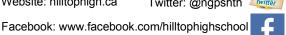




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# November 2016 Newsletter

"A great place to LEARN...and more!"

# Message from the Administration

Welcome to November! We are holding our Remembrance Day assembly on Tuesday, November 8 during Block 2. We invite parents to join us for this important ceremony.

I would like to remind parents that our school council, the Friends of Hilltop, meets monthly on the third Wednesday of the month. Meetings start at 7 PM. We are in need of an executive for the 2016/2017 school year. Friends of Hilltop is a very valuable organization. Lots of information is shared at the monthly meetings and there is a great opportunity for parents to give feedback to the school. Our next meeting is on November 16. I hope to see you there.

Students will be taking part in the Canadian Student Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs Survey on November 23. By participating in the survey, Hilltop will get a detailed picture of alcohol, tobacco and drug use by our students. Parent permission letters were sent home earlier. Please call the school if you do not want your child participating.

I would also like to invite parents to our parent teacher interviews which are scheduled for the evenings of November 2 and 3. Please drop by to check in with your teachers on your child's progress.

There is no school for students from November 9-11. This fall break is a good time for parents and students to relax after a couple of busy months of school. Students, enjoy the break.

We are also pleased to be able to offer students a daily lunch menu in the Hilltop Bistro. Chef Butler provides a daily special as well as sandwiches, soups, and vegetables for students. The cost is very reasonable.

Finally, good luck to our volleyball teams as they head into league finals and zones. Good luck also to the Cats as they take part in the Athabasca Bowl this weekend. Our sports teams are having great seasons. Basketball is next on the sports calendar with Sr. tryouts beginning on November 21.



Your partner in education, Principal **Brent Northcott** 

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# **Important Dates**

November 2 & 3 5:30pm - 8:00pm Parent/Teacher Interviews

November 6 Daylight Savings Time

> November 8 Photo Retakes

November 9, 10 & 11 Fall Break/No School

### **Bell Schedule**

9:00 AM	Warning Bell
9:05 AM	Block 1
10:11 AM	Break
10:15 AM	Block 2
11:21 AM	Break
11:25 AM	Block 3
12:31 PM	Lunch Break
1:11 PM	Warning Bell
1:15 PM	Block 4
2:21 PM	Break
2:24 PM	Block 5
3:30 PM	Dismiss









# 2015-2016 Awards Ceremony



On October 26th, 2016 Hilltop hosted our annual Awards Ceremony for the academic year 2015-2016. We are proud to congratulate our students for their hard work and achievements. Thank you to everyone who attended our ceremony and joined us in celebrating our students exceptional efforts.



Congratulations to all the students who earned awards!

### Honours Awards 2015-2016

#### Grade 9

Adams, Ethan Anderson, Erica Blackstock, Montana Bounds Sadie Cunningham, Adam Davidson, Jacob Day, Colbv Deets, Derek Demers Braslavski, Natalia Dixon, Abigail Duffy, Jillian Funk, Teron Gallant, Sebastian Gano-Murray, Tanisha Gould, Tori Granley, Kjell Gunderson, Kaleeah Hansen, Caleb Harder, Colleen Hearn, Cameron Highmoor, Sheldon House, Caleb Johns, Montanna Lambert, Kailey Lee, Yeonho Long, Stephanie Moore, Charles Munday, Emma Oliver, Cody Packham, Macynne Pastoor Chase Pham, Thanh Schneider-Magdiak, Dallas Scott Calum Sebo, Emma Thiessen, Elmer Tipler, Mikayla VonStein, Dawson Warchola Rachelle Whatmore, Mackenzie Wilde, Carter Williams, Kassidy Wise, Zachary Woods, Colby

# Student of the Year

Kailey Lambert

#### Grade 10

Adams, Benjamin Adams, Jessica Ansay, Shawn-Rey Arcand-Huard, Dionna Augot, Spencer Bahm, Kennedy Baranitsky, Ethan Basaraba, Caelyn Bendrien, Shayle Bissett, Connor Boll, Ryan Bryson, Madison Cairns, Ashley Carter, Kaley Cartwright, Hunter Charbonneau, Page Coffee, Samuel Cone, Nicole Corcilles, Stephanie Daniels, Makenna Dixon, Jenna Donovan, Nicholas Dunstall, Emily Engelbert, Alyssa Forseille, Alyssa Fromager, Emily Govenlock, Ryan Headington, Sadie Henault, Rhyleigh Jeanveau, Annick Keenan, Meghan Elisabeth Kim, Hye Yun Lewis, Catelynn Maxwell, Emma McKinnon, Pharran McNeil Allyson Millard, Dakota Molnar, Kyle Munday, Ashlyn Parker, Brooklyn

