



NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2018

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Greetings from all of us at Maverick! The first two months of school have truly flown by and it is hard to believe that Parent Open House Night is just around the corner. There have been a lot of great events and activities over the last two months. Please take a look at our October recap for all the details. We also have some awesome events on the horizon and exciting projects underway. There's never a dull moment at Maverick and that's the way we like it!

October in Review:

3rd – The U of S tour was cancelled due to poor weather conditions. We hope to reschedule the trip for early spring.

12th – We had an excellent turn out for our 25th Anniversary Celebration. Thank you to our student participants: MC's - Rosswell and Rachel; Presenter – Rebecca Korchynski; Musicians - Griffin, Georgia, Ayden, and Ara; Greeters – Justin, Ayden and Rebecca; Tour Guide – Aisha; and Cake Cutters & Servers – Amber, Glenna and Ashley. It was a truly wonderful and memorable day!

22nd to 25th – Scott, Tanner and Krista accompanied 14 students to Cypress Hills for a week of ecological education and great fun. Some of the highlights included: visit to Fort Walsh and hike to massacre site, hike to the mystery rocks, trips to the conglomerate cliffs and Grotto Garden haunted experience, as well as, nightly fires, great food and solo time.

24th - Students did a fantastic job of planting trees and shrubs donated to the school by Canadian Tire. They were also busy raking up a high volume of leaves! It is our goal to create a green space that provides areas for study, recreation and enjoyment of the great outdoors. Does anyone have an extra garden shed or gazebo they'd like to donate? ☺

31st – Staff members and students had a great time on Halloween sporting their various costumes and enjoying some delicious treats. Please see our Facebook page for pictures of all the spooky guests!

Visit our New Online Maverick Clothing Store!

Thank you to Krista for creating our Maverick Online Shopping Centre! The site features hundreds of products in a wide range of styles and sizes. You may use the link below or go to our Facebook or webpage to start shopping!

https://urstore.ca/maverick-clothing-store?fbclid=IwAR3w7jyB4vdZ1LfvjRK5C5D75-pMFvR0T5Y_1ySE5ElqA4RK7FYP85sR8bc

Maverick School Community Council

Our SCC has had two meetings this year. The council would like to thank the following board members for joining us at our first meeting: Diane Hahn, Alan Bridal and Tim Ramage.

Your SCC executive for the year is as follows:

Chairperson – Brandy Westbury, Vice-Chair – Rhonda Korchynski, Secretary – Bodean Eckert
Parent Representatives: Monique Proteau, Tracy Funk, Kim Krause, Jennifer Stevenson, and Cheryl Ginter. The Student Representatives are Rebecca Korchynski and Ayden Eckert. Thank you to all of our SCC members for volunteering your time and energy to make great things happen for our students!

Chinook hosted the new members SCC Forum on October 4th at the Chinook School Division offices. SCC members Brandy Westbury, Rhonda & Rebecca Korchynski and myself attended and enjoyed the meal, program and activities.

The SCC goals this year include:

- ◆ Sponsoring an all-day student presentation with addictions educator, **Rand Teed on Nov 9th**
- ◆ Collaborating with school personnel to create a **Maverick Career Fair Day**. The event will take place on **Wednesday, March 20th**. SCC members are seeking individuals to come in and present to students in a variety of career paths. If you would be willing to meet with a small group of students to share information about your career, please contact me by email at jnicholson@chinooksd.ca
- ◆ SCC members have also voted to continue purchasing BodyFit gym, Aquatic Centre swimming and boxing passes for student use. Students simply visit the facility and sign in to use a pass.
- ◆ A huge thank you to our SCC for the purchase of the basketball hoop and balls. Students are enjoying playing some serious 3 on 3 and getting some great exercise!

Parent Open House & Student Led Conferences

Our fall Parent Open House event will take place on **Tuesday, November 20th!** We encourage students to join parents in attending. The event will kick off with our traditional **chili dinner starting at 6:00 p.m.** Most importantly, parents and students will have opportunity to meet one-on-one with teachers for a progress report. As the number of parents wanting to meet with teachers can create some time constraints, please limit individual meetings with teachers to ten minutes with a maximum time of 15 minutes allocated per meeting.

