

agenda

Principal Update

Tuesday May 14, 2023
6:30PM

- **Thank you**

- This is our last Council meeting of the school year, and I want to take a moment to express my appreciation to those parents and guardians who have served on Council for a number of years, but will be moving on as their children graduate. You are appreciated. Thank you for all you have done to support our school community. I look forward to continuing to work alongside those members who will be returning next year, and meeting new families.

- **Communication**

- This past year we have made a concerted effort to communicate regularly with our families. A weekly message goes out on a Friday. We recognise that these messages are often lengthy, and we are always open to feedback. This month we have inserted a number of links to further details on our website. We hope this will reduce the amount of scrolling and point families in the right direction should they require further details.

- **Registration processes**

- Our current registration is in the mid to high 1400s and we continue to be a closed campus. While we engaged in feeder school tours and held an Open House in January, we will also be providing an opportunity early June for newcomers into our designated area to meet with school staff and learn about our community. School counsellors will be visiting all feeder schools again in June- as we seek to create classes that support student learning and success.

- **Staffing**

- We are looking forward to some stability in staffing for the upcoming school year, although as is usual and healthy within the profession, some staff may move on to other opportunities. As we step into the new school year, we will keep families informed of any changes.

- **School Development Plan**

- We will continue to focus on school connectedness and belonging, believing that when young people, indeed communities feel connected they will be more successful in their learning. A preliminary look at some of our data is very encouraging. We look forward to sharing all of our data in the fall.

- **Spring Celebrations and Athletics**
 - Spamalot was a huge success, and we received emails from the community speaking to the quality of the show.
 - We continue to be thankful for the many staff members who give their time to coaching, as well as community volunteers. Many of our teams are excelling in their divisions. Track and field and badminton continue to draw students together.
- **Graduates**
 - During this month, we have supported a number of different events to celebrate and support our graduates. Some of these events have been organised by our Grad Committee – a group made up of students and staff. We have supported Spirit Week and lunch time mocktails, as well as cared for more thoughtful conversations related to safe grad and consent.
- **Graduation**
 - As we look forward to graduation next week, we are excited to celebrate with all grade 12 students and their families at the Jack Simpson Gymnasium, University of Calgary. The evening reception is being held at the BMO Centre and we look forward to continuing the celebrations with more than 650 people.
 - Following our pattern from last year, at the beginning of June, we will send out a survey to our current Grade 11 families requesting their feedback with regards to possible meal options for next year.

