

Coalbanks Chronicle

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Dates to Remember

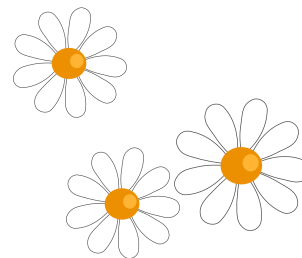
May 1—Hats on for Mental Health
May 7—Hot Lunch for May is available for purchase
May 14—School Council meeting 6:00pm in the Commons Area
May 16—Spirit Day— Throw back day-70s, 80s, 90s & 00s
May 19—NO School Victoria Day
May 20—NO School PD Day
May 20—Last Day to order Joeys Fish Shack hot lunch @ 11:00pm
May 27—Joeys Fish Shack hot lunch for KB, KC, KE and grade 1
May 28—Joeys Fish Shack hot lunch for KA, KD and grade 2/3
May 29—Joeys Fish Shack hot lunch for grade 4/5
May 29—Sports Day *weather permitting alternate date June 5

**Remember, keep checking our website
calendar, for calendar updates

[Coalbanks Calendar](#)

Please Arrive on Time!

Please ensure your child arrives on time for school. The warning bell rings at 8:25. Thank you!

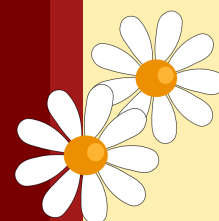


YEAR END BBQ

Mark your calendars!! Our year end BBQ is Tuesday June 17th, 2025 from 5:00pm - 7:00pm in our school staff parking lot

**Weather permitting, if needing an alternate night, it will be Wednesday June 18th, 2025

* More information will come closer to the date



A note from The Learning Commons

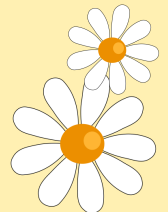
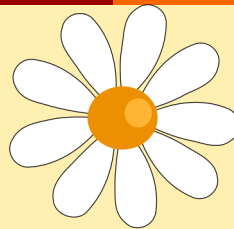
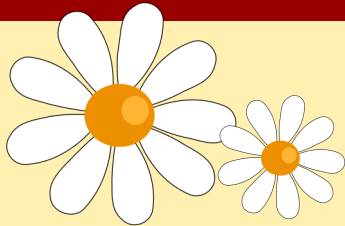
The School year is coming to an end, and it is that time yet again!

Books will be requested to come back to the learning commons for inventory on the week of May 26th!

Lists will be sent out to teachers the Monday prior to give the students an accurate account of what needs to be returned. This year is an especially important time to ensure all books come back, as so many students will be moving to West Coulee.

If a notice is sent home by the classroom teacher in June, it is simply a list to help the search continue at home for overdue books, it is by no means an indication that the book needs to be paid for or replaced. Please have students check everywhere! Under beds, bookshelves at home, closets, other rooms, in the car, they could be anywhere!

If replacement is necessary, it will be communicated directly.



School Council

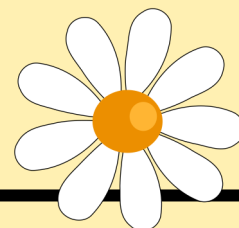
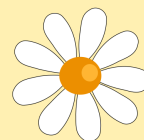
The next school council meeting is Wednesday May 14 @ 6:00pm in the Commons Area

The AGM meeting is on Tuesday June 10 @ 6:00pm.

At the AGM the executive positions are voted in, If you are considering running for any of our executive positions, you can contact Mr. Joey Gentile

@ joey.gentile@lethsd.ab.ca for information on the positions.

Nominations can be made the night of the AGM, we encourage you all to attend and support Coalbanks School Council.



Rincón Hispanico/Hispanic Corner



What is Cinco de Mayo?

Cinco de Mayo, also known as the 5th of May, is a day that celebrates the date of May 5th, 1862, where the Mexican army won victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War. It is also known as Battle of Puebla Day. Cinco de Mayo is often confused for Mexican Independence Day, which is on September 16th . In the United States, Cinco de Mayo has evolved into a celebration of Mexican culture and heritage. However, in Mexico, it is a relatively minor holiday that is celebrated in Puebla with historical recreations of the battle, parades, mariachis, costumes, and fireworks

¿Qué es el Cinco de Mayo?

