



H. HARDCASTLE SCHOOL

Challenging the Future



Principal: Darren Nordell

Vice Principal: Roberta Moriarty

**September 2024
Welcome Back!**

Webpage: <http://www.edline.net/pages/hardcastle> Twitter: @HHS_Royals Facebook: www.facebook.com/H.HardcastleSchool

Principal's message - Darren Nordell

As the weather begins to turn a little cooler in the evenings, and with local crop producers busy in the fields, these are signals that it is time when families begin to think about school. I'd like to take this opportunity to officially welcome you back to HHS for the 2024-2025 school year. We would also like to send along a special welcome to our new Kindergarten students and families as they get ready to join our educational family at HHS! Starting a new year brings about change and anticipation for everyone. As the staff and I prepare for our students to join us, I would like to share with you some important and exciting updates, all of which will positively impact teaching and learning.

We are thrilled to announce some changes in our staff that will change our overall appearance. This year, we would like to welcome Mrs. Kyla Filion, who will be taking on the role as our Grade 3 homeroom teacher. She brings a wealth of experience with her, and we are excited to have her join our staff this upcoming year. We would also like to welcome back Mr. Blake Blais, as he will be starting this year in the middle years/grade 6, as well as taking on a number of coaching duties within the school. Mr. Matt Radke will also be found in the classrooms and working with students, as he is beginning his teaching career as an intern, working with Mrs. Jessica LaClare.

The Saskatchewan Ministry has also introduced policies regarding cell phone usage throughout the province. As a result, the NWSD and H. Hardcastle school have created policies that will follow these guidelines. This policy can be found on our school website, and we hope that with your support, that this will be one that is easily followed.

We value our partnership with our H Hardcastle families to create a nurturing environment where students thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. Together, with encouragement and guidance from our entire community, each child can ignite within themselves the strength, confidence, hope and passion to be successful as they move forward. We encourage you all to stay connected and informed with the school. Please browse the NWSD website, our school's web site and Facebook pages,

Edsby, or read our monthly newsletter. This, I hope, will give you a glimpse into the lives and happenings of our school community.

Welcome back to another great year of exploring, learning, and growing. We look forward to making 2024-2025 one that is both enjoyable and memorable for all!



Staff at HHS

Andrea Harty - Kindergarten, Grade 4 Health, Elementary RTI

Tracy Long - Grade 1

Cindy Jullion – Grade 2

Kyla Filion- Grade 3

Laura LaClare - Grade 4, Math 5, Grade 8 Art

Lorne Long - Grade 5/6, Industrial Arts 7-12

Andrea Thom - Grade 7 ELA, Social 8, SSST

Trevor Gateley – Health 5/6, Grade 7 Math, Science 9 & 10, Biology, Physical Science, Math 11

Jessica LaClare - Math 4, Math 8 & 9, History 10, Psychology 20

Matthew Radke - U of S Intern with Mrs. Jessica LaClare

Blake Blais- ELA 8-10, Science 7, Grade 5/6, Art 30

Roberta Moriarty - Grade 7-9 Health, Grade 7-10 HE, Social 7, Keyboarding 8, Vice Principal

