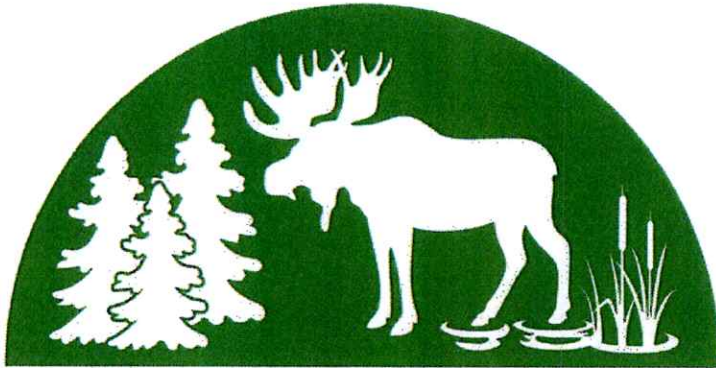


October 2024

Newsletter

Father R Perin School



Northland
SCHOOL DIVISION

Principal's Message

It's hard to believe another month has gone and passed us by. Students continue to make strides in their education. Field trips, guest presenters and a variety of activities were made available to the students this month. We hope everyone has had a wonderful Thanksgiving and a super spooky Halloween. We hope to see our students continue to improve with their educational journey.

Newsletter Highlights

Principal's Message

Important Calendar Dates

School-based Education Plan Update

Have Your Say!

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Important Calendar Dates in November

- November 4th - Wood Buffalo Regional Library Art Grades K-3
- November 5th - Swimming Grades 4-9 @ Mac Island in Fort McMurray
- November 6th - Photo Day & Grade 4-7 Friendship Bracelets with Waypoint
- November 7th - Swim to Survive Program - Grade 4/5 @ Mac Island in Fort McMurray
- November 8th - No School for Students
- November 11th - Remembrance Day No School for Students
- November 13th - Guest Presentations on Good Citizenship with the RCMP - Grade K-5
- November 14th - Forensic Science Presentation - Grade K-9
- November 19th - Youth Council
- **November 20th - Report Cards & Parent Teacher Interviews @ 4pm-6pm**
- November 20th - Elder's Council
- November 21st - Elder's Luncheon @11a.m. at Father R Perin.
- November 25th - ATC Opening Ceremony & Poster Competition Deadline - Grade 4-9
- November 26th - ATC Event Grade 8/9
- November 27th - ATC Event Grade 6-9
- November 28th - ATC Closing Ceremony & Poster Results Grade 4-9
- After School Programming on November
- Speech and Language on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Judo with Tony resumes on November
- Community Choir Mondays at @6pm
- 15+ Sports Nights on Wednesdays @5 (Cancelled November 21st).

*** Events and dates are subject to change. Please stay informed through our weekly emails and/or updates on Facebook***

Save the Date!

Please remember to call the school if your child is away for illness, appointments, traditional learning, or other non-specified reasons.

Our automated reminder system will be up and running in December.

Please ensure your contact information is up to day. Contact the school at 780-559-2240.

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School Education Plan Update

