Phoenix Family Notes from the Office

Friday, October 2, 2026

Instagram

Important Dates

Monday, October 5, Day 1
Picture Day

Tuesday, October 6, Day 2
Early Dismissal @ 2:30 pm

Wednesday, October 7, Day 3
Grade 3 Swim Program Begins

Thursday, October 8, Day 4
Bus Ridership

Friday, October 9, Day 5

Picture Day



Picture Day is Coming Monday, October 5!
Get those smiles ready, Phoenix School! Picture Day is just around the corner, and we can't wait to see everyone's bright smiles shine. Wear your favourite outfit, bring your best smile, and say "cheese!"

Phoenix School Team Wear is Here!



Our online Team Wear store is now open from **September 25 to October 7, 2026**. Choose from hoodies, sweatshirts, t-shirts, and more to show your Phoenix School spirit! **Important:** This is the **only clothing order of the school year**, so be sure to place your order before **October 7**. Please check the online sizing charts before ordering. **Order online through Carberry International:** ***Phoenix School Clothing***. Orders will be delivered to the school in **late November**. Don't miss your chance to get your Phoenix gear!

Bus Ridership



To help ensure safe and positive transportation experiences, all Kindergarten to Grade 5 students will participate in the **St. James-Assiniboia School Division Bus Ridership Safety Program on Thursday, October 8**. Students will learn important bus safety expectations, including how to board and exit safely, remain seated while the bus is in motion, follow the driver's directions, and demonstrate respectful behaviour toward others. These lessons help students build the skills and confidence needed to make bus travel safe and enjoyable for everyone.

Smudging



Phoenix School offers **daily smudging in the Outdoor Classroom at 12:10 pm** and all students are welcome to participate. Smudging is an Indigenous tradition that involves burning sacred medicines such as sage, sweetgrass, cedar, or tobacco for reflection, mindfulness, and connection. Participation is always voluntary, and families may choose whether or not their child takes part. The St. James-Assiniboia School Division recognizes smudging as an important cultural practice that promotes respect, understanding, and inclusivity.

Terry Fox Run



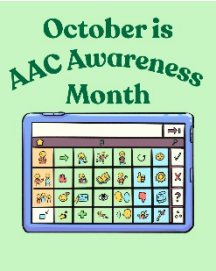
A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our Terry Fox Run through donations, participation, and encouragement. Together, we raised **$4355.00** for cancer research! Terry Fox showed Canadians that one person can make a difference when they lead with courage, hope, and determination. His legacy reminds us that every step, every act of kindness, and every contribution matters. Thank you for helping us continue Terry's dream and for showing the power of our Phoenix School community.

Socktober is here!



Did you know socks are one of the most requested items at homeless shelters, but one of the least donated? Help us make a difference! Donate **new socks** throughout October and support individuals and families in our community with a simple act of kindness. Drop off donations will be accepted at the **school office**. Every pair helps 💙

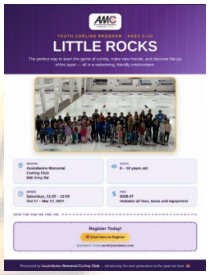
AAC Awareness



Did you know this month is AAC Awareness Month? AAC stands for Augmentative and Alternative Communication! AAC helps people communicate using tools like picture boards, communication books, signs, or speech-generating devices like an Ipad. Everyone communicates in different ways, and every way of communicating is important!

What's happening in the Community







Macdonald-Headingley Recreation District In-Service Day Camp at Headingley Community Centre

No school? We've got you covered! 🎉
NEW to Headingley this Fall.
Join us for In-Service Day Camp packed with games and crafts for children ages 5 - 12.

Give your child a fun-filled day while school is out.
Register today!
https://tinyurl.com/reekhrvs



Howl-a-ween

St. John Ambulance MB/NT/NU invites you, your kiddos and all dog lovers alike to join many of our incredible Therapy Dog Teams at our 2nd annual Howl-a-ween @ SJA on **Thursday, October 29th from 6:00–8:00 PM** @ One St. John Ambulance Way, Winnipeg, MB. R3G 3H5

RSVP: Please confirm attendance by registering here (we would love to know how many to prepare candy for): Howl-A-Ween At SJA: October 29th 6:00-8:00 pm – Fill out form