

FIRESIDE FOCUS



Fireside Focus – September 5

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- Wednesday, Sept 11 – School Council (6:30 - 7:30 pm) and Friends of Fireside (7:30 - 8:30 pm) meetings
- Tuesday, Sept 17 – Terry Fox Run

- Friday, Sept 20 – Photo Day
- Friday, Sept 27 – Orange Shirt Day
- Monday, Sept 30 – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (no school)
- Wednesday, Oct 9 – [Healthy Hunger](#) (Panago Pizza)



From the Admin Desk



1 - The weather was phenomenal this week! Perfect for phys ed, recess, and some outdoor learning.

Hello Fireside Families,

We're back!! It was so great to see all the bright-eyed faces and day one outfits as we welcomed the kids back to school on Wednesday and Thursday. Along with all our returnees, we got to welcome 131 (at last

count) brand new Hawks to Fireside School. As of Friday, we have 914 students enrolled, a number we have no doubt will grow as the year goes by.

To house this many kids and those to come, the school needs to expand. You may have noticed the footings for our three new modular classrooms on the south side of the building. Those classrooms will be delivered and placed on Thursday and Friday next week. This means the Kiss & Go lane, as well the east soccer field will be closed those days. See below for more info.

We love sharing pics of our students, as well as the various projects and artifacts of learning they produce. But in order to do that, we need your permission! If you haven't already, we'd like to encourage parents and guardians to fill out the annual authorization form in [School Engage](#), which includes permissions for including student images in our newsletter and the yearbook. While there, please take a moment to also fill out the re-enrolment form in School Engage.

We're excited to have the school year under way and are looking forward to all the learning, growing, and relationship building that will happen during the year at Fireside School. Please reach out to us if you have concerns, questions, or kudos.

We'd like to wish everyone a great weekend!

Dave Banderk (Principal)

Kirsty Reade (Assistant Principal, Grades K-4)

Jason Ness (Assistant Principal, Grades 5-8)

Welcome New Staff!

We're excited to welcome a number of new staff members to the Fireside Family.

Grade 1 Teacher – Stephanie Sinanan (filling in for Kimberly Frost-Hunt)

Grade 5 Teacher – Jennifer Fuller

Grade 6 Teacher – Kimberly Slack

Grade 7 & 8 Teacher – Linda Smith

Grade 7 & Teacher – Cole Whittleton

Gr 1-4 Learning Support Teacher – Jenny Dempster

Learning Assistant - Courtney Johnston (filling in for Darlene Neufeld)

Terry Fox Run – Sept 17



THE TERRY FOX FOUNDATION

We are very excited to be a part of this year's Terry Fox event. This is our opportunity to "Try Like Terry" and go the distance for this year's event which is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday, September 17**. We hope that we can continue to show the great strength and resilience of our school community. Let's all use Terry's message of hope and strength to inspire us throughout the school year!

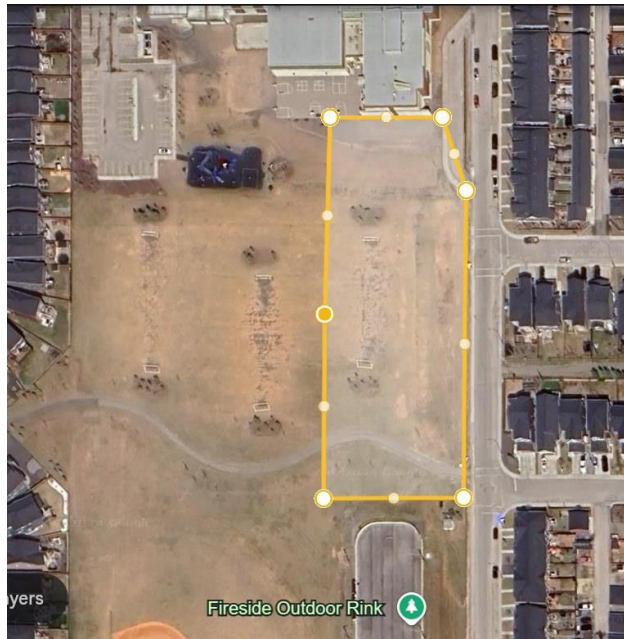
The Terry Fox Foundation has created an online fundraising page for our school as well as provide student/classroom "Terry" activities. Here are some of the ways you can support your child for this year's Terry Fox event:

Donate online at: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/72980>

- Click the link above to donate or search for our school name at terryfox.org
- There is no minimum donation, every dollar counts!
- Receipts are issued immediately to donors by email.

Please join us to support cancer research while building incredible school spirit for all of our students. Thank you in advance for your support!

Portables to be Installed Sept 12 & 13



On Thursday & Friday this coming week, our new modular classrooms will be craned onto the property. During that time, the Kiss & Go lane will be closed and the entire east field will be fenced off, as seen in the picture. This will, of course, increase traffic congestion on those days. Students who go in the compound doors (Grade 5s & Grade 1s with classes on that side of the building) can come in the main doors or enter their regular doors by coming from the back (west) side of the building.

Grade 6 Soccer & Grade 7/8 Volleyball

For students in Grade 6 interested in school soccer, forms were given out Thursday. Forms should be returned by Monday Sept. 9th. Practices will take place on Monday, Sept. 9th, Wednesday, Sept. 11th, Monday, Sept. 16th, and Wednesday, Sept. 18th. Practices will run from 2:20-3:30 p.m. The soccer tournament is scheduled for September 20th with a rain out date of Sept. 27th if necessary. The tournament takes place after school from 3:00 to 6:00 pm in Airdrie.

Additionally, Junior A volleyball tryouts for Grade 7 and 8 will start this coming week of. Information letters were sent home Sept. 5th for students who expressed interest.

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