Priority 1: Connections Supporting Reconciliation

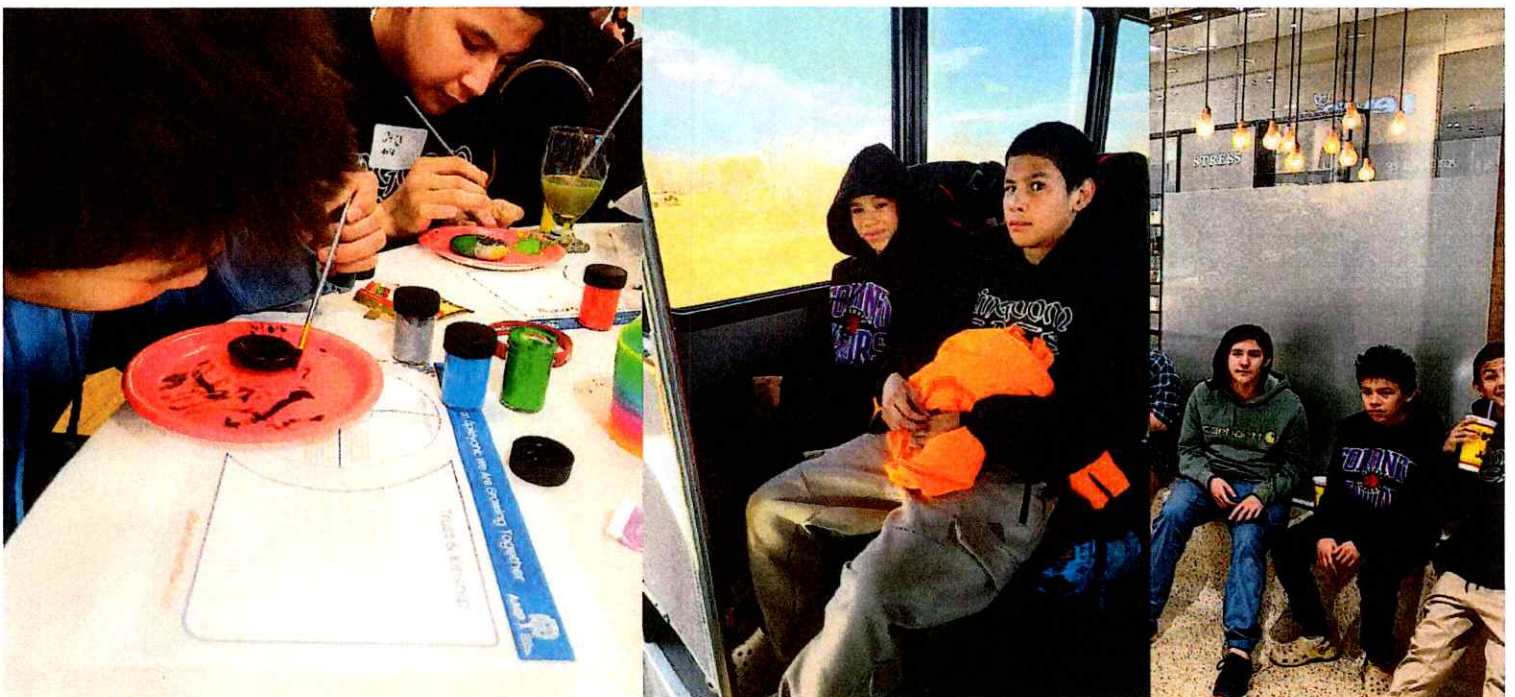
In each year of this plan, Northland School Division students and staff members will increase and strengthen visible connections to land, Indigenous languages, school communities and collaborative partnerships.

- Outcome 1: Student learning and well-being are rooted in connections to the land, Indigenous languages, and the greater school community.
- Outcome 2: Students are able to access language and cultural learning supporting their well-being.
- Outcome 3: Students have multiple pathways to high school completion including those made available through collaborative partnerships.

How is Father R Perin achieving these outcomes? (See example below)

Cultural Mentorship

Grade 9 students had the opportunity to attend the Alberta Indigenous Mentorship Summit in Edmonton this year. Indigenous Mentors spoke to students, educators and peer mentors about the benefits that mentorship had in their communities, with their youth and on their own lives. Elder's shared their stories and a group of students were chosen for a Youth Panel.





On the Land

Grade 4 and 5, and grades 6 and 7 students had several opportunities to navigate the grounds around the school with their teachers. They learned about various plants and trees, collected samples and discussed what they were observing. Grade 4 and 5 students also created art from the leaves they collected on their walks.



Career Fair

Grade 8 and 9 students were invited out to the Career Fair in Anzac where they learned about a variety of career options available to them.



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Priority 2: Holistic Learning

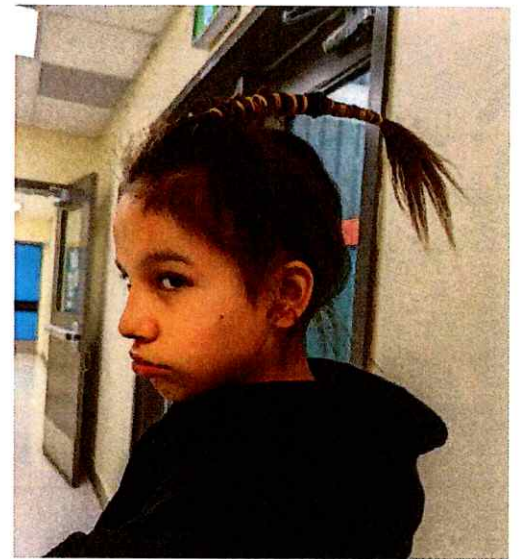
In each year of this plan, each child enrolled in a Northland school will demonstrate excellent literacy and numeracy skills as well as a solid foundation in social-emotional skills.

