

# Inferno News

Parkland School Division #70 MAY 2017

## Letter from the Principal

Dear Greystone Families,

Looking at the calendar it is hard to believe that June is here already. It has been a year of learning, growing and reflecting not only for students but for all of the staff here at Greystone Centennial Middle School.

Behind all of the successes, we have experienced at Greystone Centennial Middle School are not only dedicated, energetic teachers, but also a community of volunteer parents who have given countless hours of their free time to help out our school. Sincere thank you to all members of Friends of Greystone (FOGS)– your fundraising efforts are a true gift, and without you, many of the extras that we do would not be possible! Thank you to School Council members who are incredibly giving of their time and it is all done to enhance the experiences of our students throughout the year. To

the parents/guardians of Greystone Centennial Middle School, we express our admiration and appreciation for your cooperation and support, as together we have strived to offer the best education for each student entrusted to us.

We congratulate all of our students on the successful completion of their school year, but most especially our Grade 9 students who will be moving on to high school. We wish you best of luck as you venture forth into this new phase of your life. As our grade nine

students leave to take on new challenges and begin the next leg of their journey

I know that each student will take with them the skills and open-mindedness to ensure their continued success.

Sincerely,

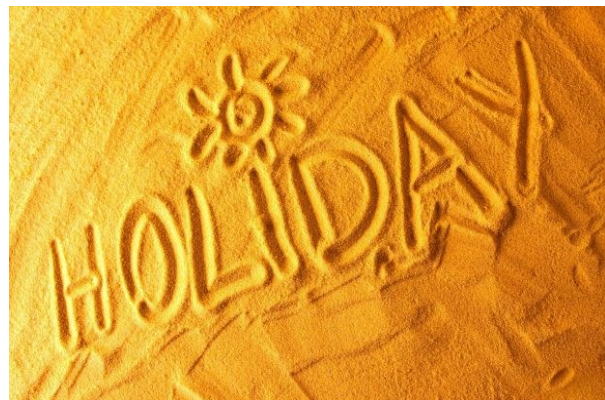


Darla Senkow  
Principal



### Special points of interest:

- *Events Happening at GCMS*
- *GCMS Reminders & Updates*
- *School Council & FOGS Updates*
- *Scholastic*
- *June 2017 Calendar*



## Events Happening at GCMS

**PATS** - Wrapping-up in June for Grades 6 & 9. Refer to Calendar for dates.

**June 14th**—Grade 6 trip to Wagner Bog in afternoon

**June 21st**—Grade 9 Trip to West Edmonton Mall

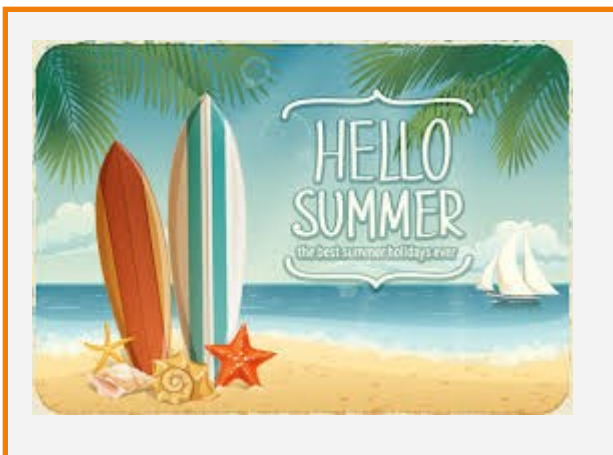
**June 22nd-23rd**—Grade 8 trip to Jasper—leaving 7am returning 8pm

**June 23rd**-Grade 7's attend Aboriginal Days in Stony Plain in the morning

**June 27th**—Grade 5 trip to Ukrainian Village; 8:45am-3:45pm

**June 29th**-Grade 7 trip to West Ed Mall Waterpark; 8:30am-2:15pm

**June 29th**-Grade 5 trip to Wabamun Spray Park; 11am-2pm



## GCMS Reminders & Updates

### Contacting Your Child:

Just a reminder that if you would like to get a hold of your child, please feel free to contact the school office and we will happily pass the message on to them. It makes it difficult for your child to not be distracted by their personal devices if they are receiving phone calls or messages while they are engaged in learning.

**Student break times are from 10:26-10:44am and 12:30-1:15pm.**

### Crosswalk Safety:

Please encourage your children to be safe and use the crosswalks when they are coming to school. With the high amount of traffic around the school before and after school it is important that students are paying attention their surroundings and always using the marked crosswalks.

