

Upcoming Dates

May 23—Victoria Day— No School

June 7—Piano Recital

June 29—Last day of Classes

June 30—Admin Day (no School)

Pritchard:

- May 4—Soccer
- May 13—At the zoo with Leadership Team

Matheson Elementary School:

- May 2—Soccer for Gr 3 & 4
- May 3—Teacher Appreciation Day
- May 4—Soccer for Gr 1
- May 31—Hot Lunch (orders due May 26)
- June 8—Grade 4 Track Meet
- June 9—Kindergarten Graduation
- June 10—Kindergarten Orientation (no school for current Kindergarten students)
- June 20—24—DVBS—Cave Quest

Middle School:

- May 3—Soccer for Gr 6 & 7
- May 5—Soccer for Gr 5 & 8
- May 4—Badminton Tournament for Gr 8
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- May 9-13—Spirit Week
- May 16—Gr 7 & 8 Track and Field Day
- May 26—Hot Lunch (orders due May 19)
- June 2—Goldeye's Game
- June 23—Awards Night

High School:

- May 26—June 3 Grade 11 Trip to Ottawa
- May 30-June 2— Provincial Gr 12 ELA Exam
- June 6—Ignite, 7pm
- June 14—Gr 12 Provincial Math Exam
- June 20—23 High School Exams
- June 27—Grade 12 Graduation

CONGRATULATIONS to **Junia Loewen** (HighSchool) and **David Plett** on their engagement. They are planning a fall wedding.

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Here are the experiences of two students from the recent Missions I Trip to Fairford.

Our trip to Fairford, MB left something in each of our hearts. The Missions I team ran a day camp with Pathway Camp Ministries over spring break. This experience brought the team together in a whole new way. Hard work and little sleep meant that we were all our 'truest selves', no masks. The kids were amazing. They taught us as much as we taught them. They showed us what we take for granted, as well as how to find joy wherever we are. The team found that the more we poured into the kids, the more God gave back to us through them. We found true joy when the kids were excited to see us, or when we had to play in the gym for a longer time each day. The people of Fairford were extremely welcoming to all of us. On Wednesday evening the team had the privilege of attending a fire at Mrs. Lenaghan's uncle's home. Many of her relatives came out and took genuine interest in each of our lives and backgrounds. We ate moose meat and bannock cooked over the fire, as well as traditional tea made from leaves they had picked themselves. This experience was one of many that left an impact. These people were so welcoming of strangers into their home. It showed us how we should act towards each other. From laughing with the children to sitting around a fire, we won't forget the people of Fairford or the impression they left on our lives.

Going to Fairford through Pathway Ministries was an eye-opening experience, to say the least. Seeing the level of community in Fairford completely shattered all the stereotypes that I have grown up with. The most encouraging part was to see how the whole community embraced us with open arms and how willing the children were to learn about Jesus. Experiencing the aboriginal culture from a different perspective has taught me a lot about community that I want to bring back to the school. Running a day-camp for 50 kids for 4 days straight isn't an easy task, as you can imagine. Even though I was physically drained after each day, God gave me supernatural joy and energy that lasted all week. I have to say that those kids impacted me more than I could've ever imagined. I got really close with many of them and it was very hard to say goodbye. I give all praises to God for giving me such a life-changing experience and for equipping me for such a task.



Photo Credit: Isaiah Kleinsasser

Reminders:

Grade 11's are selling chocolate bars as a fundraiser for their Ottawa Trip. There are a variety of tasty options to choose from for \$3 each.

Grade 12 Graduation will be on **June 27**. The ceremony will start at 1pm and the dinner will start at 6pm. Tickets will be required for both and will go on sale soon. You can get them from the High School office.

Kindergarten Graduation will be held on June 9 at 7pm. Location to be announced.

High School is preparing for Christmas Shoeboxes early by collecting items throughout the next few months. Students will be collecting toothbrushes in April and markers in May. Items can be dropped off at the High School office.

Here is a quick registration update for the **2016-2017 school year:**

Elementary K to 4 at Matheson = 218
 Middle School 5 to 8 at Jefferson = 181
 High School 9 to 12 at Matheson = 157
 Pritchard K to 3 = 21
 Pritchard Nursery = 4

Total enrollment = 581



Congratulations to Grade 5 Science Fair Winners!
 Udayveer Singh, Adrielle Aldea, Callum Dyck and Rebecca Ringham.



Congratulations to Hayden Mitchell (Gr 4) and Daniel Waite(Gr4) on being Faith Academy's nominees for the Louise Staples Award for patrols. This award is given to a patrol captain that is deemed as the most efficient in his/her role.



Congratulations to Harvin Brar for winning the Minute Maid Inner-City Leadership Scholarship for Kinesiology and Applied Health for \$5000!



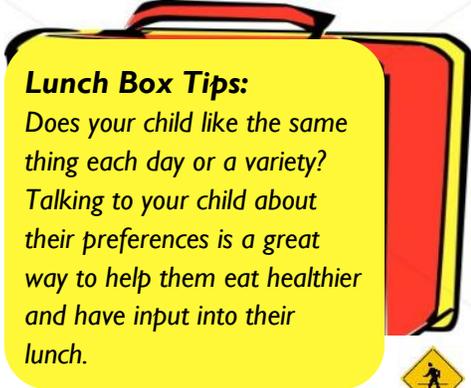
Pritchard students had a fun time bowling on April 19. They had great weather to walk back and forth to Billy Mosienko Lanes and a lot of fun getting exercise and spending time together while bowling.

Device Tips for Parents:

Have you set guidelines for your child and their device use?

- Make sure you review the guidelines periodically
- Talk with your child on how they are doing with obeying the guidelines
- If your child is having trouble keeping the guidelines, sit down and decide what actions you can do to help them remember and follow them

Check out: youthprivacy.ca



Lunch Box Tips:

Does your child like the same thing each day or a variety? Talking to your child about their preferences is a great way to help them eat healthier and have input into their lunch.



TRAFFIC ISSUES:

We would like to ask parents to be aware of traffic issues we are having in front of the school.

We do our best to keep your child safe and we want to make sure that all parents are doing the same for other peoples' children. When you are with your vehicle in the school's bus zones, please be aware of these important issues:

- **No u-turns in front of the school** as these are bus loading zones.
- When the school buses are stopped, with red lights on, and signs out, you **cannot drive by them.**
- **No parking in front of the school** and in all no stopping zones during the bus loading times.