Perrin, Shae

Seu, Logan

Schlosser, Jack

Spencer, Angelica

Steinke, Katelyn

Strydhorst, Sarah

Twach, Christopher

Stewart, Jacob

Taylor, Emily Trigg, Amanda

#### Grade 11

Aginas, Brady Ansay, Keizer Charl Appel, Mitchel Bartlett, Siainna Blackstock, Mackenzie Brandt, Lexie Brooks, Rvan Brown, Nicklas Broz, Nicholas Calitz, Chantelle Cameron, Montanna Common, Troy Damberger, Sydney De Jongh, Etienne Dewitz, Krista Doerksen, Rowen Doonan-Cebuliak, Marshell Fischer, Micheal Gilmore, Mark Hadley, Amelia Hang, Phong Hillaby, Leah Hussey, Aiden Jacobs, Emma Lanctot, Paige Lapointe, Shaun Lee, Jeeho Letendre, Kelsev Levins, Payton Marion, Ashley Martin, Dylan Materi, Dana McCammon, Kelsey McKellar, Montana Mik, Samantha Moore, Ophelie Nakucyj, Matthew Newhook, Sarah Nichols, Dason Nickolson, Haley Orge, Darin Payne, Cassandra Priest. Willa Rucks, Kaitlyn Seu, Rachael Soper, Samantha Stark, Haley Szybunka-Vaughan, Katlyn Taylor, Daniel Taylor, Morgan Wharton, NaRhyse

Wittmann, Dylan

Yanke, Brooklyn

ONGRATULATIONS!

# Grade 12 Bakker, Mikayla

Bidell, Joel Boisvert, Michael Brown, Trent Calitz, Minette Carter, Jenna Common, Jonathan Craig, Valorie Daschuk, Karlen Dawkins, Isaiah Dewitz, Danielle Doepker, Haylee Gervais, Meicah Govenlock, Justin Hawley, Zaine Hearn, James Jensen, Meagan Kerschbaum, Adrian King, Cody Kingdon, Connor Lalonde, Brandi Long, Jennifer Ma. Guoiun Magee, Theodore Mahan, Lilia McGregor, Conner Moore, Jemina Munday, Connor Parsons, Chelsey Peters, Jesse Sheppard, Madison Sherburne, Jamie Skrecek, Madison Slobodian, Alexander Smith, David Soch, Tyson Strowbridge, Alexis Thibeault, Megan Underwood, Shelby Watson, Tyler

# Student

Yanke, Kiana

Sr. High Etienne de Jongh

of the Year

#### **Individual Awards**

# **Highest Achievement in** Language Arts/English

Grade 9: Breanna Lee Grade 10: Aileen Kim & Annick Jeanveau

Grade 11: Etienne de Jonah

Grade 12: Mikayla Bakker

# Highest Achievement in **Social Studies**

Grade 9: Emma Sebo

Grade 10: Aileen Kim

Grade 11: Etienne

de Jongh

Grade 12: Mikayla

Bakker

# **Highest Achievement in** Math

Grade 9: Adam

Cunningham

Grade 10: Logan Seu

Grade 11: Etienne

de Jongh

Grade 12: Mikayla

Bakker

# **Highest Achievement in** Science

Grade 9: Breanna Lee &

Adam Cunningham

Grade 10: James

Woodford

Grade 11: Etienne

de Jongh

Grade 12: Mikavla

Bakker

# **Highest Academic** Average of the Year

Grade 9: Adam

Cunningham

Grade 10: Aileen Kim &

Logan Seu

Grade 11: Etienne

de Jongh

Grade 12: Mikayla

Bakker





# More highlights from our annual Awards Ceremony

Merit Awards 2015 - 2016



# Grade 9

Adams, Emily Aginas, Jordan Albaya, Jorden Anderson, Savannah Bidell, Joshua Bryant, Indigo Casemore, Jesse Christianson, Sadie Damberger, Renae Dean, Brook-Ivn Demerse, Jaiyden Doell, Blake Doerksen, Seth Emel, Isabelle Fenn- Neville, Felisha Fransen, Gabriel Gano-Coady, Jordan Goudreau, Blake Irwin, Tabitha Johnston, Nina Kelly, Layne Kingdon, Briana Legault-Chartrand, Jaina Lourenco, Mykayla Marple, Laramie Maxwell, Kimberly Measures Jessica Mohler, Sarah Motkoski, Courtney Moyle, Christina Newman, Cody Newton, Noah Penney, Dylan Peters, Gerald Prichard, Liam Ross, Joshua Smith. Dawson Stevens, Ridley Stewart, Sabrina Summan, Kareena Swanton, Chase Tarcon, Alysa Wharton, Lachlan Wheeler, Chase

#### Grade 10

Ashmore, Maitraya Asselin, Thomson Barrett, Jade Berry, Damen Bianowsky, Alexis Black, Daylen Brodie, Kyla Bullied-Gutenberg, William Carlson, Layne Chernuka, Macen Coulter, Wyatt Davey, Justine Dean, Austin Douglas, Jacob Feist, Jaymee Fibke, Brayden Fraser-Merrill, Kylee Freeman, Brandon Freeman, David Gadke, Jamie Hellekson, Weston Humby, Aaron Hutyra, Daniel Iggulden, Hayden Jendrick, Darnell Keefe, Dawson Keylor, Taeven Kilbreath, Dalton Knitter, Cody Koscielny, Natalya Landrie, Haiden Latvala, Cassandra Meadows, Cassidy Mott, Zachary Murray, Mackenzie Pratt. Brianna Preston-Carlson, Connor Pudlo, Josalynn Richards, Jace Roach, Breton Saenz-Lopez, Ana Simmons, Nicole Snow, Kaitlyn Termul, Jazlyn Turner, Jaden Vandenhouten, Willow Waters, Emma Webb, Kelton Wells, Darby Whatmore, Dillan Whitehorse, Elita



