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RAM of the Month Ben Stone

### ROLAND MICHENER SECONDARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

### **Celebrating Success!**

What amazing things happened this past month at R.M.S.S.?

- **Career Coach visits illuminated paths for our students'** futures, providing valuable insights into potential career journeys!
- **SET THE RMSS School Council brought parents, guardians, and school staff together, through shared ideas and insights.**
- **★**Charlotte, Hanna, and Sharlee represented our school with pride at the Arctic Winter Games, showcasing their exceptional talents and sportsmanship!
- → We extended our warmest wishes for a blessed Ramadan to all our Muslim families observing this sacred month.
- Our RMSS Cosmetology students brightened days at Vanderwell Heritage Place, spreading joy and beauty with their nail services.
- Senior High Students dove into the world of trades at Northern Lakes College, discovering their passions through engaging, hands-on activities!
- ✓ Our RAMS Junior High STEM Team soared at the STEM Divisional Challenge Day, impressing everyone with their innovative solutions and team spirit!

### We are <u>all</u> RAMS!

Respectful, Accepting, Motivated, and Successful.



### **Celebrating Success Continued!**

What amazing things happened this past month at R.M.S.S.?

- E Lunchtime Math Support turned into a math mastery hub, empowering students to tackle math challenges with newfound confidence!
- With RAMS recognition cards & RAMS of the month, we shone a spotlight on our students' achievements, celebrating their hard-earned successes!
- Wellness Blitzes and weekly tips brought health and happiness into our daily routine, fostering a community of well-being and care.
- ♠ The Dungeons and Dragons Club embarked on epic quests, bringing imaginative adventures to life right within our school's walls!
- The Community classroom's visit to Adaptic Aquatics opened a new world of aquatic adventures, enriching our students' learning experiences!
- Nour Career Coaches unveiled apprenticeship opportunities, guiding students towards exciting, hands-on learning paths for their futures.
- \* The Wear Green Competition on St. Patrick's Day was a vibrant expression of school spirit and community!
- The RAMS Spirit Wear Sale looks like a hit, uniting our school in pride and style with exclusive, must-have designs!
- \*Our seniors stepped closer to graduation, selecting stylish grad hoodies and gearing up for the celebration with a comprehensive meeting on fundraising and ceremony preparations.
- ☐ At the Barrhead Music Festival, our Junior and Senior High Bands hit all the right notes, earning accolades for their musical talents!
- The Athletic Spin-a-thon Fundraiser was a spinning success, thanks to the overwhelming support from our community stakeholders and families!
- **☆** The Inaugural RAMS Round Dance brought our community together in a vibrant celebration of culture and connection!
- MacEwan University's presentation opened doors to future possibilities, sparking excitement for what lies ahead!
- Our Badminton Teams leaped into action, ready to serve up excitement and competition on the court!
- The Student Union rallied students to make a meaningful impact, fostering a spirit of cooperation and leadership!

# Upcoming Events and School Information April 2024

Every Thursday after school: Dungeons and Dragon Club in Room 146.

March 29-April 7: No School - Spring Break.

April 8: School Resumes

April 12: All report cards are sent home to families and students digitally.

April 15: RMSS Fire Code Inspection taking place by HPSD Safety Office and Fire Dept.

April 15: Virtual Council of School Councils Divisional Meeting at 7:00 pm.

April 16: Parent-Teacher Conferences (in person) - 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

**April 16:** Grade 9 Parent Info. Night in Sr. High Gym: 9A & 9B session is 5 to 6pm; 9C & 9D session is 6 to 7pm.

April 16: RMSS School Council Meeting (in person) at 7:00 pm in LRC.

April 17: Parent-Teacher Conferences (in person) - 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

April 19: No School - PD Day.

**April 23:** 2024 Grad Cake Auction Day! It will run block 4 for the students and 6pm for the community. Come support the Grad Class!

April 25: Limited Edition RAMS Nike Spirit Wear order due to office.

