

Lester B. Pearson Newsletter - April 6, 2025

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

The big news last week has been the snow. The old saying, March comes in like a lion and goes out like lamb, speaks to the often-unpredictable weather of March. Spring sports had to move to indoor practices but girls' rugby did manage to get one practice outside. We celebrated EID with wonderful food and activities. Our Grade 12 IBCP students gave their Service Learning and Ethical Research presentations. Pearson Dance Troup were getting in some final rehearsals before their big Eastside Dance Competition. With the return of our beloved caretakers the school is looking good and back too normal.

We have much more to share.

Read on:







I received several animal photos last couple of weeks. A crane in Scottsdale, Arizona, Ms. LaForest's lovely dog on a walk at home and Mr. Bakos spotted this eagle near Fox Hollow golf course.









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Mr. Berry's Bio 20 students started their first day back immersed in a program called, Gizmo. They did interactive simulations on photosynthesis and respiration. So cool!!!





Our amazing Fashion teacher and students, showing their handmade items! Impressive!









Our fabulous art students' work on display near our studios, so much more, you have to take a gander!



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Girls' Rugby got in a great practice outside yesterday before the spring snowstorm. They are a great group of athletes.







Hopefully this is winter's last stand???



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There is more student artwork on display in the cafeteria. More to see, drop on by the glass display case.







Snowy fields won't stop field hockey from preparing for their first league game next week.







Track was also undeterred and got in some conditioning and cycled through jump, sprint and throw stations.



















Thank you to the Multi-Cultural and Muslim Clubs for EID Celebrations.







Zaynab, Tehzeeb, Ilma and Tooba made presentations to the staff on student initiatives they are leading on behalf of their fellow students and the school community.







Lam, Anjay and Amit's IBCP presentations were comprehensive and inspiring!!!



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It was a fabulous field trip for our indigenous students; thank you to Randy with Niitoiyis and our own Ms. Hayden.







I was honoured to get a sneak peak at the dance number Pearson Dance Troup will be performing at the Eastside Dance Festival. It was high energy, fast paced, intricate and spirited. Impressive!!!

Special Notice – Students on Spares:

As we enter into the last term of the year, the need for a quiet, safe and productive learning environment is crucial for student success. Students are not allowed to wander or loiter in the halls, stairwells or washrooms. The cafeteria, student lounges and the Learning Commons will ALL be quiet work areas until the end of the year. Students will only be allowed in these areas if they are doing homework or schoolwork. Students who wish to socialize, play cards or talk must go outside to the dry pond. The student parking lot will remain off limits for students during class time. No



loitering in the student parking lot while classes are in session. Students who wish to be in their vehicles must leave the campus.

Athletics:

April 7th: Boys Rugby at Lord Beaverbrook 6pm

April 8th: Badminton Divisionals - Singles at Western, LBP and Manning

Jr. Boys Soccer at QE at 4:30pm

Sr. Boys Soccer home vs OLR at 4:30pm

April 9th: Badminton Divisionals – Doubles at McNally, Lacombe and Mandela

Field Hockey - Mandela vs LBP (home) at CSC #3 at 5:00pm

April 10th: Badminton Divisionals – Mixed at HWW

Girls Rugby at EPS at 5:45pm

April 11th: Jr. Boys Soccer at CM at 4:30pm

Save the Dates:

April 8th: School Parent Council in person at 7:30pm.

April 9th: Last Day of Term 3. April 10th: Term 4 begins.

April 14th: Indigenous Parent Advisory in person at 6:00pm.

April 15th: Unified Sports at the U of C. April 17th: Substitute Connect Day!
April 18th: Good Friday – No School.

April 21th: System Non-Instructional Day – No School. April 22th: Capstone Project – Bake Sale at Pearson.

April 25th & April 26th: Kindness Day & Wellness World Café.

Pearson Model UN.







Ilma's Kindness Day project; staff made the first links in the kindness chain. We are all going to add to the chain on April 25th. These amazing students shared their CALM project with me on future careers and I was surprised with a visit from an old colleague from when I first started teaching.

I am always grateful for my students, staff and parents.

Kenneth Chee

Principal