

# New Horizons School Newsletter

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## NHS Sherwood Park Campus Open House Date Set

Students and parents welcome for a tour

We are pleased to announce the long-awaited date of an open house for our Sherwood Park campus. Parents and students are invited to a tour of the new location on Saturday, June 20.

Tours are scheduled for the following times:

- 9:00 a.m.
- 10:00 a.m.
- 11:00 a.m.
- 12:00 p.m.

The renovation projects have been completed or are in their final stages of completion.

Once all projects have been completed, a terminal cleaning will occur prior to June 20.

In order to make the tour run smoothly, parents will receive an invitation via email in the coming week asking them to identify the time they will be attending.

Keep in mind that the new campus will be unfurnished and empty. The school will have everything moved between the days of July 2 and July 6.




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### OUR SOCIAL CONTRACT



*Our school is a place of learning. It is a place where we treat each other with respect and honesty. It is a place where we play in a way that is safe and fair.*

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## “First Day Back” Update

A “First Day Back Committee” composed of staff and parent representatives is finalizing plans for the first day back for students on August 31.

One of the key issues on the first day back will be traffic and parking. Keeping student safety as the focus, a traffic flow and parking map has been developed

in consultation with the school administration, Elk Island Public Transportation, the Strathcona County Traffic Safety Liaison Advisor, and a representative from Strathcona Traffic Management.

The map will be available on our website when it is finalized.

We will be passing on the “First Day Back” information well in advance of August 30 so that you have time to review it and forward your questions or concerns to us.

As well, look for the “First Day Back” page on our website later in the summer.

## Out-of-School Care

Friends Club Child Care will be offering out-of-school care at New Horizons School for the upcoming school year. For more information, [click here](#).



## Second Grade 2 Class to Open at NHS

After a budget review that followed the education funding increase announcement from Alberta Education last week, New Horizons School will be opening a second grade two classroom. We will, therefore have two grade one classes and two grade 2 classes in the upcoming year.

The additional grade two class has resulted in more open spaces at the grade 2 level, so students if you know of any grade two students that would benefit from being at New Horizons, feel free to have them contact us.

### Provincial Achievement Test Schedule

Grade	Subject	Date	Time
Grade 6	Reading	Wednesday, June 17	9:00 - 10:00 AM
Grade 6	Math	Thursday, June 18	9:00 - 10:15 AM
Grade 6	Science	Friday, June 19	9:00 - 10:00 AM
Grade 6	Social Studies	Monday, June 22	9:00 - 10:00 AM
Grade 9	Science	Tuesday, June 23	9:00 - 10:15 AM
Grade 9	Math	Wednesday June 24	9:00 - 10:30 AM
Grade 9	Reading	Thursday June 25	9:00 - 10:15 AM
Grade 9	Social Studies	Friday, June 26	9:00 - 10:20 AM

## Bell Schedule and Calendar

The various schedules for next year are in their final stages of development.

However, our **start up** time is expected to be **8:35 a.m.** and our **dismissal** time is expected to be **3:15 p.m.**

A one-page full year calendar that was made available to parents earlier in the year is available by [clicking here](#).

## Awards Days

**Gr. 1-3** awards and recognition will occur during the Kindergarten Graduation on **June 17**. Awards and recognitions for grades **4-9** will be held on **Friday, June 26** at 1:00 p.m.

## STUDENT RECOGNITION

Grade 4 student Natalie B. has had a pretty amazing year in gymnastics. At the Canmore Illusion Gymnastics competition, she won a silver medal for All Around. In that competition she tied for first on vault, achieved second on beam, attained third on floor and tied for fourth on bars.

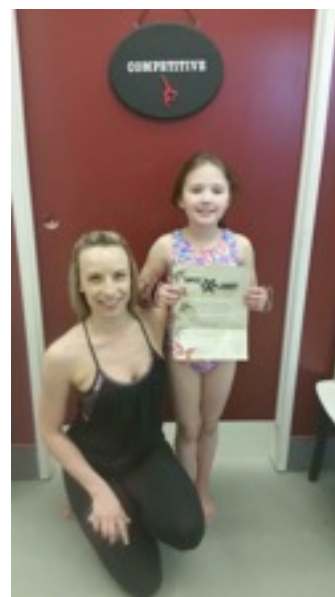
At the Grant McEwan Dance Explosion Natalie had a first place

finish in one event and received a \$50 "scholarship" for having the 2nd highest score across all disciplines" for her Acro Solo.

Way to go Natalie!

In the grade 6 class, Andrew C. competed in the Grade 8 Math Kangaroo Contest in March. He earned an Edmonton gold medal and was awarded "Top 25% in Canada".

Congratulations, Andrew!



*Gymnast Natalie B*

## Education Plan Input

Each year our school reviews and revises where necessary its three year education plan. While we have until November 30 to submit our plan, we want to

begin the new school year with as much planning in place as is possible, given the data available to us.

Parent input is invited for the plan. During the school council meeting on June 9, some of the strategies that the school will implementing will be shared, and some time will be dedicated to

parents sharing and speaking to strategies they put forward for consideration.

Parents not in attendance at the School Council meeting and have strategies they would like to share will have an opportunity to do so electronically at a later date.

## reTHINKit

Over the course of the year, junior high movie-making students were asked to focus on some aspect on student behaviour here at school and create a video that promoted a positive one.

The videos were compiled into a larger video to promote positive behaviour using the theme "rethink it." The video

presentation will be combined with a message to take the time to *re-think* before acting, to *re-say* after something was said that was hurtful, or to *re-do* after doing something hurtful.

Students will be introduced to reTHINKit over the next few days so that they can "think" about it over the summer. The reTHINKit campaign will continue in the next school year.



## Technology and Creativity: A Nice Mix

Grade 4 students have been studying various national parks across Canada. Using a project-based learning approach, students were required to plan a trip to a park, create a budget and develop an itinerary.

They also needed to create images of themselves on their trip. Here are two examples of how students imagined themselves on their vacation.



## Imagine and Create

The next Imagine and Create day is **Thursday June 11**. Students are invited to bring in small items that are of their house colours. Students will be creating "I Spy" displays for our new school

Air: white or silver

Air: blue

Earth: green

Fire: red



## SPORTS DAY

Sports day at NHS is taking a bit of a twist this year. Here are the dates!

**Grade 4-6: June 15 p.m.**

Traditional Track Events

**Junior High: June 18 (pm)**

Traditional Track Events

**Grade 1-3: June 22 (pm)**

Fun Sport Events

## Big Drum Concert

Our junior high and grade 6 Big Drum troupe will be putting on a school concert on June 9 at 9:45 a.m. Parents are welcome to join us.



*Superintendent Mr. Don Falk and his wife brought magic and music to the kindergartens over the last week.*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, June 9

- School Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 10

- FANHS Regular Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- FANHS AGM @ 6:30 p.m.

Monday, June 15

- Board Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 16

- Kindergarten Grad

Friday, June 26

- Last Day of Classes
- Gr. 4-9 Awards

[CLICK HERE FOR THE FULL SCHOOL CALENDAR](#)