

Ochre Park Post



Summer 2023

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Message from the Principal:

Summer break has finally arrived! The month of June has been filled with various events, field trips and wonderful memories to close out the school year. It is often at this time of year that both students and staff (and perhaps parents too) have mixed emotions. We are happy that it is over and we get to enjoy a break and some time away, but we are also sad to be leaving those around us behind. A farewell ceremony was held on Friday, June 23 for our Grade 4 students. Their time at Ochre Park School has come to a close and we want to wish them well as they begin a new adventure at their new school. We also held a farewell ceremony for our two kindergarten classes to celebrate all their many wonderful accomplishments in their first year in our school. As they move to Grade 1, students will come every day/all day, as opposed to the every second day they came in Kindergarten. We held our annual Red and White day on Wednesday, June 28 to celebrate our version of 'Canada Day'. We also enjoyed a hot dog and a juice box thanks to Inter Pipeline Ltd.. We would like to acknowledge and thank Inter Pipeline Ltd. for their generosity and support. To close out this day, we held our annual Term 3 Awards. We capped our year off with some fun play-day activities outside and a school-wide water activity, along with our traditional Tug of War event.

As we shift into the summer months, a sense of relaxation, fun and excitement will begin to set in for everyone. We have all worked very hard throughout the school year and we all deserve a break... students, parents and staff alike! I would like to thank everyone for their dedication to making this as good a year as it could be. We have a few staffing changes that are taking place as we move to the 2023/2024 school year. On the teaching side, Mr. Booker and myself will not be returning to Ochre Park School. On the support staff side, Mrs. Law, Mrs. Gagne, Mrs. Hickey and Mrs. Radcliffe will not be returning either. We wish everyone success in their future endeavors and thank them for all the many wonderful things they have done for Ochre Park School.

As we prepare for the 2023/2024 school year, this is what we are planning for in terms of our classes next year:

Principal - Mrs. Jenaia Gingras
Vice Principal - Ms. Lori Moores
Pre-K (am and pm) - Tarra Larson
Kindergarten (1 class) - Shannon Stadnyk
Grade 1F - Geneva Fossen
Grade 1G - Cindy Goertzen
Grade 2B - Marlo Berezan
Grade 2T - Jolene Tchir
Grade 3W - Kjersti Wytrykush
Grade 3S - Marina Shenfield
Grade 4G - Heather Gillison
Music - Amber Hoetmer
Literacy/Numeracy Support - Clarissa Thiel

We will also have various support staff in key positions in our school. Stay tuned for more information regarding our entire staff when we resume classes in the fall.

On a personal note, I would like to take this time to say farewell to our Ochre Park families. I have enjoyed my time at Ochre Park School and will certainly miss the many wonderful students, staff and parents. Please know that you will all share a special place in my heart.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the families of Ochre Park School. Thank you, the parents, for all your help and support for your children and their education. We strongly believe that by having home and school work closely together, we can make many great things happen for our students. I would like to wish everyone a wonderful and restful summer, filled with many great memories and some fun as well!

Mr. Anhorn
Principal

Hello Fabulous Families of Ochre Park,

It is hard to believe we have come to the close of the 2022-2023 school year. It has been an honour working with your wonderful children and watching them grow and develop their academic, social, and emotional skills. Together, we have learned so much and shared experiences that will remain in our hearts for years to come.

Parents and Guardians, I want to thank you for being partners in your child's educational journey. You have contributed in so many ways and I appreciate all that you do each and every day for your children and our school. Education begins at home, and it has been a pleasure working with you in preparing your children for their bright futures. I am looking forward to continuing our learning journey together for the 2023-2024 school year.

I hope everyone has a safe, happy, and restful summer. I look forward to welcoming you all back in August, refreshed, for what will be an exciting, new school year!

Happy Summer Ochre Park Families!

Mrs. Gingras

Vice Principal, Learning Supports Lead & Learning Coach



May 30, 2023

Sturgeon Public Schools Superintendent of Schools, Shawna Warren, is pleased to announce the appointment of Jenaia Gingras as Principal of Ochre Park School commencing the 2023-2024 school year. Please join the Sturgeon Public Schools team in congratulating Jenaia and wishing her success in this new leadership role.

