



# GPCS NEWS

Grande Prairie Christian School

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## **Mr. Fehler on the mend**

Mr. Fehler has been in to visit the school a couple times in the last two weeks. He said the surgery went pretty well. It's just a long and boring recovery period. He has a checkup in late February where he will find out when he can come back to school. It was supposed to be mid-March but he is (and we are) hoping for an early return if he's healthy enough.

## **Survey Says...**

Students in grades 4 and 7 completed school satisfaction surveys this week. This is one of the ways we measure how we are doing as a school. Parents of those grades should have received an invitation in the mail to complete the survey (which can be completed online). We really do want to know what you think, so please complete the survey if it comes to you. One reminder we like to give is that if you answer a question "I don't know", it counts the same as if you answer that you are unsatisfied. If you come across a question where you don't know whether you are satisfied or unsatisfied, feel free to ask us for clarification on the question.

## **Going Down Hill**

March 13th is our Nitehawk Day. Students in grades 3 to 9 can choose to ski, snowboard, go tubing, or do a 1/2 day of tubing and 1/2 day of natural luge. To get a better understanding of natural luge <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xaa9UwS4KgA>.

## **It's free. Give it your best shot.**

It's Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw Championships time once again. Students age 9—14 have the opportunity compete at school and then winners can advance to City, District, Regional and Provincials. The school competition is at lunch hour on Feb. 27th. Other dates are below.

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<http://www.gppsd.ab.ca/school/gpchristian>

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## He shoots, She shoots, Severely ill kids score!

The Tri-District Children's Charity organizes a local hockey and soccer tournament every year to fundraise for students in our area who are dealing with medical concerns. In coordination with this event Secure Energy are sponsoring 1000 tickets to see the AJHL Storm hockey game on Saturday, February 23. Each ticket is \$10 and all proceeds are going to this incredible charity. If interested, tickets can be purchased in advance at the school via cash or by cheque written out to '3D Children's Charity'.

The actual tournament runs the weekend of April 27th. We often enter hockey and soccer teams. Watch for more info coming out later in March or early April if your child would be interested in playing.

## Important Dates

Mon, Feb 18	No School- Family Day
Sat, Feb 23	Grades 4-5 Elementary Basketball tournament (9:00 a.m.) Grades 5-6 Elementary Basketball tournament (11:30 a.m.) Boys at GP Christian, Girls at Charles Spencer
Fri, Feb 27	Deadline to register for Nitehawk activity day Grade 4-9 Knights of Columbus (K of C) Basketball Free throw at school
Sat, March 2	Grade 4-9 K of C Basketball Free throw cities at St. Mother Teresa school
Th/Fr, March 7 & 8	No School- Teachers Convention
Wed, March 13	Nitehawk activity day
Thu, March 14	Report cards go home
Sat, March 16	Grade 4-9 K of C Basketball Free throw Regionals in Spirit River



### Literacy Week

Miss Marks teaches gr. 4. What's she doing in Mrs. Van Haga's class?



Those don't look like Mrs. Sterr's usual grade 6 students. Who are they?



Mr. Sutherland Senior knows how to do literacy with kindergarten students.



Those are Miss Loewen's students, but that does not look like Miss Loewen. Who is he?



Gr. 9s and Kindergarten reading buddies share home made valentines.





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## Grande Prairie Society for Christian Education

As parents at GPCS you are all members of the G.P. Society for Christian Education. The Society Board is elected by you as members and oversees the Christian aspects of our school as well as the building and school fees. They meet monthly with the school Principal to review on-going issues in these areas. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact our Board ([info.gpcs.society@telus.net](mailto:info.gpcs.society@telus.net)) and they will share with you how you can go about doing that.

### **Board Members:**

President: Jason Forbes

Travis Hansen

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Correspondence can be dropped off at school office.

Society Bookkeeper: Joy Hawkes

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*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, Col. 3:23*