Cinco de mayo es una fecha en la cual se celebra el día en que México ganó contra Francia en la batalla de Puebla, en 1862. Muchas veces esta fecha se confunde con la del día de independencia de México, el 16 de septiembre. En Los Estados Unidos, Cinco de Mayo se ha vuelto en una gran celebración de la cultura y herencia mexicana. En México, la festividad se celebra en Puebla con recreaciones históricas de la Batalla de Puebla, desfiles, mariachis, disfraces, y fuegos artificiales



Sources:

[Qué se celebra el Cinco de Mayo? - The New York Times \(nytimes.com\)](https://www.nytimes.com)

[Qué es el Cinco de Mayo en México y por qué es importante | National Geographic](https://www.nationalgeographic.com)

[Cinco de Mayo 2023: Facts, Meaning & Celebrations | HISTORY](https://www.history.com)

New Student Registrations

We are now accepting registrations for students who are new to our school division!

Any student new to Copperwood and new to our school division can now register for kindergarten through to grade 5 for the 2025-2026 school year to attend Coalbanks elementary.

To register a new student [CLICK HERE](#)



Coalbanks Channel 17 School News

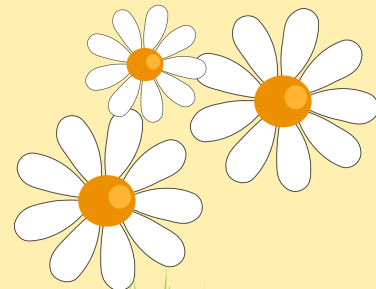
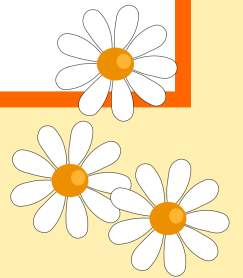
On April 10, 2025 Global News showcased our Coalbanks Channel 17 School News. We wanted to share the video from Global News.

Senor Jared Hunt has done a spectacular job with our news club over the past 3 years and the purpose of this club is for our students to showcase their skills and talents in a platform outside of their regular classrooms. The episodes have become so polished we really wanted to share how far this club and our students have come.

Job well done to Senor Hunt and our News Club Stars!

Here is the link to the Global News story:

[Coalbanks Channel 17 News on Global News](#)



C.O.B.R.A Kids

During our November Assembly we re-introduced our school values to the entire student body. These values are represented by the acronym COBRA. C stands for Citizenship, O stands for Outstanding, B stands for Bravery, R stands for Responsible and A stands for Academic. In an effort to make these values a bigger part of our school culture we will be highlighting each value during the remaining months of the school year at our assemblies and recognizing students in our newsletter each month who demonstrate these values. Please see the list of students that were nominated by their teachers for being Academic.

The following students excelled in the Academic school value:

Taha Khan in Ms. Chinn's class

Taha shows a great interest in learning and is always going above and beyond. He is sounding out words and asks thoughtful questions about the topics we are learning in our class. Well done Taha!



Elora Bergen in Ms. Chinn's class

Elora is always curious and focused on what we are doing in our classroom. She works hard in all of her tasks and has a deep love for learning. Awesome work Elora!



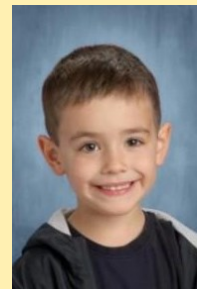
Lyla Chapman in SRTA. Leger's class

Lyla is always trying new things and putting her best foot forward. This allows her to continue learning and growing each and every day. She is always sharing her knowledge and learning new things.



Cohen Larson-Pendock in SRTA. Leger's class

Cohen is a wonderful writer; he loves to practice his printing skills and try writing new words. He is always willing to try new things.



