

Ms. Holliday

Being the Principal of West Country Outreach School is incredibly rewarding. Our school prides itself on offering an excellent educational environment within the richness of relationships and a sense of 'family'. Our mission/vision statement is *"To instill hope and inspire success for all learners"*. We invest our time and hearts into every student at WCO.

After obtaining my Bachelor of Education, I taught in both Alberta and Nunavut before pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (Psychology; Native Studies) and a Master of Education in Leadership. Every day, I am thankful that my path led me to Rimbey and this incredible group of students, educators, and families.

I enjoy travel - locally, nationally, and internationally! My summers are usually spent in the Yukon, hiking, and sightseeing with family and my wee dog, Scout. People who know me well would describe me as someone who loves a strong cup of coffee, great conversation, and laughter – especially if those 3 things go together with a student or colleague, or friend. Those same people would say, "Alva loves her work, and is proud of the school." They would be right. I do, and I am.



Raven's Nest



April 2022

Science Fun!!!!



**An
Invitation
to our
Students,
Families,
Staff
Past and
Present.**



West Country Outreach School
Graduation Ceremony

A Celebration of Togetherness

After a time of separation, our school would like to invite all former students, staff, and their families to celebrate as we come together to reconnect and reminisce with our community, our family.

Our raven represents transformation, growth and resilience. We look forward to seeing how people have transformed and grown as they have journeyed from our school.

May 28th
1PM Celebration of Togetherness
2PM Graduation and Awards Ceremony

Join us at the grassy area north of the arena.
Parking available at the Peter Lougheed Community Centre.

**Please
Join
our
Celebration!!**

Teacher Talk with- Mrs. Brookwell

Hapara – What is a Learning Management System?

A Learning Management System (LMS) is a web-based application that provides a framework to handle all aspects of the teaching/learning process, from lesson planning to student evaluation. In an LMS, teachers can house, deliver, and track educational content, while students can engage with this content at any place and any time.

My Student Dashboard

When a student opens a course's "workspace", they will find an easy-to-follow workflow of lessons, videos, and supporting documents. They can complete assignments, and hand them in, all within their dashboard. Students will be able to view the graded assignment and respond to any teacher comments or questions.

My Teacher Dashboard

A workspace can contain a single concept (example: Gas Laws) or an entire course (example: science 9). Within the workspace, individual cards can be released sequentially by the teacher to manage pace, or the teacher may differentiate for student needs by only releasing appropriate cards to individual students in the class. Teachers can also monitor students' engagement with the workspace and progress with their assigned work.

Discover Workspaces

Many school divisions in Alberta use Hapara, and willingly share their workspaces, their experience, and their ideas. Wolf Creek School Division was one of the first to work with Hapara to develop the Enhanced Learning Model of course delivery, long before the pandemic showed us how important it is to have an online system of course delivery to maintain equitable services for students throughout circumstances and locations in the division. Our collaboration with Hapara has been a great benefit to our students.

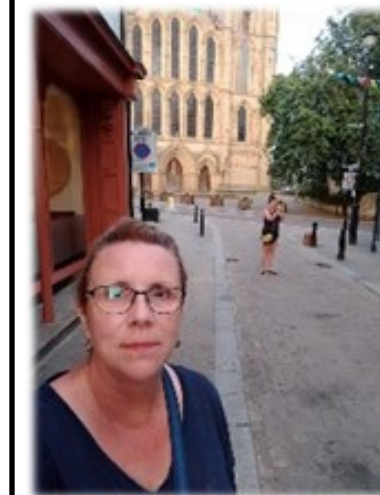
The screenshot displays the Hapara LMS interface with several activity cards. The top card is titled "Kangaroo Rat vs Harvest Mouse" and includes a description, individual evidence, and activity status. Below it is a card for "Zebra - Africa's Wild Wonders" featuring a video thumbnail. The bottom card is titled "Deer mouse Reading Comprehension" and also shows individual evidence and activity status. The interface is clean and organized, with a light green background and clear text.

Meet Our Staff

Mrs. Brookwell



Hello! My name is Marg Brookwell, and I teach JH Math and Science, HS Biology, and Grade 10 Math at West Country Outreach. I feel fortunate to work with the talented and experienced team here at WCOS, and to continue learning and developing as a professional educator in Wolf Creek School Division.



I have worked in various locations in Wolf Creek, and each school was a unique community which allowed me to develop my skills in teaching various grades and subjects. The main theme of my teaching career has been "change", as I have experienced overhauls of curriculum, new technologies, and increasing mental health needs in our schools. Every change has required me to learn new methods, tools, and skillsets, so I can meet the needs of each new cohort of students. Fortunately, being a lifelong learner is my favorite thing about being a teacher. In my home life, I am a mom of two grown daughters and share my home with my large German shepherd, Lily. I enjoy walking with my dog, reading, crafting, and learning new things. I love traveling and visiting museums wherever I go.

Kim Beierbach

I have been the Administrative Assistant at West Country Outreach since September 2013. Every year I enjoy getting to know the students and staff better, it truly is like a second family. My husband and I grew up in Rimbey and stayed here to raise our family. Our children, the lights of my life, are now both adults and pursuing their post-secondary education and I couldn't be more proud. When I'm not at work, I enjoy traveling, reading a good book, camping, spending time with my family, enjoying live music, and socializing with my friends.



"Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you." - Princess Diana