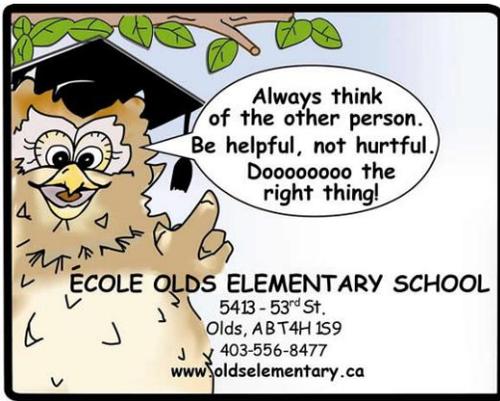


HOOPER'S SCHOOL BELL # 4

ÉOES - A Happy Place to Live, to Learn, to Grow
Thursday, December 7, 2017



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The other day I was invited to the grade 2 classrooms as part of their author celebrations. I had the honour of bringing in a book to read to them. With the number of books I own, you wouldn't think it would be difficult, but I found myself spending a lot of time trying to find a book that, while entertaining, had a message that I wanted to share in our school. I chose the book *Kindness is Cooler, Mrs Ruler* by Margery Cuyler. In this book, a class learns about the importance of acting kind and how "a slice of nice makes a mile of smile". Students in each class could fill lists of ways they are kind or have seen kindness, at school, at home and in the community.

At ÉOES we strive to be a place where students feel safe and cared for and where our community feels welcome. It is when we have achieved this that we can begin to create an environment where children can flourish in their understanding of their ability to positively contribute to their classroom and school, their family, their community and the world.

Through many experiences, students develop into thoughtful, caring, and compassionate citizens. In our Social Studies program, citizenship is one of the core concepts embedded into every grade level K to 12.

Students participate in 'buddy' classes where our older students have an opportunity to mentor and guide some of our younger students through different activities.

At ÉOES, we continue to provide opportunities for students to learn and contribute to our community and our world. Participating with CARE Club in WE Day challenges, or being in our classrooms learning about our school, town, province and country, are only a few of the concrete examples we see daily. What our community does not always see are the conversations and the lessons taught during meaningful moments such as how to gracefully win or lose a game during our floor hockey tournament or helping a fellow student score that basket, find their lost boots or make a new friend.

Whether through quiet acts of kindness, such as a smile, or through grand gestures, such as Operation

Christmas Child, our students, staff, and parents are continually modeling the importance of positive citizenship in our school.

Hooper and the staff of ÉOES would like to thank all of you for your support and your generous contribution to our school and our community. May you enjoy a safe, healthy and happy holiday season.



*École Olds Elementary Staff send
a huge thank you to
MOM'S WHO CARE -
Olds First Baptist Church
for the delicious treats.
Your caring and thoughtful ways
is truly appreciated.*

Sharing the spirit of the holidays as compassionate global citizens

A Message from the Superintendent

During this season of giving, it is easy to see the impact of Chinook's Edge students and staff as they reach out to others. Their efforts during the holiday season make us particularly proud, as they share our caring culture by gathering donations for the Food Bank, singing at community events or filling hundreds of boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

Whether through quiet acts of kindness that affect a single person, or through grand gestures that impact an entire community, our students and staff are modeling what great citizenship truly means. Thank you to everyone who nurtures this generosity of spirit all year long in Chinook's Edge!

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent of Schools

Mission:

Chinook's Edge School Division will engage every student in meaningful learning by challenging, encouraging and believing in them.

Vision:

Chinook's Edge School Division will be universally recognized as a collaborative learning community where learning is personalized for all students to achieve success as compassionate and innovative global citizens.

REMINDER: SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS 2017-2018

We do 10 newsletters/year, and each edition uses about 1500 pieces of paper. Hooper says that we need to be more environmentally conscious so starting this year, the ÉOES Newsletter will only be available by accessing our website oldselementary.ca and subscribing to receive the newsletter in an electronic format which will automatically be emailed to the email address you provided. It will also be available on our website under the archived Newsletters.

Hooper wants to thank parents for adjusting to this change.