- Outcome 1: Students are supported to experience improved achievement and well-being.
- Outcome 2: Students achieve excellence in literacy and numeracy.
- Outcome 3: Assessment practices consider the whole child's experience in school.

How is Father R Perin achieving these outcomes? (See example below)

Spirit Day and School Teams

Students are making great progress with our Spirit Day participation and school teams activities. These are both programs that are in place to encourage positive behaviours and positive peer interaction. This months winning team with 457 points was Team Wolf! Students earn points through good attendance, participating in class, completing work, positive peer interaction, teamwork and other positive actions.



Literacy and Numeracy

Students have been using their morning classes to focus on their Literacy and Numeracy skills! These young men went the extra mile and completed even the *unassigned* questions.

Kindergarten used their play time to see if they could make a LEGO structure longer than the principal! Success!

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Priority 3: Excellent People Supporting Students

In each year of this plan, Northland School Division will maintain the highest standards of equitable access to timely supports and school site infrastructure within a fiscally responsible framework.

- Outcome 1: All staff members are supported to be well so they can in turn support our students effectively.
- Outcome 2: All staff members of the NSD are invested, empowered and trained to support student and system success.

How is Father R Perin School achieving these outcomes? (See example below)

Collaborative Response

Northland School Division Staff have been learning to use the Collaborative Response to better understand the needs of their students and ways to meet these needs in the classroom. Collaborative Response teaches us to focus on core concerns without singling out individuals, which in turn allows all students to benefit from the provided assistance.



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Priority 4: Responsible Resourcing

In each year of this plan, Northland School Division will maintain the highest standards of equitable access to supports and school site infrastructure within a fiscally responsible framework.

- Outcome 1: NSD optimizes available financial, human and physical resources to ensure equitable access to timely supports.
- Outcome 2: NSD identifies opportunities to partner with external entities that can offer specialized resources supportive of students' thriving.

How is Father R Perin achieving these outcomes? (See example below)

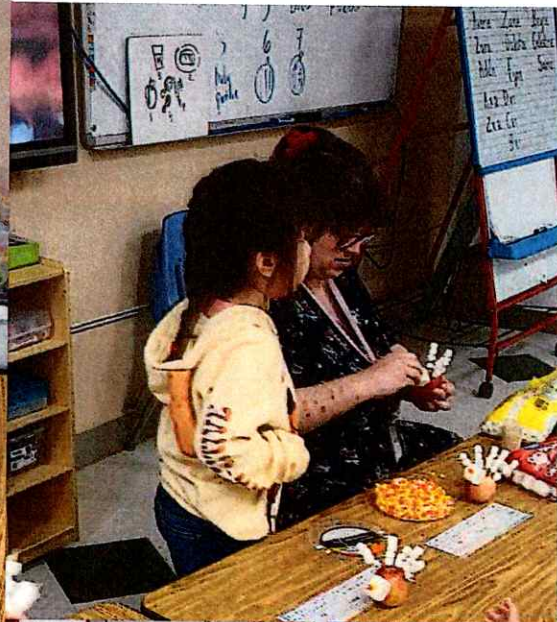
Judo with Tony

Thanks to ChardMetis, Father R. Perin Students are taking full advantage of the opportunity to learn Judo. Every Monday and Wednesday, Tony joins us at the school to teach each class an hour of Judo lessons. Students have been having a blast getting to learn the various techniques.



Additional Highlights from October 2024!

The Kindergarten and Grade 1 students did an edible craft for Thanksgiving. Look at all these yummy turkeys!



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Additional Highlights from October 2024!

On Halloween students got to participate in a variety of awesome activities including but not limited to cornhole, ring toss, face painting and art activities from both ChardMetis and from the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo. Students also got to watch a spooky movie in the school gym!







Community Choir

All Ages Welcome!

**EACH MONDAY @6 PM
FATHER R PERIN SCHOOL**

FOR AGES 15 AND UP!

