

# Wildcat

Engaging Minds and Creating Opportunities



February 2024

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



We were very fortunate to have Chris Koch come on Friday, February 9th to speak to our Gr. 7-12 students. Chris is a motivational speaker and he has a global audience and his “If I Can” message was sure to inspire our Wildcats. Students from Dewberry were also able to join us. <https://www.ifican.ca/>



## 1. SCHOOL COUNCIL

At school council meetings we discuss what is happening about events or news in the school and we also get a report from the BTPS school board about policy changes and current changes with AB Ed. Please plan to attend.

**Next meeting Monday Feb 12th @ 6:30**

**We will be joining an online Stakeholder Engagement session at 7 pm to hear from the board and Sr Leadership regarding our 4 year plan. EVERYONE WELCOME!**

## 2. SCHOOL DOORS

Just a reminder that the doors are not opened till 8:40 each morning. As the weather is cold now, please send your child to school at the time the doors are opened so they are not waiting too long in the cold. If your child is late coming to school they will need to come in the front doors of the school. All outside doors are locked when the bus supervisors come in from outside to secure our building. The front office door on the east side of the school remains unlocked.

## 3. HANDICAPPED PARKING

We do have students who require these parking spots daily so we please ask if you do not have the proper permit to park in the handicapped spot to please park elsewhere. Thank you!

## 4. REPORT CARDS

Marwayne Jubilee is paperless with reporting. Student marks are available all the time through the parent portal and at any point throughout the school year (including traditional reporting dates) parents/guardians can print off paper copies from a desktop computer. The powerschool app for your phone is very easy to use and a convenient way to check marks and comments. **If you are not currently signed onto the parent portal please contact Marina Stafford at the school or your students homeroom teacher. 780-847-3930**

## 5. OUTDOOR CLOTHING Grade K-6

For Elementary students please ensure a coat, ski pants, mitts, toque, and winter boots are sent to school daily. Weather changes fast and we want all our elementary students to be nice and warm during recess!



## 6. PEANUT and ALMOND Allergy

Please be aware that we have a student at MJS with a severe allergy to PEANUTS and ALMONDS. PLEASE avoid sending products and food with these ingredients!

## 7. MJS SRC FEBRUARY EVENTS

Feb 14th- Sweet Talkers- (Jr Sr High boys collect hearts if a girl speaks to them)



Feb 22nd- Dress Up like a Book Character

Feb 28th- Pink Shirt Day



## 8. WINTER READING CONTEST



### WINTER READING CONTEST:

Reading logs will be sent home over Christmas break. Please encourage your children to read over the holidays.

This is a contest that our school participates with the Northern Lights Library System. The main prizes come from NLLS and will be announced in January. Our students are competing against other libraries throughout the system.

This year, Mrs. Smart, our librarian, has added a fun prize to the mix. The student who reads the most from MJS will

get to be the librarian for the day.

Reading logs are due back: **February 28<sup>th</sup>**

\*Contest is open to all ages. Parents, you could compete against your children! More logs available at the Marwayne Public Library located in the school.

***"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island." – Walt Disney***

## 9. SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to the families who have paid their school fees. There is a \$60 school fee for each student grades 1-12 and \$30 for Kindergarten students.

Fees can be paid by cash, cheques made out to Buffalo Trail Public Schools or through MySchool Bucks. If you have any questions, call the school office at 780-847-3930.

## **MJS BASKETBALL Schedule for February**

Feb 10th- Sr. Girls in Vermilion at Snoball Tournament

Feb 12th- HOME GAME - Jr. Girls play St. Jerome's at 4:15

Feb 14th- HOME GAME - Sr. Girls play Onion Lake at 5 pm

Feb 28th- Sr. Girls play in Maidstone @ 5 pm (AB time)

Feb 29th- Sr. Boys play in League Final Four - Location TBD

March 1st and 2nd- SR. BOYS HOME BASKETBALL TOURNEY

March 6th- Sr. Girls League Final Four- Location TBD

March 8th and 9th Sr. Basketball Zones

## **IMPORTANT FEBRUARY CALENDAR DATES:**

Every Friday of the school year will be Hat Friday!!!

