

SANDHILLS NEWSLETTER

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Care

Accountability

Respect

Excellent Effort

School Mission: Sandhills Elementary School is a safe, fun place where our minds and bodies grow.

May 13, 2025

Written by Students of Sandhills

Subway Sale Thursday, May 15

All orders are due by 10:00 am, on **Wednesday, May 14**.



Victoria Day Monday, May 19 School Closed

Cheese Pizza Sale Thursday, May 22



Kindergarten T/T orders due by 10:00 am, on **Tuesday, May 20.** All other orders are due by 10:00 am, on **Wednesday, May 21**.



Bicycles and Bike Helmet Reminder

All students who ride their bike, skateboard or scooter to school must have a bicycle helmet on. Bikes are parked at the front of the school. Children without helmets will not be allowed to ride their bikes home. We care about your children and want to do our part in ensuring their safety. Thank you for your support.

Second Step Spotlight Problem Solving - Playing Fairly



At our school we play in fair ways. Being able to play fairly with others helps children make and keep friends. When children can't agree on how to play together, it can cause a problem. Finding a respectful way to agree on rules during a game helps children get along better with others. Sharing, trading, and taking turns are also fair and fun ways to play together. If you notice children having a problem during play encourage them to think about how they can play fairly.

School Council Meeting Monday, May 26 at 7:00 pm

If you have any items that you would like discussed at the meeting please contact our school council chair, Melanie Wiebe, at 780.502.4745, prior to the meeting.

Order Your

Pre-Order 2024-2025 Yearbooks

2024-2025 yearbooks are available to be pre-ordered for **\$20** each. You can order by filling out the form that will be sent home or you can order online at S*choolCashOnline.com*. To guarantee a 2024-2025 yearbook please order by **May 28, 2025**. Yearbooks will arrive in the Fall of 2025.

Choose Your <u>Free</u> Lunch Wednesday, May 28

All orders are due by 10:00 am, on **Tuesday, May 27**.

Students will choose their **free** lunch for **Wednesday, May 28**. Lunch choices are: 1 KFC popcorn chicken, 1 slice of Ham & Cheese Pizza, 1 Ham & Cheese Sub or 1 Ham only Sub. Students can only choose **1 food item** so please pack more lunch if they need it. An order form will be sent home.



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All Library Books Due Tuesday, May 27

Ascension Day Thursday, May 29 Busses will not be running.

Please have your child return their library books by May 27.

Last Day of School for Pre-K Friday, May 30



FVSD Elementary Track & Field

Since students are taking part in Track & Field **please make sure** they are coming to school each day in running shoes.

This month students have been taking part in track and field events in their Physical Education classes. The top students in each event, in grades 1-3, will be eligible to participate in the FVSD Track and Field meet at Ridgeview Central School on Friday, May 30th. If your child is selected,

a permission slip will be sent home.

Kindergarten Year-end Celebrations and last day of classes June 2 & 3

Kindergarten Celebrations will take place on June 2 for ECS-M/W & June 3 for the ECS-T/T class.

Parents will be invited to the year end Kindergarten celebrations. Details to follow.

Kindergarten Orientation June 4 & 5

Kindergarten Orientation for all new Kindergarten students (2025-2026 school year) will take place on June 4 & 5. You will receive a call with a time for your child to come for orientation. If you have a child entering Kindergarten in the fall, please keep these dates available.



Report Cards Go Home Friday, June 6

Report cards will be sent home on Friday, June 6. Pre-K report cards will be sent home on Friday, May 30. Report cards for M/W Kindergarten classes will be sent home Monday, June 2 and T/T Kindergarten report cards will be sent home on Tuesday, June 3.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2025-2026 School Year

Will your child be in Kindergarten at Sandhills Elementary in Sept 2025? Stop by the School Office and complete their registration form!

Sandhills Elementary School Office 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Children MUST be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2025 to register, as per FVSD regulations. The following pieces of identification are required



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Sandhills Pre-Kindergarten (PUF) Program 2025-2026 School Year

The Fort Vermilion School Division offers a Pre-Kindergarten (PUF) Program to those children

The intent of the program is to provide early intervention to address the specific needs of the individual child and better prepare him/her for schooling.

To be eligible for the program:

- . Children MUST be 3 or 4 on or before December 31, 2025 to qualify for PUF funding.
- Students that are 5 or older on December 31, 2025 are no longer eligible for PUF funding. They will be enrolled in kindergarten classes and have their needs supported within inclusive education.
- · Parents MUST provide one of the following:
 - An assessment by a qualified professional of a moderate to severe language delay, Or
 - Medical documentation indicating a diagnosis of a severe disability



Parents/quardians with questions are encouraged to contact the school and speak to Mrs. Gallant.

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Sandhills Elementary School Year End Fun Day & Picnic Lunch



Thursday, June 5, 2025

Students, parents and families are invited to attend a

Year End Picnic Lunch on Thursday, June 4, 2025

Schedule of Events:



9:10 - 11:50 a.m. - Games and Activities 11:50 - 1:00 p.m. - Picnic Lunch 1:30 CARE Bear Assembly & Slide Show

Sandhills Elementary School will be providing hot dogs, watermelon and juice boxes. Hot dogs will be grilled by our school council.

All events/activities will be held outdoors. Please dress accordingly. Feel free to bring a lawn chair or picnic blanket!



If you are able to volunteer at the Picnic Lunch, please contact the school office at 780.928.3947, by June 4.



We hope to see you there!

Why Is Summer Reading So Important for Kids' Success?

Reading is especially important during the summer break. If you would like to see your child maintain their current grade level skills or continue to improve their reading skills we suggest the following:

- Ensure your child has access to books. Make a weekly visit to the La Crete Community 1.
- 2. Create A Summer Reading Challenge by keeping a reading log.
- Read with your child. 3.
- If your child struggles with reading, audiobooks are a good choice. 4.
- Complete any workbooks or printing books that your child has brought home.



2025-2026 Class Lists An important Informational item!

You will be notified of who your child's teacher will be for next year in your child's report card. Parents of next year's Kindergarten children will be notified by phone in mid to late June, as to which teacher and which days (M/W or T/T) their child will be attending school.

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