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Lester B. Pearson Newsletter – February 25, 2024

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

What is special about Pearson students and alumni is their leadership and desire to give back to their school and community. What a joy it is to witness their heart and generosity. I also am proud of the work I see students do in their classes. Read on and share in the wonderful happenings:



Our Concert band played brilliantly at 8:00am, Thursday morning, the first school to perform at the Alberta International Band Festival. They played three selections, one of which was conducted by our own grade 11 student, Russell. The Adjudicator commented how rare it was to have a student conduct in competition. Following the performance our band had the honor to work with one of the judges in clinic. Coach Bakos, who drove the bus, was enthralled. Congratulations to



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Ms. Riben and the Concert Band. Here is a beautiful piece conducted by Russell with Ms. Riben on the French horn:

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Mr. Berry and Ms. Trautmann combined classes to conduct virtual experiments in Bio 25. Using a program called Gizmo, students designed and conducted their own virtual experiments, collecting a plethora of data along the way. They were then tasked to analyzing their data using statistical analytical tools such as mean, median, mode and standard deviation; a fun and engaging task.





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We hosted our 2nd Indigenous Community Dinner last night. We had toddlers, aunts, uncles and grandparents present to enjoy a tour of the school, a presentation from Randy Turning Robe Jr., about Awo Tan and Michelle Hayden about programs/opportunities, a delicious supper by Chef Martin and wonderful conversation. All are part of the Pearson Family and we took a family photo at the end of the event.



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Our juniors played the first match on Tuesday evening. A well-fought match and we maintained the momentum and defeated Fowler 64-58.



Inspired by the junior's victory, our seniors continued to play strong, disciplined ball and handily defeated Fowler 83 - 42.



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SWAT is the acronym for Student Wellness Action Team. We met with SWAT teams from all the Calgary High Schools. Our SWAT team of Batool, Noor, Jaspreet, Ahmed and Zahra will be looking at student led wellness initiatives for Pearson.



Running the Student Wellness Symposium was Ryan Hurley. He was Mr. Webster's ELA teacher. This event was held at the Jubilee. The Calgary Philharmonic was also on-site rehearsing.



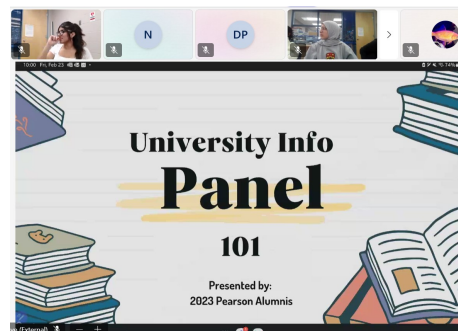
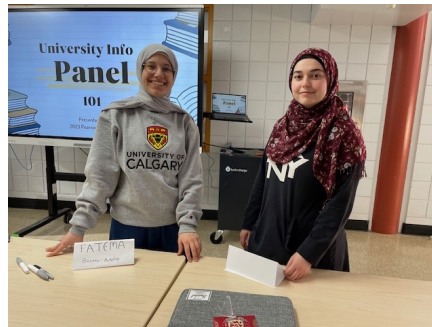
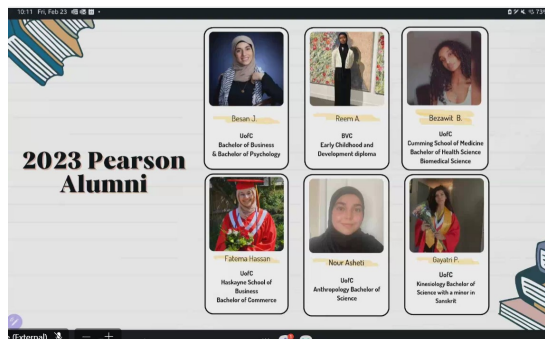


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The Badminton Team is getting ready for their competitive season to start. (Photos from Mr. Bovey)



University 101 was a special presentation hosted by Graduates from the Class of 2023. Broadcast to all grades on Teams during Connect with an in person Q and A at lunch. Bezawit B, Besant J, Fatema H, Gayatri P, Reem A, Nour A shared their first year post-secondary experiences to inspire and help our students be more prepared for their transition to University and college. What a joy it was to see them again and to have them give back to Pearson.



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Another successful session for our Model UN Team at Westmount Charter. We will be hosting Model UN at Pearson on April 26.

Dates:

- Monday, February 26th: School Parent Council – New start time of 6:30 PM.
- Tuesday, February 27th: Presentation by CPS on Youth Violence in Calgary
- Wednesday, February 28th: Pick Shirt Day
- Friday, March 1st: Pep Rally
- Thursday, March 21st: Parent / Teacher Conferences from 4:30pm to 8:30pm (in-person)
- Friday, March 22nd: Parent / Teacher Conferences from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm (in-person)
- Friday, March 22nd: Non-Instructional Day – No School.

Athletics:

- Monday, February 26th: Boys home vs. Aberhart
- Tuesday, February 27th: Girls home vs. SMP
- Wednesday, February 28th: Basketball playoffs begin

Semester 2: Don't Forget

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



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Pearson Reads Challenge

The Challenge is extended to after Spring Break, Read a book, graphics novel , comic book whatever interest you.

When you are done enter your name, title of the book, a short review of 3 sentences and post in the Student Services D2L Shell. Look for the Pearson Reads Discussion Blog. Tell us about your read and maybe this will encourage others to pick up the book too. A draw for four \$25 gift certificates from Owls Nest Book Store for all that participates. If we hit 1000 reads there will be a draw for a BBQ Party for the class of your choice.

Special Parent Information Night on Youth Violence and Gangs

We will be having a presentation at Lester B. Pearson on Tuesday, February 27th at 6:00pm in school theatre.

Presented by Calgary Police Services:

Are you concerned about youth violence in Calgary? Where is it happening? What is a gang? How do they recruit? What can we do about it? How can we be more involved to keep our communities safe?



Here are more former students who are now teachers; makes me proud 😊

Kenneth Chee
Principal