



SOUTHWOOD SCHOOL

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Principal: Mr. Rod Kehler

Vice-Principal: Ms. Chantal Johnson

September



A very special welcome to all of our returning students and a very, very special welcome to all of our new students. Staff have been working hard in preparation for the upcoming school year.

Name: _____

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Art
Backpack
Classroom
Crayons
Desk
Fall
Friends

Glue
Language Arts
Notebook
Paper
Pencil
Principal
Reading

Recess
Schedule
School
Science
Scissors
Social Studies
Teacher

DATES TO REMEMBER

September

- 5 First Day of Classes
- 5-10 K Staggered Entry Days
- 14 Strong Connections
- 17 Strong Connections
- 27 Terry Fox Run



October

- 2 Photo Days
- 3 Photo Days
- 8 Thanksgiving Day - NO SCHOOL
- 10 iWalk #1
- 19 Admin. Day - NO SCHOOL
- 24 iWalk #2

- ◆ International Walk to School month iWalk
- ◆ Bus Safety Week in

The Community Bulletin Board is located in the office foyer.

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2018 - 2019 Southwood Staff

Teaching Staff

Mrs. C. Boschman - K1CB
 Mrs. K. Friesen - K2KF
 Ms. J. Gowen - K3JG & K4JG
 Mrs. H. Vogt - K5HV
 Mrs. S. Gudmundson - 1G
 Mrs. M. Miller - 1M
 Mrs. C. McKay - 1CM
 Ms. M. Smyth - 1SM
 Mrs. S. Steinhilber - 1ST
 Mrs. L. Cox - 2C
 Mrs. C. Friesen - 2F
 Mrs. J. Koop - 2J
 Mrs. S. Kauenhofen - 2K
 Ms. S. Raine - 2R
 Ms. J. Hiebert - 3H
 Ms. K. Peterson - 3P
 Mrs. H. Janke - 3/4J
 Mrs. T. Bairos - 3/4T
 Ms. B. Bell - 4B
 Mrs. C. Healey - 4H
 Ms. A. Loewen - 4L
 Ms. M. Neufeld - 4N



Mr. R. Kehler - Principal
 Ms. C. Johnson - Vice-Principal
 Mrs. N. Billiald - Support Teacher
 Mr. J. Hurton - Support Teacher
 Mrs. C. Martens - Support Teacher
 Mrs. C. Baudry - Guidance

Mrs. K. Friesen - Guidance/K-Music/K-Gym
 Mrs. D. Neufeldt - Literacy Support - AM
 Mrs. C. Chernos - Phys. Ed.
 Mrs. K. Brown - Music

Support Staff:

Mrs. M. Davis - Administrative Assistant
 Mrs. S. James - Administrative Assistant
 Mrs. K. Koop - Librarian

Mrs. K. Bergen - EA
 Ms. J. Carriere - EA
 Ms. K. Enns - EA
 Mrs. A. Friesen - EA
 Mrs. H. Hildebrand - EA
 Ms. K. Hoffman - EA
 Ms. A. Johnston - EA
 Ms. N. Kehler - EA
 Miss E. Nickel - EA
 Ms. S. Osiowy - EA
 Ms. L. Schoenrock - EA
 Ms. J. Schroeder - EA
 Mrs. S. Stampe-Sobering - EA
 Ms. J. Martel - EA



Mr. R. Sobering - Custodian
 Mrs. B. Wiebe - Evening Custodian
 Mrs. A. MacDonald - Evening Custodian

SCHOOL HOURS for 2018/2019

School doors are open as of 8:50 a.m. and students are welcome to come into the school at that time.

As children arrive at school they will be expected to stay outdoors until 8:50 a.m. **Supervision is available for early bus students and on the school yard starting at 8:30 a.m. and crossing guards for students start at 8:35 a.m.**

They will not need to come into the school or classroom to put away their school bags - they can keep their bags on their backs, hang it on the fence, or place it on the ground near their door.

Pick Up and Drop Off

When you are picking up or dropping off your child at the end of the day it would be best to arrange a pickup/drop off that is outside and near an entrance to the school. You may also wait in the lobby by the office to wait for your student at 3:45 p.m.