Jenaia Gingras

Ochre Park School Principal 2023-2024

Having spent 17 years as an educator with Sturgeon Public Schools, Jenaia Gingras brings a wealth of experience to her role. Her journey began as a substitute teacher, where she gained valuable insights working across multiple schools within the Division. From there, Jenaia progressed to become a homeroom teacher, honing her expertise in various Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 4 classes and assuming diverse responsibilities at Landing Trail School. Jenaia has also held the positions of Learning Supports Lead teacher, Learning Coach and Vice Principal at Ochre Park School.



Jenaia's academic background is equally impressive. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education with a minor in Educational Psychology from the University of Alberta. In 2019, she furthered her educational journey by earning a Masters of Education: Leadership in Education from City University of Seattle.

Central to Jenaia's educational philosophy is the belief in creating a supportive, caring and nurturing learning environment. She places utmost importance on the development of positive and respectful relationships among students, staff and parents. Jenaia advocates for open communication, encouraging individuals to feel safe and empowered to share their thoughts, take risks and embrace personal growth.

With enthusiasm, Jenaia eagerly anticipates embarking on her new role and continuing to collaborate with the remarkable students, staff, parents and community members of Redwater.



May 30, 2023

Sturgeon Public Schools Superintendent of Schools, Shawna Warren, is pleased to announce the appointment of Lori Moores as Vice Principal of Ochre Park School commencing the 2023-2024 school year. Please join the Sturgeon Public Schools team in congratulating Lori and wishing her success in this new leadership role.

Lori Moores

Ochre Park School Vice Principal 2023-2024

Having grown up in a small community on the south coast of Labrador, Lori truly understands the importance of relationship building and a school being the hub of a community. Lori Moores joined Camilla School as a Grade 1 teacher in 2015 and has remained there for the past 8 years. As a highly adaptable educator, she has had the opportunity to teach all grades spanning from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 9.



Prior to teaching, Lori held several professional positions that allowed her to gain valuable knowledge and understanding of education in varying contexts. These experiences combined have helped her become an energetic and dynamic instructional leader. As the current Mental Health and Wellness Coach at Camilla School, she prioritizes time to collaborate with colleagues, focuses on staff and student wellness, and consistently empowers others to be a part of the team.

Lori has a strong value of growth and learning. She is part of the Sturgeon Aspiring Leadership Team (SALT) program, holds a Bachelor of Education degree from Memorial University of Newfoundland, attained a graduate Certificate in School Management and Leadership from Harvard

University, and is currently enrolled in a Masters of Education program through the University of Calgary.

Committed to the success of all students, Lori eagerly anticipates the next chapter of her educational journey and the opportunity to be part of the Ochre Park School community.



Good afternoon, Parents and/or Guardians:

In the fall of 2023, both Ochre Park School and Redwater School will be implementing a “**Staggered Start**” to welcome students back to school, help build positive connections, reduce student anxiety and improve communication of student conduct and school expectations.

For students in Grades 1-9, there will be two start dates. Students will be divided by last name:

- August 31st - Last Name A-K only

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- September 1st - Last name L-Z only

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Regular classes for grades 1 to 9 will begin on **September 5th**.

Kindergarten staggered start will be separate and will be communicated once we have determined our class structure.

For High School students:

- August 31st - Grade 10

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- September 1st - All Grade 10-12 students

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We will continue to communicate this plan over the next couple of months to help ensure a smooth start to the new school year.



Ochre Park School
2023/2024
Bell Schedule

2023/2024

Current

8:40 - 8:45	Announcements & Attendance	8:40 - 8:55	Announcements & Attendance
8:45 - 9:15	Block 1	8:55 - 9:20	Block 1
9:15 - 9:45	Block 2	9:20 - 9:45	Block 2
9:45 - 10:15	Block 3	9:45 - 10:10	Block 3
10:15 - 10:45	Block 4	10:10 - 10:35	Block 4
10:45 - 11:00	Recess	10:35 - 10:50	Recess
11:00 - 11:30	Block 5	10:50 - 11:15	Block 5
11:30 - 12:00	Block 6	11:15 - 11:40	Block 6
12:00 - 12:30	Block 7	11:40 - 12:05	Block 7
12:30 - 12:50	Lunch Eating	12:05 - 12:30	Block 8
12:50 - 1:20	Lunch Recess	12:30 - 12:50	Lunch Eating
1:20 - 1:35	DEAR	12:50 - 1:15	Lunch Recess
1:35 - 2:05	Block 8	1:20 - 1:45	Block 9
2:05 - 2:35	Block 9	1:45 - 2:10	Block 10
2:35 - 3:05	Block 10	2:10 - 2:35	Block 11
		2:35 - 3:00	Block 12

School Garden Beautification!

