#### March Debrief

March was a whirlwind of activities at Thickwood, finishing with Parent Teacher Interviews last week and our Scholastic Book Fair. Our Aladdin production was a great success! Special thank you to our directors, Ms. Gondek, Ms. Fenton, Ms. Donald and Lilly Donald. Students also enjoyed a Ski Day at Vista Ridge on the last week they were open. Hopefully next year brings a longer ski season and we can get in two dates.

Report Cards are available through PowerSchool and Ms. Moore can be contacted in the main office to get a paper printout.

#### **Welcome Spring!**

The sun has been shining and warming weather has arrived. Please pack a change of clothing in your student's bag (especially pants and socks) as the puddles in the playground can lead to wet feet and pants.

Registration has opened online for the 2023-2024 school year. In March, FMPSD held open houses for both ECDP and Kindergarten and the main office can be contacted with any questions. Families can update demographic information and register for September HERE on the FMPSD website.

#### **Important Dates in April:**

April 3rd - April Assembly - 9:00 am

April 3rd - PAC - 4:30 pm

April 8th - Eclipse - Indoor Lunch Recess

April 12th - PLF - No Classes for Students

April 15th - 19th - Spring Break

April 22 - Earth Day





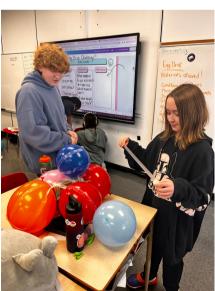
March 4-6 Ski Day

# Thickwood News and Updates

#### **Parent Council**

Our next Parent Council will be held on **April 3rd at 4:30 pm**. Child care will be provided in the library if needed for caregivers to attend the meeting. A Zoom link will be sent out the day before the meeting to join virtually.





#### **Hot Lunches**

Orders can be placed by creating an account at the PAC Website: <u>Thickwood Hot Lunches</u> (password TWHL). These lunches would not be possible without our amazing PAC volunteers.



Kindergarten Open House



**Grade Four SPCA Fundraiser** 



**March Assembly Leaders** 



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**Grade Five Zine Project** 

### Thickwood News and Updates

#### **Thickwood Thursdays**

Don't forget to wear Red on Thursday to show your school spirit! All participating students are entered into a draw for free Thickwood Clothing.

#### **School Volunteers**

If you are interested in volunteering at school for special events or field trips, please stop by the office to pick up a Criminal Records Check form.



#### **Home Reading Program**

Don't forget to send in home reading sheets for a chance for students to win great prizes at the monthly assembly. or complete the <u>Google Form</u>.

#### Leader in Me

Each month we will feature one of the Seven Habits in our Assemblies, Announcements and Newsletters. More information on the Leader in Me can be found through this <u>link</u>. Our April habit is: **Sharpen the Saw** 

#### **Seven Sacred Teachings**

The Seven Sacred Teachings are a form of Character Education through our health programming.



#### **Congratulations February Thunderbirds!**

ECDP - Yakov Kindergarten - Ameera Grade One - Jeila Grade One/Two - Aurora Grade Two - Shawn Grade Two/Three - Jaxen Grade Four - Lilly Grade Five - Leighton Grade Six - Lily L.

## Parent & Student Opportunities

#### **APPLE Slice for Families**

All Elementary schools at FMPSD are Apple Schools, which is a school-focus preventative health initiative. Parents can sign up to receive the newsletter here!

#### **Community Resource**

Some Other Solutions is a Fort McMurray Resources to support Mental Health and offers counselling and support programs for families.



**Land Based Learning** 

### First Nation, Metis and Inuit Support

Join us in welcoming Jodie Woodward who will be at Thickwood on Thursdays to help support our First Nation, Metis and Inuit Students. Please reach out to our FNMI Coordinator, Nedessa Reid with any questions about supports and services: nedessa.reid@fmpsd.ab.ca









