

PERCY BAXTER NEWSLETTER



November 18-22, 2024

Principal's Message:

Four-day weeks always bring an extra burst of energy and activity to middle schools. Last week was no exception, with parent-teacher interviews adding to the excitement. It was great to see students engaged, staff motivated, and to have meaningful conversations with many of you. Sharing some delicious spaghetti and lasagna only made the week even better, and overall, it was a highly productive time.

I want to extend my thanks to everyone who participated in the parent-teacher interviews and showed patience navigating the new system we've put in place. For those who were unable to attend, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teachers for an opportunity to discuss their progress.

Looking ahead, a reminder that we have a cultural exchange meeting on Tuesday, November 19th at 5:30 PM in the Learning Commons.

Have a Great Week!



Parent Reminders/Messages

- Students need inside shoes.
- Thank you for the support of our Book Fair.
- Thank you to all the parents who scheduled Parent Teacher Interviews.
- There are a number of Lost and Found items that need to be claimed. Please have your child look for any missing pieces of clothing. We will be making a donation to the Repeat Boutique at the end of term 1.
- If after school plans need to be changed, please call the office before 3:10 pm.



Important Dates to Note:

- Cultural Exchange Meeting November 19 @ 5:30pm
- Hot Lunch Pizza Wednesdays
- Monthly Assembly: November 29 @ 2:30pm
- Term 1 Ends: December 6, 2024

Important Links

- [Facebook Page](#)
- [Google Calendar of Events](#)
- [Website](#)

Term Awards



At Percy Baxter, our focus is on fostering student growth, success, and intrinsic motivation. To better align with our belief system and assessment practices, we have decided to move the **Academic Star** and **Shooting Star** awards to the end of the school year. This change allows us to celebrate students more holistically, emphasizing citizenship, hard work, and positive attitudes alongside academic achievement.

By shifting these awards, we can maintain a steady focus on growth and progress throughout the year while reserving the recognition of summative academic success for a culminating celebration. That said, we are still excited to honor our students' accomplishments this month. On **December 18**, we will celebrate our **Students of the Month**, as well as the recipients of the **Rock Star Award** and **Rising Star Award**. These awards highlight students who have demonstrated exceptional effort, perseverance, and positive contributions to our school community.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to inspire and celebrate every student's journey

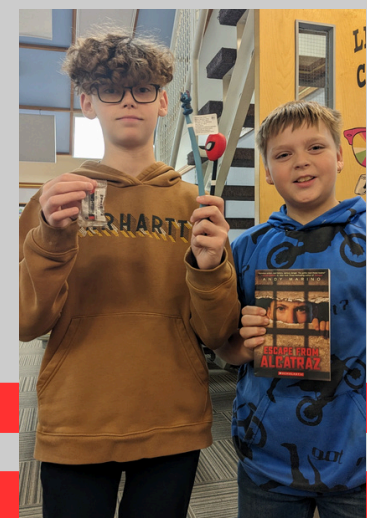
Rock Star Award: Students who are recognized have met the high expectations for citizenship.

Rising Star: Student who receive this award have set high expectations for personal growth and shown improvement.

Our Grade 7/8 volleyball players finished off their season with their home tournament. They demonstrated their growth throughout the season and had so much fun playing against their peers and friends. St. Joe's girls team also joined us in the tournament. We want to send out a HUGE thank you to our coaches and volunteers, Mr. Lentz, Ms. Comeau, Ms. Gour and assistant coach Adam, for all the time they spent with these young athletes and helping them build their skills. Thank you to the parents who support their children in being part of this program and all the people who came to cheer the kids on Saturday. Lastly, thank you to our athletes for all the hard work and dedication they showed this season and helping out with score keeping and reffing. Our students are truly the best.



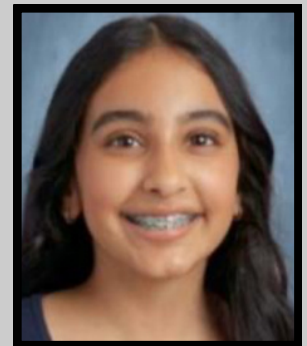
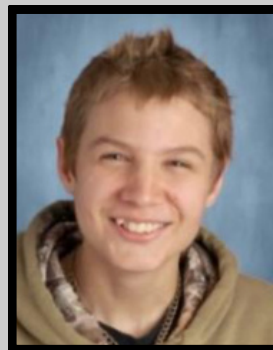
Book Fair
Thank you to all our Percy Baxter families for supporting the Learning Commons and school with our Book Fair. We surpassed our goal of \$3000 which gave us \$900 to put towards books in our library collection. With this success the Learning Commons was able to draw six students and two teachers to choose items for themselves and their classrooms. We also drew 26 names for our poster draw! Thank you to our volunteers Cheryle Trofimuk, Mrs. Webb and Monica Iverson!



Outdoor Ed 8 is on Fire and Cooking!



Students of the Month:



2024/2025 Bell Schedule



TIME	BLOCK
8:53	Bell
8:55-9:05	TAGS (Attendance calls generated)
9:05-9:55	BLOCK 1
9:55-10:45	BLOCK 2
10:45-10:50	TRANSITION BREAK TO NEXT CLASS
10:50-11:40	BLOCK 3
11:40-12:10	RECESS BREAK
12:10-12:40	LUNCH BREAK
12:40-1:30	BLOCK 4 (Attendance calls generated)
1:30-1:35	TRANSITION BREAK TO NEXT CLASS
1:35-2:25	BLOCK 5
2:25-3:15	BLOCK 6 Dismissal



TANK & VAC TRUCKS LTD
780-778-5070



Aasland Farms



RALCOMM.



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



Harvey and Kathy Lentz



Mallary Shaw
Administrator &
Community Liaison

Admin@wctwolverines.com
(403) 352-2486 (cell)
www.whitecourtwolverines.ca
P.O. Box 931 Whitecourt, AB T7S 1N9



LittlePaddle Farms



We Want to Give a Big Shout out to our Sponsors!