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Palliser Beyond Borders August Registration Issue

Greetings Principals, Students and Parents

School Registration is now open.

Registrations entirely completed by September 1: students will have access to courses on September 6 start date

- If registrations are received after this date students will experience a delay in access to their online course.
- Students must authenticate their Palliser mail to moodle before they can access courses
- [Register and see instructions here:](#)

<http://www.palliserbeyondborders.com/canadian-students/online-studies/application>

Summer School Wrap Up

Courses completed by August 12: credits were uploaded to Alberta Education on August 15

Courses completed after this date: credits will be uploaded September 15. See detailed academic reports at <https://mypass.alberta.ca>

Students who were working on work experience in the summer: remember to submit your hours and required documents by September 10 so those credits can be submitted to Alberta Education



From Palliser Beyond Borders Principal: A note about the learning and teaching process at Palliser Beyond Borders

Our goal is to empower all our students in all grades and courses in learning and assessment in a meaningful and effective manner. We have noticed that students are raising their level of performance and demonstrating deep understanding of learning concepts with creativity.

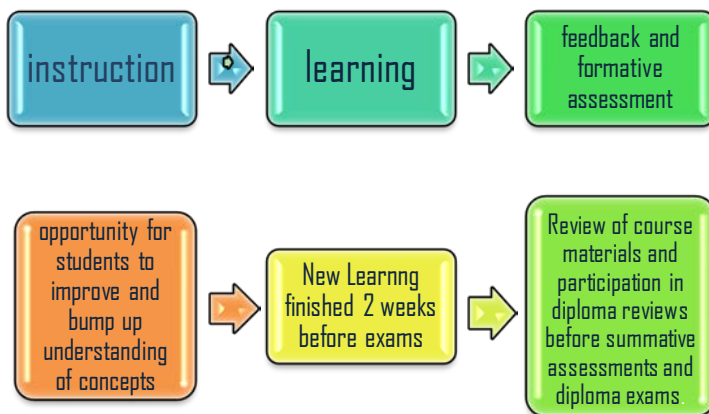
See how RM completed her novel study from the Life of Pi in our Summer School:



This painting represents Piscine Patel, the main character from the novel Life of Pi. The rainbow slash in the middle symbolizes how Pi sees religion in everything, [Read More...](#)

We believe that students who follow these tips will be successful online learners:

- The student role is to manage time wisely, identify ways you learn best and reach to demonstrate your understanding.
- Calculate how many weeks left before you must finish the course and divide up by weeks what you have left to complete in your course.
- Commit to the schedule.
- Check your email and news feed daily.
- Attend the weekly Blackboard sessions and be prepared to engage in learning, formative assessment and benefit from the teaching process.
- Submit assignments as completed so you can engage formatively with your teacher to help you bump up your understanding.
- Pay attention to posted deadlines so you can plan your academic program
- Understand that the learning and teaching process consists of 6 stages:



Our goal is to help you academically succeed. Please get to know your teacher and if you need help or additional support, please reach out to us.

Best regards,

Alison Hancox

Alison Hancox, MET
Principal
Palliser Beyond Borders

How is news shared at Palliser Beyond Borders?

- Regular newsletters such as this one are posted on our website under
 - [news on the homepage](#) and
 - [news under current students](#)
 - These are simultaneously posted to [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Please like and follow us.
 - The twitter feed is on the home page of each course
- Newsletters are emailed home to parents via an automated synervice messaging service. Be sure we have your parent email on file if you are not receiving them.
- For Students:
 - Newsletters and messages are posted to our [Moodle dashboard for students](#) <http://moodle.prs26.ca/my/> Be sure you click on the links to open the announcements.
 - automated synervice messages are emailed to student @prs26 accounts.
- Copies of our newsletters are shared with Palliser Schools and linked on their school websites.
- Paper copies of our newsletters are available at our Outreach campuses.

Completing Courses and Exam Protocols - students please read

We want students to submit assignments regularly and follow our tips for successful online learning. Students can not submit a whole course the night before an exam or diploma exam and accept that it is ok to “take the bad mark”. We feel bad if students don’t do well on exams and want to support every effort for students to demonstrate their very best understanding in our courses.

Students: be aware that each course has different exam protocols depending on the subject. Be in touch with your teacher to book your exam writing. Organizing final exams requires a little coordination with your school to ensure we have a Palliser staff who will supervise and that the exam and password are made available to your school site. Please give your

teacher one day notice to make the arrangements. This includes the Outreaches. If Palliser staff is not available we will need to make Procter arrangements, which require forms and signatures.

Please note that courses need to be completed within one calendar year of the student's start date. These deadlines mean that all assignments and exams must be submitted on or before the date.

