

October 2023



*Kindergarten class visits with our local fire department for Fire Safety Month*

## Boys Volleyball

The CG boys volleyball team has been practicing hard this fall and their work paid off at a recent tournament at Holy Trinity High School. The team won all 3 of their tournament games!

In the first game, they topped the Our Lady of the Rivers Huskies by a score of 24-21.

In the second game, they outpaced the St Anne Storm 42-25.

And finishing the tournament with a hat trick of 46-14, they conquered the Dr. Clark Dinos.

The girls volleyball team has also been busy practicing, and will be competing in their tournament on Saturday, October 28th at Elsie Yanik School in Parsons Creek.

## Fire Safety Month

October is Fire Safety Month and that means annual visits from our local first responders. Over a few days, firefighters and paramedics visited our Early Learning classes to show them around the vehicles, talk about fire safety, demo some gear and answer lots of questions!



*Our boys volleyball team had a hugely successful tournament on October 21st, winning all 3 games! Way to go students and coaches!*

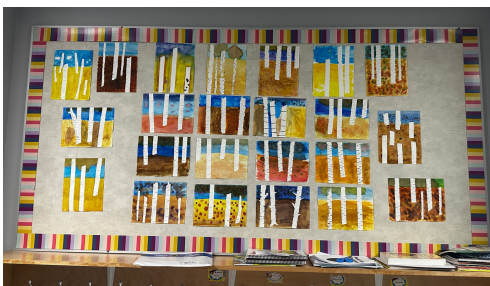
## Upcoming Dates

Oct 30 - Aliene Inline skating visit begins  
Oct 31 - Halloween Parade  
Nov 3 - PLF  
Nov 8 - Grade 6 immunizations  
Nov 9 - Remembrance Day assembly  
Nov 10 - No School (holiday)  
Nov 15 - popcorn money due  
Nov 17 - popcorn day  
Nov 20 - hot lunch orders close  
Nov 23 - Science family night  
Nov 24 - No School for students PLF  
Nov 30 - report cards released on Power School



## Metis Bev

Metis Bev visited us in September to instruct our Phys Ed classes in Metis Jigging. It was a memorable day filled with laughter, music and learning the dance steps, not to mention playing with the puppets. Our students had a blast!



*Beautiful seasonal art adorning  
our hallways*

## Lunch Drop Offs

Parents who wish to drop off lunches for their child during the school day are asked to do so prior to 12:20. We have a new leadership group of students who will distribute the lunches at 12:25 daily. Trollies are provided at the main entrance where you will place the lunch with your child's name and class.



## 7 Sacred Teachings

The Importance of Love: Lessons from Indigenous Teachings

According to the teachings of love, love is the key to a fulfilling life. It all begins with self-love, which allows us to extend that love to others. By expressing affection and kindness, we can show our love to others. The eagle embodies this love teaching as it represents a loving parent who guides, protects, and nurtures its young. Due to its wisdom and strength in practicing all of the seven teachings, the eagle is also referred to as the greatest warrior. Receiving an eagle feather is an honorable and sacred gift as it signifies the eagle's possession of all teachings, most importantly love.

## Take Me Outside Day

Despite some damp weather, CG was pleased once again to take part in the annual Take Me Outside Day. Many classes committed to spending one of their periods outside. Grades from Kindergarten all the way to grade 6 enjoyed a variety of activities including, games, nature walks, nature art and much more!



## Leadership Spotlight: Assembly Leaders

CG is working hard at establishing our school-wide leadership roles this fall. One role that has already begun is our Assembly Leaders. At our Habit 1 assembly, we had a number of students who acted as speakers and ushers. They did a great job and we are looking forward to have them speak at our Remembrance Day Ceremony in November.



## Running Group Recap

The Running group has been making tracks! A pack of 30 runners pounded the pavement from September to October, sprinting to the Ecole McTavish track. There, they flexed their muscles with a medley of drills and skills before cooling down with a refreshing stroll back to Christina Gordon.



**Christina Gordon  
Public School**  
Inclusion Advisory Committee  
**INCLUSION FAIR**

For Schools **Come learn about the services that are available in RMWB!** and families!

**Saturday, October 28th**  
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m in the CG gym

 Trick-or-treat using AAC!!! 

 Door Prizes!  All are welcome

  
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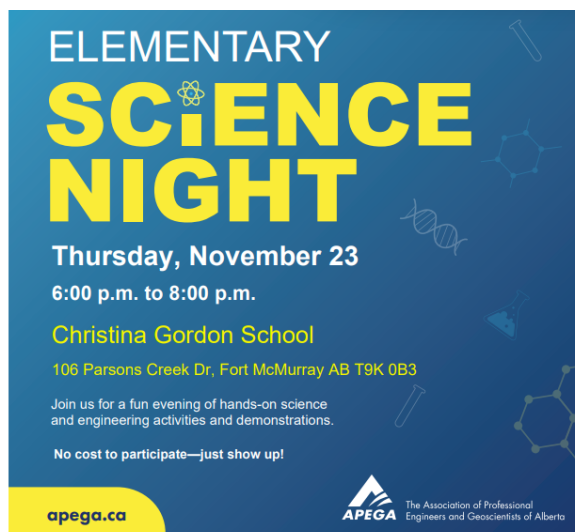
**"Leading the way by creating positive school experiences for children of all abilities"**

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## Orange Shirt Day

On September 29th, CG School and the rest of FMPSD commemorated Orange Shirt Day to honour and remember the Indigenous children who were taken from their families and forced to attend residential schools. To delve deeper into the significance of the event, a diverse range of activities such as storytelling, artwork, videos, and talking circles were organized around the school. We want to thank all the students and staff who took part in these acts of reconciliation, and we look forward to continuing to learn and grow together.



**ELEMENTARY**  
**SCIENCE NIGHT**

**Thursday, November 23**  
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Christina Gordon School**  
106 Parsons Creek Dr, Fort McMurray AB T9K 0B3

Join us for a fun evening of hands-on science and engineering activities and demonstrations.

No cost to participate—just show up!

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**APEGA** The Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta

## Terry Fox Walk

We are thrilled to announce that the recent Terry Fox Walk hosted at CG was an overwhelming success! Not only did we reach our goal of raising \$2 per child, but we surpassed it, raising a grand total of \$3984.85. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the CG families who contributed to this fantastic cause.



## Leader In Me Highlight

Did you know that CG is a Leader in Me School that emphasizes developing students' leadership skills? With yearly refreshers on the 7 Habits, leadership clubs, and classroom mission statements, our students are set up for success.

At the beginning of the year, every classroom creates mission statements, encouraging students to work together to describe how their class should look, feel, and sound, and what they want to achieve in the coming year.