Dear Families,

Believe it or not, the end of another school year is clearly on the horizon. A glance at the attached calendar will confirm, June is easily among the busiest months of any school’s year. Between yearend field trips, sports day (June 14), grade 5 farewell (June 26) and all of the other exciting activities around the school our last month is sure to fly by. Even with all of this going on we have so much to reflect upon, be thankful for, and to celebrate.

As we cruise towards summer, we hope everyone takes time to reflect on all of the outstanding learning that has occurred throughout the year. Our staff, students and families have worked tremendously hard in order to make this a successful school year. Throughout the year we have seen such growth in our students not just academically, but socially and emotionally. Bonds and connections have been formed and memories have been made. We are so proud of the kindness, dedication and enthusiasm of our students and all of those in our school community. Spitzee School truly is a great place to learn and grow.

We would like to take this opportunity to send a special thank you to all of those who have volunteered their time and energy throughout the year. We cannot thank you enough for being partners with us in the learning of our students. You truly make our school a better place. We also appreciate parent council for another outstanding year, the school has greatly benefited from their time, decision making and feedback. Thank you for all you’ve done for our school community.

June represents a sense of closure to the school year it is also a very important time for teachers to finalize assessments and make decisions that lay the ground work for next year. With this in mind attendance at school remains very important for students even as it appears the year is “winding down.”

We are looking forward to a productive and fun final month of the school year here at Spitzee!

Yours in Learning

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**Library Reminder**
Just a quick reminder that all library books are due by June 13.

**Lost and Found**
Once again our lost and found is overflowing. At the beginning of June we will set everything out on tables in the front hallway. Please come in and take a look for your children’s “found” items. All unclaimed items will be taken to the Salvation Army the week of June 30.

**School Pictures**
We have the dates for next year's school pictures.
They are:
Wednesday September 11, 2019
Thursday, September 12, 2019

Please mark your calendars!

**Hot Lunch**
A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to our school community who have made Hot Lunch such a great success this year!
Looking forward to another great year of hot lunches.

**Welcome to Our New Vice Principal**

Please congratulate Bill Holmes who will be transferring as Vice Principal to Spitzee School. Since joining the Division in 1989, Bill Holmes has served students and families in five of our schools. His career began at Millarville, where he taught physical education and social studies. His second assignment was to a grade six position in Blackie in 1995, where he also provided instruction in all subject areas.

Mr. Holmes has been a Foothills administrator for eighteen years: Vice Principal of École Joe Clark School (2001-2004), Principal of Cayley School (2004-2009), and most recently for École Okotoks Junior High School (2009-2019) as the Vice Principal. Bill holds his Bachelor of Education from the University of Calgary, and Masters of Education from the University of Lethbridge.

Bill is excited about this administrative appointment in High River: “I am excited to return as an educational leader to the community where I was born, educated, worked, and served as a community volunteer. As a senior Educator and Administrator in the FSD I have prided myself in working in the best interest of students.”

Acting Superintendent Pam Rannelli offers: “We are excited to have Bill return to High River. His deep commitment to community, student learning, and the development of the whole child will greatly benefit the students and families of Spitzee School and the broader community.”
Spitzee School Council Corner

We held our last meeting on the Wednesday, May 15th and we discussed what’s to come as we wrap up our final month remaining in the school year. Our next meeting for school council will take place on Wednesday, September 11th, 2019.

I’d like to give a very big shout out to our members of School Council who have continued to go above and beyond for their school community. Your continued council commitment and volunteer work has been without a doubt very much appreciated and I know I’m not alone when I say Thank you!! Thank you!! Over and over again. And on behalf of School Council we would like to thank the Administration Staff at Spitzee School. Your continued support and guidance to our school council could not exist without your help. We are lucky to have you’s. Last but not the least, big hugs and hi-fives to our Teachers, Students and Parents for always taking part in our many events and fundraisers. We have purchased much needed literature materials, technology, and equipment. We are proud to have such a wonderful community of supporters at Spitzee Elementary School. Keep being you!

We would like to invite all Parents and/or Guardians of Spitzee Elementary School to join in on our next meeting where we will again share laughter, smiles and conversations regarding your child’s education.

Cheers and Have a Happy Summer, Your School Council Team
Junior Kindergarten Spots Available for 2019/2020 enrollment

We do have a couple of spots available in our Junior Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 year. Junior Kindergarten students need to be four by the end of December 2019 to be eligible to attend. Spitzee School offers high quality learning opportunities that allow each learner to explore, develop and celebrate his/her unique gifts and abilities. Registration forms can be picked up at the school office anytime Please see Mrs. Perceval or Mrs. LeRoux at the office for a package or for additional information.
High River Library Summer Reading Club

Why join the Summer Reading Club?
It's fun, it's free, and it supports learning!

Studies have shown that children lose reading skills over the summer months if they do not continue to read over the holidays. Summer reading clubs started when library staff realized that they could make a difference. When further studies demonstrated that children who do not learn to read fluently by fourth grade will likely never feel totally comfortable with the printed word, our job was clear. Keep those children reading and make sure they have fun doing so!

Reading opens doors to a world of knowledge. Enthusiastic readers make better students and develop a positive association with reading and learning that will last a lifetime.

When can I register?
Registration starts on Wednesday, June 5.

You can register for the TD Summer Reading Club with the High River Library on our website, www.highriverlibrary.ca, or by phone at (403) 652-2917.

Program Hours:

Ages 5 - 8
Monday & Tuesday OR Wednesday & Thursday
10 AM - 12 PM

Ages 9 - 11
Monday & Tuesday OR Wednesday & Thursday
1 PM - 3 PM

Ages 12 +
Tuesday
3:15 PM - 5:15 PM

Co-created and delivered by 2,000 public libraries across Canada, this national program is developed by Toronto Public Library in partnership with Library and Archives Canada. Sponsorship is generously provided by TD Bank Group.

www.highriverlibrary.ca
TD Summer Reading Club
is Canada’s biggest summer reading program for kids of all ages, all interests, and all abilities.

The club celebrates Canadian authors, illustrators and stories, and inspires kids to explore the fun of reading their way. This is key to building a lifelong love of reading.

Kids can:
- Find great things to read
- Track their reading
- Connect and share with others across the country
- Read books online
- Join in activities
- Collect stickers
- Write jokes, stories and book reviews, and more!

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TD Summer Reading Club
at the
High River Library
2019
July 2 - August 23, 2019

Come and join us for a summer of fun activities, games, and reading!