep families updated and connected, and know sometimes it feels like information is coming from all directions, but we are moving into some busy and exciting days in the weeks and months ahead. Please continue to check email, the website and all teacher communication for updates and should you have questions, never hesitate to contact the office! Happy March!

Mrs. Taylor

# Upcoming Events

March 1: Purdy's Chocolate Spring Fundraiser Begins!

March 6: School Council 6:30pm in the art room

Grades 4 & 5 Field Trip - Yates for GS Lakie Dance Show

March 7: Term 2 Report cards available

March 11: Grade 5 Human Growth and Development Lessons

March 12: No Kindergarten - Celebration of Learning for Monday/Wednesday classes

MMH Spirit Book Club @ 3:50 Learning Commons

March 13: 11:30 Dismissal for all students

Celebration of Learning 1:00 - 4:30pm and 5:30 - 7:30pm

Book fair open from 1:00 - 4:30pm and 5:30 - 7:30pm

March 14: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS - Staff Professional Learning

March 17: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS - Staff Professional Learning

March 20: Lockdown Practice

HUMILITY Spirit Assembly 9:00am in the gym

March 21: Rock your Socks for World Down Syndrome Day

March 24: Grade 2 Field Trip - Chinook Tri - High Theatre Performance

March 25: Tu/Th Kindergarten, Gr. 1, 2, 3 Hot Lunch

Grade 3 Field Trip - Chinook Theatre For Young Audiences

March 26: M/W Kindergarten, Gr. 4, 5 Hot Lunch

Digital Wellness Day

MMH Spirit Book Club @ 3:50 Learning Commons

March 29: Ramadan Ends - Eid Mubarak!

Purdy's Chocolate Spring Fundraiser Deadline to Order





## Spring Report Cards

Student report cards will be available for viewing on Friday, March 7, at 12:00 pm. Student report cards will only be available for viewing on PowerSchool. If you have not set up your account, now is the time! Students who are in classes participating in the pilot report card will bring their report cards home on Friday afternoon.

## Celebrations of Learning

This spring we will continue the tradition of holding Celebrations of Learning for families. There will be no kindergarten for kindergarten students on March 12. On March 13, students in Grade 1 - Grade 5 will be dismissed at 11:30am (Friday schedule). The following is the schedule for Celebrations of Learning:

**March 12: Monday/Wednesday Kindergarten students 1:00pm - 3:00pm and 4:00 - 6:00pm.**

**March 13: Tuesday/Thursday Kindergarten - 1:00pm - 4:30pm and 5:30pm - 7:30**

**March 13: Grades 1 - 5 - 1:00pm - 4:30pm and 5:30pm - 7:30**

Please watch for additional information from your child's teacher.

## 2025-2026 School Registration

MIKE MOUNTAIN HORSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CONTINUES TO ACCEPT KINDERGARTEN - GRADE 5 REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR. KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS MUST BE FIVE YEARS OLD AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2025. REGISTRATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE. MMH WILL OFFER FULL DAY MONDAY/WEDNESDAY, SCHEDULED FRIDAYS OR FULL DAY TUESDAY/THURSDAY, SCHEDULED FRIDAYS KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS. PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE SHOULD YOU REQUIRE SUPPORT.

# Seven Sacred Teachings

Our Sacred Teaching for February focused on LOVE. Congratulations to our students who were recognized for demonstrating Love. This month our teaching will focus on HUMILITY. Students recognized for Humility demonstrate the following:

- Considers the needs of others as important as their own
- Apologizes and makes amends when they hurt others
- Learns from their mistakes and keeps changing for the better
- Asks for help when they need it
- Does their best just to do it, not to impress anyone
- Is grateful instead of boastful



Our spirit assembly will be on Thursday, March 20 at 9:00am in the school gym. Everyone is invited!

## MMH School Council & Friends of MMH Society

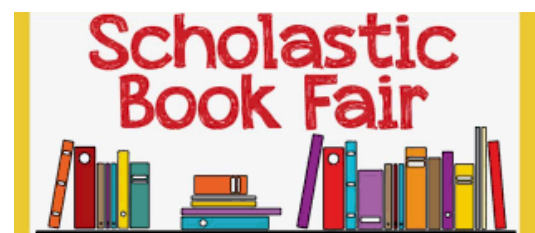
Our next School Council meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on March 6, 2025, in the school art room. Everyone is welcome to join! This is a fantastic opportunity to find out about all the exciting things happening in the school. Our April council meeting will take place on Thursday, April 3, 2025.