Trina Deobald - Grade 10,12 Math, SBIF 7-9, PE 8, PE 4, Science 8

Darren Nordell- Grade 7 & 9-12 Phys. Ed, ELA 20, Principal

Danielle Troesch – Administrative Assistant

Chrissy Weber – Library Technician

Jolene Sittler – Wellness Coordinator

Bev Mannix – Educational Assistant

Gwen Holloway – Educational Assistant, Assistant Caretaker

Joan Bellanger – Part-time Educational Assistant

Bob Clark – Head Caretaker

Bell Schedule



TIME	ACTIVITY	Time	Activity
	High School		Elementary
8:45 – 8:50	Homeroom	8:45 -8:50	Home room
8:50 – 9:45	Period 1	8:50-9:45	Period 1
9:45 – 9:50	Transition		
9:50 – 10:45	Period 2	9:45-10:40	Period 2
10:45– 10:50	Transition	10:40-10:50	Recess * All
10:50– 11:40	Period 3	10:50-11:40	Period 3
		11:41 – 12:02	Grade 4, 5, & 6 Outside
11:40 - 12:25	LUNCH	12:02 – 12:25	K, 1, 2, 3 Outside
12:25-12:30	Transition	11:40 - 12:25	LUNCH
12:30 – 1:20	Period 4	12:30-1:20	Period 4
1:20 – 1:25	Transition		
1:25 – 2:15	Period 5	1:20 – 2:10	Period 5
2:15 – 2:20	Transition	2:10-2:20	Recess * All
2:20 – 3:10	Period 6	2:25 – 3:10	Period 6
3:10-3:15	Clean Up	3:10-3:15	Clean Up
3:15	Dismissal	3:15	Dismissal

Reminders to Parents Dropping off and Picking up Students



1 – School Doors open at 8:35am. Please do not send your children to school before 8:35am as there are no teachers on supervision and children will have to wait outside.

2 – Do not drop off your children on the East side of Railway Avenue. Elementary kids are small and even though they are supposed to look both ways and watch for cars, we all know they do not always remember to do so. Please drop off / pick up your children where they do not have to cross the road – using the West Railway Avenue side of the road only. If you are running late when dropping off your child, please drop them off at the Main Office Doors as they need to check-in at the office.

3 – Remember bus safety! Do not ever pass a stopped school bus. Our bus drop off / pick up is 1st Street, so between the times of 8:30 to 8:45 and 3:00 to 3:20 the street is closed to public traffic.

Thank you for helping us keep our children safe!

Video cameras on Buses

To all parents that have children riding buses:

The Division believes the use of video cameras on school buses will enhance the safe operation of its school buses. Video cameras will enable school bus drivers to focus on the safe operation of the bus while improving student passenger identification procedures for disciplinary, medical emergency and other related purposes. Not all NWSD buses are equipped with video cameras, those that are, have signage at the front and back of the bus.

Bows & Bouquets

- Special thank you to the Kappel Family, as well as Logan, Ward Kelly, and Blaine Jamieson for donating school supplies. They are appreciated and will be put to good use.
- Thank you to Melissa Stuart, Carol Baillargeon and Bea Lascelle for donating fresh garden vegetables to the Home Ec. Lab. It is a great learning experience to have fresh vegetables to prepare.

Cross-Country – Mr. Gateley & Mrs. Weber

The paths in town are busy after school again with Cross Country practices well underway. Practices will be held every day after school and are essential to build participant skills and endurance. Students are required to practice a minimum of three times a week in order to participate in any upcoming Cross Country meets. Their first meet will be held on **September 12th in Turtleford**. Good luck, Royals!

Reading Buddies – Mrs. Weber

Our Elementary Staff are looking for volunteers to participate in the Reading Buddy Program again this year. This would be a paired reading activity guided by classroom teachers with a goal to help improve student's reading and comprehension skills.

Reading with a buddy can be fun, rather than seem like a chore. We aim to instill a love of reading and re-engage our readers while developing friendships within our community. This program would ideally take place in the mornings.

If you are interested in joining our Reading Buddy Team, please contact Mrs. Weber at the school. All volunteers will be required to complete a Criminal Record Check.

Sora – Mrs. Weber

We are pleased to offer Sora, a student reading app this school year. This is a free app to all students of HHS and can easily be downloaded onto any device. Sora allows students access to hundreds of ebooks and audiobooks while filtering age-appropriate content and titles. There are picture books, graphic novels, non-fiction titles, chapter books for all ages, audiobooks and much more! All Sora content can be accessed both at home and at school.

To access, simply download the app: <https://soraapp.com>

Find our school – H. Hardcastle School

Login with your credentials (this will be the same way the student logs into the computers at school).

Game Club – Mr. Radke

Hello! my name is Mr. Radke, and I am pleased to announce that this year for the first time we are going to be running a video game design club.

When is Game Club?

