



# Pangman School

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## February 2014

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**Panther Pride &  
Hot Lunch Orders Due**  
February 7

**Taco in a Bag Sale**  
February 11

**Candy Grams Sale**  
February 12-14

**Nutritionist Presentation**  
February 13

**HIV/AIDS Presentation**  
February 14

**Red/Pink Day &  
"Steal my Heart" Day**  
February 14

**PJ Day**  
February 20

**Neon/Bright Colours Day**  
February 28

## Shhhh.....exams in progress!



High school students wrote their semester and departmental final exams in the gym during the last week of January. All essays, reports and assignments were due before the beginning of the next semester which starts on February 3.

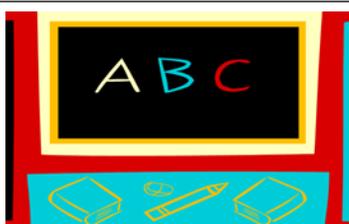
## Message from the Principal

Semester one is in the books and staff members are busy preparing for the new education cycle. We are pleased to be able to provide a varied education program for our children that prepare them for life after graduation. Through innovative programming and the use of our "Cyber School" our students have more options available than ever before!

These options also include increased athletic and cultural programs. Our fine art programs are expanding rapidly. We are preparing for the Missoula Children's Theatre which will bring us the Dinner Theatre – Alice in Wonderland on March 8. Please support this effort by buying tables and tickets as we need community support to make this happen. As well we are preparing for participation in a Music Festival in the spring. The combination of academic, athletic and cultural activities provides the best learning environment for your children.

February 9-15 is Teacher and Staff Appreciation week and I would like to acknowledge the great teaching and support staff we have at Pangman School. It is a place where kids matter. Students achieve and learn through the formal education process and the many activities available to them.

I ask all Pangman School stakeholders to be active participants in the education process. We encourage all parents and community members to visit and contact the school if you should have any questions, concerns, or suggestions.  
-Laury Ryan



**Teacher & Staff Appreciation  
Week February 9-15**

## **Students of the Month for January**

**K-2: Banny Friesen**

*for his consistent dedication to taking the time to do his very best work .*

**Grade 3-5: Emma Viczko**

*for completing her work on time and for being a willing helper.*

**Grade 6-8: Taryn Verot**

*for diligent work ethic, willingness to help in the classroom & friendliness toward peers.*

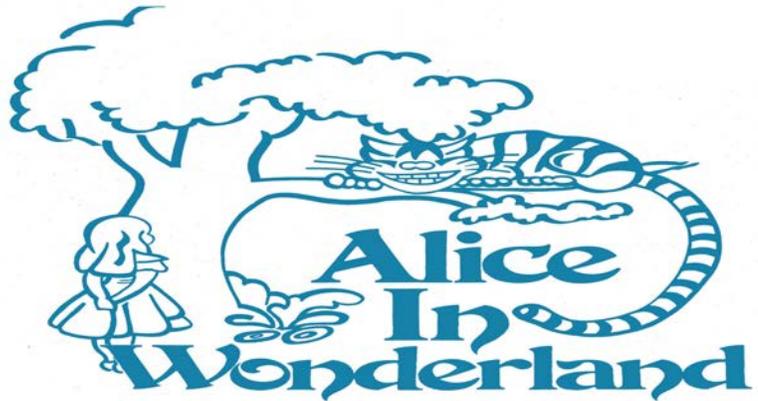
**Grade 9-10: Elizabeth Colbow**

*for working hard in preparation for her exams*

**Grade 11-12: Samantha Beres**

*for her forward planning preparation for her exams.*

## *Pangman School Fine Arts Program presents*



*in partnership with  
Missoula Children's Theatre  
professionals who will showcase the  
talents of our students.*

*Saturday, March 8*

*Dinner Theatre*

*Roast Beef, vegetables, salads, desserts*

*Tickets \$20 each or host a table for \$160  
to decorate & you/we provide server.*

