

Wildcat

Engaging Minds and Creating Opportunities



January 2024

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Happy New Year to all of our MJS Families! Thank you to all our families who donated for our Christmas hampers and our school wide bingo. THANK YOU!

Winter has finally arrived. Please remember if the buses do not run because of cold temperatures or road conditions the school is still open and classes run as normal. [Here](#) is the inclement weather policy. For Marwayne they use the temperature in Clandonald at 6 am and they decide on the buses the evening prior at 6 pm so this allows families time to prepare. If the temperature including wind chill is -40 or colder the buses will not run.

Also, because of the cold weather please ensure that all students are dressed appropriate for the weather. Elementary students need to have coats, mitts, toques and winter boots.

Final exams are quickly approaching. I have included the Final Exam schedule for January. The last day of critical content for 7-12 is on Jan 23rd. Grade 7-12 regular classes will resume on Feb 5th.



MJS Exam Schedule JANUARY 2024

LAST DAY OF CRITICAL CONTENT JAN 23rd

PAT EXAMS (Prior to JAN 24th)

Grade 9:

Wednesday Jan 17th - ELA Part A

DIPLOMA EXAMS (Prior to JAN 24th)

Wednesday Jan 10th - ENGLISH 30-1 & 30-2 ENGLISH PART A

Monday Jan 22nd - MATH 30-1 & 30-2

Tuesday Jan 23rd - ENGLISH 30-1 & 30-2 ENGLISH PART B

Other finals prior to Jan 24th

Tuesday Jan 23rd - ENGLISH 10-1 and 10-2 PART A

	Grade	WED JAN 24th	THURS JAN 25th	FRI JAN 26th	MONDAY JAN 29th
AM	7	ELA 7	MATH 7		EXAM make up day
	8	MATH 8		SOCIAL 8	
	9			ENG PAT PART B	SCIENCE PAT
	10	ENGLISH 10-1 & 10-2		SCIENCE 10/14	
	11	SOCIAL 20-1 & 20-2	MATH 20-1 & 20-2	BIO 20	
	12				
PM	11 & 12	PHYSICS 20			

LAST DAY OF CLASSES FOR CRITICAL CONTENT:
JANUARY 23rd, 2024

- After the assigned last day of critical content for each grade Jr./Sr. students need to only attend for their exams.
- Exams will run from 9:00-11:30 am and 12:30-3:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

All students must stay for at least **one** hour.

- Junior High Students **cannot** leave unless a **written** note is received from their parents. **NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.**

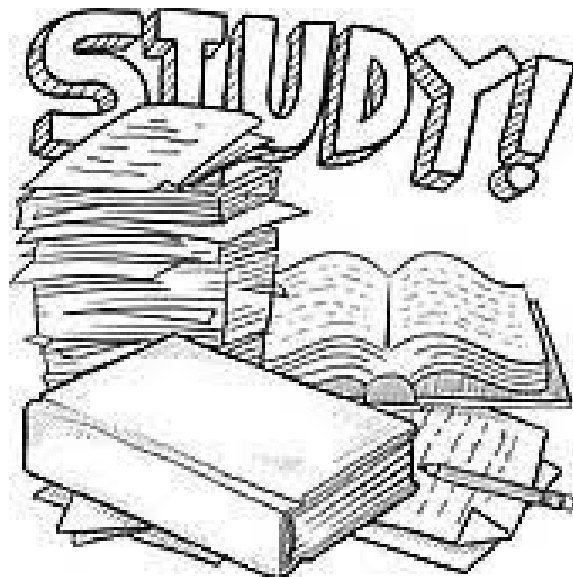
Students will be kept to study if they do not have a note.

- All textbooks must be returned

****Any questions for teachers or support needed for students please contact your teacher individually to set up an appointment time.**

- **Exam make-up day** will be **Monday Jan 29th** in the a.m. only.

NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE ALLOWED IN THE EXAMS



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 - TBD we will communicate when the date is set

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 DECEMBER EVENTS

Tuesday Jan 16th- Hillbilly/Redneck Day- Dress like a hillbilly and please make sure it is school appropriate.

Thursday Jan 25th- Pirate Day- Dress like a pirate for school

(no guns or swords please)



8. HUB ONLINE COURSES

All assignments/unit exams are to be completed and submitted by Friday Jan. 12th

All Final Exams are to be completed by Friday Jan. 19th

9. 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 28th**

*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

10. 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.

11. MJS FINAL EXAM GRADE FREEZING

This is applicable to any course that has a final that is **NOT** a PAT or Diploma course.

- Your options are to select **two** exams either:
 - One in term 1 and one in term 2
 - Or
 - Two in term 1 **OR** two in term 2
- In order to freeze your grade you must be passing the course.
- When you write the final and it increases your overall mark - your freeze does not count against you.
- In order for your classroom mark to be your final grade, your final exam mark must not be **less than 15%** of your classroom grade.
- On exam day you will write your classroom mark on your final exam before you start.
- You must monitor through the powerschool **portal only** your marks as they are entered, to assist in making your decision on freezing.
- Once your final exam mark is entered, it is up to **you to contact the teacher directly, not the school** to initiate your freeze mark option and ask the teacher to remove the final exam mark (if it is within the 15% deviation of classroom grade).
- **the sooner the better but no later than 9:00 AM on Monday, January 29th**
- Please choose carefully which **exam/s** you would like to freeze each term

MJS BASKETBALL Schedule for January

Jan 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th

- Elementary basketball after school 3:30-5:00 for Grade 3-6

Jan 10th- HOME Games

Sr Girls vs. Carpenter JV @ 5 pm

Sr Boys vs Ministikwan Lake @ 6:45 pm

Jan 17th- AWAY Games

Sr Girls vs Kitscoty @ 5 pm (in Kitscoty)

Sr Boys vs. Hillmond @ 5 pm (in Hillmond)

Jan 20th- Jr Girls Round Robin @ MJS 9:30-2:30

Jan 29th- Grade 6/7 Girls Away game at St. Jeromes in Vermilion

Jan 31st- HOME Games

Sr Girls vs. Maidstone @ 5 pm

Sr Boys vs. Glaslyn @ 6:45 pm



IMPORTANT JANUARY CALENDAR DATES:

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

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

Jan 10th- English 30-1 & -2 Part A Diploma

Jan 16th- Hot Dog Sale for the Playground Association

Jan 16th- Hillbilly/Redneck Day- no guns please

Jan 17th - Grade 9 PAT ELA Part A

Jan 22nd- Math 30-1 &-2 Diploma

Jan 23rd English 30-1 & -2 Part B Diploma

Jan 23rd English 10-1 and 10-2 PART A

Jan 24th-Jan 29th- Grade 7-12 Final Exams

Jan 30th- Grade 12 Graduation Cap and Gown Photos at MJS

Jan 31st- NO School for students

Feb 1st- NO School for students

Feb 2nd- NO School for students

Feb 5th- First Day of Semester 2



Free Movie Night!

January 11, 2024

Marwayne Community Hall

Trolls 7:00pm

Gran Turismo 9:00 PG13



Admission FREE, pop and popcorn \$5.00

Bring a pillow and blanket!