



October 2017 Newsletter

# HILLSIDE HAPPENINGS

"A Caring Commitment to Learning"



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## Story Block

**Attention: Hillside Newsletter is going green effective November 1, 2017. The October issue will be the last issue mailed out. To view/receive the newsletter:**

**1. Call the school at 780-524-3277 or email Mrs. Staples at [karen.staples@ngps.ca](mailto:karen.staples@ngps.ca).**

**2. The newsletter is available on our webpage: [hillsidehigh.ca](http://hillsidehigh.ca).**

**3. Print copies will be available in the school office.**

**Notification of when a new newsletter is available will be given through Remind and the Automated Callout System.**

## JUNIOR & SENIOR GOLF

Hillside had yet another successful golf season in 2017, made even better by excellent weather at all our events. Our golfers attended zone competition at the Mighty Peace Golf Course (seniors) and the Fairview Golf Course (juniors). The Senior Men's team came home with bronze medals, and Shanna Newman also captured the bronze medal for the Senior Women's individual competition. Shanna's performance allowed her to attend provincials in Stony Plain and Spruce Grove. Our junior golfers did not medal, but still represented Hillside well and had a great time!

The members of Hillside's golf teams for the 2017 season:

Jr Girls – Morgen Craig, Jenna Loewen

Jr Boys – Dylan Hamilton, Kale Kobe, Colton McGhie, Adam Newman

Sr Women – Tamara Harris, Shanna Newman

Sr Men – Austin Caron, Austin Hadfield, Joel Knight, Will Staples

Hillside's golf teams are coached by Mr. Matt Staples and Ms. Shelley Kirchner.



# News, Sports & Events

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- ▶ Preferred payment method for school purchases are: SchoolCashOnline, Debit, Visa, Mastercard. Cash and Cheques are still accepted.
- ▶ The next School Council Meeting will be held Thursday November 23, 2017 @ 7pm in the Learning Commons.
- ▶ Scholastic Book Orders are to be turned into Mrs. Staples in the Learning Commons.
- ▶ The office no longer provides change for vending machines. Please come to school prepared.
- ▶ The cafeteria does not accept any bills larger than a \$20.
- ▶ You can now have the newsletter emailed to you. Please contact Mrs. Staples in the Learning Commons at 780-524-3277.
- ▶ Tabs are available for the cafeteria. See Mrs. Grotkowski for details.
- ▶ Hillside Webpage:

hillsidehigh.ca

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## Class of 2018

A parent meeting was held on Monday, September 25th where the details of Hillside's 2018 Commencement Ceremony were discussed. Among the agenda items were information regarding the requirements for graduation as well as the Administrative Policies which direct how graduation proceeds.

Mrs. Serediak would also like to encourage graduates to begin e-mailing photos to her. The photos need to be of good quality. Send approximately 6 photos (baby and younger child) that can be selected as part of the power point presentation. 4 are usually selected. (All portrait/all landscape or 2 of each orientation works best)

Also discussed was Spring Formal. Each graduate will be allowed one vote to decide what Spring Formal will look like this year.

If you were not at the meeting on Sept. 25th, the vote ballot was sent out by mail. Deadline for vote submissions is Friday, October 13th.

If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Serediak by e-mail @ [linda.serediak@ngps.ca](mailto:linda.serediak@ngps.ca). You can also join the 2018 Grad Remind by texting @hhsgrad18 to 587-333-2931.

### Debit Card Only?

Cafeteria Prepaid Tabs are available in the office. Please see Mrs. Grotkowski.



### Allergies

Please be considerate of students in our building. Do not bring the following foods in Hillside:  
Peanuts



## WE Day 2017

Hillside Student Leadership will be travelling to Calgary on October 31st & November 1st to participate in WE Day, an annual conference filled with great speakers and great performers, put on by WE Charity and the Me to We Foundation. For more information about this exciting event visit the website: <https://www.we.org/we-day/we-day-events/alberta/> or Google "WE Day Alberta."

This year, we will be accepting students on a first come-first served basis, based on leadership interest, academic achievement, and behavior and attitude in class. If you know a student who is interested in attending WE Day, they need to talk to Mr. Lawson for more information and to sign up. The deadline for signing up is Friday, October 20th; don't miss out on this amazing opportunity!



