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Lester B. Pearson Newsletter – May 5, 2024

Pearson Potpourri Edition

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

We have a little bit of everything in this edition of our school newsletter this time. The weather was not cooperating with spring sports but we soldiered on. Lots happening in classrooms of which I have highlighted, a few more courses. We had a walkout and we celebrated many students at our Breakfast of Champions. The Colours of Springs Jazz and Dessert Night was – Sweet!!!

Pearson is a busy place.

Read on:



Here is the first crocus on Nose Hill; photo courtesy of Mr. Bakos. Monday morning as the sun rose over the horizon, reminder that winter is not long to last.

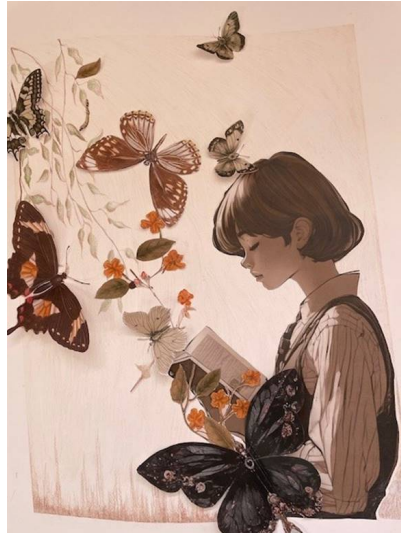


Mr. Witt sent me this photo of his PE 20 students having fun inline skating, for many it was the first time on skates.



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The two middle self-portraits were generated using AI; this is outstanding art from Mr. Toy's Art 30 students.



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Getting ready for our 'Under the Sea' Spring Dance tonight in the aux gym.





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Here are all the ones that stayed for the last dance. Thank you to Ms. Buchan, Ms. Lock, Mr. Leonhardt, Mr. Kleintz and Ms. Pham (who dance the night away and got all the wall flowers to boogie) for supervising and Students' Council. It may have been a winter blast outside but it was Spring and bright lights inside.



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Wednesday was the first day to secure a ticket to the Multi-Cultural Gala the evening of May 9th from 5pm to 8pm and Grads to secure a table at the Grad Banquet.



The Walk Out was safe, respectful and responsible. Students walked around the school field and circled their way back to the dry pond. We had support from 4 SROs and students stayed on the sidewalks. A parent commented to me on how respectful the students were on their protest.





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The Track Team went for it and held practice. Samir was impressive, clearing the bar at 1.5 metres with a strong headwind and wearing a winter jacket. The rugby teams also got in an outdoor practice. So Cool!!! So Cold!!!





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Many games were cancelled due to poor field conditions. Girls Field Hockey went ahead and the weather got worse as the game progressed. Our intrepid Patriots dug deep and won their match against the All Saints 2 – 0.



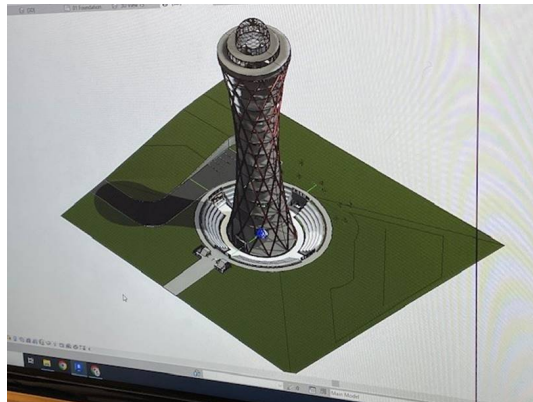
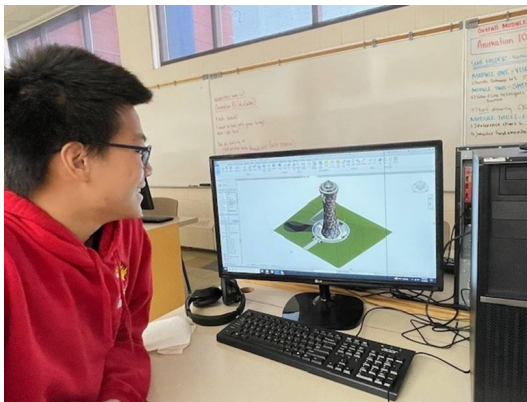


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It was a grand evening, met parents and alumni. Thanks you to Ms. Riben and her Vocal Jazz; as well to Mr. Webster's Jazz Ensemble and Harris, conductor of Annie Gale's Jazz Band. Thank you to Chef Martin and his culinary students for the amazing treats.