Through the hard work and dedication of a wonderful team of staff, parents and relatives, the front of our school received a much needed facelift. Sturgeon Public School

Division Maintenance Department moved the three planter boxes to a more ideal location and mixed and distributed over 10 yards of compost. Stamped concrete curbing was installed at cost from TDG Curbing and Landscaping. A vine covered teepee was constructed by the Hewitt Family. Flowers and seeds were generously donated by Home Hardware and Erdmann's Greenhouses and Gardens. The extensive landscaping and trailing done by these volunteers turned our front grassy area into a natural oasis for students to use and enjoy. The students and staff at OP thank you all so very much!



Thank you Mrs. Hadden for taking on the role of hot lunch coordinator this past school year. The many hours of time you volunteered every week to cook and serve yummy dishes for the staff and students is greatly appreciated.



Ochre Park School would like to thank the following businesses for their Generosity in support of our year end field trip for Grade 3 and Grade 4:



2023-2024

Final
September 28, 2022

AUGUST 2023

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SEPTEMBER 2023

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OCTOBER 2023

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NOVEMBER 2023

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DECEMBER 2023

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JANUARY 2024

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FEBRUARY 2024

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MARCH 2024

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APRIL 2024

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MAY 2024

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JUNE 2024

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JULY 2024

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School Offices Open - NO CLASSES

Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	August 21 - 25
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	August 28
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	August 29
Operational Non-Instructional (K-12) - No Classes	August 30
Classes Begin	August 31
Labour Day - No Classes	September 4
Thanksgiving Day - No Classes	October 9
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	October 10
Fall Break	November 4 - 9
In Lieu of Parent/Teacher Interviews - No Classes	November 10
Classes Resume	November 13
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	December 4
Christmas Break	Dec. 23 - Jan 7
Classes Resume	January 8
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	January 31
First Day of Classes - Semester Two	February 1
Teachers' Convention - No Classes	February 8 - 9
Family Day - No Classes	February 19
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	March 11
In Lieu of Parent/Teacher Interviews - No Classes	March 22
Spring Break	March 23 - 28
Good Friday - No Classes	March 29
Easter Monday - No Classes	April 1
Classes Resume	April 2
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	April 29
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	May 17
Victoria Day - No Classes	May 20
Division/School PD/Collaboration; Staff Meeting	June 3
Last Day of Classes	June 27
Operational Non-Instructional (K-12) - No Classes	June 28
Summer Vacation Begins	June 29



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Frank Robinson Education Centre

9820-104 Street

Morinville, AB T8R 1L8

Phone: (780) 939-4341

Fax: (780) 939-5520



Operational Day - No Classes



Operational Day - Day In Lieu - No Classes



Non-Operational Day - No Classes



Division/School P D/Collaboration; Staff Meeting - No Classes

Looking ahead...

SEPTEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				31 Staggered Entry for Last Names A-K	1 Staggered Entry for Last Names L-Z	2
3	4 Labour Day– No Classes	5 Regular Classes Begin	6	7 Meet the Community and Registration Night	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 School Council Meeting (tentative)	26	27	28	29	30

School Photos October 17-18 (tentative)



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Your teachers are excited to offer the opportunity to purchase quality standardized school supplies through School Start for the 2023/2024 school year. This process will save you both time and money.

YOU CAN ORDER ANYTIME; however,
**THE EARLIER YOU ORDER
THE MORE YOU CAN WIN!!!**

✓ ORDER by June 13, 2023:
BE ENTERED TO WIN A \$500 GROCERY CARD! x2



✓ ORDER by July 18, 2023:
BE ENTERED TO WIN A \$1,000 CASH! x2



✓ MISSED the above order dates? **IT'S OKAY! YOU CAN ORDER
ANYTIME FOR YOUR CHILD'S BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY KIT!**

**Order by June 13, 2023 and you will be entered into both draws. Two winners per draw.*

Winners will be announced on our School Start Facebook and Instagram pages.

3 WAYS TO ORDER:

-  **ONLINE:** You can place your order online at <https://schoolstart.ca/>.
Our site is best compatible with Firefox or Chrome.
-  **PHONE:** You can call our customer service centre at 1-800-580-1888 to place your order over the phone.
-  **EMAIL:** You can print and fill out the order form and return to our office via email to: info@schoolstart.ca.