Wilchowy, Madison

### Grade 11

Beauchamp, Grayson Bissett, Hana Boll, Joe Brent, Noah Corriveau, Terran Crory, Britney Cusack, Michael Flammond, Kory Gann. Daniel Gilbert, Caitlyn Hanas, Jordan Harder, Jennae Head, Jessica Hinchcliffe, Katrina Hodgson, Alexander Johnson, Brett Lacev. Parker Lee, Connor Littlejohn, Casey Lockard, Cameron Long, Dawson Mackinnon, Bailey Martin, Sasha McLean, Kayla Meaver, Tyvan Merrill, Landra Niziol, Zachary Pastion, Cole Pham, Quang-Dang Phillipo, Keegan Pitt-Taylor, Elizabeth Rivard, Santana Romanchuk, Alyssa Schmidt, Anthony Smith, Haile Smith, Madison St. Louis, Andre St. Louis, Holden Steadman, Linden Stratton, Shayla Strydhorst, Emma Thiessen, Margaret Thompson, Jason Way Nash, Destiny Wise, Rachel



#### Grade 12

Adams, Connor Alvarez, Alexander Appel, Mykenzie Ayles, Hayley Bardoel, Niki Basaraba, Christian Brown, Sydney Carter, Kayge Charbonneau, Chantal Davey, Alicia Davidson, Katrina Dubeau, MacKenzie Dunstall, Bailey Forsberg, Carley Garbanewski, Logan Head, Emily Hellekson, Jessica Keylor, Denby Koscielny, Mikhail Kramer, Kyle Kuehn, Lynden Labine, Danielle Lambert, Jakob Lambert, Zachary Larsen, Gillian Law, Jason MacLeod, Destine Malanowich, Talia Manz, Regan May, Faith Millward, Megan Moreau, Madison Moyle, Robert Mytrunec, Zachery Nendsa, Margret Nogel, Sara Jay Oskoboiny, Aury Paul, Laine Pederson, Emma Puim, Andrew Rae. Kilev Regan, Kyle Reid. Kenneth Robinson-Adams, Chad Sharp, Taylor Skinner, Lauren Smith, Jordan Smith, Walker Snow Derek Soper, Jakob Stevens, Jacob Topilka, Jessica Vanderwolf, Lexi



Walters, Olivia

### **Individual Awards**

#### Ambassador Award

Caitlyn Gilbert

#### Art Awards

Emma Sebo ~ Jr. High Jessica Hellekson ~ Sr. High

#### **Automotives Awards**

Ryan Govenlock

#### **Computing Awards**

Montana Blackstock

### Graphic Design

Stephanie Corcilles

### Information Processing

Caelyn Basaraba

# Construction Award

Caleb Hansen &

Kaleeah Gunderson ~ Jr. High Bailey Hearn ~ Sr. High

#### Cosmetology Award

Kelsey McCammon ~ Jr. High Darby Wells ~ Sr. High

#### Drama Awards

Sadie Bounds ~ Jr. High Shawn-Rey Ansay ~ Sr. High

#### Fabrication Award

Ryan Govenlock

# Fashion Studies Award

Paige Lanctot

# Foods/Home Economics Awards

Emma Pederson ~ Sr. High

#### French Award

Brandon Freeman ~ French 10 Etienne De Jongh ~ French 20/30

# German Award

Jonathan Common

# Photo/Video Awards

Creative Video Award

Charles Freddie Moore

Most Productive

# Rachel Wise

Rachel Wise

### Creative Art

Emma Sebo ~ Jr. High Shaun Kramer ~ Sr. High

# Physical Education Awards

Derek Deets & Jillian Duffy ~ Jr. High Ben Adams & Emily Dunstall~ Sr. High

### **RAP Award**

Alex Slobodian

#### Work Experience Award

Ryan Govenlock

Parent/Teacher Interviews

November 2 & 3 5:30pm-8:00pm



Both evenings will be a drop-in basis.





Remembrance Day
Assembly

November 8
10:45 am
Parents are welcome to attend.
Cadets are encouraged to wear uniforms.
Remembrance Day



Fall Break- NO SCHOOL November 9, 10 and 11



On Remembrance Day please take the time to remember those who sacrificed their lives to achieve freedom for us all.



# <u>RAP</u>



RAP is a **Registered Apprenticeship Program** which allows students to apprentice with participating partnering businesses.

If this is something you might be interested in please see Ms. Hleck.

Congratulations to the following students who earned **scholarships** through the Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board RAP.

Thank you to Careers: the Next Generation for your continued support providing students with these opportunities.

