



PANTHERS' POST

OCTOBER 2025

Hello everyone,

We have officially wrapped up the first month of the 2024/25 school year! Fall is here, bringing with it crisp air and vibrant colors. As the seasons change, I find myself reflecting on the growth within our school community, and how our shared experiences are shaping who we are and what we stand for. While we recognize that our processes and systems may not be perfect, we continue striving to reflect the principles God has laid out for our school.

It is a privilege to lead PAA—with Jesus as my constant guide. The energy from students, the engagement of parents, and the dedication of our staff have been truly inspiring. Each day, we witness students learning and growing, parents actively supporting, and teachers fostering meaningful relationships as they guide their students both academically and spiritually.

I'm excited to share that each of our students has received a personalized Bible with their name engraved on it. This gift is intended to be a lifelong resource, and we are intentionally incorporating its use throughout the school. Whether during chapel or in the classroom, we are equipping students with the tools to not only study the Bible but also live by its teachings. Our teachers are setting the example, "sword in hand," demonstrating how to engage with this powerful gift and apply it to everyday life.

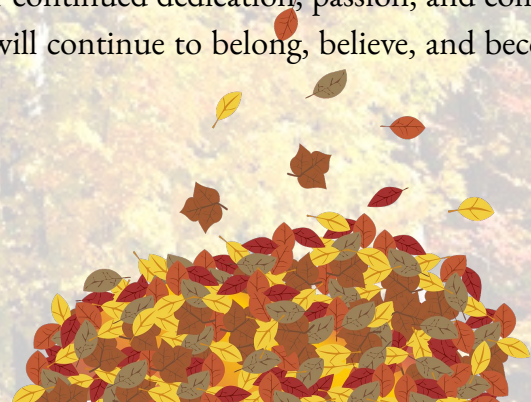
Our Athletics program is also off to a strong start! Volleyball season is in full swing, and we have teams traveling to Walla Walla University to compete in both volleyball and soccer. Additionally, some of our Grade 10 students will be partnering with CHCS to join their Jr. Football team for a trip to BC. This collaboration is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen the bond between our two schools, and we look forward to more ways PAA and CHCS can connect through future gatherings and events. Stay tuned!

Lastly, I want to provide an update on our enrollment. We are currently at 95 students, with all classes exceeding 30 students. This growth is both exciting and challenging; it urges us to look ahead and envision the future of PAA as we continue to expand. While these numbers come with logistical challenges, they also open the door to new possibilities and opportunities.

As we move forward, let us continue working together as a community—students, parents, and staff—to foster an environment where everyone feels supported, valued, and empowered. Let us remain steadfast in reflecting Christ's love and teachings in all that we do. With our growing numbers and expanding opportunities, we trust that God will guide us through each step. I am deeply grateful for your continued dedication, passion, and commitment as we journey together through this school year. Together, we will continue to belong, believe, and become all that God has called us to be.

Blessings!

Mr. Dani Desjardins - PAA Principal



Chaplain's Corner

OCTOBER

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ISSUE 2

PASTOR DEE'S DEBRIEF



EPHESIANS 1:3-8

All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has **blessed** us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are **united** with Christ.

Even before he made the world, God **loved** us and **chose** us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes.

God **decided** in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he **wanted** to do, and it **gave** him great pleasure.

So we praise God for the glorious grace he has **poured** out on us who belong to his dear Son. He is so rich in kindness and grace that he **purchased** our freedom with the blood of his Son and **forgave** our sins. He has **showered** his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding.

DONE VS. DO

One of the coolest things about this passage is the beauty of what has been done vs what we have to do. Hoping none have been missed, there are **11** past tense words in this phrase, which makes me wonder, why are we so focused on the past and not the present?

Focusing on the past reminds us of what has already been done for us on our behalf. There is this amazing reality that there has always been a plan and we do not have to check off all of these lists to be enough for God. He has already called us His own and has united us with Christ.

Our task now is to choose Him, be in relationship with Him, and accept the gift of His love. When we accept His love and believe that we have been united with Christ, we become one with Christ and His desires become our desires, His thoughts become our thoughts, and we become changed.

BUT ...

Sometimes we don't want to change. We like to find comfort in our own limitations, our own anxieties, and our own strength. Are you willing to let go and unite yourself with Christ? He is ready and waiting for you!

OCTOBER DATES

October 1
Chapel

October 4
PD Day

October 7
Chapel

October 15
Chapel

October 21 - 25
Week of Prayer

October 26
EPIC Church Visit

October 28
Chapel

Athletics' Corner

A Thrilling Home Opener!

