

# Thickwood Heights NEWSLETTER April 2023



## Welcome Spring Break!

As the weather warms up, please pack a full change of clothes in a plastic bag for your child. Snow turns to water and puddles which are irresistible to many of our students. Please check backpacks everyday to see if there are wet clothes to exchange. The weather is often still cold in the morning so continue to send in mittens and hats to keep ears and fingers warm as the temperature rises throughout the day.

Welcome to Spring at Thickwood Heights! March was a busy month with our Madagascar Productions, field trips to Keyano Theatre, and guest presentations by the RCMP and the Fort McMurray Minor Baseball Association. We also had a fur kit at Thickwood for students to explore and grade three and four classes participated in Land Based Learning and Open Minds at Heritage Park. March also marked the end of our 5/6 Basketball Season and hopefully the end of indoor recess. Kindergarten and ECDP Open houses were held, and families are welcome to call the office any time to enroll for next year and update demographics



## Important Dates in March:

- April 3rd: Monthly Assembly
- April 3rd: Second Night of PTIs
- April 6th: 5/6 Basketball Versus the RCMP
- April 6th: Last Day before Spring Break
- April 17th: First Day Back from Spring Break
- April 25th: PAC Meeting at the School
- April 27th: Spring Photos
- April 27th: Family Literacy Night



Hanna Fridhed presented at our March Assembly from Swamp Rat Experience on Kid's Theatre



# Thickwood News and Updates

## Thickwood Thursdays

Congratulations to Aurora and Emma in our grade 1/2 class who won our Thunderbirds of the Month Award in March for dressing up in red on Thursdays to support school spirit. All students who wear school clothing or colours on Thursdays are entered to win a Thickwood Prize in a monthly draw.

## Hot Lunches

Orders can be placed by creating an account at the PAC Website: [Thickwood Hot Lunches](#). These lunches would not be possible without our amazing PAC volunteers.

## School Clothing

School clothing orders are now open through our Entropy Site: <https://thickwoodheightsschool.entropyshops.com/>



## School Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering at school for special events or field trips, please stop by the office to pick up a Criminal Records Check form. Our school will cover the cost of the check for any parents or guardians interested in volunteering.



## Congratulations March Thunderbirds!



- ECDP - Rae & Kaylee
- Kindergarten AM - Kylie
- Kindergarten PM - Alex
- Grade One - Parker
- Grade One/Two - Avaya
- Grade Three -Jayce
- Grade Three/Four- Dylan and Saryna
- Grade Four - Ryleigh & Elijah
- Grade Five - Marda and Logan
- Grade Six - Ruby



# Student & Parent Opportunities

## PAC Meeting

Join us for our next Parent Advisory Council Meeting virtually or in-person on April 25th at the school. The meeting will be held in the green room after the school day begins. All parents and guardians are welcome.

## Growing Smiles Fundraiser

PAC is holding a fundraiser for the school to support student events with Growing Smiles for Spring Flowers. To order please check out the [website](#).

## Spring Pictures

There was a confusion on dates for the Spring Pictures. They are on Thursday, April 27th NOT March 27th. Apologizes for any inconvenience.

## The RMWB Pulse Line

If you have traffic or safety concern please contact the RMWB Pulse Line and submit a concern online through this [link](#) to connect with bylaw officers.

## Early Learning and Kindergarten

Thickwood hosted Open Houses for ECDP and Kindergarten last month. If you are interested in registering for the 2023-2024 school year, please contact the main office at 780-743-8417.



Ms. Mootosamy hosted a wonderful Book Fair in the Library in March!

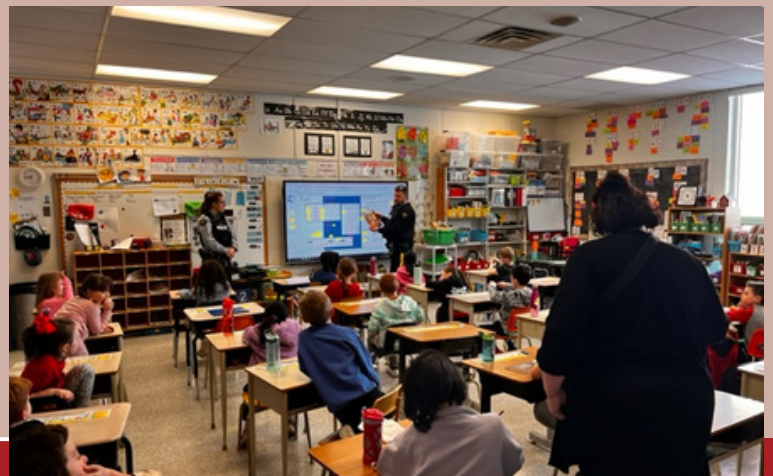


Alanna from the Family Resource Center visited our PTIs to share free community programming and supports for families



Fort McMurray Minor Baseball helped our Physical Education Classes learn about Baseball.

**The RCMP visits each month to remind students to use their WITS when problem solving!**



# SAVE THE DATE

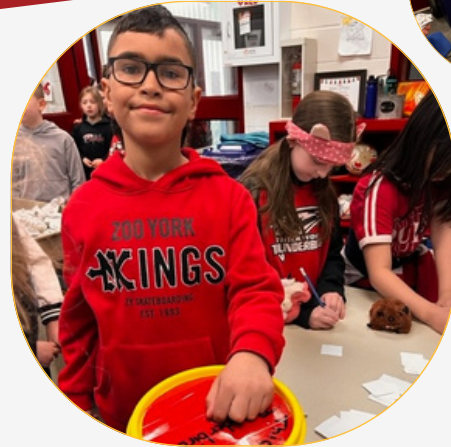
## FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT THURSDAY, APRIL 27TH 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM



### READERS ARE LEADERS!

Literacy is the ability to read and write and these are two of the most important skills a child can learn.

Reading and writing are involved in almost every part of life and improving these skills in our Thunderbirds is one of our school goals!



**Thickwood Heights Presents:**

## **Family Literacy Night**

**Join us for an evening of fun literacy activities for families with a campout theme!**

**Prize draws will be held for students who try four or more activities**

**APRIL 27TH**

**6:00 pm - 7:00 pm**

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