

# COALBANKS CHRONICLE

NOVEMBER 2024

## Dates to Remember

- 1—School cash online opens to buy Hot Lunch
- 3—Daylight savings time ends— turn clocks back an hour
- 7—Inuit Day
- 8—Food drive ends today
- 8— Powerschool closes for report card input
- 11—Remembrance Day
- 11—NO School Remembrance Day
- 12—NO School PD Day
- 12—School cash online closes to buy Hot Lunch @ 11:00pm
- 13—School Photo Retakes 9:00am-12:00pm
- 16—Louis Riel Day
- 19—Hot Lunch KB, KD & Grade 1
- 20—Hot Lunch KA, KC & Grades 2/3
- 20— School Council Meeting @ 6:00 in The Commons Area
- 21—Hot Lunch Grade 4/5
- 22—Spirit Day—Mustache Day
- 22—Powerschool opens for report card viewing

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403-394-9076

## REPORT CARDS

Report cards for K to grade 5 will be available through [Power School](#) \*via our website on November 22nd @ 10:00am

For parents that do not have their accounts set up, please contact the office.



\*Please Remember to Report All Lates and Absences Using [SafeArrival](#) or the Toll Free Number 1-866-879-1041



## Lunch & After School Plans

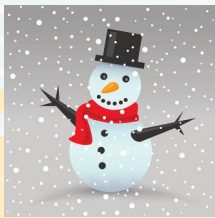
\*Please ensure your child's teacher knows if he/she will be going home for lunch as it is important we know where all students are at all times.

\*Please be sure to make arrangements with your child regarding after school plans before school starts every day. When picking up your child, at the end of the day, please be sure to have a meeting spot arranged outside. Thank you for helping to minimize the number of students that require assistance in the office.

## ABOUT INFLUENZA

Find an AHS Public Immunization Clinic near you. Many pharmacists and physicians are also offering influenza immunization. Please follow this link for information:

[AHS & Influenza](#)



## AHS & Headlice

Please follow the links below to the guidelines and managing headlice.

Head Lice: [Managing](#)

Head lice: [Guidelines](#)

## Food Drive

We are doing our annual Coalbanks Cares Food Drive, from October 28 -November 8 we will be collecting non-perishable food items.

The food items will be donated to local food banks to fight hunger in our community.



Student Photo Retakes are Wednesday morning November 13th





# SPANISH CORNER

The beginning of November is marked in many Spanish speaking countries with Día de los Muertos, or Day of the Dead. In most places, it is celebrated on November 1st and 2nd. The multi-day holiday focuses on gathering as families and friends to remember and celebrate those who have passed away.

El principio de noviembre está marcado en muchos países hispanohablantes con el Día de los Muertos. En muchos lugares, está celebrado el 1 y 2 de noviembre. Esta tradición de varios días se enfoca en la reunión de familias y amigos para recordar y celebrar a las personas que están muertas.

Each year at Coalbanks the Spanish Bilingual Team build a Día de los Muertos non-religious altar in our commons area to allow students an opportunity to learn about and engage with this important tradition and holiday.

To the right is an example of a Día de los Muertos altar with the labelled elements it can be decorated with. Not all altars will have all these elements.



Picture source: [www.spanishmama.com](http://www.spanishmama.com)





## School Council

Next School Council Meeting – Wednesday November 20th  
@ 6:00 in The Commons Area  
always watch the website for the agenda the week before the meetings.

Follow this link: [for information & School Council Meetings](#)

If you have any questions, concerns or comments for School Council  
Email: [ce.scpres@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:ce.scpres@lethsd.ab.ca)

### November Hot lunch—Busters Pizza

Tuesday November 19, KB, KD and Grade 1  
Wednesday November 20, KA, KC and Grades 2/3  
Thursday November 21, Grades 4/5

All orders must be made through [School Cash Online](#)  
between November 1st & November 12th \*NO late orders can be accepted

### REMINDERS FOR THE WEATHER

As the weather gets colder, please help us with ensuring your child is dressed properly for the weather. Unless it is colder than  $-20$  Celsius, we go outside for all recesses. Your child needs a coat, mittens, a hat and snow boots. Please be sure that your child has indoor shoes. When the temperature reaches  $-20$  students will be welcomed into their classroom upon arrival.

The last day of school before the  
Christmas break  
is Friday December 20th,  
\*students are dismissed at 12:00pm  
Classes resume Monday January 6th.





# Remembrance Day Assembly

Our Remembrance Day Ceremony will be held on Friday, November 8th, for our students & staff. Students who are members of Guides, Scouts, Brownies, Cubs, Sparks or Beavers are welcome to wear their uniforms on November 8th.

\*due to fire regulations the assembly is for staff & students only



## Buy a Poppy

Poppies will be delivered to classrooms the first week of November. Donations to the Royal Canadian Legion will be collected in the classrooms & office until Nov 8th.



## Message from the Learning Commons

As always, your continued support in our learning commons is greatly appreciated. I am looking forward to everything this year has to offer with the students and many projects that will happen. Please encourage students of proper book care etiquette and ensure books are coming back to the learning commons in good condition.

I am hoping for some donations of a few things in the upcoming season:

Old electronics - this is called "reverse engineering" in the STEM world. It's a valuable learning experience where students can explore how things are made by taking apart old electronics. Students can learn a lot from taking things apart! They are fulfilling that natural desire to investigate while learning about what makes those parts work.

Donating computer parts (like that old computer mouse, keyboards, floppy disk drives and old CD-ROM readers), small screwdrivers and pliers would be helpful in starting this centre in the makerspace.

