

## **Graminia Flyover Mar. 16-20**

Welcome to the Graminia Flyover, a weekly communication from the school to our community. We hope to provide easier access to important information by sending it directly to your inbox. Why a Flyover? Because we are the Hawks!

### **Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information - Update**

In response to the Coronavirus epidemic, Parkland School Division is exercising precaution and following the recommendations from the Public Health Agency of Canada and Alberta Health Services. Our Facilities Services department has increased the extent and frequency of cleaning in all buildings, and all planned travel is currently under review. We also have Administrative Procedures that apply to health concerns such as Coronavirus already in place.

To help us limit the risk of Coronavirus in our school communities, we ask all Parkland School Division families to follow the same common sense procedures that apply to any respiratory illness: wash your hands, don't touch your face, cough into your sleeves, keep areas clean, and, most importantly, stay home when you are sick. Additionally, AHS recommends a 14 day self-quarantine for anyone returning from international travel.

It is important to remember that the current risk to Albertans is low. If the situation changes and further measures are needed (quarantine, etc.), Parkland School Division will take our lead from public health agencies. For more information, [please visit the PSD website on this topic](#).

We encourage everyone to follow the recommendations of AHS and to make good choices around doing their part to keep everyone healthy.

### **Field Trip Cancellation**

As a result of measures put in place to stop the spread of COVID-19, we have had a number of cancellations to field trips and events. We will update the classes or students that are affected as needed. We are still waiting for indication from the superintendent's office on a few outstanding field trips. We are working as quickly as possible to let those who are planned to attend know as soon as we can. Your patience is appreciated.

### **Online Registration/Verification for 2020-2021**

Every student needs to be re-registered for next school year through the online system. So far, 65% of students have completed this registration (great work Graminia!), but we need everyone registered by March 20th. This process allows us to determine the eligibility of bus pass applicants, the routing of buses, bus pass production and data verification before the summer break while schools are still operating. Any applications received after the March 20 deadline may not be processed in time for the first day of school.

For more information, including the registration process for new students and a list of important registration dates and deadlines, **please visit** [www.psd70.ab.ca/Registration.php](http://www.psd70.ab.ca/Registration.php).

### **Kindergarten Registration**

If there are still students who need to register in Kindergarten next year, please visit the [registration website](#) or contact the office.

### **Spellathon**

Spellathon is ongoing. Please continue to practice your spelling words and get pledges. If you have completed forms, you can bring them to the office.

### **Thoughtexchange**

We invite you to tell us what we are doing well and where we can improve. By doing so, you will be contributing to the future success and well-being of our students as we work to develop a strong education system. You can participate here:

<https://my.thoughtexchange.com/#138458098>

### **Ski Club**

Mrs. Sloan and Mrs. Holst would like to thank everyone for their participation in Graminia's 2020 Ski Club! Thank you for representing Graminia well and being respectful students on the hill, in the lodge and on the buses. It is a great opportunity for kids to show their independence and be active outside with their peers. It was a very successful season with lots of memories made!

We have postponed the planned pizza party for ski club members until after Spring Break in response to concerns regarding the COVID-19 virus. We will send out more information when we know more.

### **Upcoming Important Dates**

- Tues. Mar. 17th - Wear Green for St. Patrick's Day
- Tues. Mar. 17th - School Council and Foundation Meeting (6:30 pm)
- Wed., Mar. 18 - Bake Sale at Lunch
- Fri. Mar. 20 - Student vs Teacher Basketball Game (Afternoon)
- Fri., Mar. 20 - Report Cards Available Online
- Mar 23-27 - Spring Break (No School)