# RAMS Sweater \$80.00 Hat \$60.00 Order forms due by April 25 - Go to Senior or Junior high office

HIGH PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD PRIORITIES

Student learning is Students are supported and enhanced engaged in by providing meaningful school and opportunities for parents achieve learning and community to be outcomes. involved in children's Students are Parents and education. supported and communities are kept prepared for informed of Division life beyond plans, programs, and high school. progress through **GOAL:** ongoing and effective communication. **GOAL: Parent and** Success for Community **Every Student** Relationships and Engagement Students achieve growth in literacy and numeracy. Quality Quality **GOAL:** The Division is **GOAL:** committed to Learning **Partnerships Engaged and** Learning engagement **Effective Growth and** and advocacy Governance to enhance **Achievement** Quality public Learning Children have an education. excellent start to **Environments** learning and reach developmental **GOAL: GOAL:** milestones. Infrastructure **Healthy School** and Resources **Communities** GOAL: for All A Culture of Student learning is supported through the Excellence The Division's learning use of effective planning, environment is inclusive, management and investment welcoming, caring, in Division resources and respectful, and safe. Staff meet the infrastructure. The Division uses **Teaching Quality** evidence-based Standard and the practices to support **Leadership Quality** and enhance the Standard, grow their quality of teaching, professional capacity learning and leading. and enhance their

practice.

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## **Quality Partnerships**

#### **ENGAGED AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE**

Outcome: The Division is committed to engagement and advocacy to enhance public education.

How is our school achieving these outcomes?

At Roland Michener, we are deeply committed to engaging effectively in governance and enhancing public education. Our approach is multifaceted, focusing on strong community engagement, stakeholder involvement, transparency, professional development, data-driven decision-making, collaboration, and continuous improvement. Here's how we bring these principles to life in a way that's accessible and meaningful to our families and stakeholders.

Community Engagement: We believe in fostering strong connections with our local community, including parents, guardians, businesses, and local government. This is achieved through regular meetings, forums, and collaborative projects. We've hosted four Parent-Teacher Interview nights this year, emphasizing the importance of partnering with your child's teacher. Events like the open house BBQ, meet the teacher nights, and student showcases are just a few ways we build connections with our students' families. Our annual Grad Cake Auction and family nights, such as the performance of Elf Junior by our Drama Club, are highlights of our community engagement efforts.

**Stakeholder Involvement:** It's crucial that everyone in our community has a voice in our decision-making processes. Our School Council meetings are open to all, including principals, teachers, trustees, superintendents, parents, guardians, and community members. These meetings are a platform for collaborative efforts to enhance student learning.

**Transparency and Communication:** We maintain open lines of communication through newsletters, social media updates, our school webpage, and regular meetings. This ensures everyone is well-informed about our policies, challenges, and achievements.

**Professional Development:** Investing in our teachers and staff through continuous professional development ensures the highest quality of teaching and governance. Training in the latest educational technologies and instructional strategies is just part of our commitment.

**Data-Driven Decision Making:** We rely on data to guide our decisions, regularly assessing student performance and engagement to inform improvements in teaching and governance.

**Collaboration:** Our partnerships with universities, educational organizations, and community resources like the Slave Lake Public Library, RCMP, Town of Slave Lake, and Alberta Health Services enrich our students' education. These collaborations also include joint initiatives with other schools and institutions.

**Continuous Improvement:** Innovation and openness to new ideas are at the heart of our culture. We're always evaluating and refining our practices to enhance the educational experience for our students.

We're proud of our achievements and the strong sense of community at Roland Michener. However, we're always looking for ways to improve. If you have ideas or feedback, please reach out to Principal Kris Herbert at 780-849-3064 or kherbert@hpsd.ca. Your involvement is key to our continuous growth and success.

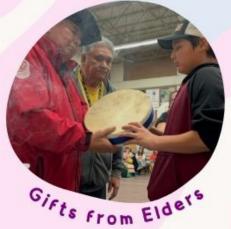
# We're Listening!



We want to hear from you! If you have any questions or thoughts about what's happening at the school, please email us at rms@hpsd.ca. Thank you!











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# Honouring Our Matriarchs ROUND DANCE

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THANK YOU EVERYONE!











Round Dancing the Night away!



## Roland Michener

## **Cake Auction**

Join us at the school: 106-7th St SE

Help support our 2024 Grads!

Join our famous cake auction. Roland Michener Senior High Gym at 6:00 pm on April 23rd.

Place bids on delicious cakes and various sweet treats brought to you by this years Grads



Cash, Credit,
Debit, and
Cheques will
be accepted

