

# BACK to the PACK

August 2019



Hello JHM Families!

We are looking forward to seeing you all after the Labour Day weekend. This little note is just to answer a few of the frequently asked questions we hear at this time of year. We are back in school on Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> and will be happy to answer any other questions you may have. Call the office 306-285-3200, or email [jhm.school@nwsd.ca](mailto:jhm.school@nwsd.ca) to reach us. See you Tuesday, September 3rd!

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES / FEES

We ask that families provide good quality athletic shoes with non-marking soles, a good quality backpack, lunch kit (including a thermos for hot foods) and water bottle.

A School Supplies/Activities Fee of \$80 per student covers all other school supplies and extra-curricular, special guest and/or event costs.

Last year, a cost analysis was presented to the SCC to show that, for most grade levels, the amount you would pay in stores is more than the price the school is able to secure through our bulk ordering. We buy high quality pencils and erasers, pens, highlighters, art supplies, notebooks and binders and save you from the crowds at the stores. Arrangements to pay in 3 instalments for the 2018-19 school year (Sept/Nov/Jan) can be made by contacting the office.

Outstanding fees from the 2018-19 school year must be cleared up before Friday, September 7, 2018.



School Cash Online is an easy to use and safe way to pay for all your child's school fees. After registering an account you can make secure payments with various payment methods for all your children's fees, hot lunches, and milk cards. Register at <https://nwsd.schoolcashonline.com> or from the school website.

The count down to our first day is on!

School staff will be returning to the buildings on Monday, August 27th. If you are new to our communities please stop in with any questions you have about registering!

The first official student day is Tuesday, September 3rd. We are so excited to welcome everyone! If you love a good first day of school picture as much as we do, please remember to share your pictures with us on social media using:

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#back2JHM

#back2thepack

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In order to comply with School Fire Safety Codes updated by the province, a directive from the Ministry of Education means that we are no longer allowed storing and using microwaves in classrooms and hallways in Saskatchewan schools.

Commercial grade microwaves are the only approved ovens allowed in schools and their cost is beyond a budget that would be an option for the school to provide access for students in the time assigned for lunch.

Based on this directive, we are no longer able to offer microwave ovens for warming lunches. We regret the inconvenience this may cause JHM families. Please do not send lunches to school that require heating (including pre-packaged soups that require hot water to cook or soften noodles)

Heating food at home and sending it in a Thermos is a possible solution. We also expanded our hot lunch program to try and help with this new reality. If you are interested in volunteering with our hot lunches, grilled cheese day, or salad bar prep please contact the school. We are always happy to have more volunteers!

One of our Grade Three students has a severe food allergy to peanuts and tree nuts (cashews, pecans, pistachios, walnuts). Because his allergy can be life threatening he carries an Epi-Pen at all times.

We need your help creating a nut-aware environment at our school. The allergy can be triggered by directly eating or coming into contact with peanuts and tree nuts, and also through cross-contamination. Since even small amounts can cause a reaction, keeping it out of his classroom is our best method of preventing a serious reaction at school. We ask that all our JHM families avoid sending snacks, lunches and treats that contain peanuts or tree nuts. If your child does bring a food to school containing these products, please ask him or her to let their teacher know.

This is a learning process for all of us, but we trust that you understand how important these guidelines are. If throughout the course of the year you have any questions or concerns about food-allergy-related issues, please do not hesitate to contact the school.



# J.H. Moore 6<sup>th</sup> Annual FALL FAIR

## Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

Open to Public @2p.m. SCC BBQ starts @4:30pm

We are celebrating BACK to SCHOOL and the season of HARVEST with our 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FALL FAIR.

- Check out all the exhibition categories! PARTICIPATE in as many as you'd like with your family.
- Drop by and VIEW all the classroom and family exhibits
- MEET the JHM Staff, TOUR the school and our gardens
- Take some pics at the photo booth ...and so much more!

### CATEGORIES: Hobbies & Crafts

1. Decorated rubber boot
2. Soap carving
3. Necklace from cereal or pasta using a shoelace.
4. Inuksuk made of stone
5. Book mark for someone special
6. Popsicle stick sculpture/tower
7. Scarecrow
8. Photography Categories: 'My Town', 'Back to School', Photographers Choice

### CATEGORIES: In the Garden

1. Longest carrot (top not included)
2. Longest cucumber
3. Display of 3 different vegetables
4. Heaviest zucchini
5. Giant Veggies of Wonder
6. Oddest shaped vegetable.
7. Vegetable sculpture
8. Largest sunflower head
9. 'Nature in Bloom' display featuring, flowers, grasses, herbs, etc.
10. Herb Collection

### CATEGORIES: Nature

1. Collection from a Walk (6 items in a shoe box)
2. Autumn Leaves Collage
3. Pinecone sculpture
4. Table Centerpiece for Fall Harvest
5. Photograph: 'Look what I found!'
6. Painted stone
7. Miniature Garden (elf house, fairy garden)

### CATEGORIES: In the Kitchen

1. No-Bake cookies (3)
2. Edible Inuksuk
3. Decorated cupcakes (3)
4. Decorated cookies (3)
5. Ingredients in a Jar (Cookie)
6. Ingredients in a Jar (Soup)
7. Healthy Lunchbox Snack
8. Pickling (various)