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 "All the news that's fit to print!" Oct.5-16 PARENTS

Starting October 2nd, we will send this calendar out every two weeks with updates and important information. If you have feedback, please let us know! Call (403-329-0125) or email darryl.christiansen@lethsd.ab.ca

<u>Monday Oct. 5</u>	<u>Tuesday Oct. 6</u>	<u>Wednesday Oct. 7</u>	<u>Thursday Oct. 8</u>	<u>Friday Oct. 9</u>
Feed the Bug week starts in homerooms – support the food bank Parent Teacher Interviews are already open for booking online (See info below)		Turkey Trot in PE classes – dress up like a turkey, guess your time and win some prizes! Deadline to order school photos (see below)		Feed the Bug – last day
<u>Monday Oct. 12</u>	<u>Tuesday Oct. 13</u>	<u>Wednesday Oct. 14</u>	<u>Thursday Oct. 15</u>	<u>Friday Oct. 16</u>
THANKSGIVING holiday No school	NO SCHOOL for students this week Division Collaborative Community and School Professional Learning for Teachers Interview booking closes see below)	School-based Professional Learning for all staff	School-based Professional Learning for all staff in the AM Parent Teacher Interviews 1-4, 5-8PM	Parent Teacher Interviews 8AM-12:20PM

Have you registered for:

PowerSchool? <https://ps.lethsd.ab.ca/public/>
School Cash Online? <https://lethbridge.schoolcashionline.com/>
Safe Arrival? <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>

If you have not registered for **PowerSchool**, your child will receive a letter to bring home with your log in information. PowerSchool allows you to track grades, attendance and receive e-report cards. Please register! **School Cash Online** lets you pay for any fees, activities or school gear easily and hassle free. **Safe Arrival** lets you easily report a student absence through the website, toll free number (866-879-1041) or mobile app. If you have any questions or need assistance, call Leanna or Jennifer in the office at 403-329-0125. **Please update any changed contact information for your child or family with our office.**

Check out our website at <http://gp.lethsd.ab.ca/> or follow us on twitter @GilbertPaterson for more information on school happenings.

- **Terry Fox Day** – We raised over \$1000.00 for Terry's Marathon of Hope. We also finished his journey with our walking kilometers!
- **School Council** – School Council will be starting in October. Our first meeting will be Monday October 19th. We will send out an invite next week.
- **Thanksgiving Week** – The Division has consolidated October holidays, professional learning and interview into one week from October 12-16. There are no classes for students during this week. The days breakdown as follows:
 Mon. Oct. 12 – Thanksgiving holiday
 Oct. 13-14 – Professional learning and collaborative learning communities for staff
 Oct. 15-16 – Parent / Teacher Interviews.

- **Parent Teacher Interviews** – We will be doing interviews in person with Covid protocols in place for masks, sanitizing and social distancing. We have sent out all the information for booking interviews and it is also on our website. Interviews will open for booking on Friday, Oct. 2 and close on Tuesday Oct. 13th.
- **Feed the Bug – FOOD DRIVE** – It will look a little different this year with safety protocol but we will still be doing our annual Food Drive for the Food Bank the week of Oct. 5-9th. Each class has a BINGO sheet of items to try to bring to fill a hamper for the Food Bank. We will be asking students to drop off the food
- **Picture Orders and Retakes** – Your child has received their picture proofs this week and orders are due either online or dropped off at the school by Oct. 7th. If your child is an at home learner, please pick up your picture package at the school as soon as possible if you are interested in ordering pictures. If you missed picture day, retakes are Monday Oct. 26.
- **IMPORTANT INFORMATION – Lethbridge School Division Pivot Point** - On Thursday, Oct. 15, a Pivot Point form will be available on the Lethbridge School Division website. The form is to be filled out **ONLY** by parents who wish to request a change in the learning model their children are currently engaged in (in-school learning or at-home learning). The form will remain on the website until 11 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 21. For students requesting a change, the transition to their new learning model will take place from Tuesday, Nov. 10 to Friday, Nov. 13. On Monday, Nov. 16, classes will begin for students that requested a change. The Request for Change – Pivot Point 1 form will be located on the front page of the Division website at www.lethsd.ab.ca
- **THE LOOP** – Welcome to the first edition of THE LOOP! Our school and community partners provide ongoing supports and services to our families. The purpose of this newsletter is to share what supports are available in our wonderful city! THE LOOP will provide you with snapshots of professional development opportunities, community partner updates, child and youth community activities and referral information. We hope THE LOOP helps you to stay informed. Please follow the link below to this informative monthly newsletter.
<https://gp.lethsd.ab.ca/>
- **Orange Shirt Day** – Thank you to all the staff and students who participated by wearing an orange shirt or by reflecting on ways that each of us can help reconciliation and accept differences through our class activity.

