



Our school keeps growing and growing! We have over 640 students now, and a bigger staff than ever!

New Staff

This year we want to welcome several new staff members to our Cougar family. Mrs Debbie Peddle is joining our administrative team as our new Vice Principal. We also welcome Ms MacPherson in grade 1, Ms Locke and Ms Palin in grade 3, and Ms Naowakhun in grade 5. Our EA staff has expanded with the addition of Ms Aboderin, Ms Sran, Ms Patel, Ms Price, Ms Canono, and Ms Waraich who will all be working in Early Learning. Ms Murphy, Ms Johnson, Ms Calamente, and Ms Grewal will be working in divions 1 and 2.

Welcome Back BBQ

Our annual welcome back BBQ was held on September 18th, once the weather finally cooperated! This is the first of 10 monthly Family Nights that we hold each year at CG. Our next family night will be our annual Leader In Me Night, which will be held in October.





Upcoming Dates

Oct 1 - Hot lunch orders re-open Oct 6 - Day In Lieu - no school Oct 9 - Thanksgiving - no school Oct 10 - Inclusion committee meeting 7:30	Oct 17 - School Council Meeting Oct 20 - Hot lunch orders close Oct 20 - PLF - no school for students Oct 25 26 Student led interviews
Oct 10 - Inclusion committee meeting 7:30	Oct 25-26 - Student-led interviews
Oct 11 - Popcorn orders due	Oct 23 - Picture re-takes
Oct 13 - Popcorn day	Oct 27 - Institute day no school for students
Oct 16 - Habit 1 assembly	

Lunch Drop Offs

Parents who wish to drop off lunches for their child during the school day are asked to do so prior to 12:30. A trolley is provided at the main entrance where you will place the lunch with your child's name and class. The office will call these students to the office at 12:30 to pick up their lunch. We are unable to accept lunches delivered by a food delivery service such as Skip the Dishes, DoorDash or any Restaurant/Fast Food delivery.

Hot Lunch

Our amazing Fundraising Association has already gotten our hot lunch program up and running this year, with a variety of food vendors to choose from. Hot lunch will run on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week. Ordering is open online from the 1st-20th of each month. Please follow the directions below to create an online account.





Communication

There are many ways to keep up-to-date with what is going on at Christina Gordon. You are invited to connect with us on our school's facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ChristinaGordonPublicSchool

Visitors and Volunteers

The safety of our students and staff is our number one priority. All visitors and volunteers in the school MUST, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, check in at the main office and be given a Visitor / Volunteer pass that must be worn. Anyone in the school without a pass will be asked to report to the main office. Entry to the building for visitors and volunteers must be through the main entrance only. Other exits and entrances remain locked and are for the use of staff and students only. All parent volunteers at our school require an updated criminal record check on file and a volunteer application. These forms are available at the Main Office

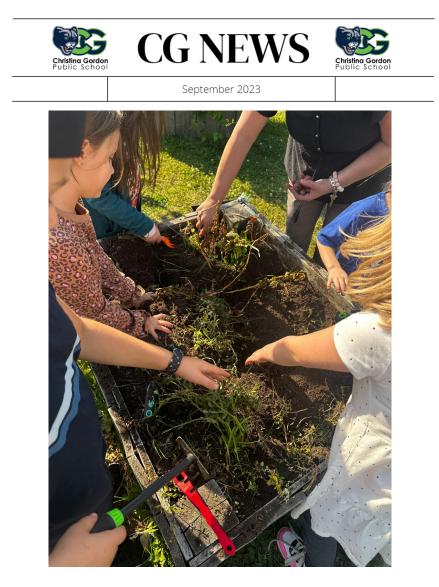
School Gear

For those of you who wish to purchase school clothes to show off your Cougar spirit, you can order online at https://christinagordon.entripyshops.com There are a variety of items to choose from, including t shirts, hoodies, hats and more!



School Council AGM

Our first school council meeting was held on Sep 21st. At this time, we are still in need of several key executive positions, and we are always seeking members at large. Our next meeting will be on Oct 17th at 6:30pm.



Gardening Club kicked off in September, with grade 2s and 3s harvesting potatoes and sunflower seeds.

Reporting Absences

To report a student absence, please call the school office at 587-276-2017 or email cgabsences@fmpsd.ab.ca, preferably before school starts. Please include the full name of the child, their grade, and a specific reason for their absence. This is a requirement of Alberta Education.

Allergies/Nut Aware

Due to student and staff allergies, we ask that students and staff do not bring nut products or products that may contain nuts to school. Classroom teachers will inform parents in cases where other allergies are present in their classrooms

Breakfast Program

CG offers a grab and go Breakfast Program for any student who requires it. Students can choose from a variety of healthy options in carts located in each division hallway every morning.



Bell Times

Grades 1-6 8:35 am 1st bell 8:40 am Classes start 10:45 am - Morning recess 12:30 pm - Div 1 lunch / Div 2 recess 12: 55 pm - Div 1 recess / Div 2 lunch 1:15 pm - 1st afternoon bell 1:20 pm - Afternoon classes begin 3:15 pm Dismissal

Early Learning 8:40 am Morning classes start 11:25 am Morning classes dismiss 12:30 pm Afternoon classes start 3:15 pm Afternoon classes dismiss



Grade 5 students attend the ATC festival on the Snye in September.