Game Club will be starting on September 13th after school and is open to students in Grades 6-10. It will roughly run for one hour every Friday. We aim to start at 3:15 pm and run until around 4:15 pm. We will meet in the computer lab.

What will we be doing?

The first day, the 13th will be a learning how to setup our working environment. We will be working within Scratch. Scratch is a powerful programming language, that is commonly known as block programming. It is a very visual language and is very easy for beginners to pick up, and very easy for intermediate programmers to expand and build very cool software.

After the first day, we will be exploring the world of Game Design. We will be building games together. In order to do this, we need to learn how to become game developers. We will take a look at different games around us, learn about mechanics of games, what makes games fun, and learn how to capture a player's attention. To do this, we will be playing games to understand what makes them fun! We will be hosting a board game session where kids can bring their favorite board games to play with other Game Club members.

Eventually, after we have learned a bit about how to make games, we will transition into working on more in-depth video games on scratch. We will host a game jam in December. A Game Jam is an event where game developers work on their games for a period of time, then at the end, showcase their games to their family and friends to play and enjoy.

What do I need?

So long as you have access to your school email, we can sign up and create Scratch accounts. However, if there are issues, we will also require that students bring a USB stick as well. This way we can transfer work done at Game Club to their USB sticks.

I look forward to working with you all this school year, I am excited to see what kind of games we can make!

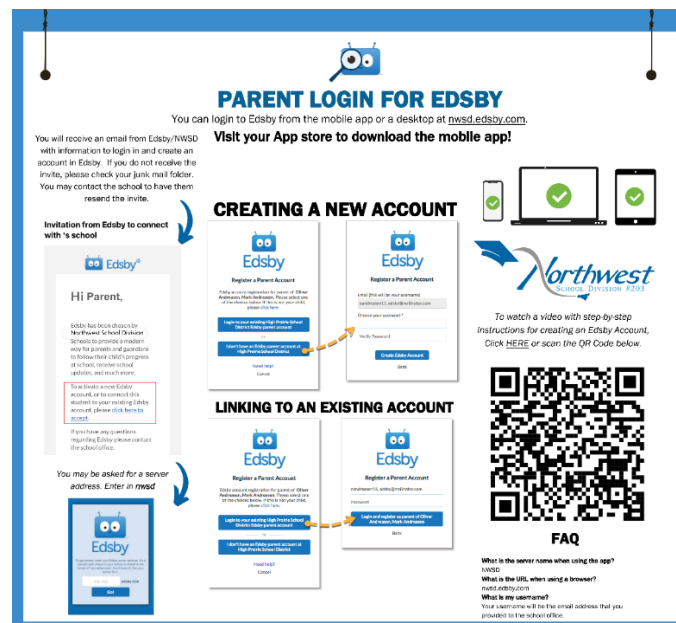
Mrs. Moriarty is looking for fresh garden carrots, tomatoes and onions to be used with her Home Ec classes. She is hoping to find enough locally to use to make into sauces.

If you have any to spare, please contact Mrs. Moriarty.

Edsby

Edsby is our primary form of communication. It will be used:

- for day-to-day information from your teacher and school,
- to report student absences,
- to share evidence of student learning and access to progress reports/report cards,
- to share classroom news,
- to book student led conferences, and
- to facilitate easy communication between parents/caregivers and teachers.



PARENT LOGIN FOR EDSBY
You can login to Edsby from the mobile app or a desktop at nwsd.edsby.com.
Visit your App store to download the mobile app!

