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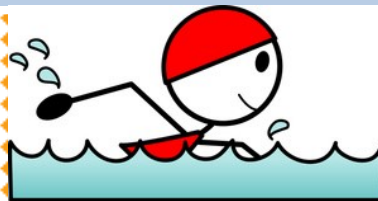
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October 3, 2023 Newsletter

School fees will be available on SchoolCash Online and can be paid by credit card or echeck through SchoolCash Online. Payment can also be made at the school office by check or cash.



SWIMMING LESSONS
GRADE 5/6
OCTOBER 2, 3, 4, 5, 11, and 12

GRADE 3/4
OCTOBER 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 30



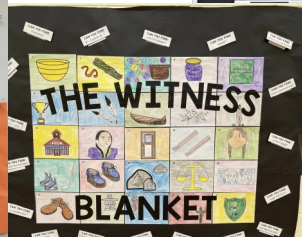
We cannot thank the **2023 Grad Parent Committee** and the **Mallaig Pickleball Group** enough for their very generous donation to our school. The funds were used for purchase of new volleyballs, carts, pickleball equipment and a new set of volleyball uniforms. We are very grateful for the support of our school.



ORANGE SHIRT DAY



We are very grateful to Mr. Clifford Cardinal for coming out and speaking with our students with regards to Truth and Reconciliation. Thank you to Mrs. Kully and Miss Hills for the time they put into making it an informative and reflective day.



Mallaig School Thanksgiving Good Works

As our way of giving thanks this season, Mallaig School students will be collecting items for the **St. Paul Food Bank**. Items can be brought in to their homeroom teachers until the morning of **October 5th**. Items can also be dropped off at the office.

Food Bank donations should include **non-perishable food items**. We are also able to collect any **extra fresh garden vegetables** (please note that fresh vegetables should only be brought in on the morning of Oct 5th).

SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

Hello parents and guardians. Welcome to the 2023/2024 school year! We held our annual general meeting in September; it was great to see so many individuals wanting to be involved with parent council!

At our AGM, we planned most of our events for the year. We plan to host the following events:

- Halloween Carnival
- Christmas Lunch
- School Staff Appreciation events
- Pizza lunches- once a month!
- Hot dog lunches for Winter Carnival & Track and Field
- Shrove Tuesday (hosted in conjunction with Knights of Columbus)

New this year is our Stinger Spotlight! Parent Council is excited to bring this initiative to the school for all the students (Preschool-12) as well as our fantastic staff. See poster below for details and please encourage your children to participate to get entered to win the monthly gift baskets.

A poster for the 'Stinger Spotlight' initiative. It features a grey background with a blue and black geometric design on the left. The title 'STINGER SPOTLIGHT' is in large, bold, blue letters. Below it, the text reads: 'Monthly, themed challenges to recognize Stingers being their best selves through acts of empathy, bravery, hard work and more.' To the right of this text are two blue stars. Further right, it says 'Proudly presented by School Council'. Below that, it states: 'Nominate someone who you feels exemplifies the monthly theme and that person will be entered to win the monthly gift basket valued at \$50!'. At the bottom, there are four small asterisks with details: '*Monthly themes will be announced on the first day of every month.', '*Nomination forms will be in library for all students, as well as elementary homerooms.', '*Nomination forms must be filled out in full and be legible to qualify.', and '*Completed forms can be dropped in the nomination box in the library.' and '* Winner will be drawn on the first day of the month'.

It has been decided that our meetings will always be the last Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm. Upcoming meeting dates will be October 25th and November 29th.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out!

Lisa Dunlop

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Pizza lunch

Thursday, Oct 19

**Pre order forms
coming soon**



**MY ALBERTA
TEACHER
HERO**

October 5 is World Teachers' Day.

You and your favourite Alberta teacher can win amazing prizes!

To celebrate, send us a 60-second video sharing how an Alberta teacher inspired you. You'll be entered to win one of 25 \$100 Visa gift cards.

Your Alberta teacher will be entered to win one of three vouchers for either **airfare** or the **Apple Store valued at \$3,000!**

Send your video by **October 16** to be eligible.


Generously sponsored by Morgex Insurance.

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Student absences Please call/text the school if your child will not be attending school. If we do not get a call, we will be contacting the parent to verify the students absence. **Call: 780-635-3858** (messages can be left at this number) or **text: 1-587-600-8508**.



St. Paul Education is pleased to offer a new bus notification system commencing in the 2023-24 school year!

The Bus Status 4 App will replace the Alertus App that was previously used by the division to communicate bus delays and cancellations. The new app will provide families with a faster and more reliable experience when receiving bus notifications.

Bus Status 4 is free to download on Google Play and the App Store.



STINGER SPOTLIGHT

OCTOBER IS GRATITUDE MONTH

GRATITUDE-the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness.

If you have someone in the school you are thankful for, please fill out the nomination form and get entered to win the \$50 gift basket!