SPORTS NIGHTS

FATHER R PERIN SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS @5PM



WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 20TH

4:00PM-6:00PM

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS & SUPPER



ELDERS LUNCHEON



AT FATHER R. PERIN SCHOOL
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 21ST
11:00AM



November 6, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As part of our commitment to advancing the priorities in Northland School Division's Education Plan, we are forming the Superintendent's Elder and Knowledge Keeper Advisory Council. This council will serve as an important resource for connecting Northland schools with the communities we serve, helping to weave First Nations and Métis culture, language, and perspectives into the student learning experience. Through this council, Elders and Knowledge Keepers will guide the Division's efforts to support students, staff, and communities on their journeys toward truth, reconciliation, and educational success.

Nomination Process

To establish this council, we have reached out to local First Nations and Métis organizations to assist with nominating Elders and Knowledge Keepers. If you know an Elder or Knowledge Keeper who may be interested, please reach out to your local First Nations or Métis organization.

Initial Meetings and Orientation

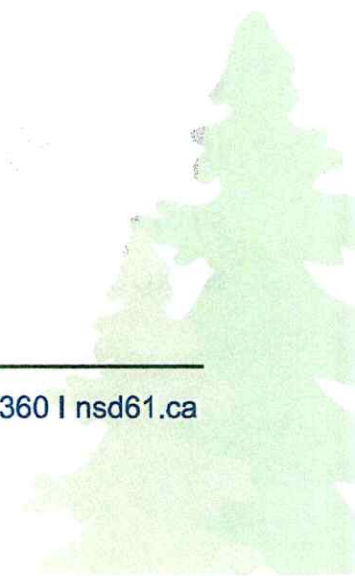
Once nominations are confirmed, Superintendent Cal Johnson and Director of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Education, Debbie Mineault, will host a Zoom session on **Tuesday, November 19, 2024**. This session will introduce Elders and Knowledge Keepers to their roles on the council. Principals will be in touch with the nominees to confirm attendance at the school for the Zoom session, where lunch will be provided. Following the Zoom meeting, the first in-person council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 4, 2024**, at the DoubleTree West Edmonton.

If you have any questions about the Superintendent's Elder and Knowledge Keeper Advisory Council, please contact your school principal.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Cal Johnson
Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Northland School Division



Superintendent's Elder and Knowledge Keeper Advisory Council Information

To advance Northland School Division's Education Plan, we are forming the Superintendent's Elder and Knowledge Keeper Advisory Council. This council will connect Northland schools with the communities we serve, enriching student learning by integrating First Nations and Métis culture, language, and perspectives. Elders and Knowledge Keepers will guide the Division in supporting students, staff, and communities toward truth, reconciliation, and educational success.

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Questions?

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November 6, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to share that Northland School Division is forming the Superintendent's Youth Council as part of our commitment to strengthening student voice and involvement in their educational experience. This council will offer students an opportunity to share their ideas, provide feedback on school programs, and contribute to decisions that impact their learning and school environment.

Nomination Process

Students for the Superintendent's Youth Council will be selected through a nomination process led by school principals. Principals will identify students who can effectively represent their peers, share valuable insights, and contribute meaningfully to discussions. Up to 18 students from across the division will be chosen, ensuring a diverse group that reflects different backgrounds and experiences.

We encourage you to have a conversation with your child about this exciting opportunity. If your child is interested, please encourage them to speak to their teacher or principal to express their desire to be considered for the council.

Initial Meetings and Orientation

Once the list of Superintendent's Youth Council members is finalized, the Executive Team will host a Zoom session on **Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at noon (12:00 p.m.)**. This session will introduce students to their roles on the council and provide an overview of expectations and upcoming activities. Following this virtual meeting, the first in-person council meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at the DoubleTree West Edmonton**. Hotel arrangements for each student representative will be communicated by the school principal to the parents/guardians.

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Sincerely,

Cal Johnson
Superintendent of Schools/CEO
Northland School Division

Superintendent's Youth Council Information

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Questions?

If you have any questions about the Superintendent's Youth Council, please contact your school principal.





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Employment Opportunity
Family Wellness Worker
Father R. Perin School (Janvier) & Conklin Community School (Conklin)

Northland School Division is currently seeking a full-time Family Wellness Worker to join our dedicated teams at Father R. Perin School and Conklin Community School. Father R. Perin School serves students from kindergarten to grade 9 and is located in the community of Janvier, Alberta, approximately 120 kilometers from Fort McMurray. Conklin Community School, also a kindergarten to grade 9 school, is located in the hamlet of Conklin, the southernmost community in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo. Conklin is a quiet, rural community situated on the scenic shores of Christina Lake, about 155 kilometers southeast of Fort McMurray, accessible via Alberta Highways 63 and 881.