9:00 - 9:05	Religious Exercises for students whose parents have given permission
9:08 a.m.	Announcements & O Canada Start of Morning Classes
11:05 - 11:30 a.m.	Gr. 1-4 Morning Activity Break K Morning Nutrition Break
11:30 - 11:55 a.m.	Gr. 1-4 Morning Nutrition Break K Morning Activity Break
1:10 - 1:35 p.m.	Gr. 1-4 Afternoon Activity Break K Afternoon Nutrition Break
1:35 - 2:00 p.m.	Gr. 1-4 Afternoon Nutrition Break K Afternoon Activity Break
3:30-3:45 p.m.	Homeroom
3:45	Dismissal

School Routines

Remember to “sign in”

When you enter the school you will see a sign that welcomes you to Southwood School! This sign reminds all visitors to report directly to the office and that parents need to stop at the office. The secretaries will provide the necessary assistance.



All visitors, including parents, must sign in at the office. This allows the school to be aware of all adults in our building for safety and educational purposes.

Identification labels will be provided to all volunteers, substitute teachers, substitute educational assistants and Hanover School Division personnel that work in our school. These are to be picked up in the office when signing in.

If a friend or relative is picking up a child from school the parent/guardian needs to notify the school or classroom teacher by 3:30 p.m. the same day. If the friend or relative will be regularly picking up your student please have them added to the parent/guardian approved pick up list at the office.

Parking near and around our school:

- Obey the “**loading zone only**” areas of our streets that are marked out by yellow paint on the curbs. Parking is available behind the cross walk on 3rd street and past Barkman Ave. It is best to park on 3rd and 2nd streets, or further down Barkman Avenue. Please do not drop off your student in the middle of the intersections or by the stop signs for the safety of all of our students at Southwood school.
- **Please DO NOT park, pick up or drop off your students in the bus lane or in the staff parking lot.** Double parking on Barkman Ave. or on 3rd Street poses a serious risk for everyone.
- There are many students that are walking along these sidewalks and streets at the end of the day. We appreciate the extra care parents are taking as they drive their children to and from school and watching out for other students. It is important for you to establish a routine with your child to be picked up either along 3rd Street or at the front of the school on Barkman Ave. as you are waiting in the car for your child. This should allow for the traffic to flow quickly and safely at pick up and dismissal time.

Leaving Messages

Keep this in mind when you are leaving a message for your child...

- **Call or email the school as early as possible to leave a message by 3:30 p.m. Any messages after this time are not guaranteed to make it to the student as it is extremely busy in the office.**
- Keep the message simple.
- As much as possible, please make arrangements for your child the day before and send an email to the home room teacher and copy the office on it. All email addresses for staff can be found on the Southwood School website under staff.

Custodial arrangements:

If you have a situation where parenting arrangements are unique and specific you need to inform the office and classroom teacher about these arrangements. Schools are required to follow legal documents that describe Custodial arrangements.

For Religious Exercises and Religious Instruction please refer to our Southwood school website:

<https://southwood.hsd.ca/parents/religious-exercises-and-instruction/>

TERRY FOX RUN - Sept. 27



Support our Terry Fox Run Day on Thursday, September 27th with your donation.

More details about the run as well as pledge forms will be sent home with the youngest and only in the family very soon. Be sure to check your child's backpack for this information or have a look on our website.

Check out the website www.terryfoxrun.org/

PLEDGE SHEETS
WILL BE COMING HOME SHORTLY.

Absent

Please call the school by 9:00 am if your child is going to be absent. You may contact us in the following ways:



- Email: southwood@hsd.ca
- Phone: 204-326-3518
- Parent Portal - under attendance

If we have not heard from the parent/guardian of an absent student, we will be calling the home and, if needed, work places to make sure the student is safe.

Nutrition Breaks

Lunches that need to be given to students during the school hour should be dropped off at the office. Please label your student's lunch with their name and homeroom number. The office will make sure they get their lunch by lunchtime.

Cutlery - The school does not provide cutlery to students for lunch-time use. Please send necessary utensils with your child's lunch.

Student Accident Insurance

MAST (The Manitoba Association of School Trustees) endorsed the Reliable Life plan which has been designed to provide maximum benefits where experience shows claims are made. For more in information please go to:

www.studentaccidentinsurance.ca/schools

Milk Sales

Chocolate and White milk will be available starting September 10th. Your child will be able to purchase milk at the canteen in the foyer Monday to Friday at the morning nutrition break at 11:30a.m.



Cost: \$1.00 per milk

Photo Days

PHOTO DAYS will be held on October 2nd & 3rd.

Details will be sent home in the near future on which day your child's class will be scheduled.