### Thought Exchange:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the ThoughtExchange process this year.

At Parkland School Division, we embrace open and honest communication. Our Ultimate Goal, Success for All Students, is dependent upon engagement with our community and that's where you come in. Everyone can make a meaningful contribution to public education. We will be looking at all of the contributions made by our GCMS and PSD communities to help us improve.

### Student Fees:

To pay your child's school fees; we encourage parent's to use **PowerSchool** to access the convenient **Acorn online payments system**. Instructions for use are found at [www.psd70.ab.ca](http://www.psd70.ab.ca) on the PowerSchool tab. You may also send your child's Student Fees to the school office.

### Precision Reading

We are looking for people that are interested in reading with kids a few times a week. We will train volunteers in the Precision Reading Program. If you are interested please contact Trish Spink at [pspink@psd70.ab.ca](mailto:pspink@psd70.ab.ca).

### Update Your Information

**Have you moved recently or changed any contact information?** If any contact information has changed, please let the office know so your child's information can be updated. Also make sure that the office has a copy of your child's birth certificate.

### Lost and Found

Lost and Found bins are located in each pod. If you have noticed your child has not come home with an item, please stop by the school or have your child check the bins around the school for lost items as they will be regularly donated to charity. Thank you!

## GCMS Reminders & Updates—Continued

### McDonald's Receipts

Please remember to save your McDonalds receipts. We have a collection bin located at the front office.

### Raise Some Dough

Don't forget to "Raise Some Dough" at **COBS Bread**

**Century Crossing**. Tell them you are from Greystone when you are purchasing your order.

Remember to sign up with GCMS for emails, including this great newsletter.

You can also find information on our website, or follow us on **FB** and Twitter.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
SUPPORT!

**The School Council and FOGS AGM** will now be held on **Tuesday, September 19 at 6:30 pm.** *We are in always in need of new parents to come out, more so this September, because in the next two years, the majority of our current parents will be moving onto high school. Please join*

**IN NEED OF ASAP\*\*\* FOGS is in need of someone to run our Hot-lunch Program starting in September 2017. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact KELLY KENNEDY @ [kellykennedy40@gmail.com](mailto:kellykennedy40@gmail.com) or call the school @ 780-962-0357.**

**On behalf of Greystone School Council and FOGS, we would like to thank all Greystone families for their continuing support!! Have a safe and wonderful summer break!!**



**GCMS Council & Friends of Greystone School Society (FOGS)**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**Tuesday, September 19th, 2017**

Welcome Everyone,

We would like to invite you to attend the Greystone Centennial Middle School Council and FOGS Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 @ 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome!!

Mission Statement of School Council - Greystone Centennial Middle School Council is committed to our children.

Vision Statement of School Council - Our Children... Our Future

**DID YOU KNOW???**

Every parent whose child attends Greystone Centennial Middle School is a member of the School Council, as well as the Friends of Greystone School Society, and we all have a voice in the decisions that are made at our school. Joining our volunteers at 6:30 pm, on the second Tuesday of each month, is also our Principal and/or Assistant Principal, and a School Board Trustee (if available). We may also have presentations by the different LCs, extracurricular groups and student groups within our school.

**WHAT DO WE DO???**

The School Council participates in discussions on school issues such as budgets, goal setting, curriculum and school board trustee issues that may arise. Our job is also to advise the Principal as to opinions and concerns of parents and students.

The Friends of Greystone School Society (FOGS) is our parent-run fundraising society supporting Greystone Centennial Middle School and is responsible for all fundraising activities which include the Welcome BBQ, casinos, Family Carnival, COBS, Value Village FUNdrive, Breakfast and Forgotten Lunch Programs, Hot Lunch and building our new playground, to name a few.

Participating in the School Council and FOGS is an excellent way to keep the doors of communication open between parents, teachers and administration.

**WHY SHOULD YOU BE ACTIVE ON THE SCHOOL COUNCIL?**

There are several great reasons:

- To be active in and knowledgeable of decisions that will affect your child;
- To be involved in the school;
- It is your right and responsibility, every parent in Greystone Centennial Middle School is a member;
- To get to know others in the school, from parents, to teachers, to trustees;

The following is a list and brief description of all the positions available for SCHOOL COUNCIL. A comprehensive list of duties for elected positions can be found in Council's Operating Procedures.

**ELECTED POSITIONS**

**CHAIRPERSON** - responsible for running the monthly meetings. They set the agenda, distribute correspondence, and work with the Principal and Assistant Principal to make sure school issues are covered at the meetings.

**VICE-CHAIRPERSON** - responsible for running the meetings if the Chairperson is unable to attend. The Vice-Chairperson is also responsible for creating the yearly report to the School Board.