MALLAIG SCHOOL CAREER CORNER

Mrs. Kotowich-Dubrule

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IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 30-Oct 6: the University of Alberta is waiving the application fee for Indigenous Students

Oct 1: many post-secondary schools open their applications for fall 2024

Oct 2: Bow Valley College opens their applications for fall 2024

Oct 11: deadline for Loran applications (at 6pm)

Oct 14: University of Alberta Open House

Oct 20 - 21: Lakeland College Open House

Oct 21: Open House for Concordia University of Edmonton (* free applications)

Oct 24: Post-Secondary Night @ 7:00 - 8:30pm in the gym of St. Paul Regional High School

Oct 28: Open House for NAIT, Red Deer Polytechnic, and University of Calgary



I will be at Mallaig School the week of Oct 17-20.

OUR CAREER COUNSELLORS

Welcome back students! I'm excited to work individually with students to ensure they are successful during high school and to further develop their post-high school plans. Similar to previous years, I will be meeting with Grade 10- 12 students throughout the school year. My office is located by the computer lab upstairs and you can always find information on my office door if I'm away. I will be communicating with students via their school email addresses so please check your emails regularly. Also check out the bulletin boards for additional post-secondary and career information.

POST-SECONDARY NIGHT

There are some GREAT upcoming events and we are particular excited for the ELAA Post-Secondary Night happening on Tuesday, October 24 between 7:00 - 8:30pm. This event will take place in the gym of St. Paul Regional High School and all of our students and families are welcome. Come visit different post-secondary booths (as well as the Canadian Forces and RCMP) to learn more about their programs and ask questions. It's a great opportunity to explore your options after high school, even if you're not sure what your plans are. We will also have a draw prize (chromebook!) so don't forget to enter your name and grab a goodie bag.

APPLY ALBERTA

For most Alberta post-secondary institutions, students will apply to the program of their choice using a website called Apply Alberta. This year, Mrs. Kotowich-Dubrule is available to help students set up their Alberta.ca accounts and profiles on ApplyAlberta. DID YOU KNOW many post-secondary schools open their applications for fall 2024 on October 1st? This is why it's nice to have your ApplyAlberta accounts all set up ahead of time. If you are unsure of your post-high school plans, please meet with Mrs. Kotowich-Dubrule.



Ecole Mallaig School Spirit Days for October!

Thursday October 5-Crazy Hair Day!



Friday October 20- Crazy sock day
Wear your wackiest socks.



Thursday Oct 12- Dress in your best! It's our picture day.



Tuesday October 31- Happy Halloween! Dress in your favorite costume!



Boys and Girls Club

Beginning: October 3

Tuesdays: After school to 5:00

Mallaig Baptist Church

Contact for more information:

Alice Amber 780-635-3745

SCHOLASTIC



Mallaig Library will be hosting a bookfair

November 20-24

Books are great gifts!

HOW SICK IS TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?



SEND TO SCHOOL

- A runny nose or just a little cough but no other symptoms.
- Sore throat but no other symptoms.
- No fever in the past 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine.
- No vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours.



KEEP AT HOME

- Fever higher than 100.4 degrees F (38 degrees C).
- Sore throat, with other symptoms such as a persistent cough.
- Vomiting or diarrhea in the past 24 hours.
- Eyes are pink and crusty.
- Has been exposed to an illness where isolation is recommended.



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Makerspace

Creativity abounds within the classroom.
Students are loving the Keva blocks!



TAKE THE NEXT STEP TOWARDS YOUR FUTURE

POST-SECONDARY NIGHT 2023

OCTOBER 24, 2023

7:00 - 8:30 PM

AT ST. PAUL REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
IN THE GYMNASIUM

ELAA



Please support our
Ecole Mallaig Preschool through the
Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser

Campaign is now open

Campaign code: **64424**

Deadline: November 28

Delivery Date: December 6-12

Welcome to SchoolCashOnline



School Cash Online is an easy to use and safe way to pay for your children's school fees.

- ✓ Conveniently make payments for student fees online
- ✓ Stay connected and informed of all school activities
- ✓ Never miss out on field trips, school events, yearbooks and more

All you have to do is register, attach your students and in no time, you will be able to make payments online.

How to Register

1. Go to <https://sperd.schoolcashionline.com/> and click on Register

- ✓ Enter in your first name, last name, email and create a password.
- ✓ Select a security question.
- ✓ Check YES to receive email notifications

2. A confirmation email will be sent to you

- Check spam

3. Follow the instructions in the email.

Your email is used as your username in your profile.

How to Add a Student

1. Sign In to School Cash Online
2. Go to MY ACCOUNT.
3. From the drop down menu, select My Students.
4. Click to add a student.
 - a. Type in your School Board Name
 - b. Select School Name from the list.
 - c. Enter Student Criteria (as set by your School Board)
 - d. CONFIRM

You can add up to 8 students on your profile.

How to Make a Payment

1. You will be able to view any available items attached to your students that are set up on your account.
2. Select the item that you would like to purchase and click "add to Cart".
3. Once you have finished adding items to your cart, select "Check Out" to make payment.

You can pay for multiple student's items in one Check Out.

Payment Types Accepted

 Credit Cards  eCheck



Stay connected by receiving email notifications of new fees.



Pay required fees any time, any where.



Never miss out on field trips, yearbook sales, and school events.



Students no longer risk carrying cash and checks to school in their backpacks.



