

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

March 2025

UPCOMING
EVENTS

Greetings Marauder Families,

As we head into March, it is nice to see the snow melting and the days getting longer. The students and staff are busy settling into semester two and enjoying everything a vibrant and eventful school has to offer. With our winter extracurricular activities winding down, we can once again boast that our athletic programs are exceptional. With many city championships already won, we are heading into provincial play downs with championship hopes in basketball, curling, and wrestling. Our fine arts programs are also leading the charge with our bands hitting the road to represent Walter Murray later this month. The drama department's one act plays are also up and rehearsing in March, and we will soon be looking forward to an entertaining evening of theatre. Backed by a dedicated staff, our talented students always represent themselves, and their school, with great pride and make us all proud to be Marauders.

A few quick reminders—this Friday, March 7th will be our first Parent Teacher Interview afternoon of the semester. The online scheduler is open for parents to book in Edsby until Thursday, March 6 at 4:00 p.m., and we encourage caregivers to do so. Our first complete Edsby update of the semester will be available March 31st for students and families to access. Please continue to check Edsby regularly for student attendance and progress as keeping the lines of communication open with our families is imperative to the overall success of our students. As always, if you have any questions or require information on your student(s) progress, our teachers are more than willing to connect with you.

Our next School Community Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 11th at 7 p.m. The SCC is an excellent way to get involved, meet other families, and learn more about our outstanding Collegiate.

Proud to be your principal,

Dave Fisher

SPRING AND CLOTHING

With the end of toques and mitts in sight, please have your student check the lost and found for lost items. With the warm weather, please remind your students to wear school appropriate clothes. Your help is appreciated.

Book your PTI through Edsby. Please see the letter and instructions emailed to parents/guardians. Interviews will take place on Fri, Mar 7 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Students will be dismissed at 12:10.

Mar. 4	Murray Mania Dance Competition 7:00 \$5 admission
Mar. 7	Parent-Teacher Conferences 12:10 p.m. dismissal
Mar. 10	Driver Education Noon Class Begins
Mar. 11	SCC 7:00 p.m. library
Mar. 13	Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.
Mar. 25-26	Gr. 9 Band Trip (Regina)
Mar. 27	Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.
Apr. 11	Multicultural Festival (a.m.)
Apr 13-15	Gr. 10 Band Trip (Edmonton)
Apr. 17	Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.
Apr. 18	Good Friday (no School)
Apr 21-25	Spring Break (no school)
Apr. 30	Deadline to Order 24-25 Yearbook
May 2	Parent-Teacher Interviews Dismissal 12:10
May 2	SCC Meeting 7:00 p.m. in library
May 8	Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.
May 19	Victoria Day (no school)
May 22	Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.
May 27	Band Concert 7:00 p.m.

June dates will appear in the April 2025 Newsletter.

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Our student-athletes have been making us proud, bringing home tournament wins, silver and bronze medals, and most importantly, showcasing their dedication and teamwork.

We want to give a special shoutout to our **City Champion teams** for their outstanding performances:

- 🏆 **Green Girls' Basketball** – Coach Dixon
- 🏆 **Blue Boys' Premiere Basketball** – Coach Hawley
- 🏆 **Jr. Girls' Wrestling** – Coach Barry
- 🏆 **Boys' Duals Wrestling** – Coach Barry
- 🏆 **Boys' A Curling** – Coach Britton

These achievements don't happen without the tireless dedication of our coaches, who work incredibly hard to support and develop our student-athletes both on and off the court. Their **volunteer** commitment is invaluable, and we are grateful for everything they do.

Congratulations to all teams and coaches! Mr. Taylor Johnson

Senior Badminton is now in motion and the Marauders are looking for a 3rd city championship in a row. An accomplishment that hasn't been done in 20 years in Saskatoon. We are led by a great group of returning Grade 12s who are hoping to end their Grade 12 year off with some more hardware and a couple more names to the provincial banner. Wish us luck as we embark on a new 2025 season.