The Family Wellness Worker will report to the Director of Student Services and follow the central office's 12-month calendar. To learn more about what Northland School Division has to offer, please visit www.nsd61.ca/careers.

Major Responsibilities include:

- Provide intervention and/or support services to students and families who may be at risk or currently facing social, emotional, behavioral or family challenges
- Promote effective communication and parenting skills
- Build skills with the students individually and in small groups
- Assist in finding information and resources such as counseling after hour crisis response workers
- Advocate within the school and the community
- Promote preventative opportunities within the schools and community
- Collaborate with community agencies

Qualifications include:

- Degree in Social Work.
- Valid driver's license

The vision of the program is to provide free confidential intervention services to students and families in order to support their emotional, behavioral and social wellbeing. The salary for this position is based on qualifications and experience. A comprehensive benefit package is also provided.

Interested applicants are asked to submit a resume including the names of three (3) employer references to: Krista Veitch, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources, Northland School Division. All applications must be submitted online at Apply to Education or emailed to applications@nsd61.ca. We thank all applicants for submitting applications. However, only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted. **Additionally, please note that selected candidates will be required to provide a criminal record and a child intervention check as part of the application process.**

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NOVEMBER



NOTE

SPEECH EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY

JUDO WITH TONY EVERY MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY 3:05PM - 4:05PM WITH BUS DROP OFF GR 4-9

CALENDAR SUBJECT TO CHANGE

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3		4 WBRL VISIT K-3 ART	5 GR 4-9 SWIMMING	6 WAYPOINTS VISIT & ART PROJECT	7 GR 4/5 SWIM 2 SURVIVE PROGRAM PRINCIPAL ADVISORY MEETING @ 6PM	8 NO SCHOOL	9
10		11 REMEMBRANCE DAY NO SCHOOL	12 K-3 SWIMMING GR 6/7 & 8/9 GUEST PRESENTER	13 GUEST PRESENTATION	14 GUEST PRESENTATION	15	16
17		18	19	20 REPORT CARDS PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS 4PM-6PM	21 ELDERS LUNCHEON 11:00AM	22	23
24		25 NATIONAL ADDICTION AWARENESS WEEK FIELD TRIP 4-9 @ MULTIPLEX	26 NATIONAL ADDICTION AWARENESS WEEK FIELD TRIP 8-9 @ MULTIPLEX	27 NATIONAL ADDICTION AWARENESS WEEK FIELD TRIP 6-9 @ MULTIPLEX	28 NATIONAL ADDICTION AWARENESS WEEK FIELD TRIP 4-9 @ MULTIPLEX	29 EARLY DISMISSAL 12:50PM	30

Father R Perin Year Calendar 2024/2025

August 2024

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26th - 30th - School Opens for Staff
Registration Opens

September 2024

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2nd - Labour Day
3rd - First Day of School
27th - Staff Professional Development (Local)
30th - National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

October 2024

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14th - Wellness Day
14th - Thanksgiving
23rd - Early Dismissal @12:45
24th - 25th - Staff - Northlands Conference

November 2024

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1st - Metis Settlement Proclamation Day
8th - Staff Professional Development
11th - Remembrance Day
29th - Early Dismissal @12:45

December 2024

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13th - Early Dismissal @12:45
20th - Last Day of School before Christmas
Break & Early Dismissal @12:45

January 2025

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6th - Return to School from Christmas Break
30th Early Dismissal @12:45
31st - Staff Professional Development

February 2025

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10th - 14th - Teachers Convention
17th - Family Day
28th - Early Dismissal @12:45

March 2025

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14th - Staff Professional Development
17th - Wellness Day
28th - Last Day of School before Spring
Break & Early Dismissal @12:45

April 2025

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7th - Return to School from Spring Break
18th - Good Friday
21st - Easter Monday
25th - Early Dismissal @12:45

May 2025

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16th - 19th May Long Weekend
30th - Early Dismissal @12:45

June 2025

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13th - Early Dismissal @12:45
20th - Indigenous Peoples Day
26th - Last Day of School for Students & Early Dismissal @12:45

*Please note that school begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 3:05 p.m.
Breakfast, Snack and Lunch are provided by the school.
Questions or Concerns?
School Office (Call Only): (780)-559-2240
School Principal (Call or Text): (780)-370-5599
Speech and Occupational Therapy currently occur on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
The school Councilor is available on Wednesdays.

