

Principal- Mrs. Lisa Baird & Vice- Principal- Mrs. Giselle Meyer

### Important Dates

- March 3rd- Student of the Month Assembly at 2:15
- March 5th- Pizza with the Principals for Award Winners
- March 7th- No School
- March 10th- First Day of Options Round #3
- March 11th- Parent Council Meeting at 7:00pm at PES Staff Room
- March 17th- St. Patricks Day- Dress in Green
- March 17th- March 20th- Book Fair
- March 19th and 20th- Parent Teacher Interviews, Students Makers Market, and PAC Bake Sale
- March 21st- No School
- March 24th- March 28th- Alien Inline Skating down in the gym

#### **School Fees**

If you have not done so already, please login to <u>Student Quickpay</u> to pay your child's school fees. CTF Option Fees and Agenda fees have been posted to your account already this school year.

Swimming fees will be added to student accounts before they start swimming. All swimming fees need to be paid in advance for students to swim.

Please connect with Mrs. Baird or Mrs. Meyer at the office if you need some support with school fees!

\*\*\*We now have a DEBIT Machine at the school office\*\*\*

# From the Principal's Desk

February flew by in a flash! We hope students and their families enjoyed the week long break away from school while teachers attended teachers convention.

We had a number of school wide events taking place this past month! Some of the highlights included our Kindness/Valentine's Day Dance, our first Ski Day at Canyon, and our Second Annual Staff vs. Students Hockey Game! A huge thank you to the family and community members who came out to cheer on the players! A thank you to the Donut Mill for donating the donut holes to the spectators, as well as Parent Council for donating the juice boxes.

Upcoming, we have a number of fundraisers taking place to support the classwide year end field trips, as well as the purchasing of the Jerseys for athletics teams at Penhold Waskasoo Middle School. Our school wide Spring Flower Sales is live! Sales will close on April 29th at 8:00pm. We have collaborated with Blue Grass Sod Farms! All flowers will be delivered on May 8th at 11:00am, the week of Mother's Day! Pick up will be on May 8th from 11:00am until 6:00pm. The flowers from this fundraiser last year were incredible, and we had lots of great feedback from parents and community members who purchased. All sales will be done online through the <u>Bluegrass Fundraiser Website</u>.

Our teachers are ready to meet with Parents/Guardians on March 19th and 20th for the second round of interviews! Interviews can be booked starting March 1st at 9:00am through the <u>Parent Teacher Interview Link</u> It is important for families to connect with our teachers as it bridges the connection between home and school. During our interview nights, we will also have a number of other connection points taking place in the school; Makers Market down in the gym where our students are selling their homemade goods, Parent Council is hosting a bake sale, as well as the book fair will be on in the Learning Commons. So many great reasons to get your interview time booked in!

Starting on March 24th, our students will be participating in the <u>Alien</u> <u>In-Line Skating Program</u>. Each homeroom will get 2 sessions of inline skating with a professional instructor down in our gym! This program is paid by our hot lunch program- so thank you for supporting the hot lunches! Permission forms will be coming to inboxes mid-March! Please make sure that you complete these permission forms as soon as possible!

We are always looking for parent volunteers! Should you be interested in volunteering for any PES events, we need to have criminal record checks, and vulnerable sector checks on file. Once completed, these are good for 3 years. Please access the forms with this <u>LINK</u>, or stop by the office for a print out of the volunteer package.

We are looking forward to another fun month here at PES!

As always, if you have any questions, please give me a call at the office. 403-886-4390

Yours in Education, Mrs. Lisa Baird Principal of PES



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#### Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews are taking place on March 19th and 20th from 3:30pm to 6:30pm. Parents can book appointments through our website following the link at the top. Many other events are occurring including Bake Sale by our Parent Council, Scholastic Book Fair and our second PES Maker's Market!

## PES Maker's Market

We have a wealth of students who are talented and spend their free time making amazing items. We are giving these students the opportunity to sell their creations during our Parent Teacher Interview evenings. Students interested need to see Mrs. Meyer.

# Pie the Principal

The kids have told us, there is no day better than the day they get the chance to Pie the Principal. Mrs. Baird and Mrs. Meyer look forward to taking a pie or two to the face.... anything for a good cause!

All funds raised by the students will be donated to our Penhold Waskasoo Middle School Athletic Department for the purchase of team jerseys.

This year, the top two donations in each class will get to throw a pie as well we will randomly draw 10 students from each grade who donate money to also throw a pie! Exact date is TBD.....

#### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Book fair is back this spring. This is a busy event and we are always in need of some parent volunteers to assist us with running our book fair. If you are able to help out, please email Mrs. Keeler at <u>lkeeler@cesd73.ca</u> before March 14th. All money raised at the book fair goes back into buying books for our library collection!

## **Skiing at PES!**

Our last Ski Day is March 14th, 2025! Please make sure that your child (ren) are dressed appropriately for the day. They need to have snow pants, winter jacket, gloves and warm socks. A bagged lunch should also be packed! A huge thanks to Mrs. Hannett for organizing this great opportunity!

# PES Spring Flower Fundraiser

Please take a look at the Flower Fundraiser from Blue Grass Sod Farms. All monies raised will go towards the new athletic jerseys for Penhold Waskasoo Middle School!















# What a Month...

A jam packed month of February with skiing, staff vs student hockey game, kindness day, Valentine's Day dance.... And of course a ton of learning in between.





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A huge thanks to the players, parents and staff who came out for our second annual Staff vs. Student Hockey Game!!!!!!



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