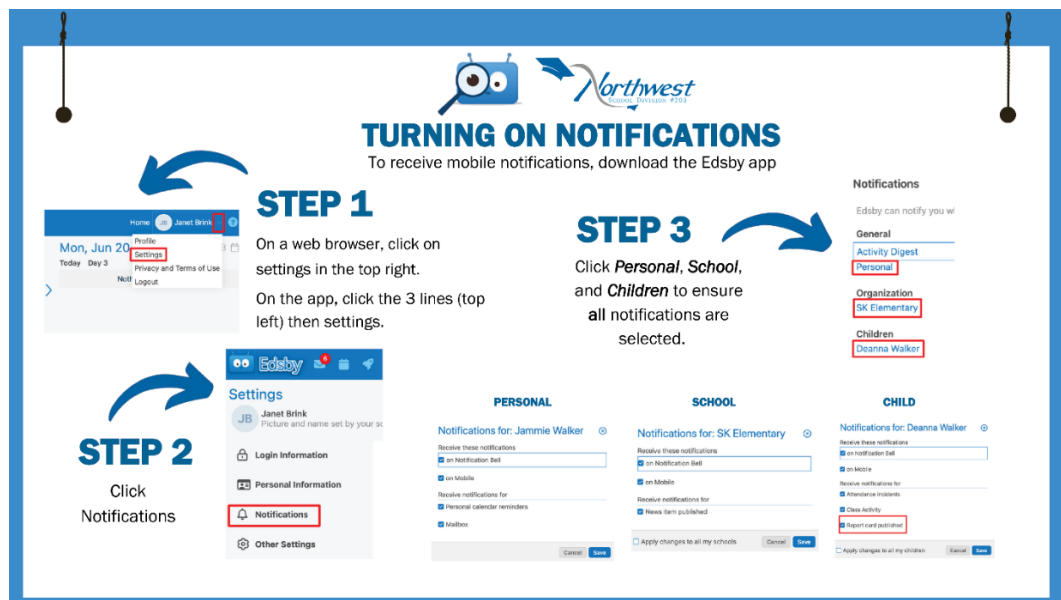
You will receive an email from Edsby/NWSD with information to login in and create an account in Edsby. If you do not receive the invite, please check your junk mail folder. You may contact the school to have them resend the invite.

CREATING A NEW ACCOUNT

LINKING TO AN EXISTING ACCOUNT

FAQ

What is the server name when using the app?
NWSO
What is the URL when using a browser?
nwsd.edsby.com
What is my username?
Your username will be the email address that you provided to the school office.



TURNING ON NOTIFICATIONS
To receive mobile notifications, download the Edsby app

STEP 1

On a web browser, click on settings in the top right.
On the app, click the 3 lines (top left) then settings.

STEP 2

Click Notifications

STEP 3

Click **Personal**, **School**, and **Children** to ensure all notifications are selected.

Notifications

Edsby can notify you w

General

Activity Digest

Personal

Organization

SK Elementary

Children

Deanna Walker

PERSONAL

Notifications for: Jammie Walker

Receive these notifications

☒ on Notification Bell

☒ on Mobile

Receive notifications for

☒ Personal calendar reminders

☒ Mailbox

SCHOOL

Notifications for: SK Elementary

Receive these notifications

☒ on Notification Bell

☒ on Mobile

Receive notifications for

☒ News item published

☐ Apply changes to all my schools

CHILD

Notifications for: Deanna Walker

Receive these notifications

☒ on Notification Bell

☒ on Mobile

Receive notifications for

☒ Attendance incidents

☒ Class Activity

☒ Report card published

☐ Apply changes to all my children

School Cash Online & Student Fees – Mrs. Troesch



School Cash Online is up & running. If you don't have an account you can go onto www.schoolcashonline.com and register. You will need your child's student ID number, which you can obtain from the office at (306) 397-2944. Once you are logged in, you can pay your child's student fees.

Kindergarten to Grade 6 fees are \$10.00 for cultural fees which help to cover guest speakers & presentations we have throughout the year.

Grade 7 fees include the same cultural fee, as well as Home Ec supplies, Babysitting Course & Industrial Arts fees.

Grade 8 to 12 fees include the \$10.00 cultural fee, Home Ec & Industrial Arts fees which will help cover consumable supplies for your child throughout the year. If your child is in grade 10-12 & does not take Home Ec or Industrial Arts, your fees are adjusted accordingly on school cash.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the office.



Community Wide Pancake Breakfast – School Community Council

Please mark your calendars for September 26th at 7:30am. Come out and enjoy pancakes at the school. Our School Community Council will be cooking up breakfast for our staff, students and community members. We hope to see you there to help celebrate the new school year.



