

JUNE 2025

THE MILLGROVE MINUTE

The official newsletter of Millgrove School



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Mrs. Cameron

Dear Millgrove Families,

I cannot believe that June has arrived and this is the final edition of our Millgrove Minute newsletter for the 2024-2025 school year! I truly feel grateful and honoured to serve as the principal of Millgrove School; this is a very special school community and I look forward to our continued work together.

This final push to the end of the year continues to be an exciting time for learning as progress continues, and there is much to celebrate with respect to growth from the whole school year!

HIGHLIGHTS THIS MONTH

-
- **Pet Parade/Carnival**
 - **Literacy - Summer Reading**
 - **School Council & Foundation**
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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

May saw many wonderful opportunities for students at Millgrove School once again. From field trips to defended National Archery titles and new relationships with Elder Kokum Linda, just to name a few, we are proud that our students can learn and have great experiences across so many settings.

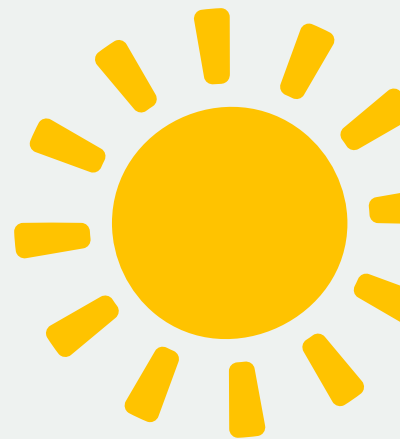
This is a very busy time of year. Thank you for your attention to all communication from your child(ren)'s teachers and the office. There are field trips and permission forms, class events, special traditions, school supplies available to order, notes home for free lunch on the last day of school, and the list goes on. If at any time you have questions at all, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child(ren)'s teachers or the main office. We look forward to celebrating our students, their learning, and the time we've had together this year.

As an educator and parent myself, I have always believed that a child's education is a shared journey between home and school. Special thanks to all parents and guardians for your incredible support this school year. As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, we are only a phone call or email away.

Sincerely,

Lesley Cameron, Principal
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**ENJOY THE
SUMMER**



June

Calendar of Events

Jun 2	School Lunch Hero Day
Jun 5	Jump Rope Jump Day
Jun 5	Grade 4 Birdhouse Building on Tarmac 9-12 pm
Jun 6	PSD Try-Me -Try-Athlon
Jun 6	Pre-paid Hot Lunch - Pizza 73
Jun 9 & 10	Bike Safety Presentations 9-11:30 am
Jun 9	Grade 2 UofA Gardens Field Trip
Jun 10	Grade 4 Tie Dye on Tarmac
Jun 10	School Council & Foundation Meeting 6:30 pm
Jun 11	Grade 1 Prairie Gardens 9-2:30 pm
Jun 13	Book Hero Day
Jun 13	Pre-paid Hot Lunch - Jack's Drive-In
Jun 16	Grade 2A/2AN/2H/2HE Aerials Field Trip 12:30 pm
Jun 17	Grade 2G Aerials Field Trip 12:30-1:30 pm
Jun 18	Kindergarten Field Trip Muttart Conservatory 9:15-12:15 pm
Jun 18	Pre-paid Booster Juice
Jun 19	Grade 4 Fort Edmonton Field Trip
Jun 19	Kindergarten Field Trip Muttart Conservatory 9:15 am - 12:15 pm
Jun 20	Pre-paid Hot Lunch - KFC
Jun 24	Grade 4 Jubilee Park 10-2:30 pm
Jun 24	Kindergarten Celebration Tues/Thur Class 10:30-11:30 am
Jun 25	Kindergarten Celebration Mon/Wed Class 10:30-11:30 am
Jun 26	Pet Parade/Carnival Last Day!
Jun 26	Report Cards Available on the Parent Portal



**Stronger Together
June Newsletter**

June is Men's Mental Health Month! Click on
the [Stronger Together Newsletter](#) here!

**23rd
Annual!**



PET PARADE & CARNIVAL LAST DAY OF SCHOOL JUNE 26, 2025



Pet Parade

We kick off the day with a Pet Parade from **9:15-10:00 am** in the field south of the school. Please take care in following a few simple rules of participation.

