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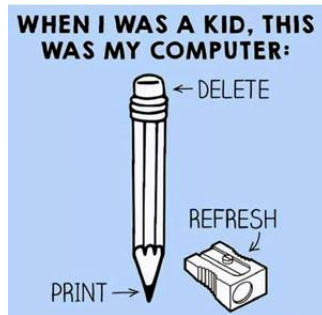
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Lester B. Pearson Newsletter – September 10, 2023

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

The first week of school is now in the history books. The only glitch we had was with the internet. We lost our Wifi for two days due to an issue with our provider. Wifi was restored Friday afternoon but it set us behind with course change requests. We are trying to catch up this weekend.

Always lots happening at Pearson - read on:



What a joy it is to see teachers leading and students learning. Fall coaches moved indoor due to smokey conditions on Wednesday. League games will begin the week of September 11th.





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I saw lots of cheery faces on my walks around the school during noon supervision. This always warms my heart!!! Unfortunately the food trucks only came for one day.

Cafeteria Service:

Our cafeteria service will start on Sept 18th. Students will need to make their own arrangements until then. If possible bring lunch and enjoy it on campus. It will be faster and more convenient, plus you will make it to class on time.



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Football kicked off the athletic season with their first league game against Lacombe. It was back and forth for all four quarters but the Lasers won this one. We have a large and eager team this year so our Pats will be back.

Here is our Athletic Schedule as of Friday. We are hosting the Fall Classic Volleyball for Seniors Girls at Pearson on Tuesday, September 12th.

PEARSON ATHLETICS

September 2023						
	Aug 24-25 Football Equipment Sign-out and First Tryout 2:00 Cafeteria		Aug 30 Sr. Girls Vball Sign-Up 3:00 Main Gym Sr. Boys Vball Sign-Up 3:00pm Aux Gym	AUG 31 Welcome Back! First Day of Classes Sr. Girls Vball Tryout 3:00 Main Gym	1 Football Jamboree Nelson Mandela 2-6pm	2
3	4 Labour Day	5 Jr. Boys Vball Sign-Up/Tryout 3:45 Aux Gym	6	7	8 *Football @ Shouldice FL @ LBP, 4:30	9
10	11	12 Volleyball Fall Classic: Location TBD Soccer: Father Lacombe@Pearson 4:30-5:50	13	14 Volleyball Fall Classic: Location TBD	15 Girls Soccer Kickoff Tournament @ Shouldice	16
17	18	19 Soccer: Lord Beaverbrook@Pearson 4:30-5:50	20 Cross Country Meet #1 Canmore Park	21 *Football @ Shouldice LBP @ North Trail, 7:30 Soccer: James Fowler@Pearson 4:30-5:50	22 NID Day No Classes	23
24	25	26 Soccer: Pearson@St.Martin De Porres 4:30-5:50	27 *Football @ Shouldice LBP @ BM, 6:30 Cross Country Meet #2 North Glenmore Park	28	29 Day in Lieu/Truth & Reconciliation Day	30 Truth & Reconciliation Day



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'Meet the Teacher Night' – Tuesday September 12th:



Tuesday, September 12th – 'Meet the Teacher Night' - 6:30pm to 8:00pm

- IPP Parent Info Session from 6:00pm – 6:30pm
- K and E Parent Info Session from 6:30pm to 7:00pm
- School Parent Council AGM 7:30pm

Food Bank Donations: Fill the Box Campaign

Bring a non-perishable food item this week and support the Calgary Food Bank

Important Processes: The most important process is to gain access to your Parent Portal by setting up a MY CBE account. This will give you access to see PowerSchool, pay school fees, extra-curricular and team fees online; complete all the required online forms, monitor attendance and to



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view marks and report cards. Most of you already have a My CBE Account, however, if you are new to the CBE, it is essential that you sign up right away.

To begin – log into the CBE website www.cbe.ab.ca and under ‘Registration’ and then ‘Forms You Need’ – is listed all the forms we require at the beginning of the year.

So as follows:

- **Parents must have a My CBE Account in order to access PowerSchool and all their student’s information (example: Demographic Forms, Attendance, assignments, etc.)**

Here is the link for parents to get your ‘My CBE Account’ for everything including paying fees.