The PreSchool and ECS classes were blessed to have their grandparents come and do a craft and share a snack. This made for a special day for everyone!





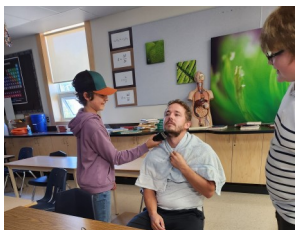
Mr. W's heart broke
just a little having to wear orange



The Gr. 8/9 Religion class sold
\$747.00 in popcorn and lemonade



Preschool
marker
skills!



Soooo many
cookies!

Terry Fox Fundraiser



Great day for a run and a hot dog!



Our students were given a goal and with each
\$300 raised one staff member had to complete
one of their "punishments".

We love the enthusiasm of everyone!

\$5700.00 was raised!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SUCH AN
IMPORTANT CAUSE!



Ms. Guinup wearing COLOUR!



Great job representing our school at S.P.A.A. Cross Country at Ross Lake. Congratulations to Kaycee Richter for placing 2nd in B Girls! Thank you Mr. Cote for coaching the athletes to success and to anyone that supported the team by supervising, driving and cheering them on.



**Jr. Boys placed 1st
at the Glen Avon
volleyball tournament,
Congratulations!**



Congratulations to our Sr. and Jr. Golf teams on doing such a great job of representing our school at SPAA. The Jr. Girls team finished 2nd overall! We appreciate the time Mr. Real Dubeau took to coach the teams. Thank you Mrs. Amanda Amyotte and Mrs. Tanya Hardy-Dubeau on supervising practices and SPAA day. We would also like to thank Mann Lakes Golf Course for accommodating practice times so that our kids would succeed.

Sr. Volleyball
October
10- home
13/14 Two Hills
18-@ Ashmont
20/21-Lac la Biche-JV team
27/28-Lac la Biche-Sr team

Jr. Volleyball
October
5-@ Glen Avon
12-@ home
13/14-Elk Point
19-Racette
20/21-Home Tournament
26-@ Ashmont



Thank you everyone that supported our Sr. High Volleyball home tournament. We cannot thank the volunteers enough for all the work they put in to make it a successful weekend. Congratulations to the Sr. Boys team on earning 1st place.



September 13, 2023

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



Enrolment Update

Overall enrolment is slightly lower than projected. The final student count will occur at the end of September. Budget adjustments may be required.

Joint Use Planning Agreements

Changes to the Municipal Government Act and Education Act require municipalities and school boards to have Joint Use Planning Agreements (JUPAs) in place prior to the end of June 2025. The Board approved that the template developed in conjunction with the County of St. Paul be used with all municipal partners, subject to updates for specific sites.

Collaborative Response Training

As part of our Division Professional Learning Community Day activities on September 1, all staff were introduced to the Collaborative Response Model with Kurtis Hewson from Jigsaw Learning. We look forward to continuing to work with Kurtis as he guides our division in using the power of collaboration to improve student success.

New Communication Tools

The new Division and school websites launched at the end of August. The Division is also pleased to offer a new bus notification system. The Bus Status 4 App will replace the Alertus App that was previously used by the Division to communicate bus delays and cancellations. Instructions for downloading the app are available on our [website](#). The Division will also launch the SchoolMessenger communication system later this fall.

Dual Credit Grant

The Division is partnering with Portage College through this grant to offer dual credit health and wellness related courses.

Off-Campus Education Coordinator

The Division has received funding through Careers the Next Generation to fund an Off-Campus Education Coordinator. Corey deMoissac will be coordinating all Registered Apprenticeship Programs and internship opportunities for students across the Division.

Financial Update

The audit committee approved the audit plan and is still seeking two public members. Individuals with a financial background that might be interested are encouraged to contact the Secretary-Treasurer. The Province has selected BR2 Architects to be the design consultant for the École Mallaig School project. BR2 is the same firm that designed Ashmont School. Site testing has begun and design planning will begin shortly.

For more information, contact:
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October 2023



Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1	2 Day 2	3 Day 3	4 Day 4	5 Day 5	6 No School-PLC Day	7
<div>Grade 5/6 Swimming</div> <div>Food Bank collections</div> <div>Thanksgiving Service @ 9:00</div>						
8	9	10 Day 6	11 Day 1	12 Day 2 School Photos	13 Day 3 Jr. VBall Tourn Elk Point Sr. Vball Tourn. Two Hills	14 Jr. VBall Tourn. Elk Point Sr. Vball Tourn. Two Hills
15	16 Day 4	17 Day 5 Career Counselor	18 Day 6 Career Counselor	19 Day 1 Career Counselor	20 Day 2 Career Counselor Jr. Vball Home Tourn Sr. JV Vball LLB	21 Jr. Vball Home Tourn. Sr. JV Vball LLB
22	23 Day 3	24 Day 4	25 Day 5	26 Day 6	27 Day 1 Sr. VBall Tourn LLB	28 Sr. VBall Tourn LLB
29	30 Day 2 Grade 3/4 Swimming	31 Day 3	<div>Grade 3/4 Swimming</div> <div>Happy Halloween</div>			

