



AVONDALE SCHOOL

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Avondale School Newsletter

March 2018

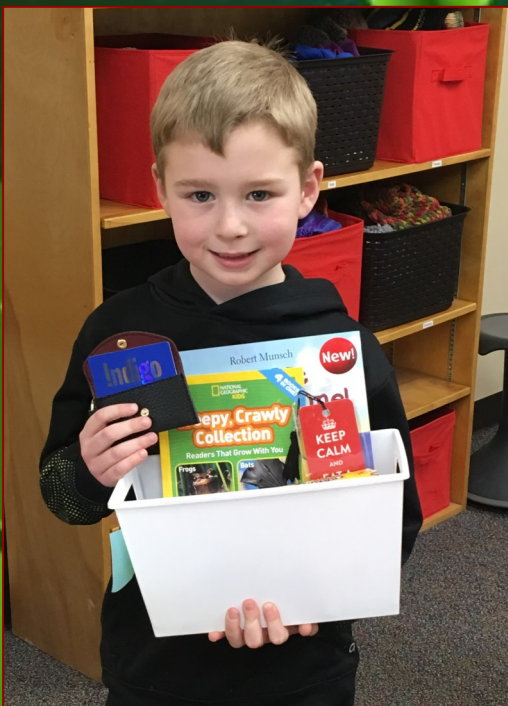
Anti-bullying Day

Some History on Pink shirt Day:

The original event was organized by David Shepherd and Travis Price of Berwick, Nova Scotia, who in 2007 bought and distributed 50 pink shirts after a male ninth grade student—Charles Mcneil was bullied for wearing a pink shirt during the first day of school .



Please wear your pink shirt to show your support
Wednesday, Feb. 28th



Congratulations

to one of our
Literacy Week
winners:

Eli Veinotte

from Miss Dodds
Gr. 1 class.

We are so proud
of you!



Important Dates:

- Feb. 24 Gr. 5/6 Mini Basketball
- Feb. 28 Pink Shirt Day
- Mar. 2 PD Day - No School
- Mar. 8 Teacher's Convention
- Mar. 9 Teacher's Convention
- Mar. 16 School Spirit Day
- Mar. 16 Report Cards Go Home
- Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day
- Mar. 19 Parent Teacher Interviews
- Mar. 20 Parent Teacher Interviews
- Mar. 23 Day off in Lieu of PTI's
- Mar. 30 Good Friday - No School
- Mar. 30-31 Easter Break

Welcome to Avondale!

Grande Prairie Aquarians

Summer Swim Club

All Swimming Levels and Ages Welcome
never-ever, beginners, intermediate or advanced

Participate at your level
Learn new swimming skills, Staying Fit, or Competitive

Swim May through
Mid-August

Includes:

- 4 months of training, 3-5 times per week on M, T, W, T & F by trained and certified coaching staff
- The option to participate in up to 10 swim meets on the weekends (everyone is always welcome and fees are covered)
- A competitive team swim suit and cap
- Team building events

Registration

- On-line starting March 1, 2018
 - In person & Swim Suit Sizing March 12 & 13, 2018 6-8 pm
- Eastlink Center, Main floor EAST end of concourse

For More Information

www.gpaquarians.org
or e-mail
aquariansgp@gmail.com



School Spirit Day
Friday
March 16th -
Wear Green for
St. Patrick's Day



Next Meeting will take place:

Date: March 7th

Time: 6:30pm

Where: Avondale School

- ⇒ Snacks will be provided
- ⇒ Babysitting will be provided

Please RSVP to
Ms. Black at:

kristina.black@gppsd.ab.ca

The Breakfast Club Youth Program

- stressed out?
- conflict with family or friends?
- not fitting in?
- dealing with low self-esteem or emotional struggles?

2018 Retreats:

February 9-11

March 23-25

April 27-29

(Fall Dates TBD)

Free weekend retreats for teens

Anyone can refer a teen

Phone: 780.539.7142

Online: www.sp-rc.ca

Email: bclub@sp-rc.ca

Text: 780.402.1579

for updates, see www.facebook.com/BreakfastClubGP



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The Breakfast Club Youth Program

2018 Workshops:
February 3
March 17
May 12

Free 1-day workshops for preteens (grades 4 to 6)

friendships **stress** feelings
art/crafts **dealing with anger**
bullying **communication** lunch
discussions **problem solving**
games

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Daily Attendance

Parents please call your child's absence or advised late into the office by calling -
780-532-3230

If it is before/after office hours please leave a message using the automated system.

We also ask our Preschool parents to advise the main office of an absence as well—even if you email your child's teacher as Mrs. Theissen and/or Mrs. Greenman may be away.
Thank you.

Avondale School
Please like us on Facebook!



Scene from Dress as your Favorite Book Character Day:

Miss Dodds - Gr. 1

Mrs. Sha - Kindergarten

Mrs. Troyer - Gr. 1 EA

You look FABULOUS!

2nd Annual **A Path Forward:** **Building Resiliency in Youth** **AGENCY WORKSHOP**

Featuring: **Monique Gray Smith**

Award Winning Author, International Speaker and Consultant

This workshop will provide participants with tools and skills that may be used to build resiliency in youth regardless of their culture or race. Monique Gray Smith offers a unique perspective on the importance of resiliency. She will provide an overview on how stress and trauma impact a child's wellness and why we may see various behavioural disruptions and challenges in attachment. She will take participants on a journey touching on key elements of Canadian history that can influence Indigenous children and families. This full day workshop will leave you inspired in your continued work with children and families.

<p>Friday March 16 8:30 am - 4 pm</p>	<p>STONEBRIDGE HOTEL 12102 100 Street Grande Prairie, AB</p>
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To Register Contact Crime Prevention at
crimeprevention@cityofgp.com or call 780-882-7813

COST:
\$125 /person
Includes Lunch

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FREE Community Conference

2nd Annual
A Path Forward:



Building Resiliency in Youth

This engaging and inspiring community presentation and full day conference will provide a unique perspective on the importance of focusing on resiliency in how we raise our children and youth. Whether you are a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, service provider, coach, teacher...no matter what your role is with children and youth, we all have a responsibility in fostering their ability to be resilient.

Community Presentation

Friday, March 16 7 - 9 pm

Full Day Conference

Saturday, March 17 8:30 am - 4 pm

*Full day conference includes break out sessions on Addictions, Bullying, Mental Health, Co-Parenting in the morning. Following the lunch which is included, a keynote address by **Monique Gray Smith** and a panel discussion with all presenters.*

Child care is available for both Friday and Saturday, at no charge, however you must pre-register.

All will take place at the **STONEBRIDGE HOTEL** 12102 100 Street, Grande Prairie, AB.

There will be a block of rooms available for our out of town guests!

Both Friday and Saturday are FREE, however you must Register online through Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/a-path-forward-building-resiliency-in-youth-tickets-42633801849?aff=es2>

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