## Orange Shirt Day

In honor of Orange Shirt Day, September 30, Hillside chose to support Orange Shirt Day on Friday, September 29. Students and staff were encouraged to wear an Orange Shirt or pin on a paper orange shirt to support the "legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in the spring of 2013. It grew out of *Phyllis' story* of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening

annually. The date was chosen because it is the time of year in which children were taken from their homes to residential schools, and because it is an opportunity to set the stage for anti-racism and anti-bullying policies for the coming school year. It also gives teachers time to plan events that will include children, as we want to ensure that we are passing the story and learning on to the next generations. Orange Shirt Day is also an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come." ([orangeshirtday.com](http://orangeshirtday.com))

Mrs. Boman and her student facilitators hosted two "Blanket Exercises" by KARIOS; one with the grade 9A Language Arts class and the second with a CTS Foods/Fashion class. Elder Rosanne Mustus was included in the days events. She began the day with a smudge, and shared her experiences at Residential School. It was a very powerful, learning exercise for all participants. Students involved as facilitators were Issac Ridsdale, Jonas Goodswimmer, David Cyr, Kerrigain Goodswimmer and Hailey Hamelin.




**Lunch Hour**  
**12:19-12:59**

# Calendar of Events

## OCTOBER 2017

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
				Football @ Whitecourt	PD Day	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	 Happy Thanksgiving Day Thanksgiving Day	Cheermania - Volleyball	School Picture Retakes Cross-Country Zones	Football vs High Prairie @ Hillside	Sr Boys & Girls Volleyball Tournament - EW Pratt High Prairie	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		PTI's 4-7 South Gym Travel Meeting 7pm in the Learning Commons		Football vs GP Comp - @ Hillside	Hillside Cougar Classic	Volleyball Tournament
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Josten Rings			Awards Night		Football Semi Finals - TBD Sr Volleyball Tournament - Fairview Jr Boys & Girls Volleyball Tournament - Peace Wapiti
29	30	31				
		 Happy Halloween Halloween	Sr Volleyball Practices - Monday & Wednesday 5:00 - 7:00pm	Jr Volleyball Practices Tuesday & Thursday 3:30 - 5:00pm	Senior Band Classes are Mondays 3:30-5pm & Wednesdays 7:45-8:30am	

## NOVEMBER 2017

			1	2	3	4
				Calm & First Aid Days		Jr Girls & Boys Volleyball Zones - La Crete
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
 Daylight Savings Time Ends FALL BACK			PD Day	Sr Volleyball - Peace Day In Lieu	Classic Peace River No School	 Remembrance Day
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
						Sr Girls Volleyball Zones - Hillside Sr Boys Volleyball Zones - Grande Cache
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
				PTI's 4-7 South Gym School Council 7pm Learning Commons		Sr Girls Volleyball Provincials - Fairview, AB Sr Boys Volleyball Provincials - Taber, AB
26	27	28	29	30		



## First Nations & Metis Info

"If you see no reason for giving thanks, the fault lies in yourself."

- Native American Proverb

Money for school?? Some information on funding and scholarships:

- Sturgeon Lake Band Members: Grade 12 or post-graduate students need to contact Gloria Goodswimmer at Sturgeon Lake Resources, as soon as possible, 780-524-2520, about post-secondary funding for 2018, even if you are planning to take a year off between high school and post-secondary.

Students on and off reserve can get funding information from Ms. Goodswimmer.

- Foundation for the Advancement of Aboriginal Youth (FAAY) is a national scholarship and bursary program that responds to the critical need to assist Aboriginal high school and post-secondary students. If you are First Nation, Metis or Inuit and in grade 9 to 12 there are bursaries available. Apply on-line at [www.ccab.com/application](http://www.ccab.com/application) process or 1-866-566-3229 before October 15, 2017.
- Alberta Human Services has applications for the Metis

and Non-Status Indian Bursary Program. Deadline for applications is May 31, 2018. See Mrs. Boman for information.

Other information:

- Free online Learning Resource for your child is now available to all Treaty 8 students in Grades 3 to 12 who live on-reserve and attend a Provincial School. For more information and to register contact Justine Supernault at Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta, 1-888-TREATY8 (873-2898).

## Drugs/Alcohol/Mental Health Help Centers

Places for parents and students to get information:

Contact Numbers:

AADAC/Northern Addictions Centre Grande Prairie 538-5210 (free call through RITE Line 310-0000). For Problems with alcohol or drugs. Counseling, groups, detox, treatment programs. Information on support groups such as AA and Alanon.

AADAC Help Line 1-866-332-2322. 24 hours/7 days a week for anyone with concerns about alcohol and drug problems.

MITAA - Valleyview 524-2909

Alcohol and addictions program.

First Nations and Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line; 1-855-242-3310

Mental Health Help Line 1-877-303-2642 or (780)524-7050 for services in town.

