

Warner School

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Principal's Report:

Greetings and Happy New Year from Warner School!

As excited as we are to put 2020 in the rearview mirror and to the back of the closet, never to be opened again, there are some things from the past 12 months that I feel need to be celebrated. Athletics— our senior boys basketball was on the cusp of a provincial's berth when all sports grounded to a halt. Archery students were also gearing up for provincials. A storm prevented travel, which turned out to be a blessing, as events were cancelled. Our curlers represented Warner at provincials in February: the school's first appearance in many years.

Academics- with the support of our parents and the community, Warner Grad 2020 was able to go ahead in an altered, but celebratory way. In hindsight, the decision to not wait until fall proved beneficial, as all events were taken off the table in the fall months.

Celebrations- Warner teachers and students found ways to share Remembrance Day and Christmas spirit with community though art and class projects.

Determination – our staff, students, and families have been amazing. Guidelines and rules have been placed upon all of us, and we have risen to the challenges. Complaints have been few, and the values of taking care of each other have shone brightly. Who can tell what 2021 will bring? Hope is a good place to start. We will continue to respect each other, support our families' value systems, and help shape productive, inquisitive, and kind members of society. As always, check our website warner.horizon.ab.ca for updates and school news.

Upcoming events:

Exams Semester 1: Please look at the Website calendar for dates and times of high school exams.

For high school classes - Beginning January 20th, Grade 10-12 students finish each class upon completion of their subject exam. Warner does have a study space for students who wish to attend in person, to study or to complete online courses during the exam weeks.

Junior high students are expected at school each day, as their classes will proceed with no final exams in January.

Report cards for High School Students will go home on February 5, 2021.

No school: There will be early dismissal (11:38am) on Thursday January 28, 2021 and No school on Friday January 29, 2021.

School and Parent Council News

Parent Council will hold it's January meeting on Wednesday, Jan 13, 2021. The meeting will be a zoom meeting starting at 5:30pm. If you would like to attend the meeting please email bryan.pritchard@horizon.ab.ca and he will send you a link to join the meeting.



Around Our School

WELCOME:

Hello there! My name is Miss Humphries, and I am a Student Teacher at Warner School this semester (K-3). I graduated in 2016 with my first degree (BFA) and am in my final practicum before being certified as a teacher with my Bachelor of Education Degree from the University of Lethbridge. I love being outdoors! Camping and hiking are my favorite pastimes. When the year is over, you can find me spending most of my time away from the city around a fire with my dog. I am looking forward to working with the students here at Warner School! Feel free to get in contact with me using my email: <u>ashley.humphries@horizon.ab.ca</u>

My name is Haley Cunningham and I am very excited to join the Warner School community! I grew up in a small rural community in northern Alberta until I attended the University of Lethbridge. Since graduating, I have had the pleasure of working as a supply teacher in Horizon and most recently filled in for a maternity leave position teaching junior high at Chamberlain School in Grassy Lake. I now live in Taber with my husband, Adam, and our two fur babies, Yogi and Nami. Outside of teaching, I enjoy fishing, camping, hiking, and cross stitching.

In the Community

Thank you: Thank you to everyone who donated items to this years Santa's Workshop. We had a huge number of items for students to purchase for gifts for their families. I know for many of us the Workshop gifts are the highlight of Christmas morning! Proceeds from the Workshop were over \$600.00 and then a lovely family from the community matched this amount! The spirit of Christmas is alive and well in our community! Thank you and Happy New Year!