What an exciting day for our Panthers! Our Christian school athletes showcased their determination and skill during their first home volleyball games.

The girls' team faced a tough challenge, dropping the first two sets. However, their relentless spirit shone through as they rallied back, winning three consecutive sets to clinch a hard-fought victory in the fifth set. Their perseverance and teamwork were truly inspiring!

Meanwhile, the boys' team dominated their match, securing a confident win with three straight sets. Their chemistry on the court and commitment to excellence were evident, making it a memorable opener for our school community.

As we celebrate these victories, we also look ahead to some exciting events on the horizon. Our teams are gearing up for the Fall Classic in Walla Walla and the Jr CASA football tournament in Kelowna. These trips promise to be great opportunities for growth and fellowship, and we can't wait to see our Panthers shine!



As we reflect on our accomplishments, let us remember the words of Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

In the spirit of motivation, here's an inspiring quote to carry with us: "Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful." – Albert Schweitzer

Health Challenge: This week, let's focus on hydration! Aim to drink at least 8 glasses of water a day. Staying hydrated is key to maintaining your energy and performance on and off the court!

Go Panthers! Keep up the amazing work! 💪🏐

Mr. Devon McAfee
Athletic Director
Parkview Adventist Academy



What's up PAA?

Important Dates

- Oct 2-3 School Photos
- Oct 2 - AEA College Fair, 4pm @ PAA
- Oct 4 - PD Day, No School
- Oct 11 & 14 - No School, Thanksgiving Break
- Oct 21-25 - Week of Prayer
- Oct 21-24 - Tackling Temptations of Technology, 6:30pm @ PAA

Home and School Association

PAA's Home and School Association is a parent led association that assists at PAA as needed. Joining the leadership team, becoming a class parent, supporting financially, and providing snacks and assistance for events are just some of the ways parents can play a part in the Home and School Association.

The next meeting is Monday, Oct 28 from 6:30-7:30pm.

Come visit with parents and share your ideas.



Contact the Home and School Assoc. secretary today at hsleader@gmail.com to see how you can get involved!

What's up PAA?

PAA DOOR SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday:

8:00am - 4:00pm

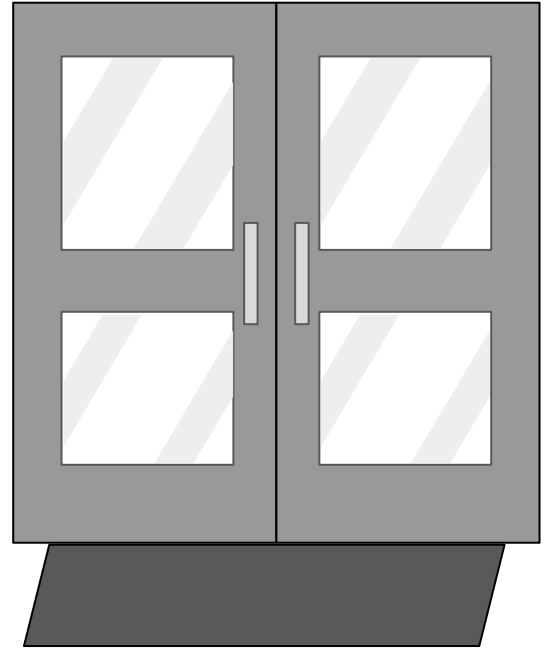
Friday: 8:00am - 1:00pm

CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday:

8:25am - 3:35pm

Friday: 8:25am - 12:35pm



Please note that student drop off and pick up times should be planned according to our door schedule.

Dismissal is at **3:35pm (12:35pm Fridays)** and school doors will be locked by **4:00pm (1:00pm Fridays)**.

It is very important that arrangements be in place, as there will be no access to the school past **4:00pm (1:00pm Fridays)**.

If you are not able to come before 4:00pm (or 1:00pm Fridays), your child can arrange to meet you at the Burman library or the Burman gym.

If your child is involved in sports, please remind them to make arrangements between 4:00pm until practice/game time.

There is no staff supervision at PAA after 4:00pm.

This will be ongoing throughout the school year.
Thank you for your attention to our door schedule!

What's up PAA?