<https://sis.cbe.ab.ca/public/home.html#:~:text=Student%20and%20Parent,Student%20Password%20Hub>

Please complete the following forms:

Annual Authorization for Athletic Tryout - <https://www.cbe.ab.ca/FormsManuals/Annual-Authorization-for-Athletic-Tryout.pdf>

Student Health Plan - <https://www.cbe.ab.ca/FormsManuals/Student-Health-Plan.pdf>

Student Health Emergency Response Protocol Form (only if needed) -

<https://www.cbe.ab.ca/FormsManuals/Student-Health-Emergency-Response-Protocol-Form.pdf>

Both these Consent Forms must be completed:

Consent for CBE Use of Student Information - <https://www.cbe.ab.ca/FormsManuals/Consent-for-CBE-Use-of-Student-Information.pdf>

Consent for CBE Use of Student Information by News Media and Outside Groups (Third Party) - <https://www.cbe.ab.ca/FormsManuals/Consent-for-Use-of-Student-Information-by-News-Media-and-Outside-Groups-Third-Party.pdf>

Extended Absence – if you are contemplating an extending absence – please read and complete the Extended Absence Form:

Extended Absence Form - <https://www.cbe.ab.ca/FormsManuals/Extended-Absence-Form.pdf>

Read only information for parents, guardians and caregivers:

General Media Coverage Notice - <https://www.cbe.ab.ca/FormsManuals/General-Media-Coverage-Notice.pdf>

School District Use of Personal Information - <https://www.cbe.ab.ca/FormsManuals/School-District-Use-of-Personal-Information.pdf>

This is all you need to complete. You can also go on the CBE website – www.cbe.ab.ca and see all other CBE information and resources. Our Pearson School Website is undergoing some rebuilding and



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updating. It is a work in progress and can be accessed here:

<http://school.cbe.ab.ca/school/lesterbpearson/>

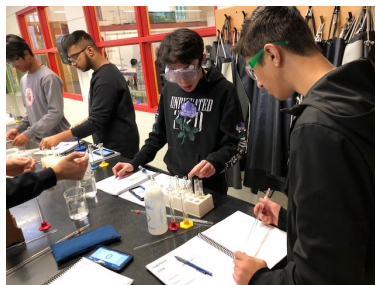
School Fees:

School fees can be paid online by logging into you're **My CBE Account**. You can also pay school fees in person at the Business Office at Pearson. Please wait until after September 6 before paying fees as student classes may change.

Attendance:

Attending everyday and being on time is crucial to student success. Encourage your child to be prepared, sleep early and ensure they are in their classes before the bell. Success is Earned and so is Walking the Stage.

When you are calling in a late or absence 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, reason for absence or late and a contact number that we have in PowerSchool.**



School Calendar:

The current school calendar is listed on our school home page. Please check back regularly, as there may be changes as the year progresses. Here is the link to our school Homepage: (please note: it is currently under construction and will be updated)

<https://school.cbe.ab.ca/school/lesterbpearson/about-us/calendar/pages/default.aspx>



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School Parent Council:

Join School Parent Council and learn about all the happenings at Pearson. Parent support is vital to our school culture and success. Our AGM will occur during our 'Meet the Teacher Night' on Tuesday, September 12th.

Student Identification:

Lester B. Pearson is a closed Campus. This means that only students registered at Pearson are allowed in the school. All other visitors must register at the Main Office or be part of a visiting athletic team or be here by staff invitation. All doors to the school will be locked once classes commence and the only entrance students can use to enter the building will be the Main Entrance. To gain entrance you must have your current school ID and lanyards worn visibly around your neck. This year's lanyards are black and gold. While in the building students must have their current ID and black school lanyard worn visibly around their neck unless instructed otherwise in classes such as PE, shop classes and in the labs. Students will be issued their first ID and lanyard at no charge. School ID and Lanyards are required to sign out textbooks and other resources in the Learning Commons and to gain admission to athletic games and fine arts events. Lost IDs will only be replaced once at a cost of \$5 for the ID and \$5 for the lanyard. **No temporary IDs will be issued this year**, so please be certain to have your ID with you when you leave home. If you forget you will need to return home to get it or have someone drop it off at school. We cannot take our school safety for granted. We must all do our part to ensure overall safety and security.

Parking Passes:

Any student wanting to have a parking pass for the semester or year; must attend a mandatory meeting on Tuesday, September 12th afterschool in our theatre with Mr. Kleinitz. He will address the rules and requirements around parking on school property. Rules will be upheld as stated below; there will be no exceptions.

- There will be limited number of parking passes available for students wishing to drive and park a vehicle on school grounds.
- A parking pass is required and it must be current and visibly displayed on your rearview mirror or you will receive a parking ticket issued by the City of Calgary Parking Authority.



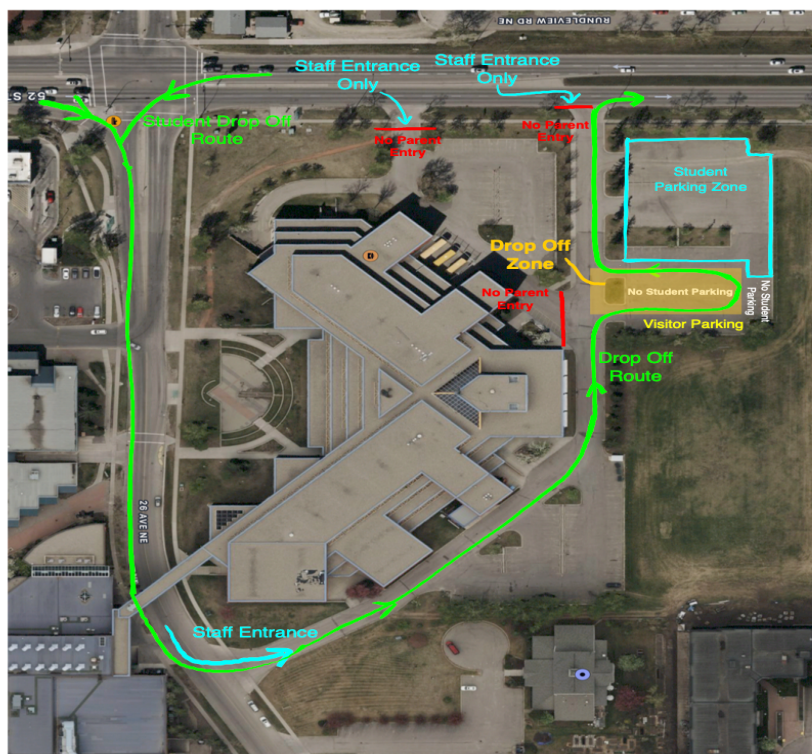
- Parking passes are available from the business office.
- You will present current vehicle registration and insurance. Passes are \$50 for the year or \$25 per semester plus GST.
- Should students drive recklessly on school property, stunt or cruise around the parking lot, skip classes in their vehicles or bring individuals onto school property who are not members of the Pearson Learning Community, their parking pass will be revoked without refund and they will no longer be allowed to park at the school for the balance of the school year.

Lockers:

Hallway Lockers will be available for students to use again this year. The cost to rent a locker for the year is \$10. Lockers will be signed out at the Main Office.

New Designated School Pick Up and Drop Off Area:

We now have a designated area for parents, guardians, caregivers who drop off up and pick up their child. The parking lot directly opposite the school's Main Entrance is now a pick up and drop off area only. This is where you drive in to drop off your child or wait to pick up your child. There will be no waiting in the Fire Lanes, in front of the Main Entrance, Handicap Bus Zone or in Staff Parking. This will ensure better traffic flow, reduce congestion and improve pedestrian safety before and after school.





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That's a wrap. Kudos if you made to the end of this newsletter. We have another year unfolding and lots to look forward to and lots to learn. We are proud to say, 'Once a Patriot always a Patriot'. Always know how proud I am of my students, my parents, my staff and my school. **Remember to log into My CBE and complete all the school opening forms**

Save the Dates:

- **Tuesday, September 12th: Meet the Teacher Night 6:30pm to 8:00pm**
 - **IPP Parent Info Session from 6:00pm – 6:30pm**
 - **K and E Parent Info Session from 6:30pm to 7:00pm**
 - **School Parent Council**
 - **AGM and 7:30pm**
- **Wednesday, September 20th: Math/Science Parent Information Night – Topic: supporting your Child's success in Math and Science. 7:00pm in the theatre**
- **Thursday, September 21st: Connect Substitute Day**
- **Friday, September 22nd: Non-Instructional Day – No Classes/No School**
- **Wednesday, September 27th: Connect Substitute Day**
- **Thursday, September 28th: Orange Shirt Day**
- **Friday, September 29th: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – No Classes/No School**



Students' Council meets immediately at lunch on Wednesday, September 13th. New members are welcome.

**Kenneth Chee
Principal**

Check out these short Videos of our Assemblies:

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