



PATERSON PRESS “All the news that’s fit to print!” Jan 7-18 PARENTS

<u>Monday Jan. 7</u>	<u>Tuesday Jan. 8</u>	<u>Wednesday Jan. 9</u>	<u>Thursday Jan. 10</u>	<u>Friday Jan. 11</u>
<p>Welcome Back! Happy New Year!</p> <p>Intramural Indoor Soccer starts at noon</p>	<p>Rep host GS Lakie Dev at GS Lakie</p>	<p>Junior Club Basketball 2:15-3:30</p>		<p>Rep Boys @ Barnwell Rep Girls @ Med Hat Dev Boys @ St. Francis Dev Girls @ Lakie</p>
<u>Monday Jan 14</u>	<u>Tuesday Jan. 15</u>	<u>Wednesday Jan 16</u>	<u>Thursday Jan. 17</u>	<u>Friday Jan. 18</u>
	<p>Rep @ Fairbairn Dev host Fairbairn</p>	<p>Junior Club Basketball 2:15-3:30</p>	<p>First French Club Meeting Noon Rm 117</p> <p>Rep at Wilson Dev host Wilson</p>	<p>Rep Boys/Girls @ Raymond</p>

Other news...

- 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, hot lunches or other activities easily and hassle free. **Safe Arrival** lets you easily report a student absence through the website, toll free number or mobile app. If you have any questions or need assistance, call Leanna or Kathy in the office at 403-329-0125. **Please update any changed contact information for your child or family with our office.**
- **Parent Council** – The next meeting is Mon. Jan. 21 at 7 PM in the foods room. Check here for council minutes and agendas. <http://gp.lethsd.ab.ca/School%20Council.php>
- **FRENCH CLUB** - In January, Mme Schultchen and Mme Valgardson will be starting a French Club at GPMS. This club will be open to all tigers – French immersion, French as a second language, and English students alike! The French Club will meet once every two weeks at lunch break, and will celebrate French language and culture. The first meeting is Tuesday Jan 15th at lunch in room 117. À bientôt!
- **Tiger Athletics** – We are excited to have over 60 players coming out to our Junior team practices. Our Rep and Developmental teams are off to a great start to the season. Both Rep teams collected Silver medals at the recent Tiger Classic against some tough competition and the Developmental girls captured the consolation side of the St. Francis tourney. The basketball schedule is available below schedule is available below. <http://gp.lethsd.ab.ca/view.php?action=calendar&id=131&header=Athletics%20Calendar> Paterson wrestlers compete with the other middle schools and high schools in various competitions as well. Congratulations to Ryder Lowry, Solomon Prenevost, Payton Shields and Tamryn Bly who medalled at the LCI Green and Gold tournament recently.
- **FINE ARTS - THANK YOU** – Your support of our fine arts during the Christmas season was again outstanding. The Band Winter concert and the Choir and Handbells concert were amazing and we congratulate Ms. Lewis, Mr. Leavitt, Ms. Latta, Mrs. Miller and of course, all the students, for wonderful evenings!

- **WELCOME BACK and FAREWELL** – We are pleased to welcome back Mrs. Greve to 8CD from her maternity leave this week! Thanks to Mr. Hurley who did a great job in her absence – we wish him the best! Thank you as well to our Intern teachers who are completing their term with us at Christmas. Good luck Ms. Latta, Ms. Latilo and Mrs. Meier in your future teaching!
- **HEALTH CLASSES** – Students will be starting the Human Sexuality component of Health on January 11th. It will run for the four Fridays in January. If your child did not already have signed consent from the registration package to participate, you would have received more information earlier this week.
- **MATH HELP FOR PARENTS** – If you are looking for tips and information on how to help your grade 6-9 child with math, Joy Morris from the University of Lethbridge and a Paterson parent, will be hosting math tutorials at GPMS starting January 10th.

Math Help Sessions for Parents!

Drop-in
Games and activities
Refreshments!
Encouragement
Information
One-on-one help
Basic Skill training

What is my kid learning in math?
I wish I could help my kid with math.
Can math be less painful?
Can it even be fun?
Come and find out!

Thursdays, 6:30-7:30
January 10-February 7,
2019
Gilbert Paterson
Middle School
2109-12th Ave. S.

Kids of all ages are welcome with Parents!

Joy Morris is a math professor who is also a parent. She will be assisted by math education students from the university. Information will be aimed at middle school math, but all parents, all abilities, and all questions are welcome!

With support from the Pacific Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Lethbridge School District 51, and the University of Lethbridge.

- **TERM 1 HONORS** – Congratulations to all of our Term 1 honors letters that were sent home Monday with students. Our honors list is posted on the bulletin board in the large gym showcase. Thank you to all students for your hard work!
- **TIGERS'S DEN/ CAFETERIA UPDATES:** In keeping with our District Wellness and Nutrition policy and with the understanding of the crucial role nutrition plays in learning, we will be making some positive changes to our Tiger's Den menu items in the New Year. Watch for delicious nutritious additions coming your way and thanks to our students who have helped guide these changes. A BIG HUGE THANK YOU to Mr. Bardock for his endless hours of Tuck Shop dedication, support, work and effort for past number of years. Welcome Ms. David, Mrs. Lacourciere, Mme Thorsen to the new Tiger's Den team!

- **TALENT SHOW** – Our Dec. 20th *Paterson's Got Talent* show was excellent! Thanks to the student performers and staff volunteers for a great show! It was a great way to end off our Christmas week!



- **CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES** – We had a number of fun activities over the Christmas lead up to show our holiday spirit. Christmas sweater day, Christmas character day and pictures with Santa were a highlight. Staff, students and families also did their part to collect toys for the Angel Tree program and food and holiday items for hampers for families in our Paterson community. We are thankful to have the giving spirit in our school!

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