HOME DELIVERY:

The supplies will be packaged and delivered directly to your house. If you have a P.O. Box, please use your 011 address. Because the kit (s) are delivered to your home, you will have the ability to:

- ✓ Pre-label your child's supplies
- ✓ Add supplies to your order for home use or for your child in another school

Thank you for your support!

Kindergarten Supply List 2023/24



- **1 Backpack – Needs to comfortably hold duo tang, lunch kit and library book. **Child needs to be able to open and close easily.**
- **1 pair of inside runners with non marking sole. **NO** flashing lights please. Velcro preferred unless child knows how to tie shoes
- 1 Set of extra clothes- pants, shirt, underwear, and socks in a ziploc bag.
- **1 exercise book -½ plain & ½ interlined
- **1 set of headphones – ear buds do not seem to work well with this age group

*Above are the items requiring your child's name



- 1 fabric zippered messenger bag (Dollarama 15"x10")
- 2 box Large size ziploc bags
- 3 large glue sticks
- 3 boxes kleenex
- 1 package felt markers – regular, washable markers felts
– Please no erasable ones
- 1 white glue
- 1 change of clothes
- 1 roll paper towel
- 1 package plastic spoons
- 1 scissors
- 1 pk white board markers

PENCIL CASES ARE NOT NEEDED FOR KINDERGARTEN





Sturgeon School Division

OCHRE PARK SCHOOL

(2023-2024)

Learning Together

5024 Ochre Park Road
Redwater, Alberta

Phone: 780-942-2901

Mr. Calvin Anhorn, Principal
Mrs. Jenaia Gingras, Vice Principal



School Year
School office opens on
Monday, August 21, 2023.
Regular classes (full day) begin on
Thursday, August 31, 2023.

School Supply Lists

GRADE 4

- 30 HB pencils (**no clicking pencils**)
- 1 set headphones
- 1 pkg. pencil crayons
- 4 white erasers
- 1 30 cm ruler (**no inches, please**)
- 1 pair scissors, pointed ends
- 1 pair runners (**light colored soles**)
- 5 glue sticks
- 2 8 1/2x11 exercise books (**please do not label**)
- 4 1 1/2 inch binders (**no zipper**)
- 3 duo tangs (**please do not label**)
- 2 boxes tissue
- 1 pencil sharpener, with container
- 1 pkg. markers
- 1 pencil box
- 1 paint shirt (**old, large shirt**)
- 1 backpack
- 8 dry erase markers
- 6 large ziploc bags
- 1 box of plastic spoons & forks
- 1 pkg. black sharpies
- 1 pkg. colored sharpies
- 1 fabric zippered messenger bag
- 1 **(Dollarama, 15"x10")**
pkg. binder dividers

GRADE 1

- 30 Dixon HB pencils (please do not label)
- 8 white erasers
- 6 large glue sticks
- 1 pkg. of 24 wax crayons
- 1 pencil case or box
- 2 boxes tissues
- 1 pair runners (light colored soles, velcro please)
- 1 pair scissors (pointed ends)
- 8 duo tangs – paper, not plastic (please do not label)
- 1 half and half **interlined** scribbler (please do not label)
- 1 backpack
- 6 large ziploc bags (please do not label)
- 6 small ziploc bags (please do not label)
- 2 pkgs. washable Crayola markers, thick tip (please do not send pencil crayons)
- 1 pkg. washable Crayola markers, thin tip (please do not send pencil crayons)
- 1 set headphones
- 6 dry erase markers & eraser
- 1 bottle white glue
- 2 highlighters
- 1 box of each plastic spoons & forks
- 1 fabric zippered messenger bag (Dollarama 15"x10")
- 2 black sharpies, regular tip

