



THORHILD CENTRAL SCHOOL

BULLDOG BULLETIN

January 15, 2018



Student Information

- January 17— Health Day—Cancelled
- January 18—Bottle Drive fundraiser for Grade 7 class Drumheller Trip
- January 24— ROE— Family visit- Grade 4
- January 31— Retro Day-Dress in Retro
- January 31— Alberta Safe Riders Association
- January 31— First day of Semester 2
- February 2— Semester break-No school for students—Staff Work Day
- February 7— ROE- Classroom Pre-Visit
- February 8— GRAD Photos w/Lifetouch
- February 9— Super hero/ Villian Day
- February 14— Student Leadership - Division Initiative
- February 14— Health Day
- February 15 and 16— Teachers' Convention - No school for students
- February 19— Family Day/ No school
- February 21— ROE- Family Visit
- February 28— ROE- Post Visit
- February 28—Pink T-shirt day

Events and Meeting

- January 18— Board Meeting
- January 22— School Council Meeting— 8:30 am



Principal's Message

Happy New Year to our students, families, and community members. We hope that you had a relaxing and family packed winter break!

The first semester is coming to a close and staff and students are working hard to finalize the curriculum outcomes. Students are reminded to continue to focus on their studies, get plenty of rest, and eat healthy meals and snacks. Taking extra care of the body and brain will assist with successful exam writing. During exam time, students are reminded to keep the hallways quiet and to use the library as a study environment.

The exam schedule has been designed to allow students study time. When a high school student has completed their exam, they have the option of studying for their next test at school or at home. Students leaving the school are reminded to sign out. During exam time, instruction will not be taking place; but, teachers will be available for study assistance. Grade nine students will transition into their next course after their PAT so there is no need for them to leave after they write their PAT.

Skiing

Throughout the winter months, we will have an opportunity to enjoy various outdoor activities. Several skiing dates have been arranged with our local ski hill. Since skiing is a life-long sport that can be enjoyed with a family or individually, we are hoping all children will be able to participate. When the permission forms come home, please let us know if you are able to assist with supervision at the hill. We could use assistance with chalet and on the hill supervision. With the financial support of our fundraising society, TEAM, all skiing will be at no cost to our students. The Thordild County program for free ski lift tickets and lessons will also be accessed to reduce costs for TEAM. We are appreciative of these opportunities for our students. Parents will need to complete the necessary permission forms when they are sent out and parents will also need to access the online form regarding equipment rentals. All of this information will be coming home with your child and will also be on our school website. Please watch for it.

Accountability Pillar – Alberta Education

As an annual check-up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success. The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators consisting of surveys of students, parents and teachers on various aspects of quality; student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates; and provincial assessments of student learning.

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey. In January, parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 will receive a survey from Alberta Education. In February, students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and all teachers will be completing their surveys online at school. All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with the school. In addition to English and French, the parent survey is available in Chinese, Punjabi, Arabic, Blackfoot, Cree, Korean, Spanish and Tagalog.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly. Survey results will be available to school authorities in May 2018, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports.

Semester #2

Semester two will be starting on January 31. All high school students have received their timetables for next term and have been encouraged to take it home, review it with their parents, and return it to the school office. Over the next couple of weeks, the admin team will be inviting students in to make any necessary changes. We are also making a few changes to our Virtual Program. A letter will be sent to high school families outlining the changes that we are implementing for semester two. Working with families to help them have a clear understanding of the high school journey is important to us. If you have any questions about your child's program, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

We wish all of our students all the best as they write their exams and good luck to all during semester two.

Mrs. K. Carson

January Diploma Exams 2018

Thursday, January 11	9:00 A.M.	English Language Arts 30–1 Part A English Language Arts 30–2 Part A
Friday, January 12	9:00 A.M.	Social Studies 30–1 Part(ie) A
	9:00 A.M.	Social Studies 30–2 Part(ie) A
Tuesday, January 23	9:00 A.M.	English Language Arts 30–1 Part B English Language Arts 30–2 Part B
Wednesday, January 24	9:00 A.M.	Social Studies 30–1 Part(ie) B Social Studies 30–2 Part(ie) B Math 10C
Thursday, January 25	9:00 A.M.	Mathematics 30–1 Mathematics 30–2 English 20-1 & 20-2
Friday, January 26	9:00 A.M.	Biology 30 Social 10-1 & 10-2
Monday, January 29	9:00 A.M.	Chemistry 30 Chemistry 20
Tuesday, January 30	9:00 A.M.	Physics 30
Tuesday, January 30	9:00 AM.	Science 30

January Achievement Tests—Grade 9

Monday, January 29	9:00 AM	Grade 9 Math
Tuesday, January 30	9:00 AM	Grade 9 Social

Last Day of classes for 10, 20 & 30 level courses will be January 19.

The exam schedule is posted on the school website.

ANTI-BULLYING DAY T-SHIRT

ORDER FORM

Name of School: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Student Name: _____ Teacher Name: _____ Division #: N/A

E-mail: N/A FAX #: N/A

100% COTTON PINK T-SHIRT

Youth Small	Youth Medium	Youth Large	Youth XL	Adult Small	Adult Medium	Adult Large	Adult XL	Adult XXL *	Price	Total



TOTAL

**T-Shirts are \$8.00 except for Adult XXL are \$11.00.
Minimum of 18 T-Shirts are required to place an order.**

**Deadline is Feb. 1, 2018
Cheques payable to TCS.**