Southwood School a “Nut Aware School”

We are a ‘Nut Aware’ school



At Southwood School we are committed to providing a safe environment that is inclusive for all children. In common with most other schools, we have a number of children with nut allergies. The purpose of this page is to give families the information they need to support us in providing a safe and inclusive school.

Why ‘Nut Aware’? Southwood School is ‘Nut Aware’. We do not describe the school as being ‘Nut Free’ because we can’t guarantee that students or adults have not brought nuts, or traces of nuts, into the building.

What is Anaphylaxis? Anaphylaxis is a serious allergic reaction that can be life threatening. Approximately 1-2% of Canadians live with the risk of an anaphylactic reaction. Food allergies are the most common cause of anaphylaxis. The most common food allergens are peanuts, tree nuts, seafood, egg and milk products. Anaphylaxis can affect multiple body systems. This can range from skin inflammation to anaphylactic shock, which is an explosive over-reaction of the body’s immune system. This can be characterized by swelling, difficulty breathing, abdominal cramps, circulatory collapse, coma and, ultimately, death.

Source: Anaphylaxis Canada

Southwood School staff receive training and information related to many life threatening conditions common in our community. These conditions include anaphylaxis, seizure disorders, and diabetes. Students with life threatening conditions have URIS (health care) plans outlining their condition and the safety procedures required of school staff members in the event of an emergency. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school.

Hanover School Division Parent Portal

Stay Connected and Informed! The HSD Parent Portal is a communications tool designed to enhance and increase parent/guardian involvement in the education of their children. The portal provides parents/guardians with secure online access to our Student Information System.

With a single username and password, parents/guardians can access the following information for each of their children attending an HSD school:

- Student Information (can update current address & phone numbers)
- Attendance Information (can advise the office of any absences for the day)
- School Fees Account (can be paid online)
- Permissions & Consent Forms (can give consent for learning trips for the school year)
- Report Cards (access to previous and current report cards)
- School Information
- Grad/Credit Summary
- Change of Contact Form

Southwood School encourages you to set up your account today as we will be using this feature regularly as a communication tool along with email. Please ensure you have an email address on file and that it is current. If you have any questions regarding set up please contact Mrs. Davis or Mrs. James in the office at 204-326-3518.

Strong Connections - September 14 & 17

Strong Connections is an assessment and relationship building program designed to enhance the beginning-of-the-year connection, assessment and familiarity of each student.

These activities are not tests. It is a day to help us get to know our students from a variety of perspectives. The format for *Strong Connections* also provides an opportunity for teachers to extend and consolidate their understanding of each child through one-on-one interview/assessment times, and hopefully, help build a strong foundation for a positive relationship between the child and the teacher.

Approximately 240 out of Southwood's 480 students **will attend school only one of these two days.**

Please understand that your family will NOT be at school either Friday or Monday.

Parents can view your student's Strong Connection date on the Parent Portal or email the teacher; if you have more than one child, all of your children will attend on the same day.



Magazine Fundraiser

Our magazine fundraiser process will be the same as last year for 2018-2019. Parents will be able to purchase magazine subscriptions on a website at anytime throughout the school year.



We will not be sending packages home for the students. Details will be available on our Southwood School website.

We thank you for your support in this fundraising effort.

Right at School Program

Right at School is an after school program new to Hanover School Division. The program will start on the first day of school Wednesday, September 5th for those parents that have registered their child.

We offer:

- homework support
- disguised learning
- daily fitness
- nurturing educators
- community family
- flexible scheduling

For more information visit
www.rightatschool.com



Southwood

2018-2019 Hanover Parent and Child Community Program

Attention: Southwood Parents

Southwood School and The Hanover Parent and Child Community Program would like to invite you to bring your preschool children to attend a weekly parent and child program. Come with your children to have fun, learn, play, create and sing. This program is free and provides snack. No registration is needed, just drop in when you can.

Children enjoy playing with and learning from other children. It is important for children to be exposed to playing with other children so they learn how to share, participate in cooperative play and express themselves. Children will have the opportunity to play with a variety of toys, sing, complete crafts and learn new games. This program is being provided for preschool children to promote the development of school readiness skills.

Come join Miss Lil:

When: Wednesday afternoons from 1:15 - 3:15

This program runs Wednesdays starting September 19, 2018 and ending June 5, 2019.

(Families can attend weekly or just drop in when you can.)

Where: Room C 2 at Southwood School

*** We will follow the same schedule as the division school calendar in regards to school closure days.**

Can't wait to see you!