2nd Annual H. Hardcastle School Community Council *Community Wide Pancake Breakfast*

Thursday, Sept. 26

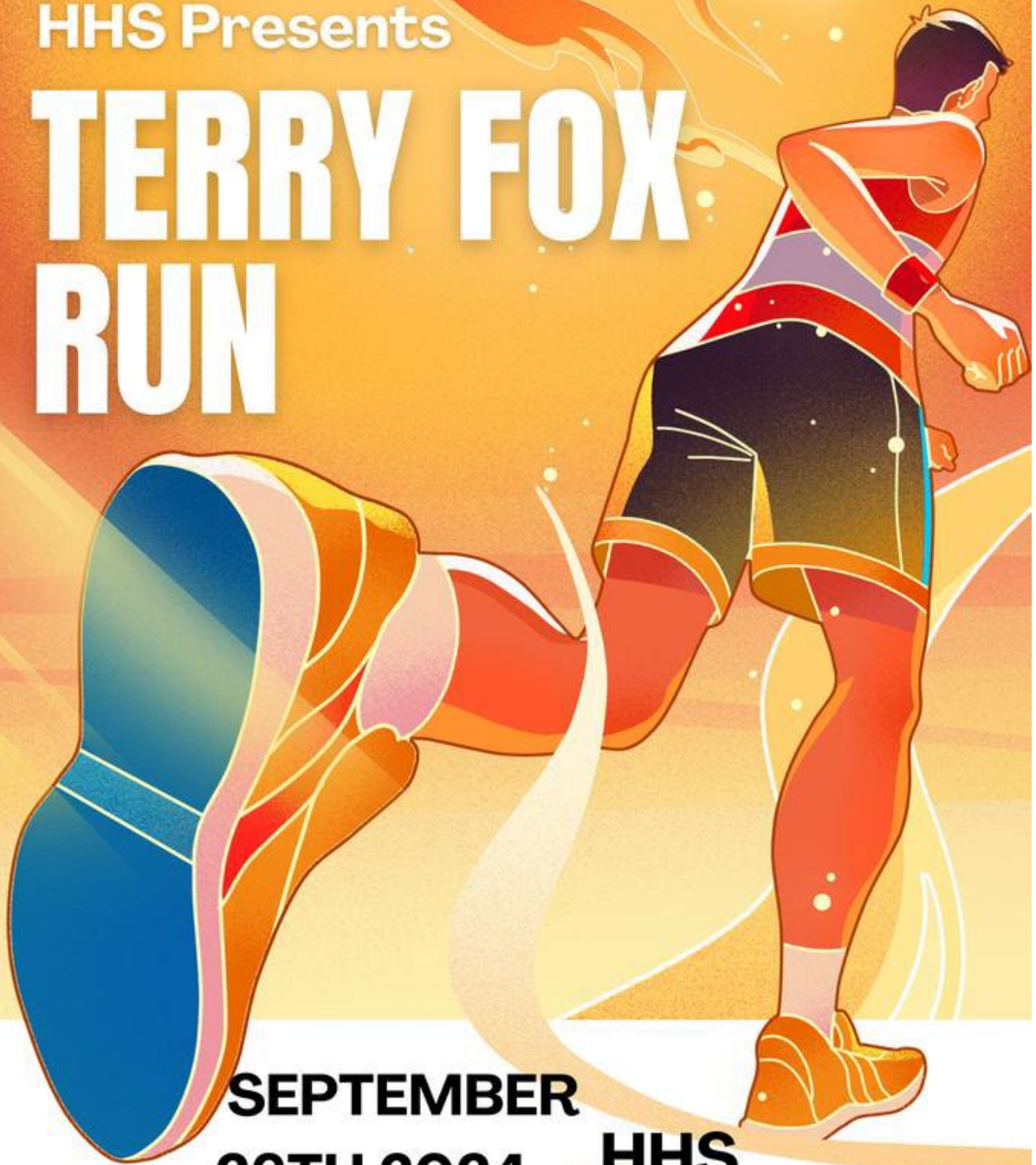
@ 7:30am - 9am

**out front of the
school**

**Everyone is
welcome to attend!**

HHS Presents

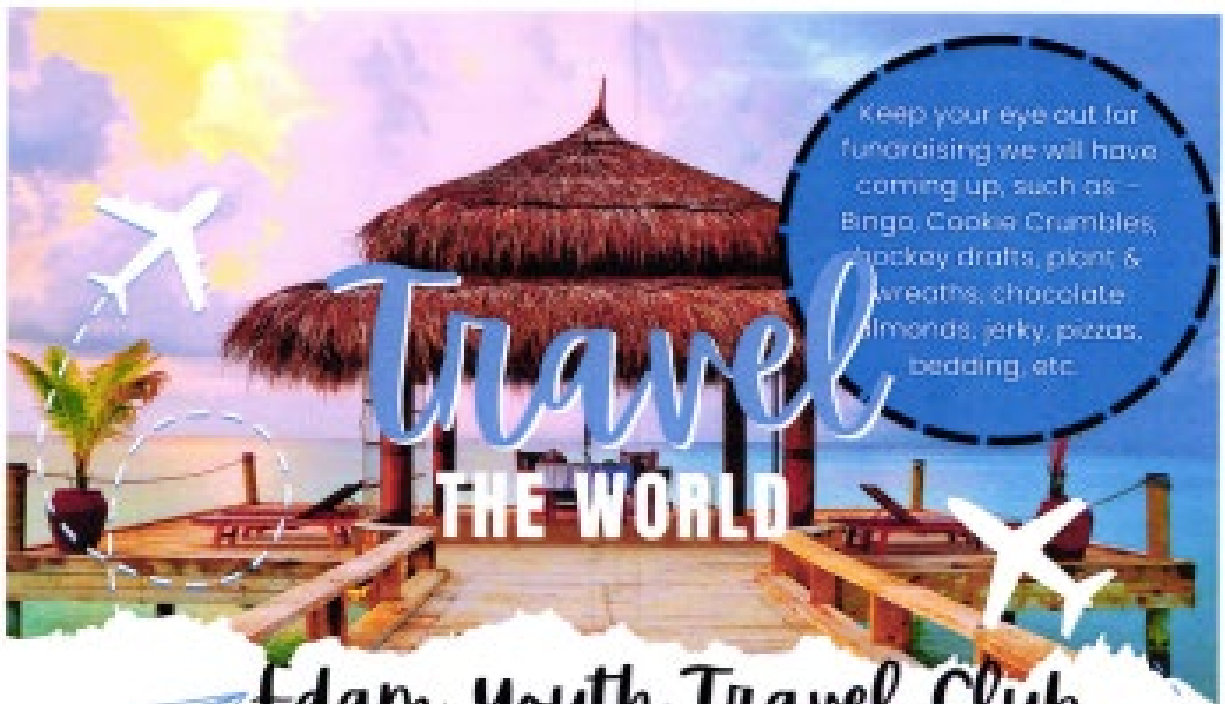
TERRY FOX RUN



**SEPTEMBER
26TH 2024**

**HHS
11:00 am**

Help us support the Terry Fox Foundation
through participation or donation



Keep your eye out for fundraising we will have coming up, such as –
Bingo, Cookie Crumbles, hockey drafts, plant & wreaths, chocolate almonds, jerky, pizzas, bedding, etc.

Edam Youth Travel Club GREECE 2026

Our local youth are signed up & ready to work, to earn their way to Greece in 2026!