We are always in need of "Reader" type books - or "easy readers" Small levelled reading books for the younger students in our school. These are a high frequency checkout in the collection and we can never have enough as they experience so much wear and tear!

If you wish to make a donation of any of these items, and beyond,

please email me before you bring in any donations to:

[Abigail.wright@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:Abigail.wright@lethsd.ab.ca)








Lethbridge  
SCHOOL DIVISION

# NAVIGATING TECHNOLOGY TOGETHER

**UPDATE ON DIVISION PERSONAL  
MOBILE DEVICE AND SOCIAL MEDIA  
USE IN SCHOOLS PROCEDURE**



ENGAGE IN  
LEARNING AND  
DISCUSSION  
REGARDING  
EDUCATIONAL  
GUIDELINES FOR  
TECHNOLOGY USE

PLEASE JOIN US

SCAN ME



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE BY OCTOBER 31ST

EVENT FROM 6:00-7:30PM

G.S. LAKIE MIDDLE SCHOOL FOYER

LETHBRIDGE  
SCHOOL DIVISION

DIGITAL  
WELLNESS TEAM





# ESPORTS DAY AT THE GALT

November 8, 2024

Join us for an exciting day dedicated to the world of Esports! Whether you're a seasoned video gamer or just curious about the Esports phenomenon, we have something for everyone.

## INTRODUCTION TO THE WORLD OF ESPORTS

**Time:** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

**Who Should Attend:** Anyone interested in discovering and learning more about the world of esports. There will be time for open questions regarding what esports is and why it has become so popular.

## SUPER SMASH TOURNAMENT



**Time:** 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
(Walk in Registration 6:00 PM-6:30PM)

**Who Should Attend:** Anyone who loves to play Smash is welcome. No registration or fee is required—just show up and we will play. Open to all skill levels and players.

## FREE PLAY AREA AND CHALLENGES

**Time:** 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Who Should Attend:** Anyone interested in learning about speed runs or just playing some classic or current video games is welcome. We will have a Princess Peach speed run.

## ROCKET LEAGUE: WATCH, LEARN, & PLAY

**Time:** 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Who Should Attend:** Anyone who wants to learn about what Rocket League is and watch a live tournament. Also do some free play.



## LFS Angel Tree Christmas Campaign



**Eligibility:**

Children 0 - 18 years old are eligible to receive gift bundles.  
Families requiring assistance at Christmas, living in Lethbridge and area.

**Registration Is Open**  
**October 1 - December 4, 2024**  
Register online at [www.lfsfamily.ca](http://www.lfsfamily.ca)



**Contact:**

Lethbridge Family Services  
Val Wingerter  
Phone: 403-320-9119  
Email: [AngelTree@lfsfamily.ca](mailto:AngelTree@lfsfamily.ca)

**About LFS Angel Tree Christmas Campaign:** Lethbridge Family Services' collects new, unwrapped toys during November and December and distributes them to children and youth in Lethbridge and area, 0 - 18 years old, whose families need help at Christmas.

Lethbridge Family  
Services  
Since 1970

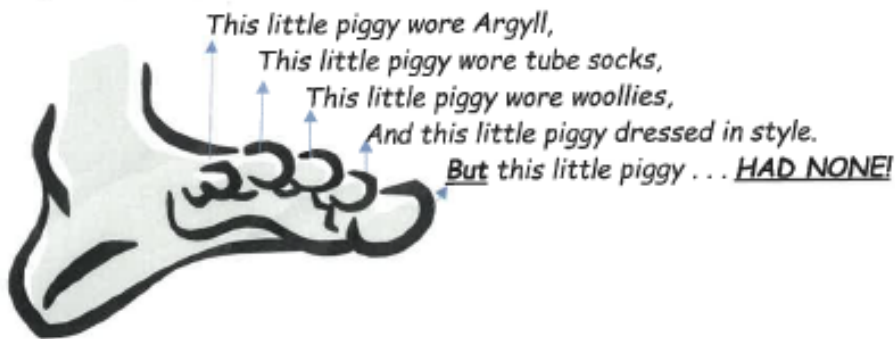


angel tree  
CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

Coalbanks school will once again be an Angel Tree drop off location.  
Starting Monday November 18th to Friday December 20th  
we will welcome unwrapped gifts for children 18 and younger.







*This little piggy wore Argyll,*

*This little piggy wore tube socks,*

*This little piggy wore woollies,*

*And this little piggy dressed in style.*

***But this little piggy . . . HAD NONE!***

It's time for

## 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL OPERATION:

# SOCK IT TO 'EM

**From November 1 to December 11, 2024**

**Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre, the Caretakers,  
Maintenance & Support staff in Lethbridge & Area  
schools are collecting *NEW SOCKS* to be  
donated to local charities and those less  
Fortunate for Christmas.**

***Please* join them and make Someone's Christmas  
a little bit warmer!**

**To donate, contact any Custodial staff at  
your local school.**

**QUESTIONS?**

Call Gail Petrie (403) 327-6520

Charlene Kocken (403) 329-3222

**-Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre**

**-Lethbridge School Division**

**-Holy Spirit School**

**-Palliser Regional School**



## *Alberta Wide Mental Health Services*

### Rapid Access Counselling (RAC)

- Anywhere in Alberta
- Low to no cost
- See a counsellor within 3 business days
- Single-session counselling
- Virtual, no travel required

### Easy and accessible to get started

- To book a session:
  - Call 1-877-244-2360 (toll free), email [intake@kindred.ca](mailto:intake@kindred.ca) or scan our QR code.
- Visit [www.RACAlberta.ca](http://www.RACAlberta.ca).

