#### **JUNE 2025**

## **A MMH MINUTE**

The monthly newsletter for Mike Mountain Horse Elementary School

#### **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

I can hardly believe that this is the very last newsletter of the 2024-2025 school year. As we enter the final month of school, please make sure to check the website and your email regularly as it is going to be BUSY with field trips, sports days, whole school events and more!

Thank you families for your ongoing and constant support! We really do have an amazing community. As we look forward to the changes in our school community, we wish all of our students and families who are not joining us in the the fall the very best of luck! Have a wonderful summer break and we can't wait to see you on September 2, 2025!

Kerry Taylor, Principal

## **Upcoming Events**

June 5: Matching Day June 10: Grade 2s walk to Nicholas Sheran June 11: Student Learning Exhibition 9:00 - 10:30 in the Gym June 12: Grade 3, 4, 5 Sports day and Hot Dog Lunch **Grade 2 Legacy Spray Park** June 13: Grade 4 Food Truck Frenzy Grade 1 Indigenous Plant presentation June 16: Grade 2 Water Fun Day **Grade 4 Legacy Spray Park** June 17: Indigenous Learning Day Tipi Raising at 9:00am June 18: Indigenous Learning Day Pow Wow at 2:10pm in gym June 19: Kindergarten, Grade 1, 2 Sports Day and Hot Dog Lunch Grade 3 to YMCA Grade 5 No Fun In The Sun Picnic June 20: Grade 1 & 2 Summer Celebration **Kindergarten Year End Picnic and Games** June 21: National Indigenous Peoples Day UPCOMING June 23: Grade 2 Picnic and Pizza **Grade 4 Summer Splash** Grade 5 Farewell 6:00pm in the gym June 24: Blue and Yellow Spirit Day Grade one Year End Picnic Citizenship Assembly 2:45 in the gym June 25: Last Day of School for students - 11:30 dismissal

#### Teacher Staffing 2025-2026

EEP: Ms. Christin Cann Kindergarten: Mrs. Riewe Grade One: Mrs. Krista Fisher, Mrs. Sydney Moore Grade Two: Mrs. Corrina Barker, Mrs. Sherese Speelman, Mrs. Courtney Lacanilao Grade Three: Mrs. Angie Kubik, Mrs. Linda Payne, Mrs. Katarina Dato, Mr. Bret Jesse Grade Four: Mrs. Amanda Fahey, Ms. Karen Bourassa, Mr. Michael Page, Mrs. Krista Meroniuk Grade Five: Mrs. Amanda Cross, Mrs. Hana Morris, TBD Learning Support: Mrs. Baker

Music: Mrs. Peeke-Vout

Teacher Counsellor: Mrs. Stephanie McLennan

Students Support Worker: Ms. Brittany Elliot

Administration: Mrs. Taylor (Principal), Ms. Wehrwein (Vice Principal)

#### Moving On.

Every year, we have the difficult task of saying goodbye to a number of staff members. This year we are sad to say goodbye to: Mrs. Marie Lowe, Ms. Brittney Petkau, Mrs. Carrie Peacock,

Mr. Tanner Abel, Mrs. Carol McNally, Ms. Chantel Park, Ms. Ayla Kolsza, Ms. Amelia Wills, Ms. Zoe Bracken, Mrs. Mamta Di Palma, Mrs. Alana McClain, Mrs. Lisa Stavinga, Ms. Hallie Malcolm, Ms. Cedar Albus, Mrs. Shelly Nordin, Ms. Indyana Isfeld, Mrs. Mekhi Droese, Ms. Megan Straight, Mr. Noel Higdon. We thank them for their dedication and support to our students and wish them well in their new adventures.

### **Blue and Yellow Day**

Please have your child dress in their MMH gear, or their favorite blue and yellow clothes to help celebrate our final SPIRIT DAY f the school year on June 24<sup>th</sup>! This will be our last school assembly of the year and we want to celebrate with all of our students!!





#### 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 submit registration using the School Engage tab in your PowerSchool account. Please contact the office if you need assistance setting up your PowerSchool account.

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.

#### MMH School Council & Friends of MMH Society

Our final School Council meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on June 11, 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 and how you can be involved in your child's education!