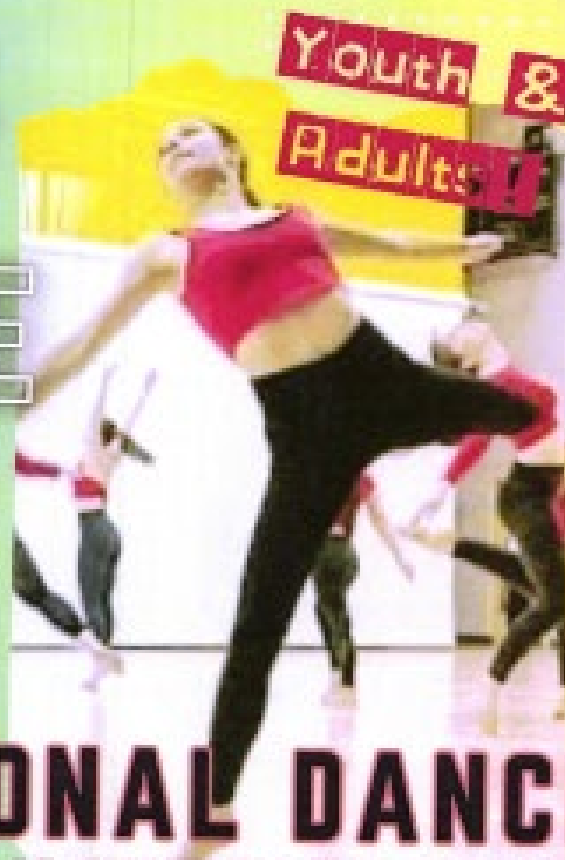
Yardwork, setting up / working / taking down events, [parents can bartend], farm help, any kind of work big or small these kids are ready!

Give Danielle Troesch a shout if you are looking for any kind of event workers or are in need of jobs to be completed (306) 441-9246

LET'S DANCE

10 Sessions

\$100



RECREATIONAL DANCE COMING TO EDAM HERITAGE HALL

Classes
Start
**SEPT
24**



COACH TAILYN LADWIG

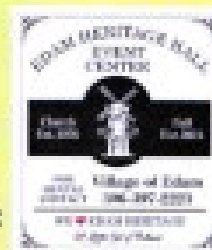
Tailyn has been dancing since she could walk. She has won many awards and is professionally versed in numerous genres of dance. Tailyn is excited to bring this opportunity to individuals of **ALL AGES (ADULTS TOO)** and skill levels within the community of Edam!
(Pending Enough Interest)

To register or for more
information contact Tailyn :



(306) 480-1461

If you need assistance with fees, please contact
Tasha Elliott (306) 893-7525
tashaelliott84@hotmail.com



Re-opening September 10th!

GRANDMA'S KITCHEN'S

**Tuesday
3:15 - 5:00pm**

Come One Come All to Heritage Hall!

EVERYONE WELCOME, THE MORE THE MERRIER!

Babies, Toddlers, Children, Teens,

Young Adults, Singles, Couples, Seniors!

(Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult)

Games

Crafts

Visiting

Snacks



WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!

TDS

Turtleford Dance Studio



WWW.TFDANCE.CA

- We offer a variety of programs and have year long classes and 10-week sessions.
- 10-Week Sessions \$100 (Intro to Dance, Intro to Gymnastics, Recreational Dance, Adult Classes, Step, Mom & Tot)
- Year Long Competitive Classes \$300 (Acro, Ballet, Jazz, Hip-Hop, Tap, Musical Theater, Lyrical/Contemporary)
- Check us out on Facebook or online for more information and to register.
- Register now and take advantage of our September 30th deadline to try a class commitment free.

BATTLEFORDS VOLLEYBALL CLUB

BVC Tryouts for the 2025 season will be held on the following dates and times.

OCTOBER 6 /24:

Women's-
15U 12-2pm
18U 3-5pm

Men's-
14U/16U/18U 6-8pm

OCTOBER 20/24:

Women's-
13U 9-11am
14U & 16U 12-2pm
15U & 18U 3-5pm

Men's-
14U/16U/18U 6-8pm

OCTOBER 27/24:

Women's-
13U 9-11am
14U 12-2pm
16U 3-5pm



REGISTER



Find us on Facebook at Battlefords Volleyball Club to register or scan QR CODE

Pre -Registration fee \$20. Drop in fee for day of tryouts \$40.

To be paid on tryout date.