## Learning Commons Corner

Mark your Calendar! The fun and excitement of a Scholastic Book Fair is coming to MMH!

Our book fair will be taking place IN PERSON from March 10 - 13! The book fair will be set up in the Learning Commons.

Please watch for more information!



# Friends Of MMH Society Spring Fundraiser



Calling all chocolate lovers! This spring, Friends of Mike Mountain Horse Elementary School Society are teaming up with Purdy's Chocolatier in hopes of raising \$3000.00 to support field trips, classroom resources and books for classrooms. Stock up on your favorite Purdy's chocolates AND support a great cause at the same time - it's the best of both worlds! Ordering is as easy as eating chocolate. Follow the steps on the flyer your child brought home! If you haven't seen the flyer, call the school and we will send another home! Deadline to place orders is March 29, 2025. If you have any questions, please email [friendsofmmh@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofmmh@gmail.com)

## MMH Wellness Corral

### March Mindfulness—Finding Your Inner Pony



Introduce mindfulness by helping your child find their inner calm, much like a peaceful pony grazing in a field. Create a "mindful jar" with water, food coloring, and glitter. As they watch the glitter settle, guide them in taking slow, deep breaths. This visual helps them understand how to calm their mind and stay present.



# Community Information



**ROCK YOUR SOCKS**  
for World Down Syndrome Day!

**Friday, March 21**

A blue shield-shaped poster with a yellow border. At the top, six colorful socks are hanging on a string with clothespins. Below the text, there are five more pairs of colorful socks. At the bottom, a single sock is shown.



**CUBS TOKODIAKS**

**COACH CODY**

**COACH CHRIS**

**LVC**  
LETHBRIDGE VOLLEYBALL CLUB

**SV**  
STARS Volleyball

**EASTER CAMP**  
APRIL 21-25  
7-9U 10-NOON 10-12U 1-4 PM  
**LIMITED SPOTS!**  
Register at [STARSVBALL.CA](http://STARSVBALL.CA)

A black poster for an Easter camp. It features a large blue and white volleyball in the center. To the left, the text 'CUBS TOKODIAKS' is written vertically in blue. Below it are two photos of coaches, Cody and Chris, with their names underneath. To the right, there are logos for LVC (Lethbridge Volleyball Club) and Stars Volleyball, and a QR code. At the bottom, the text 'EASTER CAMP' is written in large, bold, red letters, followed by the dates 'APRIL 21-25' and the times '7-9U 10-NOON 10-12U 1-4 PM'. Below that, it says 'LIMITED SPOTS!' and 'Register at STARSVBALL.CA'. There are several cartoon rabbit illustrations scattered around the poster.

# Alberta Education Assurance Survey for Grade 4 Families

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing children with a high quality, engaging education, Alberta Education will again be conducting their annual survey to students in grade 4, their parents or guardians and teaching staff. This survey will gather important information about students' and parents' school experiences and will help inform our continuous school improvement at Mike Mountain Horse Elementary School.

In previous years, we have had excellent participation from students and staff, providing us with valuable information that supports our planning for improvement in the school. Recently, we have had very limited parent input than in previous years and are hoping to increase the number of families who take the time to access and complete the survey.

This year, as a school, we will be emailing all families of grade 4 students a Random Generated Access Code that is required to complete the survey. Please note this means one access code per grade 4 student. We are asking families to complete the survey as soon as they receive this email.

We also understand that not every family has access to the resources necessary to complete the online survey and so will have iPad stations set up in the school office over the next few weeks. We will also have iPad stations set up in the school during Celebration of Learning on March 13 should you prefer. Should you choose to complete your survey at the school, you MUST bring your email with the randomly generated access code in order to access the survey.

Please take the time to provide your feedback on what we do at the school - this is your opportunity to let us know how we as a school can better serve your children.

Thank you , Kerry Taylor, Principal