Use these course completion dates to plan your academic plan for 2016-17 year:

October 24, 2016	Diploma courses for those writing diploma exams in November. Deadline to hand in assignments and begin review
October 26, 2016	Non-diploma courses for November reporting period
November 4, 2016.	Report cards will be mailed out
December 21, 2016	Diploma courses for those writing diploma exams in January. Deadline to hand in assignments and begin review
January 13, 2017	Non-diploma courses for January reporting period
January 27, 2017	Report cards will be mailed out
March 22, 2017	Diploma courses for those writing diploma exams in April deadline to hand in assignments and begin review
March 24, 2017	Non-diploma courses for April reporting period
April 7, 2017	Report cards will be emailed out
June 2, 2017	Diploma courses for those writing diploma exams in January deadline to hand in assignments and begin review
June 9, 2017	Non-diploma courses for January reporting period
June 23, 2017	Report cards will be mailed out

Diploma Courses and Protocols

Diploma Course Reviews: The discrepancy between our diploma marks and course marks closed quite significantly last year. The common factor was that students made sure they had the time to participate in diploma course reviews either online or face to face. Part of our course expectations is for students to attend these course reviews. Review dates are posted on [our website](#)

<http://palliserbeyondborders.com/current-students/high-school-information/diploma-exam-information>

YOU MUST BE DONE ALL ASSIGNMENTS AND IN-CLASS EXAMS BY OCTOBER 24, IF YOU PLAN ON WRITING A NOVEMBER DIPLOMA. DIPLOMAS START NOVEMBER 2ND.

- [Diploma Exam Information is posted here on our website](#)
- [Study resources are available here: http://www.symbaloo.com/mix/examprepandtesttaking](http://www.symbaloo.com/mix/examprepandtesttaking)

Finishing your course on time by meeting posted deadlines: If students do not meet the deadline dates for completing courses, students must plan to write the diploma in the next cycle. We want you to have the review time you need after teacher assessment is complete to ensure you are ready for the summative assessment.

Other Important Dates

- **September 1:** all completed registrations will have courses available at moodle.prs26.ca for school start up on September 6
- **September 10:** all summer work experience course hours and required documents must be submitted for credit submission to Alberta Education on September 15.

NEWS FROM THE OUTREACHES:

Registrations and Academic meetings can be booked at our sites. Site based instruction varies with each site.

Location	Site based instruction Ask for more Info!
Picture Butte Outreach 334 Highway Avenue Box 1280 Picture Butte, AB T0K 1V0 Phone: 403-732-5810 Administrative Assistant: Lola Mix	Programming Raspberry and Arduino RAP, Work Experience and Green Certificate
PASS+: 2016 19 Street, Coaldale, AB T1M 1L8 Phone: 403-345-4421 Administrative Assistant: Kourtney Skipworth	RAP, Work Experience and Green Certificate Sports Analytics pilot
Palliser Alternative Outreach in Calgary Suite 120, 2635 37 Avenue NE Calgary, AB T1Y 5Z6 phone: 1-403-291-0584 Administrative Assistant: Elvira Pagsanghan	RAP, Work Experience and Green Certificate
Vulcan Outreach 102B First Street South Box 390 Vulcan, AB T0L 0B0 Phone: 403-485-6180 Administrative Assistant: Shila Provost	RAP, Work Experience and Green Certificate Foods and Volunteerism Mentorship Program

Any Palliser student who wants to order hoodies or T-shirts please see the administrative assistant at your Outreach site.

STUDY HALL

Study Hall

Tuesdays 4:30-6:30 pm. All subjects.

Online [Study Hall](#) - help in all subject areas

Look for the link at <http://moodle.prs26.ca/my/>

Information Sessions about Palliser Beyond Borders

Information Sessions and an online Open House are monthly every second Tuesday at 5:30 - 6:30 pm

- Location: [online meeting room \(click here\)](#)

School Advisory Committee meets online monthly

More information about Palliser Beyond Borders and our programs are available at these meetings or [posted here](#). information is posted in your courses and [here on the website](#)

Palliser Beyond Borders School Calendar

School calendars vary slightly across our division. [Please refer to our calendar linked on our website](#) to know when teachers are available to work with students.

Palliser Regional Schools Board approved calendar is [available to download](#) from here for 2016-17 school year.

Outreaches and PBB														
2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR														
Board Approval: June 6/16														
AUGUST 2016					SEPTEMBER 2016					OCTOBER 2016				
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INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS															
Registration and Student Academic Planning															
Aug 29, 30, 31,															
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS															
Division-Wide PD Days					Staff Planning/Collaboration/ Site PD					Prof. Development (ATA)					
Opening Ceremony Sept 1, 2016					Sept 2, Sept 23, Oct 7, 24 and 25					Teachers' Convention -					
October 11, 2016					Dec 5, Nov 10, Jan 19, 31, Feb 6, April 13, Mar 14, May 15					February 23 & 24, 2017					
November 14, 2016					May 23, 2017 (AP- survey results/school goals)										
March 13, 2017															
May 1, 2017										Parent-Teacher Days Off in Lieu					
										February 21, 2017					
										February 22, 2017					
School will officially close at normal closing time on December 22, 2016 for Christmas Break.															
School year begins: August 29, 2016										XX	No Staff/Students				
First day for students: September 6, 2016											Non-Instructional/Prof. Dev. Days (No Students)				
Semester 2 begins: February 1, 2017											Parent-Teacher Interview Lieu Days (No Students)				
Last day for students: June 28, 2017											Summer Break PBB regular teachers not available but sub will finish off summer students who are late completing. no new courses assigned to students.				
Summer School begins July 4 and all work for reporting on transcripts by September must be done by August 4. Diploma courses by July 27											summer school for PBB				

A New Learning Landscape

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