MUST ATTEND AT LEAST ONE TRYOUT DATE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY FOR BVC

****Deadline to register is September 30, 2024 @ 11:59pm.**

All tryouts will be held at North Battleford Comprehensive High School (NBCHS). Spectators welcome. Please be respectful of all athletes, coaches and evaluators.

battlefordsvolleyball@gmail.com

6 KEYS

To Cool Kids



Anxiety Education

How it affects thoughts, feelings & behaviours



CBT

Becoming more aware of how thinking affects us



Parenting Tips

How to respond to an anxious child



Stepladders

Taking on bravery challenges to face fears



Coping Tools

Tools to cope with stressful situations



Sustainability

Feedback on how to maintain progress after programing is completed

Email Us for More Information

coolkids@saskhealthauthority.ca

What is Cool Kids?

It is a structured 10-session program that teaches children (ages 7-17 years), and their parents, how to better manage a child's anxiety.



CBT

An active, solution-focused therapy, that involves learning new skills



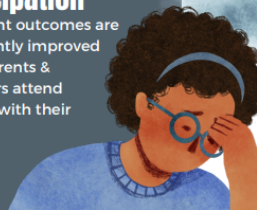
Practical Skills

Opportunity to practice new skills in-session, before applying them to real life situations



Parent Participation

Treatment outcomes are significantly improved when parents & caregivers attend sessions with their children



REGISTRATION

- Registration will be on going, and session start dates may vary
- Contact your closest intake worker for more information

ATTENDANCE

- The program is delivered both online and in person
- Meetings will be one and a half hours long, once a week, over a ten week period
- To attend virtually a device that allows video conferencing is required for each participant.

COST

- Cost to attend is \$30, for manuals
- If finances are an issue, please speak to one of the facilitators

Why Cool Kids Program?

The cool kids program is a researched group therapy approach to aid children, youth and caregivers with the essential tools to manage anxiety.



Take-home skills to practice during program, provides participants with opportunities to strengthen resiliency



A hybrid approach allows for program flexibility to meet the needs of each participant.



Group benefits include learning from others experiences and added peer support



Cool Kids is run by two practitioners, which means double the support and insight



Saskatchewan Health Authority

COOL KIDS

A CBT BASED PROGRAM FOR ANXIETY



Cool Kid Practioners

This program is run by two staff from Child and Youth Mental Health services. All staff have experience in the provision of services to children and are accredited providers of the Cool Kids program.

INTAKE CALL CONTACT

306 820 6250 - Lloydminster
306 236 1580 - Meadow Lake
306 446 6500 - Battlefords



Struggling to manage anxiety?

Anxiety is the most prevalent mental health concern. If you find anxiety is affecting your child's day to day functioning, it may be worth asking for some help.

September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Labour Day No School	3 Day 1 Classes Start	4 Day 2 Kindergarten Conferences	5 Day 3	6 Day 4 K First day of Kindergarten ←	7 Grade 12 —
8 Canoe Trip	9 Day 5	10 Day 6 K	11 Day 1	12 Day 2 K Cross Country Meet @ Tford	13 Day 3	14 Jr. Boys @ Unity Jr. Girls @Glaslyn Sr. Boys @ Medstead Sr. Girls @ St. Walburg
15	16 Day 4 K	17 Day 5	18 Day 6 K Hot Dog Lunch Jr. Vball @ Glaslyn	19 Day 1 Cross Country Meet @ Glaslyn Sr. Boys MegaVolley@ Maidstone	20 Day 2 K	21 Jr. Boys 7@ P.Hill Jr. Boys 8/9 @Medstead Sr. Boys @ MegaVolley Sr. Girls @Maidstone
22	23 Day 3	24 Day 4 K Sr. Vball Host	25 Day 5 Jr. Vball Host	26 Day 6 K SCC Welcome Back Breakfast Terry Fox Run @ 11:00am	27 Day 1 Sr. Boys @ Wilkie	28 Junior MegaVolley
29	30 Day 2 K Reconciliation Day					

Upcoming Dates:

October 4th – School Pictures

October 14th – Thanksgiving Day, No School