MUSIC NEWS

Lois Munchinsky

In December there will be several musical events. The grade one classes are working very hard to be ready for their performances on **Thursday, December 14 at 2:15 and 6:30**. We're sure that you will be able to get into the Christmas spirit when you watch them perform, "**Melton, the Warm-Hearted Snowman**." The choir will also have a chance to perform in December. On **Wednesday, December 20** they will be singing Christmas carols with the folks in the extended care unit of the hospital and on **Thursday, December 21** they will be singing with the residents of the Mt. View Senior's Lodge. In addition to that, they will be performing one song at the school **Christmas sing-along on Friday, December 22 at 2:15**. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate the season with us at all of these events.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thanks to all the students and parents who took the time to assemble and donate a box for Operation Christmas Child. We collected well over 100 shoe boxes to donate to this helpful organization. Your contributions are appreciated. Also, thank you to Mrs. Hanna's Mrs. Nisbet and Mrs. Hodge/Mrs. Macklin's Classes for helping organize.

Physical Education – December 2017
Randy Kish

Hooper's Hoops Basketball

The Hooper's Hoops Basketball Club is an after-school program for Olds Elementary students. There is a Winter Program for grades 3 and 4 and a Spring Program for Grades 1 and 2. The grade 3,4 group is currently in session learning the essentials of proper basketball dribbling, shooting, and passing. The skills are learned through repetitive practise at skill stations, team challenges, and fun games. Thank you to our Assistant Coaches from Olds High School and Deer Meadow School and The Olds College Broncos Ladies Team

Grade 4 Floor Hockey Intramurals

The grade 4 Floor Hockey League for boys and girls is on! The League is a lunch hour intramural program lasting 5 months through the winter. There is a girls league and a boys league. Games are scheduled during the lunch recess, usually we can play 2-3 times each week. The format of the league is round robin play where all teams play each other twice followed by play-offs. Parents are welcome to come and watch the games. The winner of the League enjoys the much coveted privilege of playing in the annual student versus staff floor hockey battle! Great tradition! Tons of Fun! The Floor Hockey League is organised and run by Mr. Kish each year.

Good Morning Basketball – A GREAT way to start the day!!

Good Morning Basketball is a drop-in gym program for students of all ages each morning to enjoy some casual basketball shooting or hanging out with their friends. Students are welcome to come in the school through the front entrance from 8:20am to 8:35am. Parents are welcome to stop by, hang out, and enjoy the kids! The students all get along and seem to enjoy interacting with peers of different ages. We average about 100-130 students dropping in each morning! Having the opportunity to come in and do something before school provides students with extra activity time and research shows that activity wakes up the brain! The most awesome part of the morning is watching how the students all get along and have some visiting time together! It's all positive for the kids!

Skating Curriculum

All students in EOES skate! Students learn skating skills as part of their Physical Education Curriculum off-site

programming. All classes receive 3 blocks of skating time at the arena. The grade 4 classes will have completed their skating classes prior to the December holiday break. Grades 1, 2 will begin in January, February and continue through the winter months. ECS students participate in an annual skating tradition with buddy students from Olds High School in February. Students practice skills and drills to become better skaters and they play fun games on the ice to showcase their skills! THANK YOU to those parent helpers at the arena preparing the kids for the ice!

A big THANK YOU to our friends from The Olds Broncos Ladies Hockey Team and The Olds Grizzly Hockey Team for teaching us hockey skills and drills on the ice! It was a wonderful learning experience!

SCHOOL CALENDARS

Our ÉOES Calendar For Parents for 2017-18 is available on our website at www.oldselementary.ca. Hard copies are also available at the office.



MILK PROGRAM

Milk tickets are available at the office or on line through the student Quick-Pay (On-line Fee Payment where you pay your school fees)
The cost for 10 milk or yogurt is \$10.00. Unfortunately we are unable to sell milk or yogurt individually so we encourage students to buy a ticket.

COLD WEATHER REMINDER

It's that time of the year that all children must be prepared for the cold weather. Please ensure they bring heavier coats, toques and mittens and boots every day. Your help with this is appreciated!

Thank you





ÉOES CARE CLUB

DECEMBER NEWS

CHRISTMAS SWEATER DAY- December 12TH

Wear a Christmas or any tacky sweater!
If you don't have a sweater, get into the spirit wearing some red or green!

PHOTOS WITH SANTA - December 14TH

Santa will visit ÉOES and students will have a photo taken during the school day. Parents are invited to bring off day Kindergarten and Pre K students from 2:20 -3:00 to the Jungle Junction Room beside the music room.

**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU
TO NATE AND CHARLOTTE'S GRANDMA
VERONICA REIST
FOR TAKING OUR PHOTOS!
Cost \$2**

CANDY CANE SALES- December 18th - 20th

Candy Canes on sale in the east and west mudrooms from 11:45 - 12:15
Cost 50c



All proceeds go towards Olds families in need at Christmas and other EOES CARE Club projects.