Riley Horne in Ms. Tompkin's Class

Riley is diligent at mastering skills at school and continues her work at home with additional practice on rainbow words and reading. She is a consistent hard worker and takes ownership in her learning which has contributed to her success.



Ebrahim Khanzada in Ms. Caven's Class

Ebrahim is an incredible academic student. He catches on to new concepts quickly and easily. His reading skills are commendable and he always tries his best in his learning tasks.



Will Melchin in Ms. Reeves class

Will demonstrates an impressive enthusiasm for learning and exhibits a strong curiosity about the world around him. He consistently challenges himself to acquire new knowledge and has made noteworthy progress across all subjects throughout the school year.



Ezra Maret in SR. Hunt's Class

Ezra possesses an undeniable passion and incredible enthusiasm for learning. Ezra is incredibly motivated and is never afraid to take on new challenges when it comes to stepping outside his comfort zone. Ezra is always ready to take risks and look for ways to grow and stretch himself as a student. Ezra's thirst for learning, coupled with his extraordinary talents and strengths as a student, makes him an ideal candidate to be recognized for his academic excellence and achievements this school year!



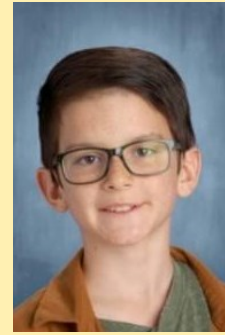
Hala Ayedi in SRTA. Fernandez and Ms. Whidden's class

Hala stands out for her strong sense of self-directed learning and exceptional critical thinking skills. She approaches tasks with curiosity, independence, and depth, making thoughtful connections and consistently striving for excellence.



Elijah Van Dyk in Ms. Kambeitz's Class

Elijah is our student for the Academic award. He is a very bright student who consistently completes his work with excellence. His writing is particularly advanced for his grade level. Way to go Elijah!



Mac Beekman in Ms. Matthew's class

Mac has shown incredible dedication to his learning. He comes to school each day ready to try his best, ask thoughtful questions, and take on challenges with a positive attitude. Mac consistently puts in the effort and takes pride in doing his best work. Way to go!



Oliver Penner in Ms. Walkey's Class

We are proud to recognize Oliver for his outstanding academic achievement. Throughout the year, Oliver has demonstrated dedication, curiosity, and a commitment to excellence across all subjects. His hard work, attention to detail, and love of learning have been a source of inspiration to his classmates. Congratulations, Oliver, on this well-deserved award!



Quinn Opper in Mr. Pettipa's class

Congratulations to Quinn on receiving this well-deserved academic award! She consistently demonstrates a positive learning mindset and approaches each day with enthusiasm and determination. Quinn shows great courage in taking risks with her learning, embracing challenges as opportunities to grow. She listens thoughtfully to constructive feedback and applies it, showing a strong commitment to her improvement. I am very proud of all that she has achieved this year!



Phoenix Litchfield in Ms. Wood's class

Phoenix always puts his best foot forward in class. He tries his best with everything that we do, making sure that his work is neat, organized, and completed to the best of his abilities. He is not afraid to ask questions when he gets stuck, showing that he is committed to learning and understanding everything that we work on in class! His focus and determination make him the perfect candidate for the Academic COBRA award, and makes this recognition well deserved. Congratulations Phoenix and fantastic job this school year!



Vira Glushko in Ms. Oake's class

Vira is incredibly committed to her work and puts her best foot forward in every task. She shows a fantastic attention to detail and is a true role model for her peers. Way to go Vira!



Ella Middleton-Hope in Ms. Salter's class

Ella is always working hard and asks questions to further her learning! She has grown so much this year!



Jude Burke in SR. Ayedi's class

Jude has been challenging himself to reach new goals and be the best he can be. He is committed to completing all his work in the best manner possible, and is one of the hardest working students in our class.



Ranizeh Merchant in SR. Merchan's class

Ranizeh's love for learning shows in everything she does in the classroom. She seeks out challenges and strives to do better every day. I can't wait to see how far you will go Ranizeh!



