

## Lester B. Pearson Newsletter - November 3, 2024

### Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Hello from Canmore. Happy Diwali. I am at the annual Vic Lew Music Festival with Ms. Riben, Mr. Webster, Mr. Toy and Ms. Collinge and the wonderful students in the Concert Band. The weather has been grand and the students are learning lots, having fun and bonding. It is playoff time in athletics with the football and volleyball teams vying to move on to the city finals. Last comments are being added to report cards. Lots to celebrate this week. Read on:

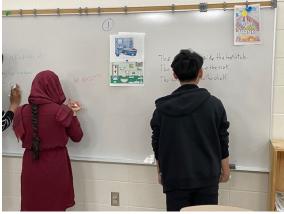






There was a heavy snow when we arrived in Canmore. It lasted about 5 minutes. That is weather in the mountains. After morning performances we travelled to Banff for lunch, photographs and a little shopping.





Chief Superintendent, Jo Pitman, enjoyed her visited yesterday. She took time to chat with staff and students. The visit to ALP was a joy. In Ms. Buchan's LP 1 class, students were doing vertical learning, constructing sentences, vertical learning in not just for math. Thank you to all the teachers and students whose classes we visited yesterday. Jo appreciates the work we do with our complex community and she is open to dialogue and ideas on how she can support.









Our intrepid Yearbook Committee, they are all amazing students. Yearbook meets afterschool.

# ACAC Player of the year







Alumni Tesloach won honors as ACAC Player of the year for Soccer. Kate O'Brien has been to multi-Olympics in cycling. She won bronze in Paris and she is a new parent, meet baby Robin. He loves dinosaurs.







It was a busy day in the Learning Commons yesterday. I enjoyed listening to the Science students talk about photosynthesis and seeing the Social students working together.









Congratulations to our Junior Boys who defeated Fowler 3 – 0.











Dilpreet, Joshua and Samir were 3 of the 7 Seniors Boys who plated their last league game at home last night. They were recognized with a Certificate and T-Shirt. The boys played a great match against North Trail. Every game was close and within reach but our boys lost 3-0.







### So many events at Pearson!!!







Post Secondary Fair was packed, lots of choices, lots of dreaming of where to go next year. U of A, SAIT, Bow Valley College and U of C were busy.





The students found it so cool to learn archery in PE Class. It was uber safe!









If you have not ventured through culinary at lunch you are missing out. The entrees are delicious. Model UN is busy preparing for their next plenary session.





Junior Achievement paused for me to take a yearbook picture, their second meeting of the year.













Our Fall Indigenous Dinner was small, warm, cheery and crafty. Always a joy to meet, break bread and chat with our families.















Hard to miss Halloween at Pearson, thank you to Leadership for organizing Halloween Day!







ALP Class Picture (LOL) I wonder who was in the Monkey Suit with ACCESS?????





Cake Club's first bake sale. They sold out!!!











Senior Night at our last home league game. Our team fought hard but their season ended Thursday night. Congratulations on a competitive season. Thank you to our players, sports med, our assistant coaches and especially Coach Groves.









Our Football Team went up against McNally in the semi-finals on Friday night. It was a hard fought match and we were making a comeback in the fourth quarter but we ran out of time. Final score McNally 35 Pearson 21. A classy ending with heads held high and fine sportsmanship.

















We celebrated Diwali with an assembly in the Main Gym and food and crafts in the Cafeteria. Thank you to the Multi-Cultural Club for a colorful and exciting day.

















Vic Lewis Music Festival is always a memorable experience for our students. Adjudicator, Latoya Webb of the University of Minnesota was on point with her recommendations.







Happy Birthday!!!!!

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE: Student Parking**

Effective Monday November 4, City Bylaw will be enforcing the student parking lot. Vehicles without a current school issued parking pass will be ticketed. In addition, there have been increasing instances of poor driving and students skipping classes in their vehicles and loitering in the student parking lot during class time. This is not allowed. If you have a prep and wish to be in your vehicle during class time you must leave the parking lot. Finally vehicles with illegal blacked out windows will not be allowed to park on school property. Source: Alberta Vehicle Equipment Regulation, Section 69 – Window glazing (.pdf file, scroll to page 35; alternate link).

### Alberta window tint laws overview:

- Windshield: No tint allowed.
- Front side windows: No tint allowed.
- Backside windows: Any darkness can be used.
- Rear window: Any darkness can be used only if vehicle has both left and right side rearview mirrors.

Vehicles with illegal tinting will not be allowed on school property at anytime.

### **Reminders:**

## Reporting Absences:

When you are calling in late or absent for your student, call **403-280-6565** and press **1** for the Attendance line. Please give the following information: Spell your student's first name and last name, give their grade, and reason for absence or lateness and a contact number that we have in PowerSchool.

### **School Calendar:**

The current school calendar is listed on our school homepage. Please check back regularly, as there may be changes as the year progresses. Here is the link to our school Homepage: https://school.cbe.ab.ca/school/lesterbpearson/about-us/calendar/pages/default.aspx



## Save the Dates:

- Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>: School Parent Council at 7:30pm Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>: Connect Substitute Day Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>: Remembrance Day Services Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>: Non-Instructional Day No School November 11<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>: Fall Break No School Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>: Classes resume Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>: Roc your Mocs Day! Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>: Connect Substitute Day Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>: Non-Instructional Day No School





Happy Diwali!

**Kenneth Chee Principal**