Herbert School Newsletter

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Principal : Mr. Chad Striker

Vice-Principal: Mr. Randy McCulloch

December 2018

Trincipal's Message

Welcome to December Everyone!

November went by with a blur of activity. It was so nice to see so many families in the building during parent teacher conferences. Thank you to those that replied to the Google form survey that was sent out. The school was also hoping on the 15th where the SCC hosted a Rec and Write night alongside the basketball parent meetings. Hopefully some of you received well crafted cards...I know I did.

I love December and I love the spirit of the month. The SCC is hosting their annual Christmas banquet on the 11th. Hope to see you there.

Take care,

Chad Striker

Principal





Safety Patrol News

Do not pass the buses from either direction when you see this sign and the stop arm is in operation!

Please note that as per section 212(3) of the Saskatchewan Traffic Safety Act (2006) a person can be fined \$360.00 for failing to stop 5m from the rear of a school bus that has its safety lights and stop arm in operation and under section 212(4) a person can be fined \$360.00 for failing to stop 5 m from the front of a school of a school bus that has its safety lights and stop arm in operation.

We ask that everyone please ensure to follow these traffic regulations and school expectations to provide for the safety of our students. *Thank you!*



Students and/or their parents are reminded to please **tell their bus driver in advance** if they will not be riding the bus. It is important for the bus drivers to know when the students will not be on their bus for the morning drop off, after school pick up, or both. *Thank you!*

Also, all students (town and bus) must dress appropriately for winter weather – boots, winter jacket, hat, and mittens or gloves.

If you need to change your billet listing or need to add a billet please contact the school. The billet must live in the town of Herbert.

Power Outage Protocol

When the school experiences a power outage the school needs to follow protocol and direction from the Chinook School Division. Power and/or water services need to be disrupted for a minimum of <u>two</u> hours. After two hours:

- 1. Parents and/or billets will be contacted regarding school closure. This will be done by phone, or Remind messaging.
- 2. Parents and/or billets will need to pick up students from their homerooms in grades K 6. Please make sure your billet information is up to date— if you need to make changes please contact the school and an update sheet will be sent home.
- 3. Students in grades 7 12 can be dismissed without parent pick-up only after parent communication with the respective homeroom teacher has occurred.
- 4. Buses will not be called to travel their routes. There may be situations where a bus will transport students to their town billets.

Thankyou also to everyone who supported our Avgen Gift Card Fundraiser! The gift cards were distributed last week.





We ask parents to please contact the school if their child will be absent/late or if they are signing their children out during the day. It is important that we have notification from parents for <u>all</u> student absences/lates. If we do not receive notification from parents, the students will be marked as unexcused.

Students are asked to sign in at the office if arriving late, and sign out at office if leaving early. There is a sign in/out sheet posted on the bulletin board in the main office.

> You may leave a message on the Message Manager at any time (306) 784-2454 or e-mail Mrs. Francis at afrancis@chinooksd.ca

to inform us if your child will be absent, late, or leaving early.

Just leave your name, the student's name, the date and the reason your child will be absent, late, or leaving early.



Scholastic Book Fair *Thank you to:*

*Miss Toner's grade 9 class and Mrs. Moon Penner's grade 7/8 class for the artwork.

*Maria Enns for beautifully decorating the library.

*Cheryn & Paige de Bruyn, Pat Betthel, and Madalyn Penner for working at the book fair in the evening and to Kianna Epp, Erica Bakus, Katelyn Scott, Madison Block, and Hannah Ulm for all of their help during the days.



Plans are well underway for our 5th annual Christmas Luncheon on December 11.

Thankyou to all who have offered to help prepare and/or donate food.

Claire Forsyth

SCC president

"We Scare Hunger Campaign" *Thankyou to everyone who brought food donations!* The winning classes had pizza parties courtesy the "Me to We" Group



Don't forget to get your 2017-18 Yearbook for \$25.00



E-cigarettes and Vaping

A growing concern among educators and parents is the use of electronic cigarettes and vaping products by youth. We want to remind everyone that the use of tobacco, e-cigarettes and vaping in any form by students, employees or other people is not allowed on our school grounds or in our buildings. Students caught smoking, using or in possession of the prohibited products in or near the school will be disciplined according to policy.

E-cigarettes and vaping can be harmful to the user and to people exposed to the second hand ecigarette smoke. Like regular cigarettes, e-cigarettes with nicotine are linked to a many harmful effects on children and youth—from addiction to disruptive effects on the developing brain. Please read the Canadian Paediatric Society's recommendations on protecting children and youth from the dangers of e-cigarettes: <u>https://www.caringforkids.cps.ca/handouts/e-cigarettes-a-danger-to-children-and-youth</u>.

Charitable Donation Receipt

Parents - If you drove students to games, tournaments, and/ or field trips from January to December 2018 and did not put in a claim for mileage you can claim a Charitable Donation Receipt to be used for Income Tax purposes.
Please contact Mrs. Francis for a form to be sent home.
We will verify the dates, Mr. Striker will sign the form, and then it is forwarded to Chinook School Division before the Christmas Break so a receipt is issued in the new year.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Thankyou to those who have donated to our Breakfast Program!. We are always accepting donations of muffins or other food items, or money to purchase items (you may request a Charitable Donation Receipt for monetary donations).

Please contact Mrs. Natasha Olynick at the school.

Sportsmanship Banner Presentation

Members of the SHSAA will be present on **Friday, December 14 at 10:30** to present the Sr. Boys Soccer Team with the Sportsmanship Banner for 2018! *Parents, Grandparents, and friends are welcome to attend!*

Communication with Herbert School

Remind 101

To receive messages from Mr. Striker via text, text@herbschool to (647) 496-2812. You can opt-out of messages at anytime by replying, "unsubscribe@herbschool".

Or to receive messages via e-mail, send an email to

<u>herbschool@mail.remind.com</u>. To unsubscribe, reply with 'unsubscribe' in the subject line.

What is Remind and Why is it Safe?

Remind is a one-way text messaging and email system. With Remind, all personal information remains completely confidential. Teachers will never see your phone number, nor will you ever see theirs.

Visit remind.com to learn more.

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Half-way down the page there is a link that says "**Sign up for our newsletter and keep in touch**". Enter your e-mail address. You will be asked to verify your e-mail. You can unsubscribe at any time.

Check our school website: (http://www.chinooksd.ca/school/herbert)

Important Dates

(please check the school website also for Daily Announcements and Upcoming Events (http://www.chinooksd.ca/school/herbert)

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Dec 11	-	Herbert School's Annual Christmas Dinner
Dec 14	-	Presentation of Sportsmanship Banner to Sr Boys Soccer team
		at 10:30 a.m. Parents welcome to attend!
Dec 18	-	Herbert School Christmas Concert (1:00 and 6:00 p.m.)
Dec 21	-	Last day of classes before Christmas Break
Dec 22- Jan	n 5-	Christmas Break
Jan 7	-	Classes Resume
Jan 2 – 28	-	Provincial Exams (Gr 10-12)
Jan 29	-	Turn Around Day (No school for students)
Jan 30	-	Semester II begins
Jan 30	-	Kindergarten to Grade 12 Report Cards e-mailed