- pets and **adult pet owners** can assemble in the south field along the west fence between **8:45-9:05 am**
- **students go to class** as they normally would and join parents and pets after class attendance and O Canada
- if students do not have pets for this day, that's ok - they will stay with their classroom teacher to watch the parade
- **NO PETS are allowed in the school**
- pets must be on a leash, harness, in a cage or in a bowl
- bring your own pooper scooper supplies, as the Millgrove carnival will be held in the same area afterwards
- all pets must return home after the pet parade at 10:00 am while students return to their classrooms to prepare for the carnival activities

Carnival

The carnival activities will take place between 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Students will earn points as they participate in carnival activities. Five tally marks will earn students a bag of popcorn, and ten tally marks will get them a freezie.

Lunch

Through our President's Choice Children's Charity nutrition grant, our Millgrove Foundation will organize a Subway lunch for all students. Lunch order forms have gone home to families through your classroom teacher. Students participating will receive a Subway sandwich so, please supplement with other snacks to get students through the day.

Please be sure to send your child with appropriate clothing, a hat, and most importantly, a water bottle. Please apply sunscreen/bug spray at home before school. We're hoping for a sunny day!

The **year-end assembly** will be in the gym at approximately **2:00 pm**.

Volunteers

Volunteers make the day a huge success! **Please let your classroom teacher know if you'd be available to help with the carnival activities.**

In addition, we would love help with the following jobs. Please email our Foundation at millgrovescfoundation@gmail.com if you can help with these items below.

- preparing the lunch bins for classes on June 26
- preparing the lunch for the alternating Kindergarten classes on June 25
- making and bagging popcorn on June 24 & 25 in preparation for the last day
- popcorn station at the carnival
- freezie station at the carnival

*Thank
you!*

Literacy

To encourage student's reading and to prevent the summer slide, here are some fun summer tips to encourage reading, prevent the loss of reading growth, and even foster greater reading success:

- **Visit the Spruce Grove Library**-The Summer Reading Club runs from July 2-August 16. Registration opens on June 10 (online or in person). You can call 780-962-4423 to sign up!
- **Read Just Right Books**-They should be at a reading level where the child can understand most of the words and phrases while still encountering some new vocabulary.
- **Reading Daily for at least 20 minutes**- This can significantly benefit children's reading skills and overall development. By dedicating this time to reading, kids can improve their vocabulary, comprehension, and fluency. This practice also fosters a love for reading!
- **Read for Different Purposes**- This can make learning more engaging and effective. Kids can read to gain information, for enjoyment, or to perform tasks like following directions or understanding instructions. This helps them develop various reading skills and makes them more aware of the different ways reading is used in everyday life.
- **Play Word Games**-They offer a fun and engaging way for kids to learn and practice various language skills. Some popular options include I Spy, Hangman, Word Scramble, Word Search, and even board games like Scrabble and Bananagrams. These games can help improve vocabulary, spelling, and problem-solving skills.

Have a fun and safe summer!

Your literacy lead,
Colleen Schmaus



Millgrove School Foundation

We've had an incredible fundraising year, and we want to extend a heartfelt **thank you** to everyone for your support. Thanks to your generosity and participation, we **surpassed our goal of \$20,000 and raised nearly \$25,000!** These funds will go a long way in supporting our school in the years to come.

School apparel is expected to arrive in the coming weeks. Once the delivery date is confirmed, we'll send out an email with the **pickup date and time**—please keep an eye on your inbox.

Our **final School Council & Foundation meeting** of the year will take place on **June 10 at 6:30 PM** in the school library. We'll be discussing the year-end event, and we'd love to see you there!

I'd like to personally thank each and every one of you for your support this past year. A special thank you goes out to our **Foundation members, volunteers, and staff**—we truly couldn't do this without you!

Wishing you all a wonderful and relaxing summer!

Allison Chuey,
President, Millgrove School Community Foundation

Millgrove Council

It is hard to believe we are already at the June newsletter and the school year is coming to a close!

For those parents with children moving on to grade 5 next year, we will miss you at our school! I always encourage everyone to join the parent council at their new school. It is such a great way to stay informed and be a part of your children's education. We are so fortunate to be a part of such a great school and division, and being involved really can make you feel more connected.

Please join us for the **final parent council meeting** of the year on **June 10th at 6:30pm** in the library at Millgrove. As usual, we will hear from a trustee as well as Mrs. Cameron and Mr.Cherry.

Directly after the parent council meeting will be the Millgrove Foundation meeting.

As always, any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Thanks,
Anna-Marie Jackson
Parent Council Chair



To our food
service staff,
**THANK
YOU!**

Rainbow Day!



WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED OUR NEWSLETTER

