

**January 13, 2023** 

# The Raider's Report

The Official Paul Rowe Jr./Sr. High School Newsletter

# **Traditions Return as Paul Rowe Hosts Annual Family Christmas Celebration**



Thank you to all of our students, family members and alumni who braved the -40 weather to attend our showcase & turkey dinner!

When planning for our Annual Christmas Celebration, we were very excited to, once again, be able to invite our students' family members and alumni to an in-person showcase and turkey dinner! This is the first time that we have gathered as a school community on the last day of school before Christmas break since 2019! The extremely cold temperatures preventing the busses from running did not put a damper on our students' enthusiasm and we were happy to see so many individuals in attendance!

In addition to the showcase and dinner, students were treated to a number of fun team-building activities and games hosted by our Students Union, SCOER. Participation in activities also earned them entries into draws for some fabulous prizes!

Thank you to all of the individuals, businesses, and organizations who contributed to our Christmas Celebration in any way, helping to ensure that all of our students had the opportunity to experience some Christmas magic before leaving for break. Our students are very appreciative of this thoughtfulness and generosity.

More photos of the event can be found on pages 4-5;

A complete list of "Thank Yous" can be found on page 9.

### Also in this issue:

- ★ SCOER Fruit Fundraiser Happening Soon
- ★ Class of 2023 Grad Information
- ★ Have Your Say on the 2023-2024 School Calendar

### **Important Dates:**

### January:

- ★ 18 Last day of classes for 30-level courses
- ★ 18 School Council Meeting
- ★ 19 Diploma exams resume for 30-level classes
- ★ 19 Last day of classes for 10 & 20-level courses
- ★ 20 High School Exam Week Begins
- ★ 30 No School for Students
- ★ 30 Report Cards Released
- ★ 31 Semester 2 Begins

### February:

★ 10 No School for Students

### Parents & Guardians:

REMINDER: SEMESTER 1
REPORT CARDS WILL BE
SHARED DIGITALLY ON
MONDAY, JANUARY 30
THROUGH POWERSCHOOL

### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

### HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE DIVISIONAL CALENDAR

Here at the Peace River School Division, we are looking forward to our calendar

planning process as we work to optimize the school year to benefit student success. This is particularly important, due to the past disruptions to learning that our students have experienced in the last three years. We all need to pull together to create a calendar that will ensure our students achieve academic success.

In the new year, members of the Peace River School Division school communities will be invited to review and provide input on the proposed 2023-2024 Divisional School Calendar. If you are a Peace River School Division student, parent, or staff member there will be an opportunity for you to share your input on the calendar.

All input received regarding the proposed 2023-2024 Calendar will be reviewed by the PRSD Calendar Committee. The Committee will consist of principals, a teacher, a School Council member, management, and representatives from neighbouring School Boards, as we are also responsible for bussing students from three other School Divisions.

The Division believes it is important to gather input whenever possible. The school calendar is one of the areas in which input from our families, schools, and communities is extremely valuable to assist us in meeting the needs of our students.

The Board of Trustees will review the calendar and input collected. The proposed 2023-2024 school year calendar will be presented to the Board for their approval at the March 2023 board meeting, so it is important to make your voice heard.

Early in the new year, the Division will provide information on how you can share your thoughts on the proposed school calendar.

Thank you in advance for your input.





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- Follow them on Facebook;
- Visit <u>www.prsd.ab.ca</u> regularly;
- Visit our school website and scroll down to "Divisional News"



### **PARENTS & GUARDIANS OF PAUL ROWE STUDENTS**

We are better together!

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Wed. January 18 at 7 PM in the School Library Learning Commons



SAVE THE DATE! CLASS OF 2023 GRADUATION

Sat. June 24 at 1 PM at the Jack McAvoy Arena

# **GRADE 10-12 JANUARY FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE Final Exam Week Begins Thursday, January 19 at 9 AM**

To view exam schedules visit <a href="https://www.paulrowehigh.ca/documents#category/16546">https://www.paulrowehigh.ca/documents#category/16546</a>

### STUDENTS' UNION FRESH FRUIT FUNDRAISER BEGINS SOON!



Our Students' Union is planning to bring back a spring "fruit sales" fundraiser offering:

Apples: McIntosh, Gala, Ambrosia, Honey Crisp

Citrus: Navel Oranges, Red Grapefruit,

California Mandarins

Pears: Anjou Pears

Sales will begin soon and end mid-February with delivery scheduled before Easter/Spring break.