**Pizza Day every Thursday \$3.00/slice & \$1.00/dip**

**Feb 14th- Valentines Day**

**Feb 15th and 16th- NO SCHOOL (Teachers Convention)**

**Feb 19th- NO SCHOOL - Family Day**

**Feb 22nd- 100th Day of School**

**Feb 22nd- Dress up like a Book Character Day**

**Feb 22nd- Community Gym Night 6:30-8 pm**

**Feb 28th- Pink Shirt Day- wear a pink shirt to raise awareness about  
BULLYING**

**Feb 28th- Gr. 4-12 Ski Trip forms are due (NO LATE FORMS ACCEPTED)**







# Marwayne Jubilee SCHOOL

RE: Physical Education Fundraising/Wildcat Wall of Support

To Whom It May Concern:

As staff at Marwayne Jubilee School, we have had the privilege of fulfilling a lifelong passion for physical education and student athletics. In the Marwayne area, our community dedicates itself to a history of athletic achievements, some of which are showcased on our gymnasium wall. Without the pride and support of the Marwayne area, our students at Marwayne Jubilee School would be unable to continue our athletic traditions, as we rely heavily on teachers, parents and other volunteers to not only coach our student-athletes, but to transport them to athletic events as well.

In the technological world that we live in today, it is becoming increasingly difficult to motivate our students to pursue lifelong physical education. At MJS, we have the good fortune of allowing our classes the opportunity to participate in daily physical activity for 40 minutes per day, which exceeds the Province of Alberta's mandated goal of 30 minutes per day. However, due to budgetary restraints, aging equipment, and the rising costs of physical education equipment and shipping, it becomes increasingly difficult to provide our students and our athletes the necessary resources to develop individual skills needed at a recreational or a competitive level.

As a result, our physical education program and our athletics department are reaching out to you, members of our community, to support us with an annual fundraising initiative; our "Wildcat Wall of Support." If you choose to support this initiative, all donations will be recognized in our gym with a personalized sign that will remain visible at all MJS events during the course of the school year. The fundraising system is as follows:

- Black & Gold – A \$250.00 donation and a personalized 2'x 3' sign on the middle tier of the "Wildcat Wall of Support"

Your donation would go towards providing our physical education classes with more equipment, and furthermore will help us to replace any aging equipment, allowing our students to have access to the most current "technology" in a gymnasium setting. This, in turn, will ensure that our students stay competitive with larger schools at athletic competitions. Short term purchase plans include a shooting machine for basketball and jerseys for our cross country and track athletes, as well volleyball. This donation would renew annually but the individual may opt out at any time.

Our student athletes are able to offset the cost of their team fees for athletics by bringing in a sponsorship as well, which will hopefully lead to a large group of support.

On behalf of the physical education program and the athletics department at MJS, we would like to thank you in advance for any donation that you may make. It will be a great benefit to our teachers, coaches and student-athletes. Should you have any questions regarding this initiative, or the "Wildcat Wall of Support," please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Reuben Baker at the school at (780)847-3930 or via email [reuben.baker@btps.ca](mailto:reuben.baker@btps.ca).

Thank you for supporting our Wildcats!

Athletic Director





# MARWAYNE SKATING CLUB

## CARNIVAL

SUNDAY MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

1:30pm

Everyone Welcome!

Our skaters have been working hard all year on building their skills and gaining more confidence on the ice!

This is a day to show off their skating routines to family, friends, and the community.

Silver collection at the door, we will be selling 50/50, Flowers and Balloons as another small fundraiser for our club, if you wish to purchase for a skater. Cash only.

The arena kitchen will be open they accept debit/credit/cash.