



# Warner School

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September 2023 News

Horizon School Division  
Principal: Bryan Pritchard

## Principal's Report:

### Greetings from Warner School!

It was wonderful to welcome the students back this week. We have had a lot of positive energy in the building, with kids catching up with each other, telling of their summer adventures, getting to know some of the newer faces, and remembering some of their friends that have moved on. Our school count is still a little over 100 pupils, which is quite good, considering the relatively larger graduating class that completed their K-12 studies in June. This year, we anticipate having 9 graduates.

In staffing news, we welcome Mrs Azia Bennett back to Warner. Mrs Bennett is a familiar face to many of our students, as she completed her final University of Lethbridge practicum at Warner School. We also welcome back Mrs Heppler, which is quite exciting. For the fall semester, we are also fortunate to have three U of L students sharing their talents with students, as they wrap up their education degrees.

Awards and Scholarships - if you or your business are able to support our students with an award or scholarship, please reach out to us. We have our academic awards in the fall, to coincide with the grad class supper, and our athletic awards in late May, upon the conclusion of the athletic calendar. For more information on this opportunity, please call the school at 403-642-3931. Thank you.

Athletics - it is looking like Warner will have a junior girls volleyball team this fall. We also hope to have some Cross Country participants. Later in the year, we anticipate junior and senior boys basketball teams, and we will see if we can gather enough ladies for a team.

Volleyball and Cross Country begin almost immediately at the beginning of the school year. Teachers are already working on field trips and special events, such as the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope (Friday, September 15th, if you would like to join us).

Have a great month,

Bryan

# Around our School

## *Upcoming events:*

**No School**– September 4,2023—Labour Day

**Back to School BBQ**– September 14,2023 please join us to Welcome all staff, students and parents to another spectacular year 2023/24 here at Warner School 3:40pm—6pm

**Terry Fox Run**—September 15,2023

**Next PAC Meeting**–September 19,2023 @ 5:30pm

**Grad Meeting**—September 27,2023 @ 6pm Students & Parents

**Orange Shirt Day**—September 29,2023 wear an orange shirt in honor of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

**Elementary Soccer** (gr. 3-6)— set to begin in October 2023

## *Running Club*

Running Club will be starting on Tuesday, September 5 from 3:45-4:30. We will be practicing various skills, such as stretching, warm up/cool down exercises, and (of course) running. This club is open to Grades 4-12 and we encourage students who are interested in running to join us after school on Tuesdays!

## *Terry Fox Run*–

Will be held at the school on September 15,2023  
We will meet in the gym at 11:15am and then leave from there.

## *Jr High Volleyball*

Our next practice will take place Tuesday, Sept 5th, after school. We wrap up at around 4:45-5pm.

We expect the league to have games on Wednesdays, with the wrap up tournament likely set for Oct 27th. Horizon has a new athletics coordinator, so some of the schedules may come to us a little bit later than usual.

We have four tournaments this season. I will post them all to our website once the dates are confirmed. The two that I know for certain are in Vulcan Sept 22/23, and in Pincher Creek Sept 29 (one day tournament). We also expect to go to Foremost (generally just after Thanksgiving weekend), and the year-end division tournament. If parents are interested, we can also host a tournament. Last year, we held a Saturday event with Warner, Foremost, and Milk River. We also had Stirling come for a match, which we could explore doing again.



**TERRY FOX  
RUN**



# Around our School

## *Early Learning*

We are looking forward to a new school year with the Early Learning children. Our classes will be on Mondays. We will start on Monday September 11 2023. In September we will be getting to know each other and become familiar with the school routines

Warner Early Learning Program is still accepting registrations. Forms are available at the office or on our Website @ <https://warner.horizon.ab.ca/>

PS 3 Students:

Hello my name is Miss Bara I am a intern teacher from the University of Lethbridge. I have the pleasure of completing my final practicum with the grade 4/5 student from September-December. A few of my favorite things are: my cats, reading and writing, Gilmore Girls, teaching and coffee.

I have completed two practicums prior, and also have an English degree and Social Work Diploma.

I cannot wait to get to know you and your children over the next few months!

Hello my name is Willa Aurelio and I am an intern teacher from the University of Lethbridge. This marks my last semester as a practicing teacher, and I am thrilled to spend it with the students in Warner. In collaboration with Mrs. Hammel, I'll be instruction Grade 3 English Language, while working for Mr. Pritchard for Grade 10 English. I will also be coaching this year's volleyball team with Mr. Pritchard which I am also very excited about.

Fun Facts about me are: I have a cat named Meow Meow! I have two younger sister and both are in the same university as me. I have been playing volleyball since I was 11 years old. I was born in the Philippines and I came to Canada in 2010.

I'm Mr. Schinbein, a 5th-year Education student at the University of Lethbridge earning my degree in Science Education. I'm currently completing my Professional Semester III here at Warner School teaching 6/7 science, 8/9 science, and two options, Foods and Archaeology. I previously completed my first and second practicums at Wilson Middle School (grade 6 math and science) and Victoria Park High School (science 10, biology 30, and foods), respectively, in Lethbridge, Alberta.

Before enrolling in the University of Lethbridge Education program, I was a Chef in Lethbridge after earning my Red Seal Certification in Cooking from Lethbridge College in 2012. I am fascinated by all things archaeology, geography, anthropology, geology, history, biology, and culinary. I enjoy spending my free time outdoors hiking, fishing, and rock hounding. Over the summers, I try to participate in archaeological excavations in Alberta.

I am excited for this opportunity to learn from the amazing staff at Warner School and I'm honored to be teaching your children!

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This September 15th, 2023, we continue the annual Terry Fox Run surrounded by messages of love, hope and inspiration from Canadians everywhere. Parents and community members, please join us with donating a Toonie for Terry, followed by Warner School's Terry Fox Run, beginning at 11:15am in the school gymnasium.



Dear Terry,  
Because of you we have HOPE.  
You make it possible for kids with  
cancer to keep going.

Thank you, Terry. ♡

# In the Community

Hello everyone!

It is that time of year again skating, and hockey is just around the corner. There are a few minor changes/ updates mentioned below. As always if you have any questions feel free to DM.

1) We are offering a Learn-to-Power Skate level this year. This will focus on the key skating elements (stride, coordination, balance) to creating stronger hockey players. This level will be ideal for kids who are already enrolled in a hockey program or kids that have a skating foundation and interested in playing hockey. We encourage kids to wear their full gear if they wish and to bring their sticks.

2) We will be doing a skills show case on December 9th. This will be similar to those who have participated in a skating carnival, but less coordination and more about their individual skills. The plan after the showcase is to have a Christmas Party/Skate. More details to follow!

3) We are hoping lessons can begin the week of October 19th, but this will depend on ice.

4) This year we are going to try an 8-week session and as of right now we do NOT plan to host a session in the New Year. However, things change and if the interest is high the coaches may reassess later in the year.

Lessons will be on Thursdays again from 445(ish) to 6:15

For the 8 week session the cost will be 100/skater. We hope to see you all back this year!! Please have registration forms in by September 30th. This will help with getting the schedule out a couple weeks before skating lessons so parents and coaches can prepare.

Sincerely,

The Coaches

Christine, Blake, Bailey, Sandra, Kristy, Ashton



## IMPORTANT DATES:

August 31: Last Day for Early Registration

September 16: Learn-To-Skate Skate Swap 11am-2pm

**September 27: AGM @ 7:00pm - Warner Civic Centre**

September 30: Last Day for Registration