LEGEND

Non-Operation Day - No school for staff or students

Teachers Only

Teacher Prep Day

First and Last Day of School

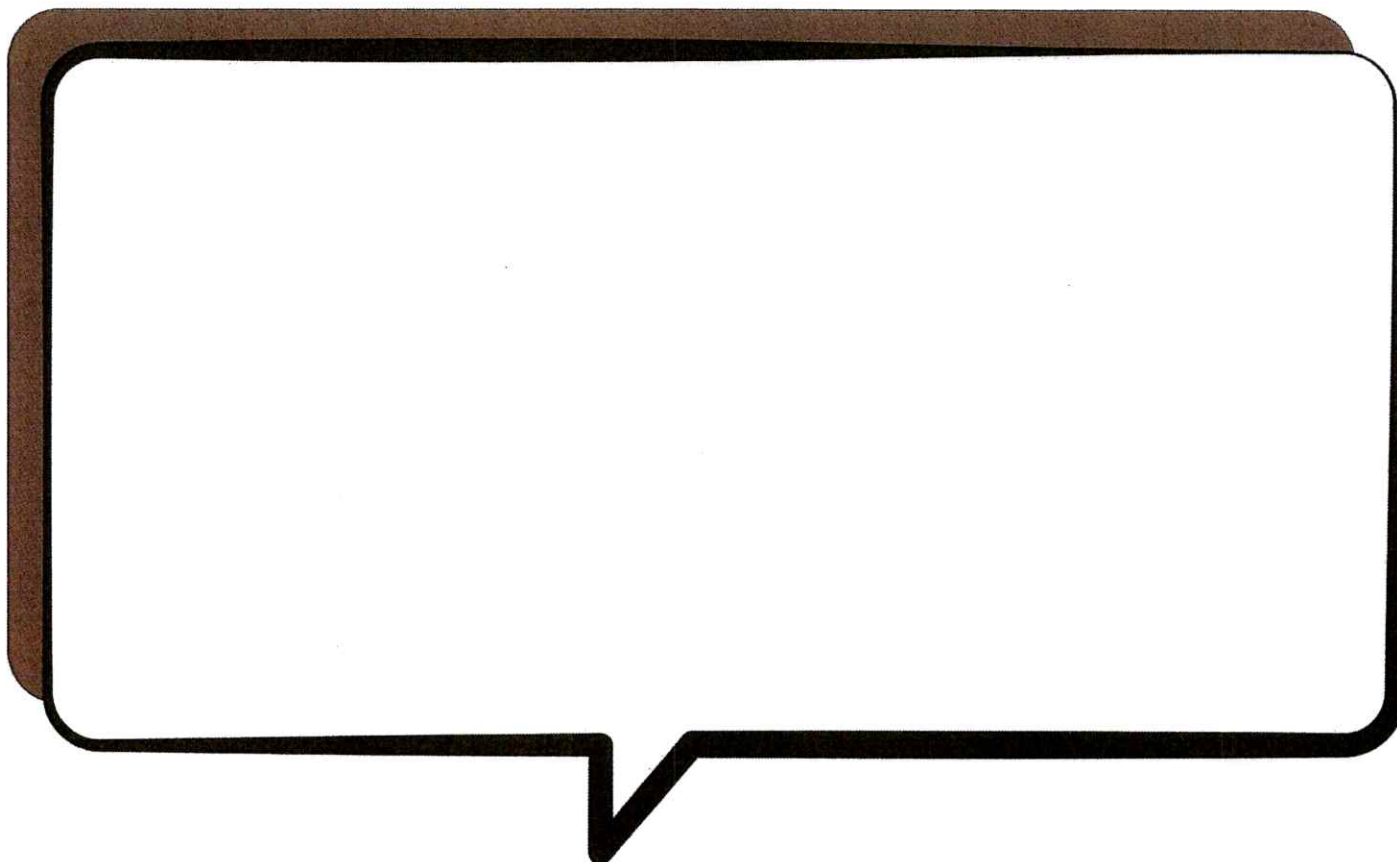
Early Dismissal @12:45

27th - Last Day of School for Staff

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Have Your Say!

We would love to hear from you! Please let us know if you have any questions or thoughts about anything going on at the school. Write your question or feedback below and return this page back to the school. Thank you!



Insert Name and Contact Information (If you would like a response)

Name:

Phone Number:

Email: