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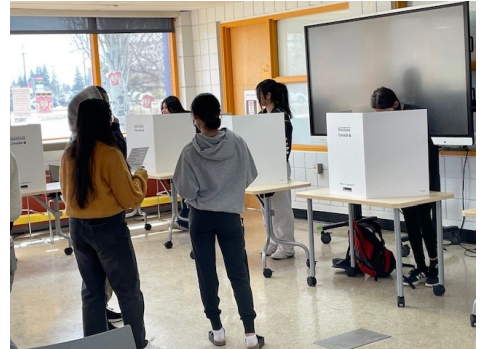
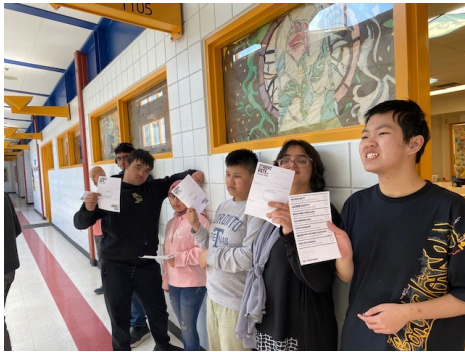
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Lester B. Pearson Newsletter – May 4, 2025

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

It's May the 4th, Star Wars Day! Grad is just around the corner and gowns were handed out in Connect this week. As May unfolds athletics are in full swing with Track and Field entering their first meet. Dance and Drama are into their competition season and the Jazz Band and Choir are getting ready for Jazz and Dessert Night. We ended the week with celebrating students at The Breakfast of Champions and with seniors at Gilchrist Manor at their Volunteer Appreciation Day. As always lots happening at Pearson!

Read on:



Pearson votes. Our students elected George Chahal. Now in the newly redrawn riding of Calgary McKnight, Chahal was defeated by conservative candidate, Dalwinder Gill.



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Here is our grad committee sorting grad gowns to be distributed in Connect class. Remember Gayatri, our Valedictorian of 2023. She is enjoying her pursuit of medical studies at the U of C. Always a joy when former students give back to their school.



Ominous skies, thunder and lightning could not stop our tough and tumble rugby teams. Although we lost in both matches the ref commented to me how resilient and positive both our teams were and the many positive aspects of their game.



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Did you know Pearson has a Green and Clean Club? Meet Ivy, Himanish and Fatima (and there are more members). They comb the school grounds every Monday, Wednesday and Friday after school cleaning up garbage and debris. Thoughtful, selfless and quiet leadership that often goes unnoticed. Three Pearson students entered the Calgary Science Fair. Prabhneet won a silver medal, Nedal won a gold medal and Zahra won a gold medal and the Director's Award. We have great students!!!





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It was the track teams' first official meet of the season at Foothills Athletic Park on Wednesday. It was our first time competing against other schools and athletes. There were lots of nerves but also a lot of learning. It was a great day! New track shoes too!!!



Some of our students participating in the ABC Campaign, Anything but Cars; the grand prize is a bike!!!



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This is our golf club at Lakeside Greens in Chestermere.





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What a joy to host another Pearson's Breakfast of Champions; a wonderful celebration of community, student success, leadership and volunteerism.





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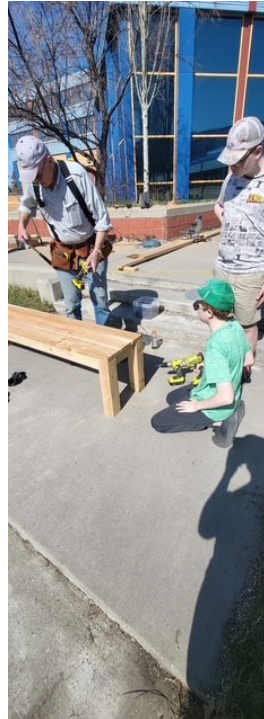
Our amazing students hosted many events with the seniors at Gilchrist Manor this year. In appreciation they were invited to Volunteer Appreciation Day on Friday. There was wonderful food, desserts and activities for seniors and our students to enjoy. A proud Pearson Moment.



On Saturday our track team was at the Dino Meet at Foothills. It was a hot and sunny day; great for competition and another opportunity to work on times and technique in preparation for the divisional championships.



Capstone:



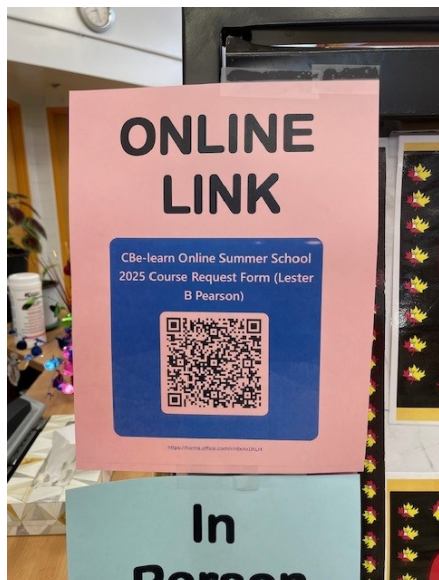
Zachary LaFave is graduating this year and he thought that we could use pick nick tables and benches at the Dry Pond. This idea became his Capstone Project; Zachary would put his woodworking skills to use and hand-build those tables and benches. Zachary spoke to the Cedar Shop and they donated enough materials to make 2 tables and 4 benches. This was a family affair as Zachary and his family, friends set out early Saturday morning to get started on this wonderful project. With Mr. Toy on-site, Zachary and his family, friends cut the lumber, assembled, nailed and stained all day; they wrapped up late in the afternoon. The tables and benches are outstanding and will be a welcomed addition for students to use and enjoy.



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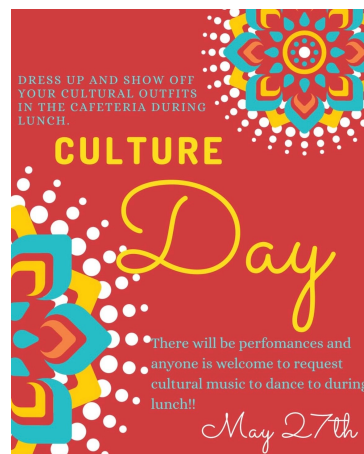
Summer School:



Spaces are limited so it is recommended that you register early for summer school.

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, May 7th - Evening of Jazz and Dessert – 6:00pm to 9:00pm.



ABC, Anything but Cars. Walk, bike or bus it to school and enter the contest to win great prizes including a bike!!! Mark Culture Day in your Calendar!



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Please RSVP by May 7th using this Link so we can plan for numbers:
<https://forms.gle/7gSAGCKxfqBznSqB9>

Athletics:

May 5th: Jr. Boys Soccer **home** vs. NM at 4:30pm

Sr. Boys Soccer away at SWC at **4:30pm**

May 6th: Sr. Boys Soccer at Pearson vs. McNally at 4:30pm

May 7th: Girls' Rugby **home** vs. Crescent at 6:00pm

Track Dino Meet

May 8th: Boys' Rugby **home** vs. BOB at 4:45pm

CTC Track Meet

May 9th & May 10th: Sr. Boys' Soccer Tournament

Save the Dates:

May 5th: National Day of Awareness – Red Dress Day.

May 6th: School Parent Council at 7:30pm

Eastside Dance Festival May 6th, May 7th, May 8th & May 9th

May 7th: Evening of Jazz and Dessert – 6:00pm to 9:00pm

May 8th: IB Exams begins - May 8th to May 21st

Provincial Dramafest May 8th, May 9th, May 10th

May 13th: Pearson Neighbourhood Indigenous Family Gathering 5:30pm to 7:30pm

May 14th: Connect Substitute Day

Pearson Film Festival 7:00pm – 9:00pm

May 16th: Non-Instructional Day – No School

May 19th: Victoria Day – No School

May 21st & May 22nd: Spring Dance Show 7:00pm – 9:30pm

May 23rd: Grad Banquet at Empire Banquet Hall - Doors open at 6:00pm

May 27th: Culture Day!

Indigenous Parent Advisory at 7:30pm on Teams

May 30th: Graduation Ceremony – No School



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May the Fourth Be with You!
I am always grateful for my students, staff and parents.

Kenneth Chee
Principal