



PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL

PANTHER POST

Week of October 6, 2025

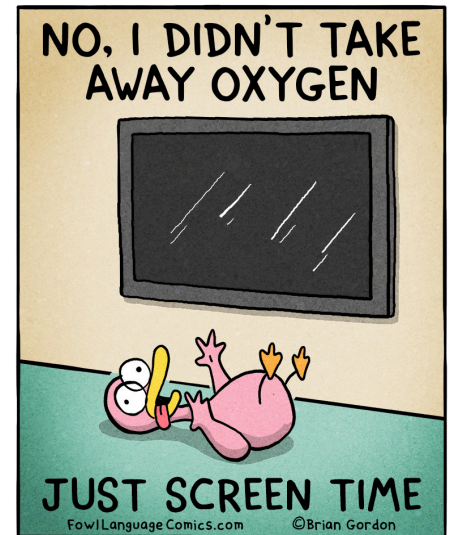
"All students will learn and grow academically,
socially, emotionally and physically!"

*"Life is full of change and uncertainty. We know this.
We experience it on a daily basis."*

~ Carre Otis

Dates to Remember

- October is "P" is for Positivity Month
- October 1-3: Grade 8 Gull Lake Band Camp
- October 6: School Council & Friends of Pioneer meet at 7:00PM
- October 13: Thanksgiving (no school)
- October 17: Student Vote
- October 20: PD Day - No School for Students
- October 22-23: 7B, 7O & 7R Royal Tyrrell Trip
- October 23-24: 7S & 7U Royal Tyrrell Trip
- October 24: Halloween Dance
- October 28-31: Scholastic Book Fair
- November 3: School Council & Friends of Pioneer meet at 7:00PM
- November 7: School Remembrance Service
- November 10-11: No School for Remembrance Day
- November 18: Gr. 6 Volleyball Divisionals
- November 19: Gr. 7/8 Volleyball Divisionals



Items of Note

We are hopeful that **job action** by teachers can be averted and schools continue to operate normally. But that's looking less and less likely. This creates a lot of uncertainty as to what the coming days and weeks will look like. Wild Rose School Division has a section on their website with information regarding the strike. Keep an eye on it for the latest details at <https://www.wrsd.ca>.

Should there be a strike or other job action, both **volleyball and cross country running** will be impacted. What this will look like will depend on how long the job action might last. A short disruption could see both sports continue, but a longer disruption may result in a shortened or cancelled season. Should the season be cancelled or significantly shortened, we could offer refunds for some or all fees on these sports. We will let you know when we know more.

The grade 7 teachers have opted to **reschedule the Royal Tyrrell field trip** to the spring when job action is less likely. Refunds will be issued shortly.

Both School Council and the Friends of Pioneer Society are scheduled to hold their **annual general meetings** on Monday evening. Assuming teachers aren't on strike, everyone is encouraged to attend. However, if there is a strike, the meetings will be postponed until we are back.

In case of a teacher strike, parents are strongly encouraged to keep their children academically engaged. The province will provide some resources, but the importance of reading and family discussions cannot be over-stressed. Students are encouraged to bring their library books home so they can continue to read. The public library can also be accessed to obtain more reading materials. Ask your child open-ended questions about what they are reading. Discuss current events with your child. Take them grocery shopping and have them do math with prices & quantities. Cards and dice games are also a good way to keep them working with numbers. They can continue their writing by keeping a journal. **Set a routine for them that includes both academics and physical activity** and limits screen time.



Community Grief Support for adults & youth

When: Monday October 6th 4pm-6pm
Where: McMan Family Services, 5340 59 Ave,
RMH (rear entrance)

Join us for coffee, snacks, and conversation in the McMan space with Compassionate Care Hospice Society staff, Meghan & Christine. Light crafting, group sharing and private space available.

Free drop-in support, no registration needed!

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