GRADE 2

- 30 Dixon, Venus or Staples HB pencils (no plastic or clicking pencils)
- 1 pkg. pencil crayons
- 2 pkgs. wax crayons
- 8 white erasers
- 2 pkgs. markers, thin tip
- 1 pkg. Mr. Sketch markers
- 2 half and half **interlined** scribblers (please do not label)
- 1 pair scissors (pointed ends)
- 1 pair runners (light colored soles)
- 2 boxes tissues
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 10 glue sticks
- 1 bottle of white glue
- 1 30cm ruler (no inches, please)
- 5 dry erase markers & eraser
- 1 pencil box
- 8 duo tangs (please do not label)
- 2 highlighters
- 1 set headphones
- 6 small ziploc bags (please do not label)
- 6 large ziploc bags
- 1 box of plastic spoons & forks
- 1 pkg. black sharpies
- 1 pkg. colored sharpies
- 1 fabric zippered messenger bag (Dollarama 15"x10")
- 1 backpack

GRADE 3

- 1 **interlined** scribbler
- 2 8 1/2 x 11 exercise books
- 4 duo tangs (three holed punched)
- 2 1 inch binders (no zipper)
- 1 30 cm ruler (no inches, please)
- 4 large glue sticks
- 1 pair scissors
- 30 Dixon, Staples, Venus or Staedtler HB pencils
- 1 pencil box
- 1 pkg. Crayola pencil crayons
- 4 white erasers
- 1 pair runners (light colored soles)
- 2 pencil sharpeners, with container
- 1 box tissue
- 1 backpack
- 1 set headphones
- 6 medium or large ziploc bags
- 1 pkg. black sharpies
- 1 pkg. colored sharpies
- 4 dry erase markers, wide chisel tip
- 4 dry erase markers, fine tip
- 1 pkg. felt markers
- 1 box of plastic spoons & forks
- 1 fabric zippered messenger bag (Dollarama 15"x10")
- 1 set of binder dividers

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ALL SUMMER



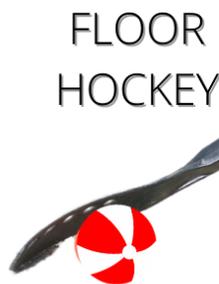
PICKLEBALL



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BASKETBALL



FLOOR
HOCKEY



BASIC EQUIPMENT PROVIDED*

*HELMETS WITH CAGE RECOMMENDED FOR FLOOR HOCKEY
CHILDREN UNDER 8 YEARS MUST BE SUPERVISED

MONDAY - FRIDAY
1PM - 8PM

*SUBJECT TO STAFF/FACILITY AVAILABILITY
*CLOSED HOLIDAYS



FOR MORE INFO
CONTACT PEMBINA
PLACE FACILITY
ADMINISTRATOR
780-942-3555
FACILITYADMIN@REDWATER.CA

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(YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS STRATEGY PROGRAM)



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**FREE ICE CREAM
@ TOWN OFFICE
JULY 5
1:00-3:00 PM**

Thank you:





HOME ALONE and BABYSITTER SAFETY

Babysitter Safety

Help youth build confidence in themselves and prepare them for the responsibility of babysitting. Participants will learn the rights and roles of the babysitter, child, and parent, developmental and behavioral characteristics of children, basic first aid, fire safety, and more. *Bring a lunch, running shoes, and water bottle.*

Tuesday, July 4, 2023

8:30am-4:00pm

Pembina Place Cultural Centre

Ages 12 and up

Cost: \$30

Registration deadline is June 28

Stay Safe (Home Alone)

Do you want your child to learn how to stay safe while home alone? Through interactive lessons, role playing, and hands-on training, your child will enhance their decision-making skills and confidence while learning valuable skills to keep them safe and how to respond in emergencies. *Bring a lunch, running shoes, and water bottle.*

Thursday, July 6, 2023

8:30am-4:00pm

Pembina Place Cultural Centre

Ages 9 and up

Cost: \$30

Registration deadline is June 29

Register at: <https://summerprograms.eventbrite.ca>

Questions? Phone 780-292-6785



2023
Redwater
Discovery Days

Theme:
75th
Anniversary
of the
Discovery of
Oil

Saturday,
August 19,
2023

Parade Entry
Categories:

- > Municipal/Government
- > Community Group
 - > Business
 - > Kids
 - > Other

Register at:
<https://discoverydaysparade.eventbrite.ca>
or scan the QR code below

Parade Information

Parade staging begins at 9:00am at
the Redwater School Grounds
Judging begins at 9:45am
Parade begins at 11:00am



For parade inquiries, contact
Community Services :
Phone: 780-942-4101
Email: lspicer@redwater.ca

For all other inquiries about the
Discovery Days Weekend contact the
Redwater & District Ag Society:
Phone: 780-940-6076
Email redwaterag@gmail.com