

# Pike Lake School Newsletter

March 1, 2021



## Principal's Message

Hello Pike Lake Families,

The days are getting longer, the weather seems to be warming up, and the risk of indoor recesses lessens with each day! We have been taking advantage of the mild weather by taking our learning outdoors. The K/1/2 class, with help from the 3/4 class (and a leprechaun or two) have constructed a snow wall/science project/art installation along our backstop. It's an excellent example of holistic learning as students worked together to excavate ice chunks, build the structure, decorate it with art, and learn about states of matter. As this structure melts, I know the puddles of spring will bring many more opportunities to learn outdoors (you may want to send along an extra pair of socks, learning is messy!).

Brian Knowles

## Dates to Remember

**Mar 5** – Skating -Weather Permitting  
**Mar 8** – No school – PD/Prep  
**Mar 16** – Parent/Teacher Interviews  
**Mar 18** – Wear Green Day  
**Mar 19** – Skating -Weather Permitting  
**Mar 25** – Parent/Teacher Interviews  
**April 1** – Report Cards  
**April 2-11** – Easter Break  
**April 12** – No School – Day In Lieu

## Food Safety Course

There are still openings for the online Food Handler Safety Training Course. The course is sponsored by the SCC and is free to take. Please contact the school if you are interested.  
306-668-4808 or  
pikelakeschool@spiritsd.ca

## March Is Nutrition Month!

“Dietitians Help You Find Your Healthy.”

Nutrition Month 2021 centers on the idea that healthy eating looks different for everyone. Healthy eating is different for everyone and depends on culture, dietary restrictions, religious beliefs, food preferences, cooking skills, nutritional needs, environment and so many other factors. Healthy bodies shouldn't be defined by what they look like.

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

Once again Parent/Teacher Interviews will be conducted over the phone. Interviews will be Tuesday, March 16 and Thursday, March 25. Please call the school to book a time @ 306-668-4808.



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## Become An Onion

With the spring season coming closer, we know that there are temperature changes throughout the day – cool mornings and warmer afternoons! It is most important that the children be dressed appropriately AND in layers (like an onion!) to allow for these variant temperature changes. We encourage you to please help your child be comfortable with these changing temperatures by ensuring proper clothing is worn to school every day.

## Our Future Enrollment

The complete five-year projected enrolment for our school is being compiled from the information we have to date, which is vital for our future planning. If you know of any families in our community and area that may have young children who would attend Pike Lake School within the next five years, please call Pike Lake School @ 306-668-4808.



**Thank you very much for the gift basket of treats the staff received for Staff Appreciation Week. It was a great way to kick off our break.**

Pike Lake Staff

## Prairie Spirit Schools Foundation Grant Update

On Feb. 23, the K,1,2 class was joined virtually by Randy Morin, a fluent Cree speaker from Big River First Nation. Randy is a faculty member in the University of Saskatchewan's Department of Indigenous Studies and is a passionate advocate for the Cree language and Indigenous culture. The students learned a few Cree words, and also about the Cree culture. Randy and his students from his university class will meet again with our students on Mar 3.

## Let's Learn Cree!

"Hello"- tansi (tahn-sih)  
"Thank you"- hiy hiy (hi hi)

### Spare and Regular Bus Drivers needed in your community

#### A Prairie Spirit Bus Driver:

- Receives free training; licensing fees covered
- Could take their young child along on route
- Enjoys daily contact with students
- Supports the local community

Please contact the Prairie Spirit Bus Garage (306) 374-2496 or [info@spiritsd.ca](mailto:info@spiritsd.ca) for more information about this flexible opportunity.



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### Flexible Employment Opportunities

Prairie Spirit School Division invites applications for substitute **Casual Caretakers, Administrative Assistants** and **Educational Associates** for casual and flexible work.

Please visit our website: [www.spiritsd.ca/careers](http://www.spiritsd.ca/careers) for more information and to apply.

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