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## Lester B. Pearson Newsletter – February 9, 2025

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Since we return to school we have had busy weeks and weekends. This weekend our Senior Girls Basketball Team travelled to Edmonton for the O'Leary Invitational. Our Junior Boys Basketball Team were in Red Deer for the Thurber Invitational and our Senior Boys were at Centennial for a tournament. Our Wrestling Team spent the weekend at Churchill. Thank you to the athletes, coaches, trainers and managers who wore our schools colours with pride and sportsmanship.



Grad photos began yesterday. Great seeing our students dressed to the nines.



The yearbook is coming together thanks to these dedicated and creative students. There are lots of memories to preserve and share.



Mr. Berry was one happy camper!!!



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The Multicultural Club Invites All Patriots To  
A Special Lunar New Year & Valentine's Celebration

**HAPPY LUNAR  
NEW YEAR**  
YEAR OF THE SNAKE

*Valentine's  
Celebration*

**FEBRUARY  
12TH**

In The Gym During Connect  
Enjoy live performances and  
participate in fun games & activities

In The Cafeteria During Lunch  
Treat yourself to a delicious  
platter featuring:  
2 Spring Rolls  
Veg Chow Mein  
Cake  
All for just \$2!

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!

**GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY  
INTRAMURALS**

**TRY IT  
Patriots**

CLOSED SPACE, FUN STRESS-FREE  
ENVIRONMENT. NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED.

Starting February 4th, Every Tuesday  
11:45-12:20 @ Aux Gym

**what do you  
know about  
climate change?**

FILL OUT THIS SHORT SURVEY TO SHARE  
YOUR RESPONSE

By completing the survey, you have consented for the collection of your responses for research purposes only.

There is an IB reflective project on generational views of climate change. Take the survey.



Our Senior Girls kept battling back and got within 10 points but BOB won 50-74.

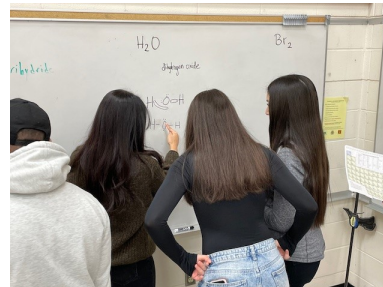
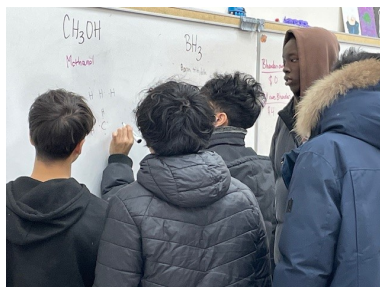


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Our Junior Girls defeated BOB 73-32.



This is Ms. Mithani's chemistry class drawing out molecules. Do you remember doing Lewis valence dot diagrams??? Lots of fun!!!



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This is Ms. Saxton's amazing Leadership 10/20/30 students. They meet in J Block.



Robotics Team met yesterday to begin preparation for the Provincials.



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Pearson had another stellar outing for the Wrestling Team at the Abe's Quad Meet. (These photos are courtesy of Mr. Bakos without his glasses).

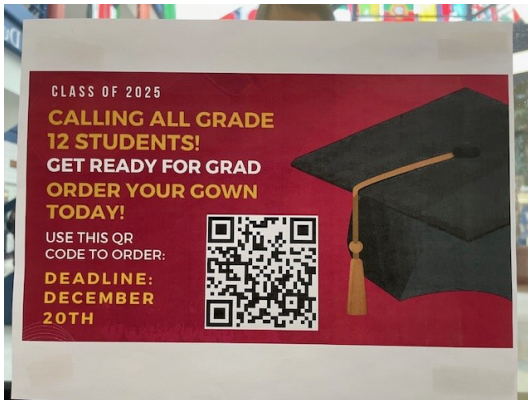
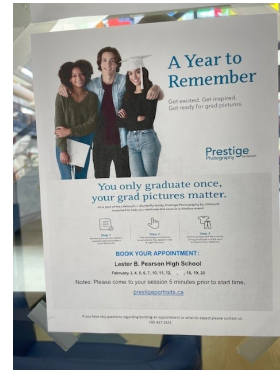
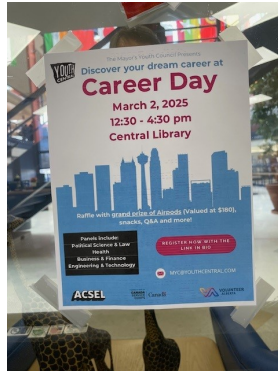


I was able to spend some time with Ms. Wittrock's Art 20 students. They were working on pieces reflecting the art movements of surrealism and Dadaism.



