



PATERSON PRESS "All the news that's fit to print!" Nov. 2-13 – PARENTS

<u>Monday Nov. 2</u> "Think Outside" lessons for grade 6/7 all this week	<u>Tuesday Nov. 3</u>	<u>Wednesday Nov. 4</u>	<u>Thursday Nov. 5</u>	<u>Friday Nov. 6</u> Grade 8 Morning Announcements
<u>Monday Nov. 9</u>	<u>Tuesday Nov. 10</u> Remembrance Day Assembly – 10:30 start	<u>Wednesday Nov. 11</u> Remembrance Day holiday – no school	<u>Thursday Nov. 12</u>	<u>Friday Nov. 13</u> Grade 7 Morning Announcements

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**, please contact our office. 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.

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As per the AHS information sent out on October 28/29th, we currently have 3 class cohorts and 7 staff on a quarantine period. I would like to thank all parents and students for their assistance as we carry on with learning and supporting our students, families and staff. The transition to home learning for the quarantine period will involve students utilizing TEAMS for instruction and learning. Our focus is on making sure that all affected students and staff are well, stay connected and continue with their learning in the best way possible.

We continue to work with our students to effectively follow our school protocols of cohorts, mask use and sanitization that we have sent home prior. Thank you again for support and as always, I welcome any inquiries here at the school.

Sincerely,
Darryl Christiansen

- **School Council** – The next meeting is Mon. Nov. 16 at 7 PM. We will make a decision the week prior as to whether the meeting takes place on Zoom or in person with protocols in our small gym. We will send out that information and the agenda at that time.

- **November Pivot Point** – The Pivot Point Survey closed last week and we have transitioned approximately 15 students back to school and about 13 to at home learning. These students will start their new programs on November 2nd. Please note that the Pivot Point is closed and the next School Division Pivot Point is January 29th.
- **Remembrance Day Virtual Assembly** - Plans are underway for a virtual assembly featuring our students to mark this important day on our school calendar. It will be put together and shared throughout the school at a common time on Tuesday November 10th through YouTube. The link will also be made available for parents as well. Just a reminder that Wednesday November 11th is the Remembrance Day Holiday and there is no school.
- **“Think Outside” Program – Grade 6/7** – We are pleased to partner up with our Division Indigenous Education Department and the Helen Schuler Coulee Center to offer this program to our grade 6 and 7 students. Each class will receive two outdoor-themed lessons in our school yard over the next few weeks to promote connections with outdoors and Indigenous ways of knowing.
- **Fall and Winter Weather** – We have enjoyed a wonderful fall and have taken advantage of outstanding weather. With the recent snow week, we have a place at each door for students to store winter boots. This procedure worked well and we remind students to dress for outside as we continue to head outside as the weather allows.
- **HALLOWEEN!** – We had a great turnout of costumes and lots of fun! Thanks to staff and students for their Halloween spirit!

