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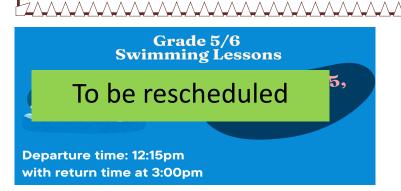
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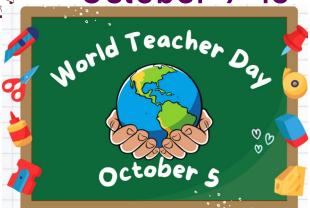
School fees are due!

Payment can be made on Schoolcash Online or at the school office.

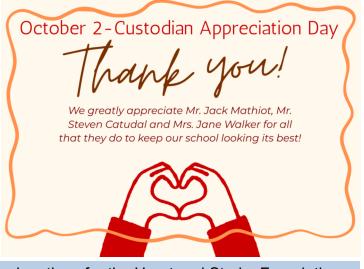
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The website for families to donations for the Heart and Stroke Foundation:

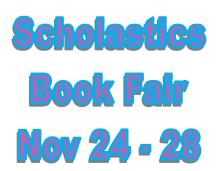
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Thank you for supporting this wonderful cause!

October 3 @ 2:00pm students will be participating!











https://www.stpaulfcss.ca/ about/interagency-connection







A BEACON OF HOPE
HEBREWS 6 18-19



"We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters the inner shrine behind the curtain."

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for your help during our school photo day!



### **Learners Education Class**

Prepare for your Learners written test by mastering the fundamentals with Lakeland Employment Services! Join us to review:

- · Basic Rules of the Road
- Road Signs
- Highways & Freeways
- Intersections & Turns
- Responsible Driving

Please note that we provide course materials and study guides, but not the actual test. This is a single group session held over three days. Future class will be held in Ashmont,

Elk Point and St Paul.

## **Mallaig**

Oct 14, 15 & 16 3:30-5:30PM

At the Mallaig library.

FREE TO REGISTER

Call 780-645-5311

Class open to youth aged 13-18yrs.







Cross Country









Thank you Mrs. Lamontagne for coaching and to Ms. Meger for organizing the athletes for SPAA! We appreciate everyone that helped throughout the day!

Thank you Real Dubeau and Mrs.

Amanda Amyotte for continuing to support the golf program. Our program continues to grow and succeed under your dedication.

We are very proud of our athletes that competed at SPAA and Zones as they represented our school with integrity and sportsmanship.

Our Jr Boys teams came in 7th, 12th and 20th and the Jr. Girls came in 5th.

Congratulations to Emery Amyotte for placing 2nd at zones. She participated at the provincial level in Magrath on Sept 22 & 23 where she placed 57 out of 88 participants.

**Great job everyone!** 

Jr. & Sr. Golf





### **BOARD MEETING**

# HIGHLIGHTS



### **Labour Action Update**

The Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) has announced the possibility of strike action beginning October 6, 2025, if a settlement is not reached with the Province. The ATA and the Teachers' Employers Bargaining Association (TEBA) have returned to mediation, and discussions are ongoing. In the meantime, the Division is preparing contingency plans to address a range of possible scenarios. Support staff are expected to continue reporting to work during any disruption, unless directed otherwise by the government. In the event of a strike or lockout, schools would be closed for students, but community use of schools would continue. Families are encouraged to visit the Division website for updates.

#### **Trustee Election**

The deadline for nominations is noon on September 22, 2025, and to date three individuals have declared their candidacy. Election Day will be held on October 20, 2025. Community members are encouraged to consider running for trustee, a role that provides governance, sets policy, and advocates for students. More information is available on the Division website.

### Student Innovation Challenge Presentation

A delegation of students from St. Paul Regional High School shared their experience in the Student Innovation Challenge at MacEwan University last spring. The students conducted community-based research and created posters to share their findings on community wellness, social innovation, and sustainability themes. The Board commended the students for their excellent work and inspiring contributions.

### **New Legislation Update**

Several new provincial requirements are being implemented in schools. Parents must now opt in for human sexuality instruction. Updated forms are available for name and pronoun changes, and new procedures are being developed for library resources and female-only sports. FOIP has also been replaced by new privacy legislation (POPA and ATIA), and families will soon receive a new privacy consent form by email.

### Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Partnership Grant

Dr. Emily Milne, Associate Professor of Sociology at MacEwan University, has been awarded the first Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) partnership grant valued at \$2.5 million. With additional contributions from partner organizations, the total project funding is \$4.7 million. This seven-year initiative will bring together some of the top researchers in Canada to advance educational equity in Alberta. St. Paul Education is honoured to be a key partner in this groundbreaking project, which will directly benefit our Division by strengthening rural education, supporting Indigenous student success, and helping to remove barriers for students in our communities.





### **Collegiate School**

The Division is proud to be part of the Northeast Alberta Collegiate Institute (NACI), a new regional partnership that expands opportunities for high school students in education, health care, and the skilled trades. Through this initiative, students can take university-level courses and earn both high school and post-secondary credit simultaneously. More information is available here.

### **Financial Update**

In June, the Province announced a 2.68% increase to select 2025–26 grants, providing St. Paul Education with an additional \$120,920 to help address support staff salary settlements. Support staff received a 3% increase effective September 1, while teacher provincial bargaining is ongoing. Early enrolment is close to budget projections, with final adjustments reliant on the September 30 official count. Preparations are also underway for the 2024-25 audit, with the Finance Committee to review the audit plan on October 8, 2025. Ecole Mallaig School construction is proceeding as planned, with a slight delay in the modular classroom installation.

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	FRIDAY	3 Dy 5 Jr. Vball @ Glen Avon Sr. Vball @ Two Hills Jump Rope for Heart @ 2:00	10 No School	17 Day 1 Jr. Vball @ FGM	24 Day 6 Sr. Vball @ LLB	31 Day 5 Sr. Vball @ Cold Lake
	THURSDAY	2 Day 4 Custodians Appreciation Day Jr. Vball @ Ashmont	9 Day 3 No School	16 Day 6 Jr. Vball @ EDS	23 Day 5 Jr Vball @ Glen Avon EK	30 Day 4 Jr. Vball @ Kehewin
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