

École Deer Meadow School **Chinook's Edge School Division**

Week of Sept 7-10, 2021

Principal's Message

Welcome students, staff and parents! We are looking forward to a great year and we are off to a wonderful start. It was fantastic to see all the smiling faces as they returned to school this week! We even saw those smiles behind the masks many students and staff are wearing. I visited every classroom today to welcome our new students and to reconnect with our veterans, and there was a notable happiness and excitement in the building. These first few days are all about reconnecting, getting to know each other, figuring out routines and getting settled -- and your kids are doing great!

As you know we have a few changes here. Mr. Collin has decided to step back into teaching and coaching and as such will no longer be with us in The Meadow. As such I will be acting principal for the year, and we are currently in the process of finding our new acting vice-principal. In the meantime Mark Crawford, who has filled in for us before, has stepped in to help. We also welcome to our staff Peter Lan (grade 8 homeroom), Kelly Latimer (PE), Callie Matthews and Keitlyn Williams (Y.E.S Team) as well as Jordyn Hall (student teacher in grade 6). A warm welcome to our new students as well, it seems like every classroom has a new Titan on board!

A few things to note. Covid procedures have changed to match the new recommendations of AHS. Masks are required on buses and may be required in some facilities that we visit on field trips. Please know that we are a mask friendly school and of course, we still support good hand hygiene. These measures are at the discretion of the student and family. We ask that visitors to the school call to make an appointment. We ask parents please connect with Power School, complete the yearly demographic forms, and watch for their Google Classroom invitations.

We know these next few weeks will be busy for everyone and we want to make sure we are communicating well. We have changed our newsletter from monthly to weekly, so please watch for this communication at the end of each week. Our Week at a Glance newsletters will also be found on our website.

Thank you, Meaghan Reist **Acting Principal**



Week at a Glance

Sept 6th - Labor day (no school)

* watch for information on the Terry Fox Run coming soon

Parent Reminders

- Complete your yearly Demographic Form
- Log in and familiarize yourself with PowerSchool
- Doors open for Grades 5 & 7 at 8:30
- Doors open for Grades 6 & 8 at 8:40

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