

PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL



"All students will learn and grow academically, socially, emotionally and physically!"

""If you have never been hated by your child, you have never been a parent. ~Bette Davis

Dates to Remember

- November 29: Beginning of Term 2
- December 1-2: Parent/Teacher Interviews 4-7:00PM
- December 6: School Council Meets at 7:00PM
- December 8: Pizza Lunch
- December 9: Winter Concert at 7:00PM
- December 17: Ugly Sweater Day
- December 22 January 4: Christmas Break
- January 5: Classes Resume
- January 10: School Council Meets at 7:00PM
- January 25: Opposite/Backwards Day
- January 31: PD Day -- No School for Students
- February 2: Groundhog Day
- February 7: School Council Meets at 7:00PM

Items of Note

Monday marks the beginning of **Term 2**, which means we are approximately ¹/₃ of the way through the school year. It also means that grades 7 & 8 students switch complementary courses.

Parent-Teacher interviews will be held via telephone or Google Meets (parent choice) on December 1 & 2 from 4:00-7:00PM. To book your interviews, go to <u>https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/code/zza8v</u>.

Interviews are a good time to keep the lines of communication between home & school open. It's a time for teachers to explain to parents how their child is doing at school. But it's also an opportunity for parents to help teachers better understand their child. In addition to asking the right questions, parents should let teachers know about what the child might be struggling with at home, not just academically, but socially and emotionally as well. Don't be shy about taking notes and asking questions to help clarify issues. Here are some questions you should walk away from interviews knowing the answers to:

- Is my child understanding the curriculum?
- How are my child's study habits and learning skills?
- What can my child do to improve?
- How can we help our child?



DROPPING BY MY KIDS' SCHOOL FOR LUNCH

