

AUGUST 2023

NEWSLETTER

PRAIRIE CENTRAL

Adventist Academy



WELCOME BACK!

We hope you are having an enjoyable Summer Holiday. Welcome to our new students and their families. We are anticipating an exciting new school year. With Jesus Christ at the helm of our school, we are hopeful for another great year.

2023/2024 INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Kindergarten—Mrs. Peart

Grades 1-2—Mrs. Brooks & Mrs. Tagarao

Grades 3-4—Mrs. Lee & Mrs. Chavez

Grades 5-6—Mrs. Mitchell & Mr. Jereos

Grades 7-8—Mr. Waite

Grades 9-12—Mr. Ola, Mrs. Young,
Ms. Mutya, Mr. Acosta & Pr. Young

COMMUNICATION & INVOLVMENT

While we will periodically send notes and letters home, our primary communication mode with you will be on the phone via **ONECALLNOW.**

Ways Parents can participate @ PCAA:

Attending school functions
Dropping-in to read with students
Sponsoring/running a school club
Joining the Home & School Association

Faculty/Staff Return: **September 5th-6th** Students Return: **September 7th**

Doors Open: **8:35 am** Dismissal: **(K-6): 3:15 pm & (7-12): 3:20 pm**

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SCHOOL POLICIES TO NOTE

- Punctuality is an important life skill that students should learn. Please ensure your children arrive on time for school to gain the most from their teachers and learning experience.
- Please refer to the school handbook on attire, nail polish, makeup, and jewelry, to ensure attention to modesty and safety.
- All students, Kindergarten – Gr. 12, are to come prepared with their required school supplies (please see attached list).
- All students are required to have an indoor and outdoor pair of shoes. These are to be non-marking/non-scuffing.
- PCAA is a nut-free facility. To ensure the safety of our students, peanuts and nut products are not allowed as part of snacks or lunches.



SCHOOL BUS

Our school buses are at maximum capacity. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate requests for school bus space at this time.

Mr. Nico will be the bus driver for Route #1. Ms. Laurie will not be driving for PCAA this year. Route #2 will be driven by a private contractor.

We will inform you who the driver will be and your pick-up and drop-off times.



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HOW TO PREPARE FOR KINDERGARTEN

- Introduce an earlier bedtime weeks before school starts.
- Practice getting ready for school.
- Talk with your child about how they will get to and from school.
- Provide your child with a healthy breakfast and a nutritious lunch.
- Choose clothing for your Kindergartener that is "easy on, easy off". Choose pants with elastic waistbands, not zippers and snaps, or overalls, for example, and no belts. Boots must be large enough so the child can put them on independently.
- Allow time for relaxation & playing at home.
- Read to your child daily. Reading increases vocabulary. Read everything and everything from books to the cereal box!

PARKING AREAS

The school parking lot is designed to accommodate 12-15 parked vehicles. With increasing enrolment, parking is likely to be a challenge. To ensure the safety of our students parking is assigned as follows:

Parking Area A: Main Lot (West Side)
Parents with students from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 1.

Parking Area B: Main Lot (North Side)
Parents with students from Grades 2 to 4.

Parking Area C: East side on (McCalman Avenue) Parents with students from Grades 5 to 8.

Parking Area D: East side on (McCalman Ave behind Holy Cross Church) Parents with students from Grades 9-10.

Parents with multiple children can park in the area designated for their youngest child. To ensure organization, it is important to establish a routine with your child/children as you pickup and drop them off.

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HOW DOES OUR GARDEN GROW?

Kindergarten - Grade 12 students participated in the school's gardening project a few weeks before leaving for the summer holidays.

Each grade group was assigned a garden plot and chose various herbs and vegetables to plant.

Our gardens offer students many learning opportunities - from science, to math, to art. In addition, students have the ability to go outdoors and experience hands-on learning.

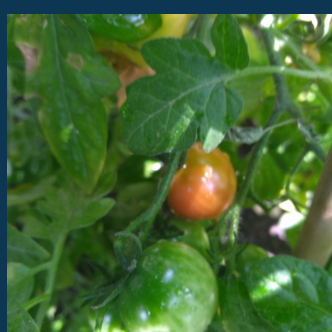
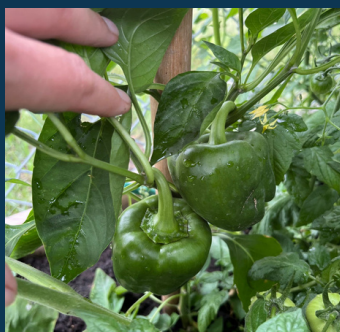
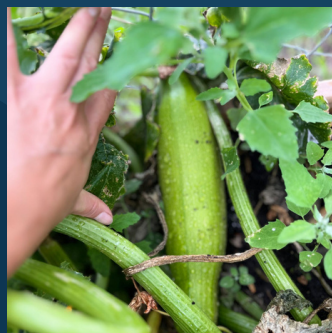
Featured below are photographs of our gardens. Students, you should be very proud of your gardening efforts!



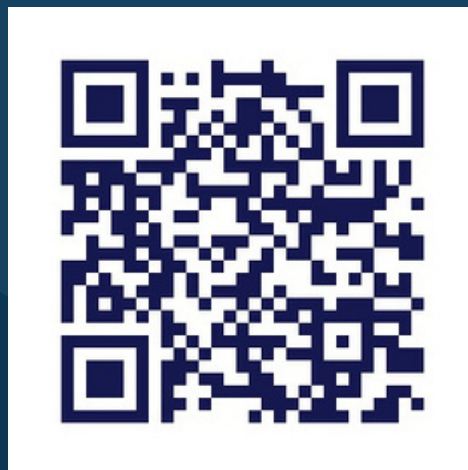
YEARBOOK

The compilation of the 2022-2023 Yearbook was a success. We can't wait until our yearbooks arrive.

If you did not yet order a yearbook, you may place an order in when school resumes. We are expecting a few extra's to arrive in September!



SCAN FOR MORE UPDATES OR INQUIRIES



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NEW! Music Lessons at Prairie Central Adventist Academy

Prairie Central Adventist Academy is excited to announce that we are partnering with the Academy of Music and will be offering private music lessons on the piano, guitar & ukulele during the day as well as an afterschool group Guitar Club and a group Keyboard Club that will start in October!

The private lesson tuition is \$25 per 30-minute lesson payable \$100 per month via credit card or E-Transfer. Students will be required to have an instrument at home to practice on to take the private lessons. The Academy of Music can assist parents with recommendations for a suitable instrument if you do not currently own one.

The afterschool group Guitar Club and Keyboard Club are 45-minute classes and the tuition is \$50 per month. Instruments will be provided to the students for the class and the students are **not** required to own an instrument at home.

To register, please complete the online form here
<https://www.academymusic.ca/register-now/>

For more information, please contact the Academy of Music at 204-786-1704 or email academymusic@shaw.ca