Harrison McNaughton in SRTA. Kim's class

Harrison McNaughton is an exceptionally academically driven student. He seeks out opportunities to challenge himself and go beyond what is asked of him in the classroom. He works hard in every subject and continually completes work thoughtfully and diligently.



Cathy Mai in SRTA. Thompson's Class

Cathy is a dedicated, hard working student who consistently strives for excellence. She has an amazing work ethic, often going above and beyond what was required and she always adds creative touches to her assignments.



Claire Graham in Mr. Sakamoto's Class

I chose Claire as she consistently puts forth her best effort and actively seeks feedback to make her work as good as it can be.



Minh-Tri Nguyen in Ms. Neher's class

Minh-Tri demonstrates a genuine curiosity about learning, especially regarding math and science. He devotes incredible effort to achieve excellence in all subject areas. We admire his dedication and commitment to learning!



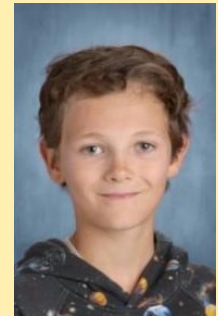
Jason Bertolozzi in Ms. Gast's Class

Jason is a hard-working student who takes charge of his own learning. He is dedicated to his studies and is a motivated learner, trying his best at all times and asking for feedback for ways to improve. He is a great example to those around him.



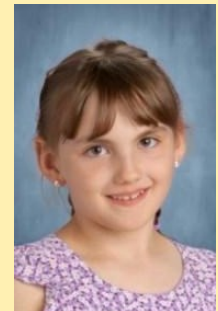
Oliver Van Dyk in Mr. Wever's class

I'm so proud of Oliver for receiving an Academic Award! His hard work, dedication, and commitment to learning truly paid off. This achievement reflects not only his intelligence but also his perseverance and positive attitude toward his studies. Keep reaching for the stars, Oliver—this is just the beginning!



Isabella Roseke in Ms. Gilbert's Class

Isabella Roseke is truly deserving of this recognition. Throughout the year, she has consistently demonstrated dedication, focus, and Creativity in her learning. Isabella approaches new concepts with curiosity and determination, and her strong academic performance is a reflection of her hard work and perseverance. She exemplifies what it means to be an engaged and motivated learner.



Nate Bosnak in Ms. Holthe's Class

Nate consistently demonstrates a strong work ethic, actively participates in class discussions, asks thoughtful clarifying questions, and completes all assignments with excellence and care.



Violet Reimer in SRTA. Shigemi's Class

Violet exemplifies what it means to be "Academic". Violet has a passion for learning and a positive attitude towards school. She is curious, motivated, focused and responsible. She is always ready to work her hardest and do her best. Violet always looks for ways to grow or challenge herself.

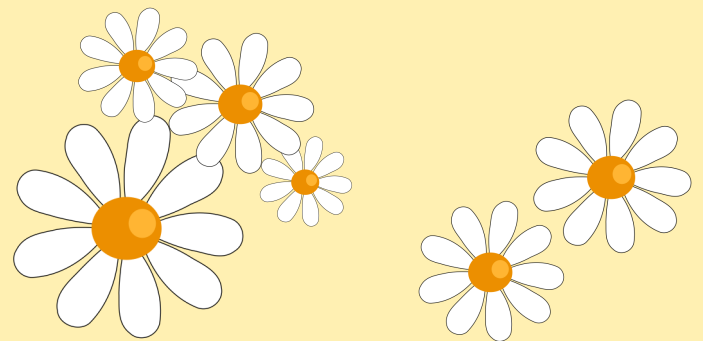


Emelia Anderson in SRA. Bennett's class

Emmy is so deserving of the COBRA Academic award. She is strong in all areas, and goes above and beyond in every subject to show academic excellence.



Hello
Spring



Opening Weekend – Sat, May 3 | 10–12:30

WANNA RACE?

All ages welcome · No experience necessary

No BMX bike? No full-face helmet? No problem.
We have loaner bikes and helmets available so you can give it a try.

What you do need to bring:
Covered shoes, long pants, and a long-sleeved shirt.



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