



*March 2020*

# Breton Elementary Newsletter

## Jody Carrington Coming to Breton High!

# PARENT SUPERPOWERS



Community  
Parenting  
Coalition

PRESENTS DR. JODY CARRINGTON

Come join us for a free evening with Dr. Jody Carrington, where she will be talking about one of the hardest jobs on the planet, parenting. You can expect an evening of laughter, stories and maybe a few tears. Jody will share how attachment and connection to our babes and our partners can give our children the most important skill they will ever learn: how to be the kind and connected people we can be proud of.



★ **FREE** ★  
**ADMISSION**  
**NO REGISTRATION**  
★ **IS REQUIRED**

Breton High School  
4707 - 49 Avenue  
Breton, AB


6:30 - 8:30 pm  
March 17, 2020

If you have questions, please contact [leah.odynski@wrsd.ca](mailto:leah.odynski@wrsd.ca)

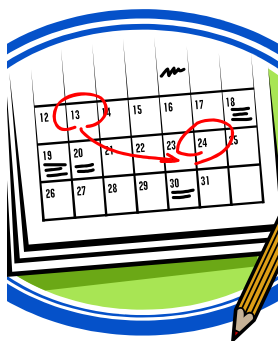
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## Upcoming Events at Breton Elementary



- March 6: PD Day - No School for Students
- March 10 & 11: Dental Screenings (K-2)
- March 14: Provincial Archery Event (Edmonton)
- March 16: Farm Safety Presentations (all grades)
- March 16: After School Art Club
- March 17: School Spirit Day: "Green and Gold" Day
- March 17: Hot Lunch
- March 17: Last Day for After School Program
- March 24: Parent Council Meeting
- March 26: Report Cards go Home
- March 27: No School for Staff or Students
- March 30: PD Day - No School for Students
- March 31: Kindergarten Grad Photos
- March 31 - April 2: Student-Led Conferences
- March 31 & April 1: Book Fair

## Parent Advisory Council (PAC) News



The Breton Elementary Parent Advisory Council would like to give an update on their fundraising and projects so far this year.

**Thanks to the support and generosity of our community, PAC has had a very successful fundraising year so far.** Here is a breakdown of what some of the funds are being used for this year:

- **Classroom fieldtrips**—approximately \$5000
- **New school t-shirts** for all students and staff—approximately \$2500
- **Large message board sign in front of the school** - approximately \$11,000.

These are the major projects for this year, and PAC continues to work with BES staff to determine any other areas of need for the school.

Our **next meeting is on Tuesday, March 24 at 5:30** in the grade 4 room. We welcome any and all parents and community members who want to attend and help with ideas and feedback for ways to continue to support Breton Elementary.

# “Green and Gold” Day, plus Hot Lunch!



The Breton Elementary Lighthouse Team has decided that this month's school spirit day will be “**green and gold**” day!

On **Tuesday, March 17** we encourage students and staff to sport **green and gold** and have fun celebrating St. Patrick's Day.

As an extra bonus, PAC will be having a **hot lunch** day that day - chicken Caesar wraps with a cookie. Forms will go home later this week.

## Archery Update

On **Saturday, February 22**, Breton Elementary had 25 of students attend **St. Anthony's Invitational NASP Archery Tournament** in Drayton Valley. We are proud of how well our archers did. It was a good practice for the upcoming tournament in March, and a good time was had by all!

The next tournament for our archery students is **NASP Provincials in Edmonton**. This is in conjunction with the Edmonton Boat and Sportsman Show which runs from March 12-15 at the Edmonton Expo Center Hall D.

**Our shoot times are on Saturday, March 14** at 9:00. We have 22 archers entered for this tournament and they are all getting excited!

A big thank you to Mr. Johnson for organizing practices and tournament details, and also to Mr. Peppler for helping out at practices.



## Dental Screenings for K-2



Next week, dental hygienists will be visiting our school to do general dental check-ups on students in Kindergarten to grade 2. This will take place on Tuesday, March 10 and Wednesday, March 11.

This service is free of charge, and can help identify if there are dental needs that need to be further addressed.

## “After School Art Club” Coming Again in March!

Our last “After School Art Club” was another resounding success, so Mrs. Feist is hosting one in the month of March.

This class will be held on **Monday, March 16** from **3:15 to approximately 5:30**.

With springtime and Easter coming up, Mrs. Feist figured a cute bunny picture would be perfect!