If you are unable to attend on the 20th or would prefer a longer conference, please feel free to contact your son's/daughter's teacher to arrange for a meeting on a different date.

Our teachers are always willing to accommodate your schedule as we truly believe that the school & home partnership is the most important piece of the student success puzzle!

Instruction and Student Academic Success:

☆ Marnie's **Control Theory** course will be concluding on Thursday. Marnie has stated that this group of students have been phenomenal to work with. The students have been incredibly creative with their final projects. Their presentations showed a clear understanding of concepts and the application of those concepts! Congratulations to all the participants!

☆ **Art Flex week** takes place Nov 13th – 16th. Marsha Schuld will be instructing acrylic painting for three days and the final day will be a polymer clay workshop. We look forward to seeing some wonderful creations!

☆ Scott's **Social Studies 30** course will be starting November 19th. Scott has spent considerable time to ensure that this course is engaging for students. The debates and policy fair last year were highlights! This is a great opportunity for students to acquire their 30 level humanities credit for graduation!

☆ Many students have begun their **Special Project Credit** applications and projects to complete hours of study in an area of their choosing. Students may earn three special project credits during their high school years.

☆ Congratulations to all the students who have already completed online courses this year! Your dedication and determination are showing huge rewards!

☆ I want to congratulate all of our **Growth Mindset "TRY" Award** winners for September & October. These are students who were nominated by staff members or peers for exhibiting a Growth Mindset in relation to academic work, attendance or personal growth! The students are: Ashleigh Declare, Savannah Smith, Riley Lie, Sara Sutherland, and Amber Pare!

Upcoming Survey Initiatives

① Each year students across the province participate in "**Our School**" data collection as a means of providing schools with information to set goals for school improvement. Our students will complete the survey during the week of Nov 13th to 16th. Student feedback is always highly beneficial for aligning resources and for visioning for the future. Survey results will be shared with students and SCC members.

② Our school has been chosen to take part in **Health Canada's 2018/2019 Canadian Student Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs Survey (CSTADS)**. CSTADS asks students questions about tobacco, alcohol, cannabis and other drug use, bullying, and sleep behaviour. In Saskatchewan, the survey will be implemented by the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Waterloo.

On December 5th, students in grades 10 to 12 with parental permission will take part in the survey. The school will receive school-specific results and a \$100 honorarium by participating in the survey. Please visit the project at cstads.ca for more information or call 1-844-966-5547.

Please see additional attachment to this email for information related to parental permission for student participation. You only need to contact if you **do not** want your son or daughter to participate.

Important Dates & Coming Events

11/09 → Remembrance Day Ceremony/ Control Theory 30 Instruction Ends

11/09 → Rand Teed Presents to Students

11/12 to 11/16 → Art Flex Week with visual art workshops

11/12 – 11/16 → Students complete ***Our School Survey***

11/19 → Social Studies 30 instruction begins

11/20 → Parent Night & Student Led Conferences Chili dinner served at 6:00 p.m.

11/30 → No School for Students in lieu day for Parent Teacher Conferences

12/03 to 12/06 → Maverick's White Ribbon Campaign (Men working to end men's violence against women)

12/05 → Students participate in Canadian Student Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs Survey

12/20 → Please mark your calendars now to attend our annual Christmas Banquet!

Thank You to...

✪ **Blender's Music** for providing two season passes to the concert series for student use!

✪ **Rhonda Korchynski** for knitting an ultra-cool snuggly and scarves for student use!

✪ **Tyler Lemieux**, General Manager at **Canadian Tire**, for the donation of trees and shrubs to beautify our yard space. Tyler is a former Maverick graduate.

✪ **Bridgeway Community Church** for the gift of a tree to celebrate our 25th anniversary and the delivery of homemade muffins and cookies for our students' enjoyment.

✪ 25th Anniversary speakers: **Steve Small, Larry Caswell, Dr. Shane Andrus, Kyle McIntyre, and Rebecca Korchynski**

✪ **Rachel Stevenson** for creating the beautiful image to use as our anniversary guest book.

✪ **Krista Erickson** for creating an online store to purchase school clothing and other items.

✪ **Swift Current Fire Department** for donating earbuds to all the students for Fire Prevention Week.

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PHOTOS OF ALL OUR AWESOME EVENTS!**

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