*Food will be provided for students  
involved in the production.*

*Contact the school for tickets.*

*Donations of raffle prizes greatly appreciated.*

*Thank you for supporting Pangman School.*

## I'd Like to Know...

### What is the policy on noon hour and town students staying for lunch?

1. *Town students are asked to arrive at the school no earlier than 8:45 AM. (before school) and 12:10 PM. (noon hour). Students are encouraged to play and participate in outdoor activities until the bell rings to start classes.*
2. *Town students are expected to go home for lunch. If there are exceptional circumstances that necessitate your child staying at school for lunch, arrangements must be made with the principal.*

We attempt to be cooperative with families on this matter. Town students are allowed to stay at school for lunch when reasonable requests are made due to special circumstances. This should not be taken for granted by our school families. Children are reminded that this is a privilege and their behaviour over the noon hour should reflect this. Generally, there are few problems with this approach.



A trend that we are starting to notice is the poor eating habits of some of our high school students. Many bus students are bringing inadequate lunches and too few town students are taking the time to eat. Nutrition and the regular intake of wholesome calories have a direct impact on student behaviour and the ability to learn. Your son or daughter might be developing poor eating habits and it is perhaps a conversation you as parents might want to have. The school is bringing in a nutritionist on Feb. 13 to discuss teenage eating and trends. I hope that we can work together to ensure that our children are eating properly and performing to their maximum potential in academics.

### What is the policy on weather and recess?

*The students in Kindergarten to Grade 8 have fifteen minute breaks at morning and afternoon recess. These students are encouraged to participate in outdoor recess. A break from work is healthy and students need the opportunity to relax and mingle with their friends. Electronic devices are not to be used on the playground during recess.*

*Students will remain indoors for the recess during inclement weather. Parents may request permission from the office for their child to remain indoors provided your doctor requests such for medical reasons or reasonable health problems dictate.*

*Elementary students are expected to remain on the playground designated during elementary recesses and noon hours.*

*Our students enjoy the opportunity to go outside and the Supervisor has the final call on whether it be should indoors or not. Factors determining the situation are:*

- Temperature
- Wind Chill
- The Supervisors Judgment – They are outside with the children and know if they should be outside or not.
- Parents must ensure that students have appropriate dress for the weather conditions.



*It is really a common sense approach whereby our staff members are empowered to make a good decision to place the students in the best environment for play. Students will have indoor recess if the temperature combined with wind-chill factor is below -28.*

## Continuing Improvements at Pangman School



School division electrician Derrick Turnbull is attaching a light fixture to one of the new ceiling tiles installed throughout the hallways. All the old fluorescent fixtures in the hallways are being replaced with brighter and more energy efficient lighting. Classroom lighting had already been upgraded in the extensive renovations to our school last year. In addition to the new sound system we enjoy in the gym, new TV monitors are being installed with access to cable for educational programming and for increasing awareness of current global issues.

## Basketball Teams Practising



Pangman School Rookie boys and Junior Mixed basketball teams have been practising skills and strategies in preparation for upcoming games.

## \$1000 Donation to Breakfast Club



On behalf of Radius Credit Union, Krista Antal presented this generous cheque to our principal Mr. Ryan. A heartfelt thanks to the Credit Union and to Lawrence & Heather Fellner, Edwin & Hazel Rowland, Terry Webb and Kyle Chow for responding to our request for support of the Breakfast Club. Pangman students are offered a free nutritious breakfast every school day. If you can spare a little time in your morning to occasionally help with the breakfast, please contact Mr. Ryan.