Our School Council Annual General Meeting has also been set for the evening of September 9<sup>th</sup> 2025. We invite all families to join us at this meeting as we will be reviewing all available positions and electing our 2025-2026 council members. If you are interested in joining our council or if you have any questions please email friendsofmmh@gmail.com or mmhschoolcouncil@gmail.com and our amazing members will provide you with additional information! We are always actively seeking more families to join our team to support our school community!

#### **Seven Sacred Teachings**

Our Sacred Teaching for May focused on TRUTH.

A student who is recognized for Truth would demonstrate the following:

• Speaks only the truth

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- Practices justice by investigating the truth for themselves
- Doesn't let others tell them what to think
- Can tell the difference between fact and fantasy
- Admits it when they have made a mistake
- Knows they are enough doesn't exaggerate or deceive or impress others.

## **Citizenship Assembly**

We will be recognizing students who demonstrate Citizenship at our last assembly of the year on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 in the gym. One student in each class will be individually recognized, live during our assembly. Students who receive the recognition for demonstrating Citizenship are chosen by their classroom teacher and consistently demonstrate the following:

-embody ALL seven of the Sacred Teachings (Courage, Respect, Honesty,

Wisdom, Humility, Love and Truth)

-are patient.

-are empathetic.

-are kind-hearted.

embody a leadership role within the classroom.

-put forth their best effort





## National Indigenous People's Day

As a lead up to June 21, National Indigenous Peoples' Day, students at MMH will have the opportunity to participate in Indigenous Learning Days on June 17 and 18. June 17 will begin with a traditional teepee raising at 9:00am (weather permitting) until 10:00, followed by storytelling with an Elder and traditional Indigenous games. On June 18, students will participate in a beading craft and will learn about traditional drumming. Our day will conclude with a traditional dancing demonstration and Pow Pow at 2:00pm. All families are welcome to join us for the Tipi raising celebration on Wednesday and the Pow Wow on Thursday.

A huge thank you to Miss Liddle and our Indigenous learning committee for all the time and energy put into organizing and planning these important days.







Sports day for students in grades 1-2 will take place on June 19 and for grade 3-5 on June 12. Please ensure students wear sunscreen, hats and clothing appropriate for the weather. Please send your child with any snacks or food they will need as well as a water bottle.

Our School Council members will once again be joining us to cook up a delicious hot dog and bag of chips lunch for students on their respective days. Kindergarten students will also have the opportunity to engage in sports day and enjoy a hot dog lunch with their classmates.

#### Lost and Found

We continue to gather **ALOT** of lost and found "no-name" items that we would like to match up with their owners. Families are asked to stop by the school and check the lost and found for any missing items. Tables will be set up in the front foyer on June 16 - June 25 at 11:30. After this time all remaining items will be bagged and donated to community charities. Teaching staff will also take a few moments to walk students to check for lost items before the end of the school year. Thank you!

#### MMH Wellness Corral

Reflecting on the Year—A Year-End Review of Our Journey As the school year ends, reflect on the journey like a rider reviewing their ride. Create a "year in review" scrapbook with highlights from the school year, including achievements and memorable moments. This helps your child process their experiences and transition smoothly into summer, just like a rider looking back on a fulfilling journey.

Mike Mountain Horse staff wish you all a fantastic Summer break filled with family, fun and time spent relaxing. See you in the fall!

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## Lethbridge School Division



# Highlighting Indigenous dancers from across Lethbridge School Dilision

#### 1pm-3pm

Intro/Welcome 1:00pm Grand Entry (Royalty, Staff, Dancers) Flag Song 1:10pm Girls Traditional 1:20pm Boys Traditional 1:30pm Girls Jingle 1:40pm Red River Jig 1:50pm Girls Fancy 2:00pm Boys Fancy 2:10pm Prairie Chicken Dance 2:20pm Grass Dance 2:30pm Hoop Dance



MC: Julius Delanev MC: Joel Tailfeathers Invited Drum Groups:

Old Agency

North Stone

Parents will be responsible for the transportation of their student dancers!

#### Inquires can be sent to:

melanie.morrow@lethsd.ab.ca shawnee.bigbull@lethsd.ab.ca joel.tailfeathers@lethsd.ab.ca

## **Community Connections**



SUMMER.