### **DECEMBER SCHOOL EVENTS**

### **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**







To start the morning, students met in their homerooms where they worked together to solve a Christmas-themed breakout room. They then moved to the gym where a Kahoot tested their Christmas trivia. They wrapped up morning activities with a timed gingerbread house building competition.













Our Christmas Showcase featured acting, singing, dancing and even a visit from The Grinch! Groups may have lost some practice time due to bus cancellations but they still had a lot of fun!

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Following the showcase, students, their families and alumni gathered together for a traditional turkey dinner prepared by School Council volunteers! It was delicious and enjoyed by all!







Many students participated in every one of the nine afternoon activities offered, completing their Christmas Bingo cards and earning extra entries into the prize draws!







The photo booth was a popular attraction!

### **ATHLETICS**

### **PEP RALLY**





We celebrated our Fall sports season athletes with a pep rally! Teams were recognized for their accomplishments in cross country running, golf, and volleyball. Congratulations on a great season Raiders!

### **BASKETBALL**





Basketball season is off to a great start! We are excited to have both junior high and senior high girls teams this year, in addition to our senior boys team! Go Raiders!

### **ARCHERY**

Archery has begun!

Practices are Wednesdays after school and are open to all Paul Rowe students!



## THANK YOU TO OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

THEY DECKED THE HALLS!





Our fabulous SCOER students decorated the school!

Classes competed in a door decorating challenge! Congratulations to Mrs. Schmidt's grade 11 class for winning the contest!







THEY SPREAD CHRISTMAS CHEER!



The most fabulous elves delivered hot chocolate to all students and staff on a very cold "weather day"!



The hearts of staff were warmed by the thoughftulness of our school community! Continued next page...

### THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY!

### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**







Thank you so much to Manning Forest Products for the donation of \$5000 to our community Food for Thought program. This program ensures that every student at each school in Manning has a chance to start their day with a healthy breakfast.

A huge thank you also goes out to our December Food for Thought volunteers: Richardson (Will & Brianne) and Stat Energy Services (Dion, Bryan, Keith & Kristin).

### **CANDYCANE CHECKSTOP**







Thank you to the Manning RCMP for partnering with our Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) chapter to remind the community not to drink and drive.



Our staff would like to thank everyone who delivered special treats to the school during December: Aurora Theatre (Brandi & Ian), Bailey Family, Collins Family, Hawkview Ag, Henituk Family, Johnson Family, Karpiak Family, Manning Early Learning & Child Care Cenre - The Learning Tree, Manning Elementary School Staff, Pawluski Family, Peace River School Division Board of Trustees & Central Office Team, Rosary School Staff. Your thoughtfulness is truly appreciated!

### THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY!

Thank you to the following individuals, groups, and businesses that had a hand in making Christmas at Paul Rowe a special day for our students:

To our door prize sponsors:
Craig's Carpentry
JL Financial
Stat Energy Services
Dartan Wood Products
West Fraser-Manning Division
Talk of the Town
B & E Plumbing
True North Electric
Home Hardware
Raiders Gear Store
The Source
Manning IDA
Manning Family Worship Centre
Amicis Gardens

Manning Veterinary Clinic
Thank you for contributing donations for our afternoon activities.

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Thank you to Attack Oilfield Services for the hot chocolate and apple cider and Wolf Huntin Adventures for the candy canes for the afternoon activities

For our Christmas Lunch..

Thank you to the Paul Rowe School Council Foundation and Freson

Brothers for their donations towards the food

Thank you to the following volunteers for your help:
Lacey Buchinski, Chris Graw, The Paul Rowe Citizenship group, Maria
Weibe, Tamara Czaban, Deb Perrier, Sharmon and Taryl Pierson

Thank you to Matt Taylor, Terra Goodzeck and Bert Goddard for organizing the lunch overall.

Thank you to Sayler Schmidt and her SCOER team for organizing the morning and afternoon activities for students

Thank you to our student leaders in the showcase: Macy, Rachel, Shaye, Liam, Sam and Miranda and thank you to Yvonne Lambert for your piano accompaniment

Thank you Vikki Presakarchuk and Sayler Schmidt for organizing the Christmas showcase and to all of our wonderful performers!



# PAUL ROWE JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL JANUARY 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
80	9 School Resumes	10 Hot Lunch: Maylene's	11	12 English 30-1/2 Diploma Exam Part A Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM	13 SCOER Hat Day Fundraiser	14
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