Tyson Soch
Dean Corriveau
Kaleb Corriveau
Alex Slobodian

Congratulations to the following students who have secured RAP and Dual Credit positions.











Willa Priest- Flint
Ben Adams- Flint
Tommy Asselin - Kal Tire
Taeven Keylor- Venture Oilfield
Santana Rivard- Intrepid Insulating
Quang Pham- Woodlands County
Daniel Taylor- Millar Western - Dual Credit
Jack Schlosser- Alberta Newsprint Company
Brett Johnson- Alberta Newsprint Company
Pharran McKinnon- Woodlands County - Dual Credit
Kyle Regan- Whitecourt Transport
Mike Viellette- Auto Shop
Kelton Webb- LB Energy
Jessica Adams- Town of Whitecourt - Dual Credit















# **Special Guest**

On **November 24th** former Hilltop graduate and local artist Justine Vandenhouten will be joining Mrs. Zack and her Art students to teach the beautiful art of Henna.

# BIO 20 Field Trip

Mrs. Scott's Biology 20 class travelled to the McLeod and Athabasca Rivers on October 13 to complete a field study comparing biotic and abiotic characteristics of the two bodies of water. Chemical tests were performed and any organisms collected were studied and classified back in class. Field reports were written comparing physical, chemical, and biological characteristics between the two rivers. Thank you to Mr. Scott who volunteered to drive bus and to Mrs. Kendall who helped chaperone.





On October 27th Mr. Schlosser welcomed guest speaker and head paramedic, **Bill McAree** to his grade 9 Survival in the Boreal Forest class. Mr. McAree shared different tips on survival in the forest. He explained the importance of being prepared and dressed appropriately before you head into the bush and to always tell somewhere where you are going. He also talked about how to deal with emergent situations and injury's by remaining calm, staying where you are and how to use the resources in your surroundings. Thank you Bill McAree for sharing your expertise with our students.







Grade 9
Outdoor Ed
class learns to
survive in the
"Boreal"
Forest!

On October 6th, Whitecourt Family Violence Initiative Group brought in guest speaker Jeffery Bucholtz, co-director of We End Violence. Mr. Bucholtz spoke a powerful presentation about healthy relationships, bullying and domestic violence. He used karaoke as an interactive way to get students involved in his presentation. Together they decoded songs and talked about the impact, and unrealistic expectations of the messages portrayed in a lot todays music. Mr. Bucholtz shared some shocking statistics, Whitecourt Wellsprings receives approximately 180 crisis calls per month, 1 in 3 women are killed by someone the love and in a gymnasium of roughly 300 students, 60-90 of them will be victims of abuse. Also during the presentation we were honoured to watch a short film made for Wellsprings by one of our very own students Rachel Wise. Well done Rachel! Thank you Whitecourt Family Violence Initiative and Mr. Jeffery Bucholtz for such an informative presentation.

#WEENDVIOLENCE #

**#YESMEANSYES** 



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# Spirit Wear

Hilltop Charger Spirit Wear is available for sale at reduced prices. Items are available through www.schoolcashonline.com or from Mrs. Runge in room 503.

# **Passport Photos**

Available in the Media Lab

\$15.00

Appointments are available Monday to Friday between 9:00 am and noon. Call or Text Derek Schlosser at 780-268-3375 to book an appointment

# Hilltop Senior Computer Technology

We have the technology to print and press to create PERSONALIZED ITEMS!

> If you have a design in mind, our students can create it!

# We can print and press images on to the following items:

- \* Poster
- \* iPhone Case
- Decal
- \* Samsung Case
- \* Magnet

- \* Flip Flops
- \* Lanyard
- \* Bag
- Ornament
- \* Water Bottle
- \* Keychain
- \* Travel Mug
- \* T-shirt
- \* 8G USB Stick
- \* Puzzle
- \* Apron

- \* Frosted Mug
- \* Black Hoodie
- \* Mug white or coloured interior

Please contact Mrs. Walsh for more information! meagan.walsh@ngps.ca



Make online payments with SchoolCashOnline

- √ Field trips
- ✓ Sports Events
- ✓ Activity Fees

Register at SchoolCashOnline.com





Encounters with Canada is Canada's largest youth forum, a week long; students explore career options through a wide variety of experiential learning activities. High school students, aged 14-17 are eligible to participate and gain unprecedented access to the Nation's capital - including the Parliament buildings. You can travel to Ottawa for \$675.00 and this includes: accommodation, transportation, airfare, program materials and fees and meals!!

Programs available are:

Arts & Culture

Canada Remembers

**Democracy & Youth** 

**Experience Canada** 

First Responders

International Relations

Communications & Social Media

Law & Our Justice System

Medicine & Health

Science & Ecology

Science & Technology

Sports & Fitness

Vimy: Canada's Coming of Age

If any of the programs interest you and you are thinking about one of these options for your career, please see Mrs. Keay for more information! The sooner you sign up - the cheaper it is!! Subsidies are available for early registration!!