Danny has been in at 7am for the past week practicing his architectural design skills in preparation for the Alberta Skills Competition in Edmonton. He walked me through the design challenges he will be facing and his thoughts about how he will approach the time crunch.

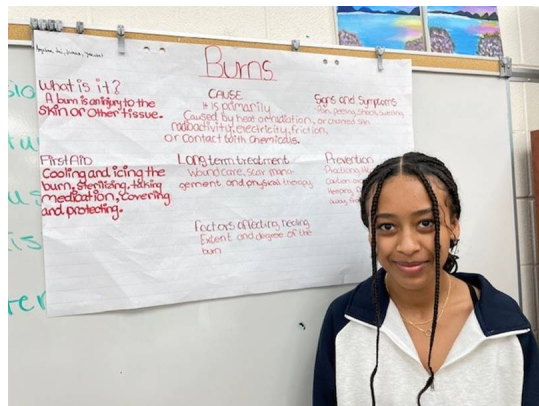


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DramaFest is always an outstanding 3 day event with both workshops and adjudicated performances. I saw our production of 'The Box' and it was well received by their peers from other schools.



I received a clean bill of health from students who check my vitals in Ms. Grove's Sports Med Class. They were working on their presentations. Cool kids!!!





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Our Senior Soccer Team lost 1 – 0 in overtime last night against the All Saints. Our Girls Rugby Team also lost to McNally. The girls told me they learned from this match and will be back even stronger next time they meet.



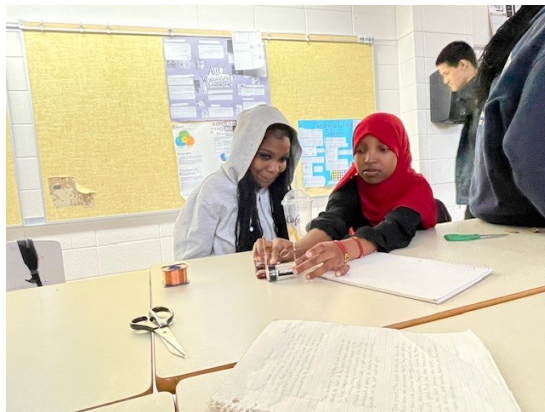


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Our Breakfast of Champions, a Pearson tradition of thanks and celebration.



Making electric motors in Ms. Taylor's Science and working on Idioms in Ms. Adhip's EAL class.





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Our amazing Pearson Dance Troupe at the Eastside Dance Festival workshop on Friday!

Semester 2: Don't Forget

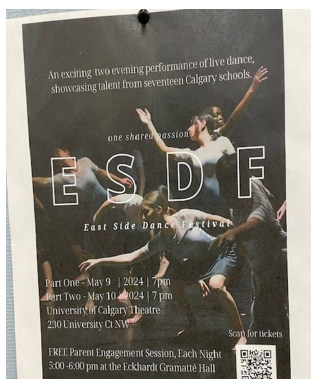
1. Most important – **attend, attend, attend!!!** Student academic success is directly related to your attendance.

CAPSTONE

Graduating students can still consider completing a Capstone Project. Please contact Mr. Chee if you are interested.

Save the Dates:

- May 9th: Multi-Cultural Evening of Celebration – Parents and families are welcome.
- May 9th & May 10th: Eastside Dance Festival at U of C
- May 13th: **School Parent Council at 6:30pm**
- May 14th & May 15th: PE 30 Hostel Trip Period 1 and 2
- May 16th & May 17th: PE Hostel Trip Period 3 and 4
- May 16th: **Spring Dance Show**
- May 17th: Non-Instructional Day – No School
- May 20th: Victoria Day – No School
- May 31st: **Graduation Ceremony – No School**





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**Please join us for our Gala Night on May 9th sponsored by the Multi-Cultural Club.
Food, Fashion and dancing, dancing, dancing, parents and families welcome.**



**We are family at Pearson ☺ Have a great week!
Kenneth Chee
Principal**