## SRC News

Hi, I'm Christie Jesse, SRC president. Well, this is it! My last semester of high school will begin next week now that we are finished our exams. The excitement will keep building as we get closer to our grad on May 2. Our SRC has planned several school spirit days for February including Panther Pride Day on the 7<sup>th</sup>. Starting February 12, we will be selling Candy Grams to be delivered on February 14, our Valentine "Steal my Heart" Day. We want everyone to dress in red and pink on the 14<sup>th</sup> and to wear neon/bright colours on February 28. Our School Spirit Trophy will be awarded to the classes with the greatest participation. Oh...don't forget the Taco in a Bag Sale on February 11 and PJ Day on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Thanks Miss Quigley for helping us with our SRC activities.

## Comparing Least to Greatest



Miss Quigley's grade two class has been solving double digit addition problems in math. Each student rolled two thirty-sided die to create an addition problem. Prior to solving the questions, students used mental math strategies and discussion with each other to determine how they would order the questions from the lowest sum to the highest. They lined up with their questions on the mini whiteboard in the order they predicted would be least to greatest. Each student then solved the question they had created with the die and recorded the sum on the mini whiteboard. Students compared the order they were standing in based on their predictions to the sequence of the sums on their whiteboards.

## Ski Trip

Pangman School annual ski trip to Mission Ridge Saturday, February 22 for Grade 4-12 students and parents. Younger students welcome to participate with a parent.



At least 30 participants must register by February 4.

## Global Initiative by Pangman Students



Have you noticed these brick schoolhouse-shaped boxes at some of the businesses in town? The RespectED team and the junior high class who attended WE Day in Saskatoon distributed these boxes and would like to ask for your assistance with their global efforts to help students who are unable to attend school. We believe that this endeavour is a way to help improve children's opportunities to receive an education. Donations from this box will help build schools in places like Africa. \$20 is worth one brick. Thank you for supporting our Brick-by-Brick initiative.

## Jump Rope for Heart

On February 21, Pangman students will be skipping and jumping their way to raising funds for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Jump Rope for Heart teaches children the importance of healthy living and social responsibility. Come join us for the Kickoff on February 4 at 10:30.



## Intramural Curling

Hi, I'm Layton Krauss. I haven't ever curled but I think it'll be fun. I got a text from my friend in Ogema and he said we were going to be on the same team. Ryan Cordick, Hayley & Natalie Lillejord and Jacey Rowland are curling too Mondays & Tuesdays in Ogema. Mrs. Myren is our coach.

## Auditions

### Alice in Wonderland

Monday, Mar. 3

Missoula Children's Theatre



# February 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 DAY 5	4 DAY 6	5 DAY 1	6 DAY 2	7 DAY 3	8
	KINDERGARTEN  Happy Birthday Gina	Jump Rope for Heart Kickoff 10:30 Team building Assembly  Ski Forms Due	KINDERGARTEN	Mentor Reading	KINDERGARTEN  PANTHERMAN SCHOOL Panther Pride Day Hot Lunch Orders Due Semester Marks out	
9	10 DAY 4	11 DAY 5	12 DAY 6	13 DAY 1	14 DAY 2	15
Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week Begins	SCC Meeting 7:00 PM	KINDERGARTEN  Taco in a Bag Hot Lunch	Candy Gram Sales	KINDERGARTEN  Candy Gram Sales  Nutritionist presentation	VALENTINE'S DAY Candy Gram Sales RED & PINK DAY STEAL MY HEART Day HIV/AIDS Presentation	
16	17	18 DAY 3	19 DAY 4	20 DAY 5	21 DAY 6	22
	NO SCHOOL FAMILY DAY	KINDERGARTEN  Motivational Media Presentation		KINDERGARTEN  PJ Day Mentor Reading	Gr. 1-2 Care Home  Jump Rope for Heart 1:30-3	Mission Ridge Ski Trip
23	24 DAY 1	25 DAY 2	26 DAY 3	27 DAY 4	28 DAY 5	
	KINDERGARTEN	Happy Birthday Samantha Happy Birthday Hayley K.	KINDERGARTEN		KINDERGARTEN  K-2 Library Neon/Bright Colours Day	