

NEWSLETTER

September 2025

Welcome Back!

September has arrived at Thickwood Heights and we are excited to welcome back our Thunderbirds for a new school year. All families are welcome to join us between 4:30 pm and 6:30 pm on Tuesday September 2nd to meet their teachers and enjoy a free BBQ.

We are excited to share that new this year will be Art Classes taught three times a week by Ms. Barr. These classes will introduce students to different styles and mediums of creation, and explore individuality and regulation through Art.

Important Dates

Sept 2nd - Orientation for K & Grade One
Sept 2nd -

Welcome Back BBQ & Meet the Teacher

Sept 3rd - Welcome Back for All Students

Sept 5th - Welcome Back Assembly 9:00 am

Sept 8th - First Day for all ECDP Students

Sept 9th - Metis Bev

Sept 12th - No Classes - PLF

Sept 15th - School Picture Day

Sept 26th - No Classes - PLF

Sept 29th - FMPD Orange Shirt Day

Sept 30th -

No Classes - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



Thickwood News and Updates

School Council

Our School Council will have a table set up at our Meet the Teacher BBQ near the front office on Tuesday, September 2nd. The first meeting will be held in September with a virtual option. Please stop by the table to see how families can join the council to support the school. School Council covers the cost of programs like Alien Inline, transportation for field trips and our annual production school.

Student Counsellor

We are excited to share that this year we have a full time counsellor at the school, Mr. Mitch Bancroft, who was a practicum student with us last year. Mr. Bancroft will be going around to classes to introduce himself and can be reached via email at mitchell.bandcroft@fmpsd.ab.ca.

Hot Lunches

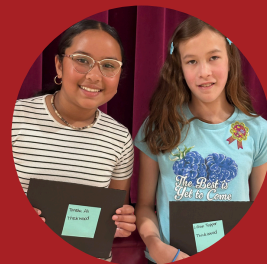
Orders can be placed by creating an account at the PAC Website: [Thickwood Hot Lunches](#) (password TWHL) for October. These lunches would not be possible without our amazing PAC volunteers.

Leader in Me

Each month we will feature one of the Seven Habits in our Assemblies, Announcements and Newsletters. More information on the Leader in Me can be found through this [link](#).

Seven Sacred Teachings

The Seven Sacred Teachings are a form of Character Education through our health programming. The first teaching is the Eagle teaching for "love."



Congratulations 2024-2025 Award Winners!

We wrapped up the 2024-2025 school year with our End of Year Celebration Assembly - including some special awards. This year we will continue celebrating our Thunderbird of the Month in each grade at our Monthly Assembly.

Education Updates

Sharpen the "Claw"

Starting in October, on instructional Fridays, students will be rotating through classes with all of our teachers in cross-grade groups for a one hour block. Teachers will be sharing an option course (French, Guitar, etc) and more information will be shared in our October Newsletter.

5/6 Volleyball

Students interested in 5/6 Volleyball will have an opportunity to try out for after school teams this month. Coaches will send emails home later this month with more information and visit classrooms.

Walkn' Read

From 11:30 am to 11:40 pm each day, students can choose to read in the library or move their bodies in the gym or hallways. Our Division Two students support the Division one group through physical literacy, and this year we are adding grade six story time in the green room.

Field Trip Funds: Milk Program

Milk, Chocolate Milk and Juice Boxes are all available at the office to purchase for \$1.00 with all funds raised shared with PAC for school initiatives.

Student Council

Teachers will be nominating students for Student Council this month in grades 4-6 based on Thunderbird Citizenship, Leadership qualities demonstrated in class and student interest. Student Council will begin meeting weekly at the end of the month to plan fun school events and activities for our Thunderbirds, including an October Spirit Week.



