

Lester B. Pearson Newsletter - November 24, 2024

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Well, one has to talk about the weather; winter has arrived. So much snow!!! I appreciate the extra effort and patience required to navigate slippery and snowy Calgary streets to get your children to school. Thank you. Be extra careful on Monday. Side streets are pretty bad. I am not sure if the school parking lot will be plowed Monday morning to avoid the drifts. Despite the cold and snow weather outside there was lots of warm and positive things happening inside.

Read on:







How many times did you shovel your walks this weekend??? Even though my back was sore, I still found moments of beauty in mother nature's call.





Hi Tech embroidery in Ms. Lock's Fashions Class and these student scientists conducting their pH lab in Ms. Mithani's Science 10. Note fully decked out in safety equipment - A+.







Pearson Inclusive Dance, a big thanks to our friends in PE for welcoming ACCESS into the dance sessions. The ACCESS students had so much fun. They had a hard time sticking to their line but shared their enthusiasm for dance with their PE 10 friends.



Chantelle proudly showed me her quilt she made in Fashions, intricate and delicate work. Superb!!!







I was wondering why the lights were on in the café at 5pm, it was the Cake Club. They were just finishing up with preparations for icing. Delicious!







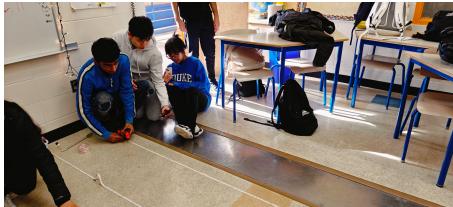


Tryouts are underway for basketball.



Wrestling Team had a late night and then an early morning practice. That's dedication.





Mr. Yang's students busy at physics.





The Football Awards were held yesterday, a fine way to end the season. Thank you to players and coaches.





We were honoured to have Sue Spotted Bull join us at Off Cuts to teach us how to make Bannock and Saskatoon Berry Soup. Sue shared with the students that the Blackfoot break their 4-day and 4-night fast with berry soup due to its rich nutrition. It was delicious and nutritious.













Thursday was Mr. Cossette's last day at Pearson. Thank you.









ACCESS and ALP spent all of Friday at Clarence Sansom Junior High for Unified Sports Day.







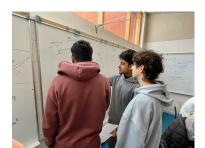
Student Council delivered 100s of Kindness Notes on Friday to the delight of many staff.







All Grade 12 Connect classes gathered in the gym for the Students vs Staff Volleyball Challenge. It was a great Pearson Spirit moment. Staff won!!!







Here we have Ms. Castro's math class working collaborative at their desks and at the white boards on solving their math problems. Cool!!!



Pearson December Movie Night:

Student Council is hosting Movies Night in December. Please take a moment in Connect today to administer this very quick survey. Which Christmas Movie would you like to see??









Tickets on sale soon for Pearson's Winter Formal Dance on December 16th

Pearson Makers Fair - December 10, 11, 12.

All makers welcome to host a booth at our Annual Winter Makers Fair. Look for posters soon. Sign up and start making. Art, cookies, 3D prints, crouchet, cupcakes, candies, toys, jewelry, buttons, stickers, photographs or origami amd more. Join the Maker Movement.



Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory.

-- Dr. Seuss

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Student Parking:

Now in effect, 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 spare 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: Letters have been sent to Parent/Guardians/Caregivers for students whose attendance and lates have reached 30% or more. If you receive an attendance letter please speak to your child about this concern. There is a direct correlation between attendance and student success. We cannot help students do their best if they skip or if they are consistently late for class. School Messenger does send out notices if a student is late or absent. If you are getting regular calls there is a problem. If you are in need of help please reach out to the school.

Reporting Absences:



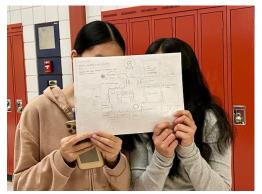
When you are calling in late or absent for your student, call 403-280-6565 and press 1 for the Attendance line. Please give the following information: Spell your student's first name and last name, give their grade, and reason for absence or lateness and a contact number that we have in PowerSchool.

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 Date:

- Thursday, November 28th: Connect Substitute Day
- Friday, November 29th: Non-Instructional Day No School
- December 4th: Musical Theatre The Prince (cess) Predicament 7:00pm 9:30pm
- December 5th: Musical Theatre The Prince (cess) Predicament 7:00pm 9:30pm Breakfast of Champions 7:30am - 8:30am
- December 10th: School Parent Council at 7:30pm
- December 17th: Winter Music Concert and Art Show 7:00pm 9:00pm
- December 20th: Last Day of Classes December 21st January 5th: Winter Break
- January 6th: Classes Resume





These shy students showed me their design for a high school. Mr. Witt's Senior Boys BBall Team

Kenneth Chee Principal