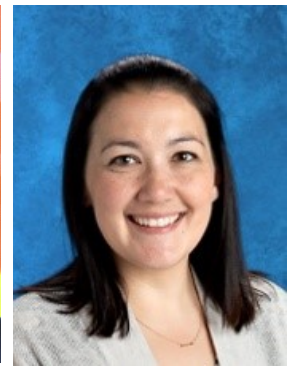




September 2017



From the Office

Hello Park Meadows School Community! From all of the staff here at the school we want to welcome you to the 2017-2018 school year. The end of summer always brings anticipation and excitement in the air as students, parents, support staff, and teachers come together to start another exciting adventure in the world of learning. This year at Park Meadows we want to welcome a number of new staff to our building, as well as take the opportunity to introduce our new School Leaders. Mrs. Jackie Fletcher serves as your new Vice-Principal and Mr. Mark Blankenstyn serves as your new Principal. Our mission here at Park Meadows is to create a school where children, who are valued for their diversity, feel empowered to grow and influence their communities by taking care of themselves, others, and the world. We, as a staff, live out this mission in many tangible ways and engage our students in learning activities that guide our students to develop life-long learning and life-long caring. We ask ourselves, our students, and our community the following questions: how are we caring for ourselves? How are we caring for others? How are we caring for this place? We challenge you to engage your child in these questions and get them thinking about creative answers. - Mark Blankenstyn & Jackie Fletcher (your School Leaders).

"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education." Martin Luther King, Jr.

Hot Lunches

- Parent Council has a great line up of Hot Lunches for this coming year! First, we'll have M&M Meats grill up some hot dogs for \$6 per meal.
- All payment must be made through School Cash Online, as per our District Cashless Movement. You'll find a full set of instructions attached. If you need any support, please come and see us in the office!

School Information

- View our newsletter on our website to click on the hyperlinks below
- - Making Connections [Tips for Back to School Jitters](#)
 - - AHS Healthy Children [Parent Newsletter](#)
 - - Message from our [School Councilor](#)
 - - [School Hours](#)
 - - Reporting Absences - Page 3. More information [here](#)
 - - Welcome Our New Principal [Mr. Blankenstyn](#)

Parent Council Meeting—Tuesday, September 19, 2017 @ 6:30pm

All parents are invited and encouraged to attend Parent Council meetings – held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the staff room. Babysitting is provided (free of charge).

Our Parent Council is an amazing group of people who work to impact change in our school and community. We hope you will come and share your skills, talents, ideas, and connections to help make Park Meadows School an awesome place to be! If you have questions, comments, or agenda items feel free to contact Council Chair – Holly Debnam via email: hdebnam@telus.net or you can leave a note in the office.