Thickwood Heights School Presents Our

Welcome Back to school BBQ

& Meet the Teacher

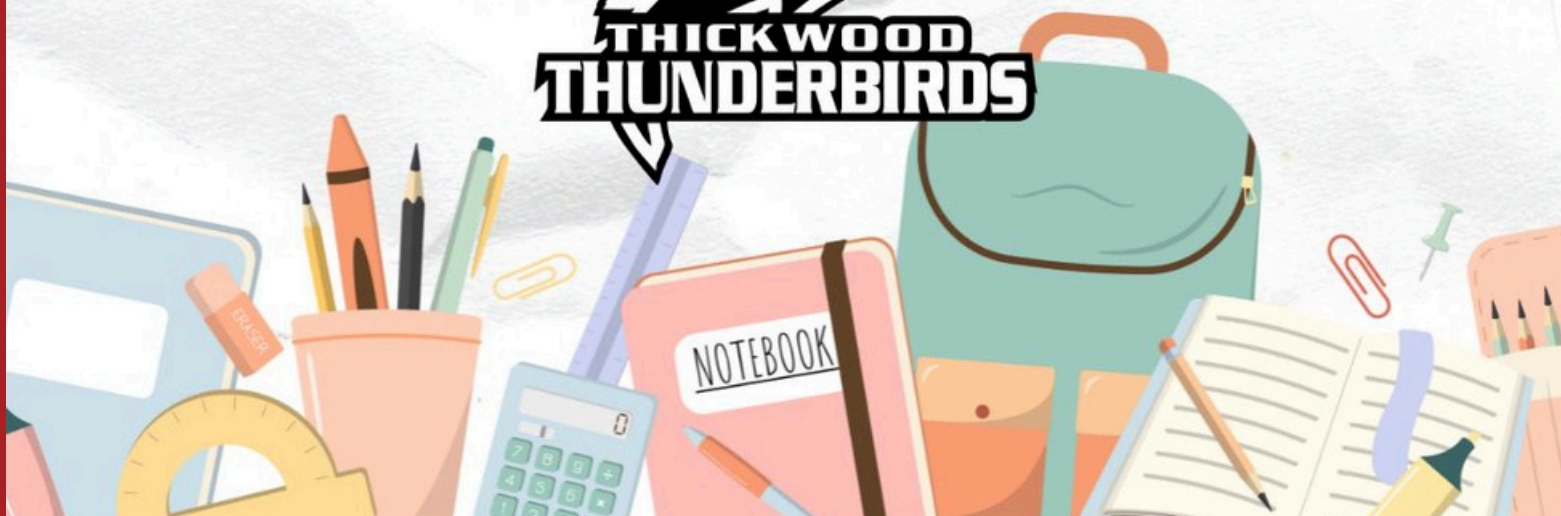


Tuesday, September 2nd
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm

**THICKWOOD WELCOMES OUR
GRADE ONE AND KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS**

BACK TO SCHOOL

FOR ORIENTATION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND





WELCOME

BACK TO SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 6

CALL THE SCHOOL WITH ANY
QUESTIONS 780-743-8417

FIRST BELL 8:00 AM

DISMISSAL 2:40 PM

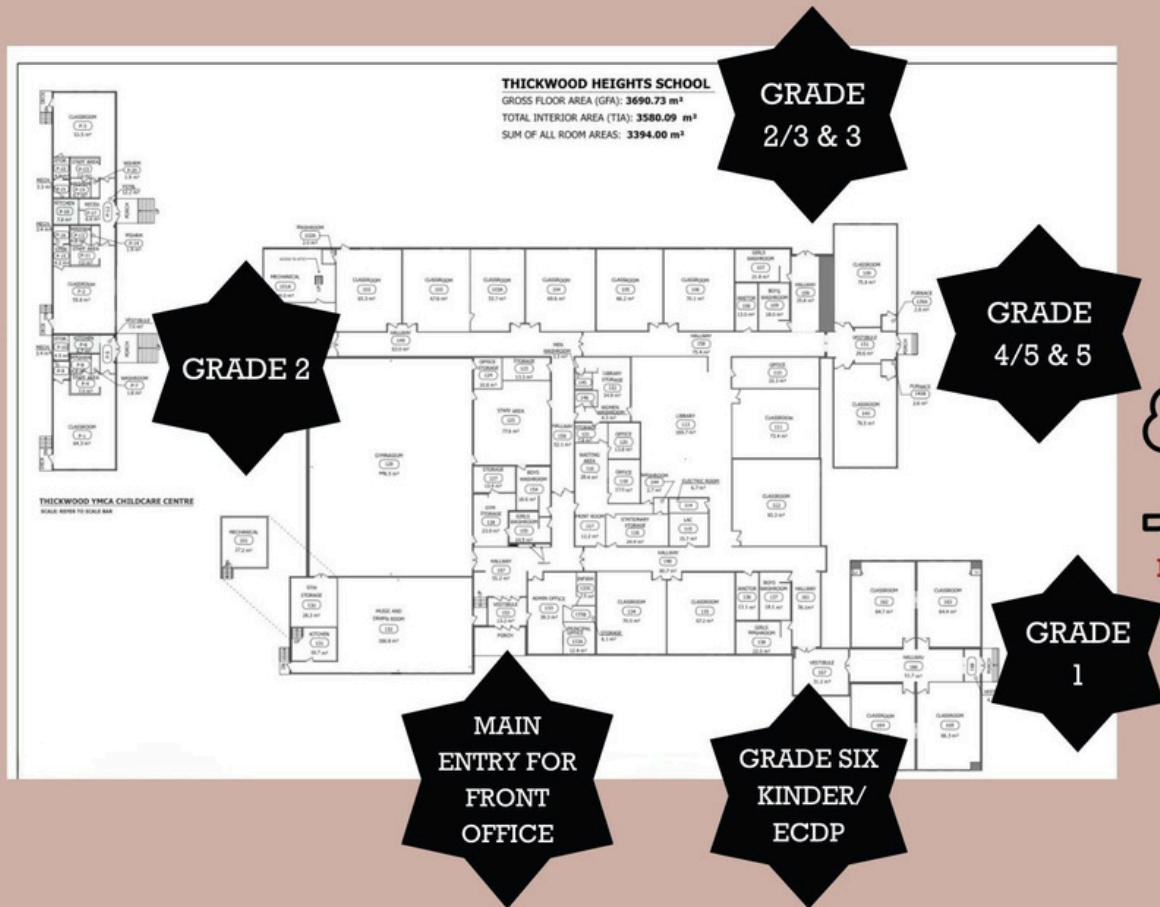


Thickwood Heights

2025-2026 ENTRY DOORS

Field between Thickwood and St.Paul's School

YMCA
Daycare



SILIN FOREST ROAD



THICKWOOD BELL SCHEDULE

CLASS	TIME
1ST	8:00 AM
2ND	8:05 AM
RECESS	10:05 AM - 10:20 AM
WALKN'READ	11:30 AM - 11:40 AM
LUNCH	11:40 AM
RECESS	12:00 PM - 12:30 WITH DPA
DISMISSAL	2:40 PM



Welcome!

Ms. Erica Mckeough

Ms. Amber Nordell

ECDP



Gr. 2



Counsellor



Mr. Mitchell Bancroft