\* WE ARE THRILLED TO ANNOUNCE THAT HILLTOP HAS THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN ALBERTA ATTENDING ENCOUNTERS THIS YEAR.

# Europe Trip 2017: Remembering Vimy

France, Netherlands and Germany



Next year's international trip will be heading to France for the 100 year Vimy ceremony. We will also be going to Paris, Netherlands and Germany. Some of the trip highlights will be attending the Vimy Ridge Memorial Ceremony with our Prime Minister. We will also be taking a sightseeing tour around Paris before heading off to Vimy. We will also be going to Anne Frank's house, the remains of the Berlin Wall, the Spy museum and Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp. This will be an amazing tour where you will experience new cultures, go where history took place and learn first hand about concepts we have spoken about in school. This itinerary is a once in a lifetime opportunity to experience the Vimy Ridge Memorial Ceremony. If you would like any information or have any questions, please see Miss. Mehl in room 304.

# Parents of Students in Grade 9

In January and June of this school year, all Grade 9 students throughout the province will write the provincial achievement tests in language arts, math, science and social studies. Results for these tests will provide Alberta Education, school administrators, teachers, parents, students, and the public with information about what students know and can do in relation to provincial standards at the end of Grade 9.

Achievement tests are based on what students have been learning. Teachers mark them before they are returned to Alberta Education. This allows the teachers to look at the performance of the students in their class and to use each student's achievement test score at 20% of their final grade.

In the fall, an *Individual Student Profile* showing your child's achievement test results will be available at the school. You child will be given the results to bring home. The profile is prepared by Alberta Education after the marking and scoring of tests has been completed and final scores are calculated; it will present your child's performance on each test in relation to provincial standards. This information may be useful in planning your child's instructional program for the coming year.

Reports that show how well Hilltop High School students did as a group in relation to provincial standards will also be available at our school in the fall.

On **Wednesday, November 23rd** all students grades 9-12 will be participating in a 30 minute survey from Canadian Student Tobacco, Alcohol and Drug survey. By participating, we will receive updated statistics on our students in comparison to the rest of the country. If you would prefer your child to opt out of taking the survey or have any questions or concerns please contact the front office at 780-778-2446.

Hilltop High School would like to request that all students leave any valuables at home.

CANADIAN STUDENT

We also, encourage all students to keep their combinations for their hall & gym lockers confidential.

# Synervoice/ Automated Calls Home

Please be advised if our system has rejected your phone number due to a cancelled landline, we will use the next available phone number (ex: cell phone number) for emergency purposes and automated calls home in the event of student absence.



# The 44th Annual Whitecourt Christmas Hamper Project

Last year 197 families received Christmas hampers thanks to your generous support.

If you would like to request a hamper for the 2016 year you must request it personally at the Repeat Boutique on the following dates: November 30th and December 3rd, 7th, & 10th from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. As well as on December 1st & 8th from 7:00 pm - 9:00pm.

Donations gratefully accepted:

Cash donations

Donations of food

# **Urban Gardening Club**

Every Monday and Friday during the lunch hour and Wednesdays afterschool in room 306.

Interested in joining or have any more questions please see Mrs. Long or Mr. Mireau.





#### Parent/Guardian Reminder

Please remember that **ALL** students must be signed out by a parent/guardian when leaving the building for any reason, including in the event of an emergency or evacuation. Students can be signed out by a parent/guardian either in person or by calling the school at 780-778-2446.

We appreciate your cooperation.



2015-2016
yearbooks are
available. If you
have not received
your yearbook

from last year please stop by the main office.

Check out our live Google calendar on our website. Updated regularly.



Does the school have your child's current contact information?

Please contact the school to verify if you have concerns @ 780.778.2446. If you are going to be late or absent for any reason, please have your parent or guardian call the school at 780.778.2446.

Please use our answering machine if you need to call before or after school hours.

# **HILLTOP DRAMA PRODUCTIONS**

**Dessert Productions tickets \$10.00** 

# Young Sherlock

December 8th and 9th 7:00 pm in the Hilltop Auditorium

Take a trip back in time to when young Sherlock Holmes was a student at Butterworth Academy. Two girls are kidnapped from the school, and John Watson hopes his friend and classmate will be able to solve his first crime. Despite a psychic, Madame Lulu, appearing on the scene and guaranteeing to find the students, the bumbling, inept Constable Bing begins his own investigation. When the psychic suddenly finds the girls after the parents have paid the large fee demanded in the mysterious ransom note, Sherlock is suspicious. He sets a trap to snare the criminal, launching his career as a great detective who can solve crimes even before the police can.

# All That Remains is Dust

December 15th and 16th 7:00 pm in the Hilltop Auditorium

The 1920's, Prohibition, Speakeasy the mob and the police all team up to bring you a dramatic presentation. A power hungry mobster struggles to maintain control of his town, the police, the bootleggers while running his own illegitimate businesses. When a murder leaves them vulnerable alliances are revealed and relationships are strained. The only outcome that is for certain is that when the dust settles nothing will be the same and all that will remain is dust.

