



F.P. WALSHE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Ok! We have less than 2 months remaining in our 2022/2023 school year and have had many positive highlights. It continues to be a joy and a privilege for us as a staff to work with all of your children and here are a few updates of what is happening at F.P. Walshe School.

We are currently hiring for 4 new teaching positions for the 2023/2024 school year. More updates to come when we have filled these roles for next year.

Graduation activities are right around the corner. Our Feather Blessing Ceremony will be taking place on Thursday, May 25. This year, all of our graduates will be invited to attend and participate in the event. Our banquet is set for Friday, June 9 with our Cap & Gown ceremony scheduled for Saturday, June 10. We are very proud of all of the graduates and looking forward to these celebratory events.

Community partnerships along with our parent/guardian relationships are very important to our team here at F.P. Walshe. We are continually looking for more ways to strengthen these relationships and are excited to be hosting our first ever **Party in the Park** event on Friday, May 26 (3:00 - 6:00 pm) at the Spray Park. This event will be open to our entire school community and will feature a cash BBQ, outdoor games, and live music. We hope many students and their families will be able to attend!

We continue to have many of our students getting involved in athletics with offerings of rugby, baseball, softball, badminton and track & field available this spring. We are very appreciative of all of our volunteer coaches providing these opportunities for our athletes. Our annual Blue & White Awards night is scheduled for Wednesday, June 14 where we will be celebrating athletics for the past school year.

Our drama class is working hard in anticipation for their upcoming performances scheduled for June 1, 2 & 3. The group will be performing Romeo & Juliet this year and we are all very excited to see them perform!

Our Blackfoot Culture series option for high school students continues to be a great way for students to learn more about First Nations culture while earning credits. This month students will have an opportunity to learn more about ceremonies while spending a day on the land on the Blood Reserve. Plans are also underway for our annual Niisitapi Day taking place on May 18 that will feature interactive learning opportunities around traditional storytelling, hand games, and dancing.

Take care everyone and enjoy the nice weather!

Sincerely,

Chad Jensen

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Principal