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This is what I saw while walking around Pearson.





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Magic moments from the Senior Girls trip to Edmonton. Ms. Laforest consulted with Zoltar for the tournament outcome!!! ☺

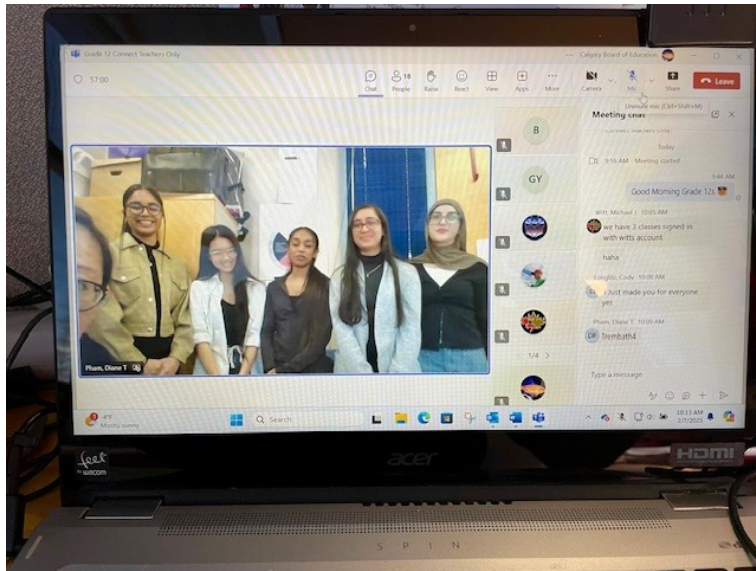


The Churchill Wrestling Tournament was a wonderful event and our athletes added more medals and plaques to their season!



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**Congratulations to Class 2025 Valedictorian - Tehzeeb Bhatia; Invocation Address - Bevone Leung; MC and Class Historian - Nitisha Kumar; Toast to Parents - Ilma Hirji and Toast to the Parents - Jenan Houmsi. A beautiful Grad Gown being handmade in Fashions.**



**Our Multicultural Club celebrated Lunar New Year alongside seniors at Gilchrist Manor. An event filled with music, dance, treats and lucky gifts.**



**Our own Chef Martin carving and judging at the Western Canadian Olympic Qualifier, which took place at the Calgary Zoo. It was perfect weather for ice sculpting.**



With the start of semester 2 begins let me give students and parents a couple of Pro Tips:

- Attendance is everything. Being on time and being in class everyday is the foundation for success. Every minute counts and is important. Skipping is not an option. Being late is not an option.
- Engage in the work. This means being present with the lesson and the work. Learning is an active endeavor. It takes good effort. It requires attention. Just being in the class is not enough. Passivity equals failure.

Graduation is coming up at the end of May. After seeing students and Grade 12 students already cutting class and choosing to be late I reminded all the Grads in Connect that they not only have to earn their 100+ credits but they also have to be **'Students in Good Standing'** in order to qualify to walk the stage. Walking the stage is earned. It is a meaningful act to walk the stage. Grads who choose to skip class, are chronically late, are disrespectful to students and staff and resort to violence will not be permitted to walk the stage even if they have earned their credits. Grads who walk the stage have demonstrated the Pearson Values of Respect, Integrity, Empathy and Accountability. The choice is up to them and I hope they choose well.

### Athletics:

February 10<sup>th</sup>: Girls Basket Ball Home to McNally: Jr. at 5:30pm and Sr. at 7:30pm

February 11<sup>th</sup>: Boys Basket Ball Home to Francis: Sr. at 5:30pm and Jr. at 7:30pm

### Save the Date:

February 10<sup>th</sup>: Indigenous Parent Advisory at 6:30pm.

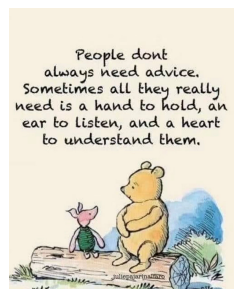
February 11<sup>th</sup>: School Parent Council at 7:30pm.

February 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>: Teachers Convention – No School.

February 17<sup>th</sup>: Family Day – No School.

February 26<sup>th</sup>: Pink Shirt Day – Show your support!

February 28<sup>th</sup>: Non-Instructional Day! – No School.



Sharing a slice of angel food cake made in Foods. It was scrumptious 😊

Kenneth Chee  
Principal