# Medieval Club

Have you ever wondered how knights fought back in medieval times? Or what

arts and crafts people used to make? Perhaps you are into sports and martial arts or maybe you are just curious about what kind of skills were needed to be a medieval artisan. Hilltop's Medieval Club meets at lunch on Thursdays to learn all there is about the medieval times as well as how to do medieval style combat. Students can learn all about



the medieval ways of fighting as well as about honour and chivalry. Students can learn about making medieval crafts like chainmaille and wire weaving, but also about making armour as well as how to engage a foe with cunning skill and accuracy. If you would like to find out what we do in Medieval Club,

please come and speak to Miss Mehl in Room 304!

# School Reach Club

School Reach is a club devoted to guiz game shows. Students gather in room 304 at lunch on Fridays to test their knowledge about pop culture, music, sports, entertainment, history, literature, movies and much more. Come bring your lunch and some friends to try out our amazing game show buzzer system while answering some questions! Everyone is welcome and we have a great time during lunch hour.





### PROGRAMS ACCEPTING MATH 30-2











#### PROGRAMS REQUIRING MATH 30-1



# **Storefront School News**

During the month of October storefront students were busy keeping on track with module due dates, food prep courses and presentations.

The students helped prepare a delicious meal to welcome back Tammy Johnson. They served Atlantic cod, home fries and baked apple cheesecake. All of which came fresh from Newfoundland. They also prepared Taco in a bag. Both of which were delicious.

Storefront has exceptional support workers from the community that come to our school and help out; Crystal Fraser with Caniff will be here on Monday mornings from 8:30 to noon. Rebekah from Wellsprings will join us on Tuesdays from 10:00am-11:00am. Kyra Baranowski from Family Community Liaison will be at storefront on Thursday mornings at 9am. Jill and Tumara will be here on November 2nd and 8th from 10:00 am to 11:00 am to finish up a series of presentations on Healthy Relationships.

Parent teacher interviews will be held on Tuesday, November 1st from 3:30pm to 6pm. If parents and or guardians cannot make this time, please call the school to set up a time that is convenient for you.

Some of our upcoming events for November will be our Remembrance Day Ceremony at 10:30am on Tuesday, November 8th, 2016. It is our hope that our PE program will start again on Tuesday afternoon's beginning the second week of November and our Food's program will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday morning's. Students will need to provide a recipe with an ingredient list ahead of time before they can

We would like to thank Trish with the Community Lunch Box Program for her continued support by delivering doughnuts, bread and other food supplies on a regular basis. You are an angel!

Students please pay attention to course due dates and attend often to ensure success in your educational pursuits. Experience has shown that students who attend often make better progress and find success in their course work than those who do not.

Storefront hours
Monday-Thursday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

# First Nations, Metis and Inuit (FNMI)

With Mrs. Smith-Tomke FNMI Liaison Worker

Tansi! The 2016/2017 school year at Hilltop High School promises to be very exciting. Any students interested in sharing ideas and learning the ways of the Indigenous people are encouraged to come to Student Services and talk to me. Throughout the year, Hilltop students and staff will be celebrating the Aboriginal culture through events such as a Blanket Ceremony, an Elders Talking Circle, a visit with Rupertsland Institute, and tea and bannock of course. With your input, I am sure we can come up with other ideas that will bring all cultures at Hilltop High School together.

If anyone is looking for a great read, author Joseph Boyden has written many novels that may appeal to you. The latest Boyden project was creating a novella named Wenjack which is the story of an Ojibwe boy who died after running away from a residential school in northern Ontario. This piece of history is gaining a lot of publicity lately, so I encourage you to read this story. We are at a time where there is so much resilience happening with in the Indigenous people, and I am proud to be part of this!

# Message from the Bistro

The Bistro is back up and running daily!

Please welcome Chef Butler to Hilltop! Bistro cards are available to purchase online via School Cash or from Mrs. Runge in room 503. Accepted payments of Visa, Mastercard, Interac and cash. Bistro cards are punch cards that can be used at the Bistro in place of cash. They are sold in \$10.00 and \$20.00 values. Bistro cards make a great gift for students.

<u>Hilltop Bistro F</u>	<u> Price List</u>
Cookie	\$0.50
Muffin	\$1.00
Loaf	\$1.50
Veggie Cup	\$1.00
Sm. Choc. Milk	\$1.00
Fruit Cup	\$1.00
Hummus	\$2.75
Soup	\$2.50
Milk 2 Go	\$2.25
Sandwich/Wrap	\$3.50
Chips	\$1.50
Cinnamon Bun	\$2.00

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# **Student Council**

Daily Lunch Special

\$5.00

A taco in a bag sale took place on the 25th of October. If you missed it this time, there will be one or two more sales throughout the year. We served 100 taco in a bags in about 15 minutes!

There was a Halloween costume contest at school on Monday, October 31, prizes were handed out to those who participated.

A Remembrance Day assembly will take place on the 8th of November in block 2. It will include a guest speaker, reciting of poetry, the singing of O' Canada and time to reflect on the sacrifices of our Canadian



soldiers.