Mr. Brandon Dowie

Congratulations to the Blue Boys' Basketball Team for winning Cities this season! It was a committed group of coachable athletes that showed tremendous growth over the course of the season. Marauder basketball is excelling!

Ms. Harbidge

Congratulations to our Marauder wrestlers who competed at the City Championships last week. Our boys team finished third in the city in the 5A division, and the Girls team finished second. We have 16 athletes who have qualified for the provincial championships this weekend in Regina!

Shout out to the individual medalists:

Bronze Medalists: Ryleigh G., Taya F., Elaine K., Rennata B.G., Saulomon S.P., and Dylan D.

Silver Medalists: Jill R., Meghan H., Mylo B., Wynn G., and Liam P.

Gold Medalists: Meagan S., Zechariah T., and Jonah S. Good job to everyone who competed, and good luck to everyone heading to Provincial Championships this weekend at the University of Regina!



For the first time in over a decade, a Green Girls' Basketball team at Walter Murray has claimed the City Championship title! A huge congratulations to our athletes on their undefeated season and beating BJM in their home gym 37-52 on February 7. After being down in the first quarter their effort and determination helped them bring home a well-deserved victory! If you see these athletes around the school ensure you tell them congratulations. Well done ladies! Ms. Dixon



Keep up to date with Edsby WMC Class of '25 for updates on graduation timelines.

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The deadline to order your 2024-2025 yearbook is fast approaching! Be sure to have your yearbook ordered and paid for so you can enjoy this year's amazing book! Our yearbook club has been working hard at capturing all the Murray Moments to make for a memorable book this year.



Get hyped for the first dance at Walter Murray in seven (7) years! On **Thursday, March 27th**, get your dancing shoes on and show everyone your moves! With a dance DJ'd by Nite Owl, it's sure to be a great time.

If you're not the dancing type but still want to hang out with friends, our auditorium will be filled with games, activities, and a photo booth to still have lots of fun!

Make sure you listen to announcements and watch for posters to see when you can buy your tickets.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM STUDENT COUNSELLORS IS STORED HERE, INCLUDING, HOMEWORK HELP ON MONDAYS FROM 3:30 TO 5:00 IN ROOM 223.



WMC Counsellor's Corner

On February 26 Walter Murray students and staff wore pink clothing to bring awareness and to celebrate Pink Shirt day.



Staff Appreciation Week

On behalf of the staff, chocolate boxes, crackers and dips were enjoyed by all! Thank you!



Semester 1:

September – Elaine K.

October – Henry R.

November – Medha S., Shreya S., Arthi N.

December – Jiya B.

January – Mai T.

Semester 2:

February – Kate H., Tatsawi D., Shade A.

Marvelous Marauders
of the Month

Bullying is a major problem in our schools, workplaces, homes, and over the internet. We have a Restorative Action Worker, Ms. Candice Giles, who helps deal with issues such as these. She can be found in Room 200, next door to the Culture Room.

Check
it out!

WMC Class of '25

*Walter Murray Graduation
Monday, June 23 @ 2:00 p.m.
Merlis Belsher, 2010 College Drive
Guests of graduates - No tickets required and no assigned seating*

Student Fees

Payment for school fees can be made at the office using cash, cheque (payable to Walter Murray), debit or online using School Cash Online (spsd.schoolcashionline.com).

NOTE:

All fees must be paid in full before . . .

- ⇒ Grade 12 students can participate in the graduation ceremony on Monday, June 23, 2025.
- ⇒ Students must pay all fees and yearbook fee before purchasing a yearbook. Deadline to purchase yearbooks is Wednesday, April 30, 2025.
- ⇒ Grade 9, 10, 11 & 12 students please pay fees by Friday, June 6, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 306-683-7850.

Thank you to all families who have already paid their fees!



**Grade 11 Unique Programs Open House
Wednesday, March 5 | 7:00 p.m. | Evan Hardy Collegiate**