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Nov. 7-18 – PARENTS

| Monday Nov. 7 Inuit Day Grade 6 Inuit presentation – 2PM | Tuesday Nov. 8 Rep Volleyball playoffs Girls at 4PM, Boys at 5:15 | Wednesday Nov. 9 Volleyball Rep Finals at WMS times TBD | Thursday Nov. 10 Remembrance Day Assembly 10:30 AM (virtual feed available) | Friday Nov. 11 No school – Remembrance Day |
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| Monday Nov. 14 School Division Wide Professional Learning Day - no school for students | Tuesday Nov. 15 Rock Your Mocs Day Basketball begins this week. Please see the full list of times and dates for boys and girls below | Wednesday Nov. 16 Grade 6 Immunizations from AHS - AM | Thursday Nov. 17 Cake Pop Sale #2 At lunch | Friday Nov. 18 Last day of Term 1 Term 2 begins Monday |

We send home the "Paterson Press" every second Friday. If you have feedback, please let us know! Call (403-329-0125) or email darryl.christiansen@lethsd.ab.ca

Have you registered for:

PowerSchool? https://ps.lethsd.ab.ca/public/

https://lethbridge.schoolcashonline.com/ **School Cash Online?**

Safe Arrival? https://go.schoolmessenger.com

If you have any questions or need assistance with these services, call Leanna or Jennifer in the office at 403-329-0125.

Paterson Clubs / Activities - Times and Places - We will update club information here in the Paterson Press.

| French Immersion Homework Club | Tuesdays – Art Room | | |
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| GSA Club | Mondays – lunch hour – art room – starts Oct. 26th | | |
| Jazz Band | Mondays / Wednesday – lunch hour – band room | | |
| Treasure Island Production | Mondays / Wednesdays – 3-4:30PM – drama room (2 casts) | | |
| Handbells Club | Mondays / Wednesdays – lunch hour – choir room | | |
| Basketball Clubs | Dates and Times to TBD starting Wed. Nov. 23 rd | | |
| E-Sports Club | Tuesdays – 3-4:30PM– learning commons | | |
| Indigenous and Allies Club | Tuesdays – lunch hour – learning commons | | |
| Select Choir | Tuesdays / Thursdays – lunch hour – choir room | | |
| Rock Band Club | Tuesdays /Thursdays 3-4:30PM – room 210 | | |
| Podcast Club | Wednesday – 2-3PM – learning commons | | |
| Maker Space Club | Thursdays – lunch hour – learning commons | | |

- Parent Council The next meeting is Mon. Nov. 21st at 7PM in the Learning Commons.
- Term 1 assessment and reporting As we approach the end of term1 on November 18th, parents can be checking PowerSchool for updated grades and progress comments attached to specific assignments or tests. This feedback is part of the ongoing assessment feedback at middle school. Thank you for your active participation in your child's progress and please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions. Term 2 options begin on Monday November 21st.

- Tiger Athletics Volleyball League Finals for our rep teams wrap up November 9th with both teams vying for city championships. Congratulations to our Rep Girls who recently won the Fairbairn tourney while our Rep Boys placed 2nd at the Lakie Tournament. Both teams are competing in the Zone Championships on Nov. 5th. Our developmental teams have had a great year of skill development and growth and recently hosted the Tiger Classic tourney where the girls took the title and the boys placed 3rd. We had a large group of students out for club volleyball all year which concluded last week. Basketball camps will begin on Tuesday November 15th. Please see the links below for basketball information and camp and tryout times. https://gp.lethsd.ab.ca/home/news/post/basketball-camps-and-information
- Fine Arts Just a reminder of our Winter Concert dates Choir/Handbells are Tuesday Dec. 13 and Band is Wednesday Dec. 15. Watch for more information in December.
- Remembrance Day Assembly Our school assembly will take place on Thursday Nov. 10th at 10:30 AM with a return to the large gym for a school assembly. Please note that with almost 850 staff and students and the set required for band and choir performances, we do not have room for parent or public seating this year. We will be livestreaming it on our YouTube channel at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPqKXAdQ-Sfy8cCZqVwKBzw/videos
 Just a reminder that November 11th is the Remembrance Day statutory holiday and Nov. 14th is a District Wide professional learning day for students and staff.
- **Learning Commons Book Fair** Thank you for your support of our Scholastic Book Fair last week. With over \$3500 worth of sales, this year's book sale was a wonderful success. This will help us add to our collection in our learning commons and look at some new makerspace items as well. Thank you so much for the support from students and parents.
- Angel Tree for Kids At Lethbridge Family Services, we collect new, unwrapped toys during November and December and distribute them to children and youth in Lethbridge and area whose families need help at Christmas. If you wish to register your children for Angel Tree for Kids: Register online at www.lfsfamily.ca/content.php?p=92) or use the QR code below. Registration is open until November 30, 2022. Gilbert Paterson will again be a community gift collection site for donations. If you wish to drop off a NEW toy/gift, our school will be collecting from November 15 December 16. Paper angels will be available on NOVEMBER 15 in the main office or from the Wellness Team (Christine Oviatt or Cheryl Smith). Donors choose an angel, purchase a new toy/gift (see the FAQ section for gift ideas Lethbridge Family Services (Ifsfamily.ca)), and return the new, unwrapped gift (with the Angel tag) to the main office or Wellness Team.

CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

- Rock Your Mocs is coming and we want to celebrate Indigenous culture! Rock Your Mocs was started in 2011 by Jessica Jaylyn Atsye (Atsigh) from New Mexico in the U.S. Jessica created a positive social media event for her friends to wear moccasins to promote her culture. Since then, it has become a world-wide event through social media to promote indigenous culture and showcase the diversity of nations. On Tuesday November 15, Gilbert Paterson will celebrate Rock Your Mocs to honour diversity and indigenous cultures around the world. You are invited to wear moccasins that day.
- Week wrap up We had a great Halloween Monday of costumes and treats. Thank you to all students who
 participated. Our grade 6 leadership class have been selling tickets for \$1 for a chance to pie a teacher next
 week and help the Homeless Shelter. On Wednesday, we hosted Nate Webb to spread his message of kindness,
 positivity and responsible social media use in an assembly to all students.
- Pick Up, Parking and Traffic We ask that all parents please help to ensure that drop off, pick up and parking
 afterschool is safe and orderly for all. We all know the challenges of a large school in a full residential
 neighborhood and ask that you do not stop in the middle of the street to drop off students or make U-turns.
 Thank you for helping to keep the streets and parking areas safe and efficient as possible.