Peace Country Sexual Assault Help Line 1-888-37PEACE

Bullying Hot Line 1-888-456-2323

Kids Help Phone 1-800-668-6868

Family Violence Info Line 310-1818

FNMI Hope For Wellness Hotline - 1-855-242-3310  
Toll Free 24/7 access

Fentanyl Information Sheet -

<http://www.health.alberta.ca/documents/>

Fentanyl-Information-Parents-Teachers-2016.pdf

## Quebec City, Montreal, & Ottawa 2018

School has only just started, but if you are already thinking about what to do next summer, perhaps visiting Montreal, Quebec City, and Ottawa with some of your friends sounds like a pretty awesome idea! If it does, then don't miss out! Students from Hillside will be travelling to central Canada to participate in historical re-enactments, tour the only walled city north of Florida, visit some of Canada's premier museums, and eat poutine, maple syrup, and other gourmet delights!

If this sounds like something you would like to do, there will be a final meeting for any students interested in attending this awesome trip on Tuesday, October 17th at 7 PM in the Hillside Learning Commons. It is open to all students currently in grade 9 to 12, so come and find out more about the trip, the costs, the educational and personal benefits that travel provides, and anything else you might want to know. Space is limited and the deadline to sign up is approaching fast!

If you are already signed up to go, congrats! You are going to experience an amazing trip that you will remember for a lifetime! This meeting is also for you! We will be discussing travel documents, packing lists, and luggage restrictions. Make sure you don't miss this vital information.

See you all at 7 PM on October 17th!

Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity! Keep your eyes open for more information, or come and ask Mr. Lawson for details.

**Remind Number: Text: @QM02018 to (226) 271-1126 to join**





# Remind Numbers

Teacher	Class	Class Code	Number
Hillside School		@hhschool	(418)800-7941
Mrs. V. Berry	Math 7A	@mrsbmath7a	(587)316-1040
	Math 7C	@mrsbmath7c	(587)316-1040
	Math 9	@mrsbmath9	(587)316-1040
	High School Band	@mrsbband	(587)316-1040
	Junior High Band	@mrsbjrband	(587)316-1040
Mrs. K. Caron	Math 9	@dga8h9	(418)800-7897
	Math 30-1	@2dc7cg	(418)800-7897
Mrs. M. Caron	ELA 7A	@dbhh9kd	(587)802-0597
	ELA 7B	@ffgc4d	(587)802-0597
Mrs. B. Grotkowski	Sr Volleyball	@srcougars	(587)409-5909
Ms. S. Kirchner	Science 8A	@sci8akirch	(587)316-1097
	Science 8B	@sci8bkirch	(587)316-1097
	Science 7B	@7bkirch	(587)316-1097
Mr. G. Koble	Social 7	@6d7ck3	(587)801-0298
	Social 8	@744ga2	(587)801-0298
	Language Arts 8	@eb6kd6	(587)801-0298
	Language Arts 9	@ac6ck4	(587)801-0298
Mrs. C. LaVallee	Chemistry 20	@chem20hhs	(587)333-0291
	Math 10C	@m10chhs	(587)333-0291
	Math 30-2	@m30-2hhs	(587)333-0291
	Math 9 K&E	@m9hhs	(587)333-0291
Mr. C. Lawson	LA 9B	@lawla9	(226)271-1126
	English 20-1	@laweng201	(226)271-1126
	English 30-2	@laweng302	(226)271-1126
	Social 10-1	@lawss101	(226)271-1126
	Montreal, etc	@qmo2018	(226)271-1126
Mrs. L. Newman	Social Studies 30	@newmanss30	(581)221-0374
	Social Studies 20	@newmanss20	(581)221-0374
Ms. J. Prusko	LA 8A	@hgdkuq1	(450)500-0579
	LA 7C	@ks73qi	(450)500-0579
	SS 7B	@79ubp8n	(450)500-0579
Mrs. L. Serediak	Science 9A	@serediak1	(587)333-2931
	Science 10(morning)	@sci10a-1	(587)333-2931
	Science 10 (afternoon)	@sci10b-1	(587)333-2931
	Grad 2018	@hhsgrad18	(587)333-2931
Mr. D. Slaney	English 10-2	@hseng10	(587)316-1059
	Social 20-2	@hillsocial	(587)316-1059
	English 20-2	@hsend20	(587)316-1059
	LA 9	@hslang9	(587)316-1059
Mrs. K. Staples	Sr Curling	@hhsjrcurl	(450)900-0126
	Jr Curling	@hhssrcurl	(450)900-0126
Mr. M. Staples	English 10-1	@mrmstapl	(647)931-1805
	English 30-1	@mrmstaple	(647)931-1805
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	Math 7B	@mrslstorie	(587)333-7936
	Science 7C	@k8c4bd	(587)333-7936
	Math 8B	@a8h4c	(587)333-7936
	Math 20-1	@74eh9d	(587)333-7936
	Math 20-2	@d286h	(587)333-7936

