



PATERSON PRESS

Feb. 26-March 8

REMINDER – Feb. 19-23 is Family Week /Teacher Convention – No classes – School resumes Monday Feb. 26

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


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

<p><u>Monday Feb 26</u> School resumes after Family week</p> <p>Random acts of Kindness week starts!</p> <p>Mass Band rehearsals: Period 2 – Gr 8 Period 3 – Gr 7</p> <p>Badminton tryouts begin (see link below)</p>	<p><u>Tuesday Feb 27</u></p> <p>Mass Band rehearsals: Period 4 – Gr 6</p> <p>Badminton tryouts continue (see link below)</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Feb 28</u></p> <p>Pink Shirt Day!</p> <p>Badminton tryouts continue (see link below)</p>	<p><u>Thursday Feb 29</u> Carnaval! Student encouraged to wear plaid</p>  <p>Badminton tryouts continue (see link below)</p>	<p><u>Friday Mar 1</u></p> <p>LSAA zones in Taber and Cardston Good luck!!</p> <p>Badminton tryouts continue (see link below)</p>
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- **Pink Shirt Day** – February 28th is Pink Shirt Day. This is a day an annual National event against bullying. We hope that students will show kindness to others through their actions and words. Looking forward to a sea of pink that day!
- **Random acts of kindness week** – to go along with Pink shirt day we will be having a random acts of kindness week. Each day we will try to do small acts to make our community better.

Random Acts of Kindness Week Activities:

Monday: Hold the door for someone or say “hello”.

Tuesday: Bring in an item to donate to the food bank.

Wednesday: Pick up garbage/litter that isn't yours from the halls, outside on the school grounds, or in your classroom.

Thursday: Thank someone during the school day. Acknowledge something they have done.

Friday: Be on time for all your classes to show your care for others.

- **School Council** – The next meeting is scheduled for **Mon. March 18th** at 630PM in the Learning Commons or on Teams link.
- **School council fundraiser**- We will be selling oranges and grapefruits as a school council fundraiser. Money will go towards literacy activities in the school. Information will be sent home when the fundraiser begins.
- **Leadership activities** – Our leadership students collected toiletry items and warm clothes to donate to My City Cares. Thank you to all who donated!



- **Term 2 ends on March 15** – Parents will be able to access updated marks and comments by Thursday March 18th on PowerSchool. Look for more information in our next Paterson Press.
- **Brother's Grimm** – Our school production ran from Monday-Thursday this week in the small gym. Two different casts put on matinee and evening shows for family, friends, classmates and elementary school students. Congratulations to Mr. Leavitt, Mrs. Froese, Mme Bryden, Mrs. Morrow, and all the cast and crew. Thank you for your support of our fine arts program.
- **Thank you!** - We would like to give a BIG THANK YOU to the Lethbridge Médiathèque group for giving us \$10000 worth of French books and comics. They are appreciative of this donation and the books will be of good use in our Learning commons and classrooms.
- **Athletics - Congratulations to our Rep Teams!** Both the girls and the boys were undefeated in league play and advanced to the finals where they have both earned the chance to move onto zones. Zones take place out of town on March 1st and 2nd. Thanks to all our dedicated coaches, supervisors and scorekeepers for a successful return season! Next up is the ***badminton season*** that starts after family week. Check below for tryout times and badminton information. The times are also posted around the school, on the website and on announcements.
- **Band** – Our bands and choirs are getting ready for the Lethbridge Music and Speech Festival. Mass band rehearsals are marked on the calendar. Specific festival performance times will be sent out by Ms. Lewis.



- **Carnaval** - The month of March has been proclaimed **Alberta Francophonie Month** by the Government of Alberta. To celebrate this event, all of our students will be participating in the tradition of Carnaval on Feb 29th to kick off the month ahead. Students will be rolling taffy on “snow” and doing various outdoor activities. Students are encouraged to wear plaid to celebrate the “bucheron”(lumberjacks). Thank you to Kona Ice for providing the clean “snow”. French Immersion students will continue with other activities throughout the month or March.



- **Phone free campus** – just a reminder that we are a cell phone free campus. Students are encouraged to keep their phones in the lockers or at home during the day. Please do not expect texts from students during the day. We will also be placing new signage to discourage cell phones in bathrooms and change rooms. We will talk about this during announcements on Feb 26th.
- **February Mental Health Minute** - According to the American Psychological Association, studies have shown that acts of generosity not only benefit the recipients, but also boost happiness and well-being for the person offering kindness (<https://convoyofhope.org/articles/random-act-of-kindness-week/>). When we return from the February break, we will be encouraging students and staff to participate in random act of kindness each day of the week. Acts as simple as saying hello to others, holding the door, and bringing an item for the food bank will focus on intentional ways to bring kindness to and promote empathy in our school.

We also invite families to participate in activities at home and in the community to spread acts of kindness in the greater Paterson community. For ideas, please visit: <https://www.randomactsofkindness.org/>

BADMINTON TRYOUTS

Tryouts will begin after the Family Week break from February 26th to March 4th

(all tryout times are 1.5 hours)

Mon. Feb 26	Gr. 8 Boys tryout 3:00 (L) Gr. 8 Girls tryout 4:30 (L)
Tues. Feb 27	Gr. 7 Girls tryout 3:00 (L) Gr. 7 Boys tryout 4:30 (L)

Wed. Feb 28	Gr. 8 Girls tryout 3:00 (L) Gr. 8 Boys tryout 4:30 (L)
Thur. Feb 29	Gr. 7 Boys tryout 3:00 (L) Gr. 7 Girls Tryout 4:30 (L)
Fri. March 1	Gr. 6 Boys tryout 11:45 (L) Gr. 6 Girls Tryout 11:45 (S)
Mon. March 4	Gr. 6 Girls tryout 3PM (L) Gr. 6 Boys Tryout 3PM (S)