

# NEW HORIZONS NEWS

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## NIGHTHAWKS VOLLEYBALL SEASON GETS UNDERWAY AT NHS!

Our Junior High Boys and Girls Volleyball teams have been set-up and the teams' first practice will take place on Tuesday, September 6 after school! We have two new coaches this season -Mr. Craig (Jr. High Teacher) and Ms. Wygiera(Grade 4 Teacher) who both come to us with lots of volleyball and coaching experience!

Schedules for games and tournaments will be posted on the website and on Facebook so check both for opportunities to come and cheer on our Nighthawks!



## REACH FOR THE TOP TO START UP AGAIN SOON!

Reach for the Top is a fast-paced trivia challenge where teams of four compete against one another to test their knowledge on questions in a wide range of categories. This program has been in schools across Canada for decades and last year was the first year New Horizons participated!

The Nighthawks Reach team will be starting up for the 2016-2017 season soon with students from grades 6-8 participating! Look for updates on the website and Facebook!

## LUNCH SUPERVISORS NEEDED

We are in need of lunch supervisors for all grades. If you are interested in supervising students at lunch from 11:54-12:41 we would greatly appreciate the help!

If you supervised lunches last year, you do not need to re-submit any forms. Simply e-mail Mrs. Richardson in the office with your availability at [lrichardson@newhorizons.ca](mailto:lrichardson@newhorizons.ca)

New supervisors, please click here for the appropriate forms!

## KEY DATES

**September 5: No School**

Labour Day

**September 7: Early Dismissal**

Students will be dismissed @2:14 p.m..

**September 7: Meet the Teacher/Google Information Session**

The Google session begins @6:30 with Meet the Teacher beginning @7:00

**September 15: Dianne Gossen Presentation**

Join us @7:00 for an informative session on Restitution

**September 16: No School**

Professional Development for Staff

**September 19: Photo Day**

## DOMAIN NAME CHANGE

You may have noticed that the emails coming from the school are arriving with a slightly different address.

Until this summer, our emails ended with @newhorizons.ab.ca. With our domain name change, we have dropped the "ab" so that our emails now end with @newhorizons.ca.

The same is true for our website. The address is now www.newhorizons.ca.

For the next while, emails ending .ab.ca will be redirected to our new name. However, when you get the opportunity, you may want to update your address book.

## PARENT INVITATION: AN EVENING WITH DIANNE GOSSEN

Several years ago, New Horizons School began using Restitution Self Discipline (RSD) as its student behavior management approach. Over the years, new faces have come on board, and the time has come to reacquaint ourselves with the approach.

Using William Glasser's "Choice Theory" approach, RSD is an approach that helps students to become more self-directed, self disciplined, and self-healed.

Dianne Gossen is the expert in the field. She has authored many books, and has trained staffs across Canada and in many other countries. We are most fortunate to have her present to our parent community on the evening of September 15, and to our staff on the our September 16 Professional Development Day.

In order to make appropriate preparations, please register for this event. This is a no-fee event. Register by clicking here.

## WEBSITE UPDATE

In case you haven't visited our website on your mobile device recently, you will be pleased to know that our new site is now mobile friendly.

Users can now navigate our site with greater ease while using a smart phone or other electronic device.

Please note that there are still some inactive links and unfinished pages during this transition period.

We appreciate your patience as we bring our upgrade to completion.

## REVISED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

There is a revised Parking and Traffic Management Plan (PTMP) posted here. Please be sure to review it as it contains important information about dropping off and picking up around the school.

Ecole Claudette-et-Denis Tardif will have students beginning on Tuesday, September 6 so although we have staggered start and end times, expect traffic around the school to be busier and be sure to follow the plan to ensure safety and a smooth pick-up and drop-off of students!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### School Fees Due September 30

Fees may be paid to the office by cash, credit card or cheque to New Horizons School.

### Volunteer Forms

Please sign and return forms

### House Colour Day September 7

Students can earn points for their house team by wearing their house colours next early dismissal day .

Teachers will inform students about house placements!

École Claudette-et-Denis-Tardif starts up September 6