



November 6, 2020

November Newsletter

Calendar of Events

November 10

Virtual

**3 Way Parent Student Teacher
Conferences 4 PM - 7 PM**

November 11

**Remembrance Day
No Classes**

November 12

Virtual

**3 Way Parent Student Teacher
Conferences 5 PM - 8 PM**

November 12

School Photo Retakes

November 13

**Deadline for Mom's Pantry
orders**

November 17

**School Council Meeting
(Zoom meeting)
5:30PM**

November 23

**PL Day
No Classes**

November 27

Kindergarten Attend

November 30

**Deadline to make Westbrook
Store Purchases**

*Please check the School
Website for the most up to date
events calendar:*

[http://
westbrook.rockyview.ab.ca/
calendar/westbrook-school-
calendar](http://westbrook.rockyview.ab.ca/calendar/westbrook-school-calendar)



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE -MS. CHRISTINE PARKER

The weather has been great this last week and it is hard to believe that it is November. It feels like spring not fall. We need to remember that winter is on its way and that students are going to have to dress for winter. It is important that students are prepared for the change in weather and dress appropriately, as they will be going outside for two recess periods a day with the longest recess being 25 minutes. **All students, even middle school ones need to have a proper winter jacket, gloves, hat, and boots.** Additionally, students must keep a second pair of shoes at school for indoor use and physical education.

It has been quiet at the school with a number of our students required to isolate. Students, parents and staff did an amazing job of adjusting to the online environment. Thank you to everyone for engaging and working hard over the past two weeks. We missed all of you and it is great to have everyone back in the building.

As you are aware AHS has changed the [Daily health screening for children under 18](#). Here is a link to the new daily check for students and a new flow chart to help you navigate if your child [should come to school](#). All staff and adults that work in the building will continue to use the previous AHS daily check list. Students in grades 4 to 8 are doing a great job of wearing their masks on the bus and in the school. This will continue to be an important focus. On that note, we would like to let you know we have added Westbrook masks to our school swag available on Westbrook School Online Store. You will find additional information in this newsletter on how to order school hoodies, sweatpants, shirts, shorts and masks. Just a reminder that students in kindergarten and grades 1, 2, and 3 will not be changing for PE and it is optional for students in grades 4 to 8 to change.

November is a busy month:

- ♦ Zoom School Council meeting Tuesday, November 17th @ 5:30. All parents are welcome to attend. Please let Ms. Parker cparker@rockyview.ab.ca or Wendi Napier wendi@opendoordesign.ca know if you would like to attend.
- ♦ Students have been working hard on a virtual Remembrance Day presentation for all of our students. It will be interactive with students speaking over the intercom and then all watching a video presentation that includes all of our students as they share, reflect, and recognize Remembrance Day on Tuesday November 10th
- ♦ [Mom's Pantry https://momspantry.ca/](https://momspantry.ca/) fundraiser is still going on. Remember you have until next Friday to order. Once you are on the Mom's Pantry site you select what you want to order and when you are ready to pay you enter our order number 320901 and our Group Passcode 31866. If you forget the codes just enter Westbrook School and follow the final steps. Thanks for supporting our students. As I pointed out in my last communication home, we had to cancel the walk-a-thon activity fun day and will be in contact with those who have donated funds online.
- ♦ We will also be hosting Virtual (Zoom) 3-Way Conferences November 10th and 12th. Please review the information in this newsletter, or the information we sent on Thursday, November 5th, on how to register for SchoolSoft and then sign up for interviews. If Zoom does not work for you please email the teacher and they will set up a phone call with you.

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RTR INFORMATION

Please remember that there will not be a Term One or Term Two report card this year as all RVS schools are using Real Time Reporting (RTR) this year. This means you do not have to wait until interviews to know how your child is doing. You can check on PowerSchool right now. <https://ps.rockyview.ab.ca/public/home.html>.

We have links to a couple of documents that can help you out with using the parent portal and accessing RTR:

[Parent Guide: RTR Navigating the Public Portal K-6](#)

This is a quick "how-to" document with screenshots to demonstrate how to navigate the Public Portal for students grades K-6.

[Parent Guide: RTR Navigating the Public Portal 7-8\(9\)](#)

This is a quick "how-to" document with screenshots to demonstrate how to navigate the Public Portal for students grades 7-8(9).

Take care, and thanks again for all that you continue to do to keep students and staff safe, happy, and engaged at Westbrook School.

"Virtual" 3 Way Conferences Student/Parent/Teacher

Conference Dates Are:

Tuesday, November 10, 4PM to 7PM

Thursday, November 12 5PM to 8PM

Conferences can be booked online using the following steps:

1. REGISTER

- ◆ Launch the Conference Manager at <https://westbrook.schoolsoft.ca/login.jsf>
- ◆ Click REGISTER NOW button.
- ◆ Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email. You will now be able to access Conference Manager at anytime using the username and password you specified when you created your account.

2. BOOK CONFERENCES

- ◆ Login: Username & Password you created
- ◆ Once you have completed your booking, a confirmation email will be sent to you with the Zoom URL or link that is being used by the teacher for conferences.

You can also find a link on our webpage: <http://westbrook.rockyview.ab.ca/>

Please call us at 403-932-5443 if you have any questions or concerns





School Photo RETAKES

November 12, 2020

Lifetouch Photographers will return to the school for those who wish to have retakes, or who missed having their photos taken on the original school photo day.

Cochrane Community Resource Available:

We now have access to BrainFuse which is a wonderful, powerful eResource where students can get on-demand, live homework help!

BrainFuse HelpNow provides free online tutoring for students and support for adult learners. Students studying the Alberta curriculum in K to 12 can access online help from 2:00 pm to 11:00 pm daily. Chat live with a tutor and create your own study tools with flashcards and games.

The link can be found on our website here:

<https://cochranepubliclibrary.ca/Books-Videos-More/Homework-Help>



"Take Safety Home" - Fenton Buslines

Taking time to share in the safety of your student while on the school bus benefits us all!

Please open the conversation regarding the importance of wearing a mask while on the bus and ensuring that students adhere to the seating plan.

Seating plans have been set up to ensure siblings are seated together, in order of loading, where and when possible. Although the spacing between seats on a school bus is below the recommended 2 meters and an empty seat in between assigned seats is not always possible, students can help by remaining in their seats, wearing masks, using hand sanitizer, and taking all garbage off the bus when disembarking!!

"We are all in this together"



Fenton Bus Lines Inc.





Westbrook Swag Is Now Available!

We have decided to open our portal to families for purchases of gym strip and other items!

We have now added masks, toques, and new hoodies to our Westbrook portal.

The portal will be open from Nov. 2nd to Nov.30th.

*Please note, students from Kindergarten to grade 3 are not required to change for P.E.

Grades 4-8, also have the choice to change for P.E. this year due to Covid recommendations.

Please see the link below to access the portal:

<https://westbrookschooll.itemorder.com/sale>

Westbrook School Online Store 2020

Deadline: Monday November 30th, 2020 (11:59pm MST)





MOMS PANTRY!

****1 WEEK LEFT****

Make It Easy This Christmas and Get All
Your Baking Favorites!!



www.momspantry.ca

Orders Are Due Friday Nov 13th

***If you have any questions or cannot use the online order form
please contact Linda Holmes @ icoleman101@hotmail.com or
403-617-5327.**