

APRIL 2025

# A MMH MINUTE

The monthly newsletter for Mike Mountain Horse  
Elementary School



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Ever so slowly it feels like Spring may actually be here. The weather is warming, birds are singing and Inquiry Projects are in full swing. April is going to be a very busy, very short month and before we know it, it will be May! We have many exciting events planned for the short month of April including the School Council sponsored Family Fitness events, a school wide Mental Health POP UP focused on CONNECTION and Green Shirt Day. Spring break is sliding in very late this year, beginning on Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be no school for elementary students and staff from April 21 - April 25 with regular classes resuming on April 28<sup>th</sup>. This is the time of year when schools tend to get busier than usual, so please continue to check your email, the school website and check your child's agenda for regular updates!

# Upcoming Events

April 1: April Fool's Day

April 2: World Autism Day

Grade 1 Field Trip to Urbane Eight

April 3: School Council 6:30 - 8:00pm Art Room

April 4: Grade 3 Travel Showcase

April 7: Green Shirt Day

April 9: MMH Spirit Book Club Meeting 3:50pm

April 14 - 16: Mental Health Wellness POP UP - Connection

April 16: Intern Teachers Last Day

April 17: Spirit Assembly - Wisdom 9:00am

April 18: NO SCHOOL

April 21 - 25: Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

April 28: School Resumes

April 29: Hot Lunch - Tu/Th Kindergarten, Grades 1, 2, 3

April 30: Hot Lunch - Mon/Wed Kindergarten, Grades 4, 5

Dress like your favorite book/movie character

May 5: Fire Drill

May 8: Grade 1 Travelling Lab Coats

May 13: School Council Sponsored Kona Ice for all

May 14: MMH Spirit Book Club 3:50pm Learning Commons

May 15: Decades Day

May 19: Victoria Day - No School

May 20: School Based PL - No School for Students

May 21 - Digital Wellness Day

G.S. Lakie Guitar Show 10:15 Gym





## Green Shirt Day

Green Shirt Day is a day that honours Logan Boulet, a former Lethbridge School Division student. In case you don't know his story, Logan and his Humboldt Broncos hockey team were traveling to a playoff game on April 6, 2018 when their bus was in a tragic crash. A day later, Logan was not able to overcome his injuries but was able to donate organs to make 6 people's lives better. This act inspired a

wave of thousands and thousands of Canadians to register as organ donors and is known as the Logan Boulet Effect. Green Shirt Day builds on this with organ donor awareness, promoting organ donor registration, and having a conversation with your family about organ donation. Mike Mountain Horse staff and students will recognize Green Shirt Day on Monday, April 7, 2025. Students are asked to wear a green shirt to honour the legacy of Logan Boulet.

## 2025-2026 Registrations

Mike Mountain Horse Elementary school continues to accept new and returning student registrations. Parents of students currently registered in Lethbridge School Division will receive notification from your child(ren)'s school with instructions for registration using PowerSchool.

To register for kindergarten, students **MUST** be five years old as of December 31, 2025. Registrations can be completed online and emailed to the school. MMH will be offering full day Monday/Wednesday, scheduled Fridays or full day Tuesday/Thursday, scheduled Fridays kindergarten programs. Please register as soon as possible.

Winners of our registration draw for Little Caesars Gift Cards are: DENVYR MILLER in grade 3 and JAMESON FITPATRICK in grade 2!  
**CONGRATULATIONS!**

# Spring Fundraiser



The Friends of Mike Mountain Horse Society want to thank everyone for their support with our Purdy's Chocolates spring fundraiser. Orders closed on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Order pick up will be tentatively scheduled for April 14, but could be earlier in the month. Please watch your email and the school website for updates. Thank you to everyone who has supported this fundraiser! We are so appreciative of everyone who supports our amazing school!

# MMH School Council & Friends of MMH Society

Our next School Council meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on April 3, in the art room. Everyone is welcome to join! This is a fantastic opportunity to find out about all the exciting things happening in the school. As we head into the very busy last few months of school, this is the best way to find out all the exciting things that are happening!