PAUSE AND PRAY

The busyness of life often keeps us from using an incredible tool that connects us with Christ our Lord and Saviour. I implore you to read or re-read Ch. 11 in Steps to Christ - The Privilege of Prayer, specifically p. 94.1. *“Our heavenly Father waits to bestow upon us the fullness of His blessing. It is our privilege to drink largely at the fountain of boundless love. What a wonder it is that we pray so little!...”*

Come Pause and Pray for PAA on Sunday, Oct. 6, at 7pm [via ZOOM](#).
Passcode: 1234567

“Prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse, where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence” Steps to Christ, pp. 94, 95. 1892

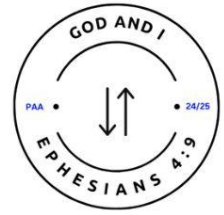
WE WISH YOU
a happy & blessed
THANKSGIVING BREAK.

No school
OCTOBER 11-14.

What's up PAA?

GOD IN OUR SUFFEREING

Week of Prayer



Guest speaker

**PASTOR
RALPH
MAGSALIN**



Parkview Adventist Academy

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21 - 25

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Attendance for Week of Prayer meetings is required.

Adjusted class schedule for Friday, Oct. 25

8:25-9:10am - Chapel

10:25-11:30am - Block 2

9:15-10:20am - Block 1

11:35am-12:35pm - Block 3

What's up PAA?

TACKLING THE TEMPTATIONS OF TECHNOLOGY

WITH MIKE

AND RENÉ

LOW-TO-NO-TECH
EDUCATION

MANAGING
SCREEN
TIME

STRATEGIES
FOR USING
TECH

DANGERS OF
DISTRACTION

MAKING
HEALTHY
CONNECTIONS!

EFFECTS ON
THE BRAIN!

All are welcome!

OCTOBER 21ST - 24TH | 6:30-7:30PM | PARKVIEW ADVENTIST
ACADEMY



What's up PAA?

PD Days for 2024-2025

Professional Development Days are once per month.
School will be closed for staff meetings or conventions.

October 4 - No School
November 8 - No School
December 6 - No School
January 10 - No School
February 14 - No School
February 18 - No School
March 7 - No School
April 4 - No School
May 9 - No School
June 6 - No School

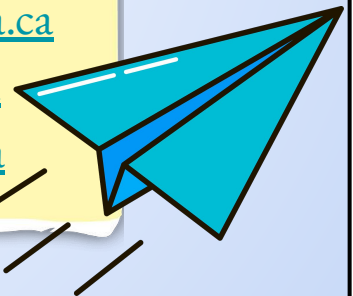


If you wish to meet or connect with a teacher at any time throughout the year, please email them to make an appointment or communicate your needs.

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What's up PAA?

How to:



LOG IN TO POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL



Use your Computer!

PowerSchool Parent Portal does not like mobile devices (YET!). A new one is coming but for now, use your desktop!

Go to the website

www.albertasdaedu.powerschool.com/public
Please do not google "PowerSchool". You might end up trying to sign into a school in Alabama!

Click "Forgot..."

Click "Forgot Username or Password?"

Then enter the email address you put on your child's registration form.

Check your Email

Check your email for the link to create your password. (Don't forget to check your spam)

I didn't get an email...

Check your spam
Then contact your school to check if your account has been enabled.

What's up PAA?



PowerSchool

Parent Access:

Paying School Tuition & Fees

Parent access to PowerSchool is set up and you'll be able to view your child's grades and attendance. You'll also have access to pay tuition and school fees online using the following link.

<https://albertasdaedu.powerschool.com/public/home.html>















To pay for school fees, click "Pay School Fees" in your PowerSchool account (on the bottom left side) and it will open Rycor, where you can submit payments.

Having access issues?
Contact the office: office@paa.ca





October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Sep 30 No School National Day for Truth & Reconciliation	 1 Chapel  Orange Shirt Day	 2 School Pictures  AEA College Fair, 4pm	2  School Pictures	4 PD Day No School	5
 6 Pause & Pray, 7pm via Zoom	 7 Chapel	8 School Board Meeting, 6:30p	9  Walla Walla Fall Classic Trip	10	11 No School Thanksgiving Break	12 
13 Walla W.	14 No School Thanksgiving Day 	 15 Chapel	16	17  Jr. CASA Football Trip	18	19
20 Jr. CASA	21 Tackling the Temptations of Technology, 6:30pm at PAA	22	23 Fall Week of Prayer	24	25	 26 PAA at Epic Church
27	 28 Chapel Home & School Assoc. Mtg, 6:30p	29	30	31 Fall Fest at CHCS, 6:30pm	Nov. 1	Nov. 2 PAA Potluck, 1pm 