**SECRETARY** – this job entails the taking and distribution of the minutes for all meetings, as well as filing any correspondence.

## VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

**BULLETIN BOARD** – this volunteer would be responsible for maintaining the Council bulletin board; changing calendar removing old posters etc.

**STREET SIGN** – this volunteer will ensure the street sign is kept up to date with current events.

## **WHY SHOULD YOU BE ACTIVE ON THE FRIENDS OF GREYSTONE SCHOOL SOCIETY (FOGS)?**

There are several great reasons:

- To be active in and knowledgeable of decisions that will benefit your child;
- To have an active role in deciding which fundraisers the school will participate in and where and how the fundraising dollars will be spent;
- It is your right and responsibility, every parent in Greystone Centennial Middle School is a member;
- To get to know others in the school, from parents, to teachers, to trustees;

The following is a list and brief description of all the positions available for FOGS.

## ELECTED POSITIONS

**PRESIDENT** - responsible for running the monthly meetings. They set the agenda, distribute correspondence, and work with the Administration to make decisions about where the fundraising dollars will go.

**VICE PRESIDENT** – responsible to run the meetings if the President is unable to attend, work with and support the President in agenda prep.

**SECRETARY** - this position includes the taking and distribution of the minutes for all meetings, ensuring the minutes accurately reflect the directions agreed to at the meetings, as well as filing any correspondence.

**TREASURER** - responsible for maintaining the accounting for all of FOGS fundraising activities, writing cheques, presenting a financial statement at each meeting and preparing a yearly budget.

## VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

**FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR** - the liaison between the Society and the School Council. They help to decide what fundraising activities will be held and assist the activity coordinators as needed

**CASINO COORDINATOR** - responsible for all things associated with a casino; filling out paperwork, filing paperwork, liaison with the casino, finding volunteers for the casino, etc.

**GRANT COORDINATOR** - responsible for forming a committee and applying for grants as needed.

**HOT LUNCH COORDINATOR** - responsible for setting hot lunch days in coordination with administration. Also decides on what is being served for hot lunch and ensures everything is at the school for the hot lunch day and coordinating a volunteer schedule.

**BREAKFAST TO GO PROGRAM COORDINATOR** - responsible for running the program, purchasing the groceries needed, and organizing set up and clean up on the days the program runs.

**FORGOTTEN LUNCH PROGRAM COORDINATOR** - responsible for purchasing the items needed for the program, making the sandwiches, and communicating with front-end staff when restocking is needed.

If you have any questions at all, please contact our School Council Chair or FOGS President.

School Council Chair – Shelley Grimoldby @ greystonescchair@psd70.ab.ca

FOGS President – Kelly Kennedy @ kellykennedy40@gmail.com



**Contest! Draw June 16 Prizes added each month!**

**Every Order has a chance to win a  
bag full of Scholastic prizes!!!**

Super Great deals on Summer Reading, orders due June 14

Browse Flyers <http://scholastic.ca/clubs/readingclubonline/>

Bring your order to the Library or Pay online

<https://parentpay.scholastic.ca/pay>

Find Your Teacher/Librarian

Enter Province Alberta

Enter City Spruce Grove

Enter School Greystone Cent Middle School:

Enter Librarian Sharon Marshall

**\*Please Note:** Paid reference number must accompany flyer order form

Flyers available at Greystone Library Learning Commons

**Thank you for supporting your school Library!**

# June 2017

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28	29	30	31	1	2 Grade 9 Grad— 7-10pm	3
4	5	6	7 Band (GCMS, Prescott, Woodhaven) Concert 7 pm @ Horizon Stage	8 LC 6 Camp Nakamun	9 PSD Summer Try-Me Try- Athlon  Gr. 5 Pow Wow & PFNS 9am- 2pm	10
11	12	13 Board of Trustees Mtg 6:30-8:30pm	14	15	16	17
18	19 Gr 6 English LA Part B 9-10am	20 Gr 6 Math Part A & B 9-10:15am	21 LC 9 trip to WEM <b>National Aboriginal Day</b>	22 LC 8 year end trip to Jasper 7am <b>Gr 6 Social Studies PAT 9-10am</b>	23 Gr 6 Science 9-10am	24
25	26 Gr 9 Social Studies PAT 9-10:20am	27 Gr 9 English LA Part B 9-10:15am	28 Grade 9 Math 9- 10:30am	29 Gr 9 Sci- ence 9-10:15am <b>Report Cards go home</b> Last day of school Gr. 7's—attend Waterpark	30 Staff Planning & Development Day—NO STUDENTS attend	1 CANADA DAY