## Seven Sacred Teachings

Our Sacred Teaching for March focused on HUMILITY. Congratulations to our students who were recognized for demonstrating Humility. This month our teaching will focus on WISDOM. Students are recognized at our school-wide Spirit assemblies. Students recognized for Wisdom demonstrate the following:

- Accepts responsibility for their choices
- Is accountable to themselves and those around them
- Does not confuse wisdom with knowledge
- Demonstrates the ability to make decisions based on personal knowledge and experience.





# Learning Commons Corner



If you were wondering what happened to all of the milk jugs that you donated . . . here it is! Mrs. McAulay and the students built an igloo! As part of the grade 2 social studies curriculum , students have the opportunity to learn about the northern community of Iqaliut. As part of this learning, a milk jug igloo was a part of the learning commons decorations . . . until it melted!

Every March students participate in "March Madness Book Brackets". This year we decided to go with the theme "Don't let the Pigeon Pick the Book!" .

Each week we read 2 books and the students vote on which one they liked best. We start with 16 and end with 1.

This year we added in a non-fiction selection too. Most of these books are new books that we were able to purchase thanks to the great support of our book fair. Feel free to stop by anytime and visit the learning commons to see the amazing things happening!!



# Hello Volunteers!

We appreciate you spending time with our students. Community supports are what make Mike Mountain Horse such a great place to be! If you are interested in volunteering, here are a few reminders:

- All volunteer opportunities must be pre-arranged with the classroom teacher
- Please ensure you have completed The Lethbridge School Division Volunteer form and submit it to the office
- Please check in with the office and let our staff know you are here and who's class you will be volunteering in.
- Thank you for signing out in the office at the end of your visit

Thank you for your gift of time!

## MMH Wellness Corral



### **Setting Goals and Celebrating Wins— Riding Towards Success**

**Just as a rider sets goals for a successful journey, help your child set and achieve their own goals. Create a "goal chart" where they can track their progress with stickers or drawings. Celebrate their achievements with a special treat or fun activity, reinforcing their sense of accomplishment and motivating them for future goals.**



# SPRING FAMILY FITNESS

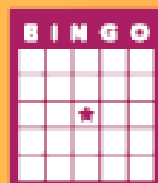


Let's get active together  
while creating meaningful  
moments with family!



Fitness is more than just physical strength! It includes emotional and social well being as well.

Students from MMH are being challenged to an assortment of activities between **March 24 - April 11**. After receiving a **Bingo Board** from their teacher, children are encouraged to complete as many of the squares as they can. All participants will then be entered into a draw for various prizes that will be distributed the week of Apr. 14 -17!



**AS A BONUS WE WILL ALSO HAVE THREE ACTIVITY NIGHTS IN THE SCHOOL GYM! ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:**

<b>TUES., APR. 1</b>	<b>6-7PM</b>	<b>STRUCTURED GYM GAMES</b>
<b>MON., APR. 7</b>	<b>6-7PM</b>	<b>URBAN BEAT HIP HOP / METIS JIGGING</b>
<b>WED., APR. 16</b>	<b>6-7PM</b>	<b>MIXED MARTIAL ARTS</b>

# Community Information

## Join us for the Green Shirt Day Family Skate!

**FREE**

**Wear  
your  
helmet**



**Learn  
about  
Logan  
Boulet  
and  
Organ  
Donation**

**April 7  
Logan Boulet Arena  
4:30-6:30 pm**

**Come Skate with Heart!**



### 3rd Annual Lethbridge Independent Film Festival Admission is by donation



Sat, April 12  
3:30 PM

Feature: Robot Dreams  
Short intro: Hoops



Sun, April 13  
Animated Short Films (a  
bundle of 6 short films, all  
kid friendly, lots from the  
NFB archive)

## Galbraith Elementary School **COMMUNITY FAIR**

Come check out over 20 awesome organizations  
that can support families in Lethbridge!  
Meet representatives from the Family Centre, My  
City Care, City of Lethbridge, Lethbridge Public  
Library, Building Brains Together and many  
more. Learn about opportunities for family  
activities and summer camps!

**Thurs. April 10  
6:00 - 7:30pm**

**Snacks!  
Draw Prizes!**

**My City Care's  
Street Store  
will be here with  
free clothing for  
the family!**