The cost is once again **\$10.00 per student** to cover the costs of paint and canvases. Forms will be being sent home with those students who are interested, and **must be returned by Friday, March 13 along with payment**.

Just a reminder that this is **only for students in grades 5 and 6**, and that the **first 15** students to return their forms/payment can participate, as **space is limited** in the art/science room.



## Book Fair Later this Month



Like usual, the Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school Library this spring!

Due to the fact that there is no school on Friday, March 27 and Monday, March 30, the Book Fair will only be available on TWO days before it needs to be packed up and sent to another school. These days will coincide with Student-Led Conferences

\* **Tuesday, March 31: 8:30 - 6:00**

\* **Wednesday, April 1: 8:30 - 6:00**

Help support our school library and your child’s literacy by checking out the great books at the Book Fair!

## Valuables at School

There have been some recent incidents in lower elementary of items being taken by other students. While we are usually able to “solve the crimes” and get items returned to owners, it is best to please keep valuable toys and items at home. Thank you.

## Report Cards and Student-Led Conferences

This time of year is busy with students and teachers preparing and assessing for the upcoming report card. **Report cards** will go home with students on **Thursday, March 26**.

To follow up with the report card, we are **hosting student-led conferences** on **Tuesday, March 31, and Wednesday, April 1**.

**Some of the larger classes** (grades 1, 3, 5 and 6) will also be having student led conferences on **Thursday, April 2** in order to accommodate the large numbers of conferences they need to schedule.

Student-led conferences **allow students the opportunity to personally share their Leadership Notebook** with parents, not only **discussing their academic progress and goals**, but also **showing off the ways they show leadership** in the classroom and around the school.

In **some** classrooms there will be **centers set up** around the room where students can take their parents and **demonstrate skills and concepts** they've learned.

**Teachers are still present at the conference** and are able to address any concerns or provide greater understanding of student progress if needed.

A **sign-up sheet will be sent home later this month** for parents to indicate which time best suits them for their child's conference.

We **hope that you will be able to make an appointment** for student-led conferences and give your child the opportunity to share their learning and growth with you in their own voice. It is a **powerful opportunity for reflection and celebration** that will help empower students in their academic and personal growth for term 3.



## BES Supports Pink Shirt Day!

On **Wednesday, February 26** the hallways were peppered with the color pink as the majority of staff and students at BES were able to round up something pink to wear in **support of anti-bullying**.

With our Leader in Me program, Pink Shirt Day is a great opportunity to reinforce the skills and attitudes that can help prevent bullying—**Being Proactive** (being responsible for what you say and do), **Thinking Win-Win** (everyone can win) and most importantly, **Seeking First to Understand, Then be Understood** (trying to understand others instead of teasing or excluding because of differences).

**Way to go, Breton Elementary!**



# BRETON SOCCER CLUB

Registration is Now Open!

Please visit <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/223650> to register your child(ren) today.

Our NEW website is <https://bretonsoccerclub.teamsnapsites.com/> and you can find all the information you need there for this season.

We are currently updating the website, so please be patient.

Any questions can be directed to Karrie Jones at [bretontreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:bretontreasurer@gmail.com)

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## Kindergarten Registration

If you, or anyone you know, have children turning 5 on or before December 31, 2020, we are now accepting Kindergarten registrations for the 2020-2021 school year.

Each registration requires a **birth certificate**, rural address (for bus students) or street address (for town students).

Please see Miss Joanne or Miss Shannon at the school office for details.

**\*\*We CANNOT accept registrations without a birth certificate.**



## Kindergarten Grad Photos

Kindergarten “Grad” photos are scheduled for **Tuesday, March 31.**

They will begin at around 9:00.



Time to  
Spring Ahead

## “Spring Ahead” and Spring Break Dates

This is just a reminder to **turn your clock ahead one hour on Sunday, March 8.** We don’t want anyone to be late for school on Monday morning!

Spring Break for students at Breton Elementary begins on **Friday, April 10** and goes until **Sunday, April 19.** **School begins again on Monday, April 20.**

## Craft Day on March 30 (PD Day) at Breton Library

The **Breton Municipal Library** wants us to let you know that they are hosting an

### **ALL AGES Craft Day**

**Friday, March 30 from 1:00—3:00 pm**

This would be a great activity for your children on our school PD Day!

**\*\*More details will be posted on our FB page closer to the date.**