# To All Parents of Hilltop Students From Friends of Hilltop Parent Council

No elections were held at the last FOH meeting due to low attendance. If you are interested in joining the Friends of Hilltop Parent Society please contact the front office and we will help get you started. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16th at 7:00pm.



# Grad News



This year marks our 50th Graduation Exercise at Hilltop High School. The graduation ceremony will be held on Friday, June 30th, 2017.

Your grad council of 2017 had been decided! Mark Gilmore, Sydney Damberger, Rebecca Lee, Dylan Wittman, Rachel Wise, Leah Hillaby, Krista Dewitz, Payton Levins, Chantelle Calitz and Hana Bissett are the faces behind your grad this year.

Your brilliant grad advisers are Mrs. Woodford, Mrs. Long and Mrs. Properzi.

Keep an eye out on the grad board for more information about:

Grad photos

Grad logo

Ordering grad wear

Don't forget to get your grad forms in to Mr. Mireau and if your FOIP forms are not in your grad council will be looking for you soon...

Grad logo vote will be November 7th and 8th at lunch in the foyer.

Parents and students are asked to join our Remind 101 designed specifically for Grad 2017 by texting @hthgrad to (587) 316-7407 to receive regular reminders.

# **Helpful Hint from the Family Community Liaison Program (FCLP)**

The secret to raising a great child is to have a great relationship with them. There are many ways you can build a strong connection with your child.

Prioritizing time with your child is a great place to start. Make sure you set aside time to foster that one on one connection by doing something that you both enjoy. Whether that is going for a walk, having a snack together, or playing your favourite game, this allows your child to know that he/ she is a priority in your life.

Another great way to build a relationship with your child is to build trust with them. Make sure you follow through on promises that you make. If you decide you are too busy to spend time with your child that you promised you would happen, that trust will be broken. Once your child has built trust with you, they will begin to understand that you expect the same from them. They will understand that you trust them to tell the truth and behave appropriately.

Finally, another great way to develop your relationship with your child is to encourage them. Think of your child as a plant who is programmed by nature to grow and blossom. If you see the plant has brown leaves, you consider that it might need more light, more water, or more fertilizer. You don't criticize it and yell at it to straighten up and grow right. Children need your encouragement to see themselves as good people who are capable of good things, and they need to know you're on their side. If most of what comes out of your mouth is correction or criticism, they won't feel good about themselves, and they won't feel like you're their ally. Children need to know that they have a parent or guardian who thinks the world of them.

The Family Community Liaison Program (FCLP) provides individual counselling and family support. For more information about the program or the referral process, feel free to contact Kyria or Kateryna at the FCLP office at (780) 778-8755.



# **Athletics**

# Be a Charger...Take Charge!



# **November Sporting Events**

Nov. 4 & 5 Sr. Volleyball Tournament in Edson

Nov. 5 CATS Bowl Games

Nov 18 & 19 Sr. Volleyball Zones

Nov 21, 22 & 23 Sr. Basketball Tryouts

# Curling

on Monday, November 7 at the Curling Club and is open to everyone! Come and learn how to curl if you are new or fine tune those experienced curler skills!



Beginning Nov 1st Students can pick up permission forms for the **ski trip on DEC 9th.** 

See Ms. Zack (room 301- art room) for details on price/itinerary

Deadline to sign up is Nov 17th Seats fill up fast so don't delay!

# The Hilltop Chargers in Vegreville for the Sr. girls volleyball tournament.

The Chargers were in Vegreville Oct. 28/29th. The girls from Hilltop were able to see and play a number of teams from North East Alberta. This was a great



tournament to
get experience from
some top teams that
we normally do not get
to play. This was
valuable to the team as
to measure how they
stack up against other
teams in the province.
The next tournament is
Nov. 4/5th in Edson.

# AGW

### **A&W Classic**



The A&W Classic was held on October 14th and 15th. Thank you to A&W for your continued support of Hilltops home tournament.

Below are the final standings from the tournament.

#### Womens

1st: Peace River High

2nd: Hilltop High School

3rd: Glenmary School

Consolation: Onoway

#### Mens

1st: PCHS

2nd: St. Joseph School

3rd: Glenmary School

Consolation: Mistassiniy



# **Cross Country**

Congratulations to Noal Adams

who placed 1st at Zones for 13 year old boys.

Congratulations to Emma & Sarah Strydhorst for qualifying for Provincials. Hilltop runners were great ambassadors for the sport and represented our school well!!



# Jr. Volleyball



Jr. Boys volleyball team earned themselves a **GOLD** at the Mayerthorpe Halloween Howler Tournament. The are undefeated in the league.



Jr. girls volleyball team also earns a GOLD at the Halloween Howler Tournament in Mayerthorpe. Ms. Kendall

Mr. Mireau

Ms. Jody Smith-Tomke

# **Student Services Newsletter**

The Student Service's Dept. has a wealth of information that will help all students throughout the year; whether its deciding on a career choice, finding a job or working on one of the computers to complete a school project.

The job opportunity/volunteer board will be updated weekly so students can find a part time job or volunteer within our community.

Are you undecided about a career? One of the best web sites for Career Planning, Education and Employment is <a href="www.alis.gov.ab.ca">www.alis.gov.ab.ca</a>. It also includes information on

financial assistance.



# **Work Experience**

Sign up is easy! See Mr. Mireau for more information. Your hours do not count until the site has been approved by Mr. Mireau.

#### CANADA HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP

Available to grade 10 or 11 students who write an essay on a given topic. More information is available at

http://www.canadashistory.ca/History-Awards/Student-Award/Home

# **Individual Grade 12 Meeting**

Students are welcome to book an appointment with Mr. Mireau, who is available B, C and D blocks. Parents are welcome to join. The meeting is designed to check graduation requirements and investigate career and post-secondary pathways.

### **Applying for Post-Secondary**

Most schools accept applications from October 1st onward. Do not delay. Receiving an offer of acceptance can take a long time. Remember, once you have applied, you must periodically update the post-secondary institution via your online account.

# <u>RAP</u>

Registered Apprenticeship Program Interested in RAP? Please talk to Ms. Hleck.

# **MYPASS.ALBERTA.CA**



To access your records after writing a diploma, you will need to have a myPass.alberta.ca account established.
Use a personal email address and not your @ngps.ca email.

### SCHULICH SCHOLARSHIP

If you are at the top (or near to the top) of your class, and you wish to put your name forward for the Schulich Scholarship, see Mr. Mireau.

One applicants will be chosen if they meet the following criteria: Possessing an average above 85% in five core classes and entering a Science or Technology Bachelors degree at a major Canadian university.



# Post-Secondary Open Houses

MacEwan University Saturday, November 5th

# **CONGRATS TO**

-Lexie Brandt for being accepted at the University of Alberta in the Faculty of Arts.

-Ryan Brooks for being accepted at the University of Alberta in the Faculty of Engineering

-Etienne de Jongh for winning last year's Canada History Scholarship



Saturday		<b>5</b> CATS Bowl Games	Sr. Volleyball Tournament Edson	12		19	Sr. Volleyball Zones Barrhead	26		30 pm-8:00pm. ngs.	er those who sacrificed
Friday		<b>4</b> Day 4	Sr. Volleyball Tournament Edson	11 Remembrance Day	Fall Break No School	18 Day 2	Sr. Volleyball Zones Barrhead	<b>25</b> Day 3		<b>P</b> arent/Teacher Interviews November $2^{nd}$ & $3^{rd}$ 5:30 pm-8:00pm. Interviews will be on a drop-in basis for both evenings.	On Remembrance Day, take the time to remember those who sacrificed their lives to achieve freedom for us all.
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Tuesday		1 Day 2		8 Day 2	Photo Retakes	15 Day 4		22 Day 4	Sr. Basketball Tryouts	29 Day 1	
Monday	Novembe			7 Day 1		14 Dav 3		21 Day 3	Sr. Basketball Tryouts	28 Day 4	
Sunday	NO			<b>6</b> Daylight Savings Time		13		20		27	

# Dear Parent/Guardian,



As part of our focus on school effectiveness, Hilltop High School will be participating in an online school survey for students – OurSCHOOL.

OurSCHOOL is an online survey that allows students to give their feedback and share their voices on their school environment, experiences at school, and any school improvement programs. During the next few weeks, all students will be given the opportunity and time to participate in this survey during regular school hours. They are encouraged to complete the survey, but may choose not to as it is completely voluntary. Students who agree to complete the survey will be given a random username and password to access and complete the survey. Students' names cannot be linked to their responses, which allow it to be completely anonymous. Results will show all student scores combined together — it is not possible to single out individual students in the results.

The student survey will be completed electronically and will require approximately 35-40 minutes to complete. The student survey Measures include such topics as emotional and social well-being, physical health, and behaviours and attitudes linked to student success. The survey also allows students to give their thoughts and feedback in open-ended question responses.

OurSCHOOL was created by The Learning Bar, based on the work by Dr. J. Douglas Willms. Dr. Willms is widely known nationally and internationally for his work on educational monitoring systems, including the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development. Since 2004, OurSCHOOL has quickly grown to become Canada's largest national school survey.

If you would like more information, please contact Hilltop High School 780-778-2446





# **GALLERY**





# **New Faces to Hilltop**

#### Please welcome

Chef Butler - Hilltop Bistro
Mrs. Tobin—Front Office Secretary
Ms. Veitch – Educational Assistant

# **Welcome Back**

A warm welcome back to Jody Smith-Tomke

# Goodbye

Thank you Mrs. Johnson for working the front office as secretary this year.

Tammy has now returned to Storefront School as secretary.





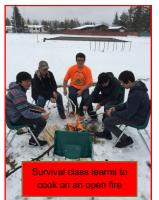






MP Arnold Viersen visits Mrs. Keays class











Remembrance Day







November 11th - Take the time to emember those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. Lest we Forget.

Listen to our student Voices of Hilltop Freddie Moore and Bradley Jarvis on XM105 every Wednesday at 8:00am