School Council

Our second school council meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 5th at 12:10 p.m.** in the Art Room. Check our school council link on our ÉOES website for year at a glance. www.oldselementary.ca Everyone welcome.

ÉOES PRE-ORDERED JAN/FEB ON-LINE FUN LUNCH DAYS

**DEADLINE FOR ORDERING FOR
JAN./FEB. 2017 HOT LUNCHES IS DEC. 22ND, 2017
(sorry, no exceptions)**

Reminder: All students still need to bring a healthy snack for the a.m. recess break and a drink for their lunch.

D.Q. Burgers
Friday, December 1st



Hot Dogs
Friday, December 15th



HAPPY
HOLIDAYS



Pay School Fees Online



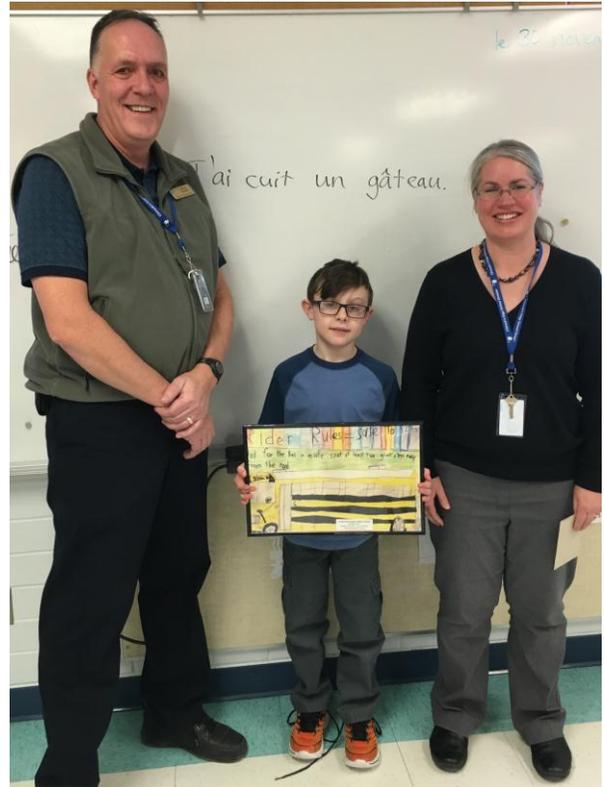
Chinook's Edge School Division is pleased to offer the opportunity to pay student fees electronically. The online payment program provides a convenient payment option that saves time. You can make secure online payments by credit or debit card any time and receive a receipt.

Safe. Secure. Simple.

Signing up only takes a moment. Here is how it works:

1. Go to <https://www.studentquickpay.com/chinook/> or find the link on the Chinook's Edge Website at www.chinooksedge.ab.ca
2. Take a few minutes to register and create an account for your child(ren).
3. Review and pay your child's fees using direct online payment.

If you are having technical issues with your parent account please email feesupport@cesd73.ca for assistance.



Mme Smallwood's Grade Four French Immersion student, Emry Stockall was the winner of the CESD Transportation Safety Poster Contest for Grade Four. Dieter Brandt, Director of Transportation presented him a framed copy of his poster and \$25. Congratulations Emry!

COMMUNITY



OLDS AND DISTRICT CHRISTMAS ANGELS SOCIETY

The Olds & District Christmas Angels are accepting donations of unwrapped toys and gifts. Drop off donations at barrels in local businesses. CASH DONATIONS ARE ASKED TO BE MADE BEFORE DECEMBER 15th AT CASHBOXES IN THE BANKS & BARRELS LABELED CHRISTMAS ANGELS IN THE TOWN OF OLDS or you can contact the Angel hotline. Charitable receipts are issued for monetary donations.

As always, the Christmas Angels rely heavily upon and greatly appreciate the generosity of this community to ensure its success. We look forward to your continued support of this worthwhile program.

If you - or a family you know is in need of the Olds Christmas Angels - call the Angel hotline at 403-415-9627 email: oldsanddistrictchristmasangels@gmail.com
Mail: PO Box 3967, Olds, AB T4H 1P7



The MyFamily Rewards program rewards your families and ensures they get the best value when making multiple picture purchases. Families who enroll in MyFamily Rewards receive a free high resolution digital image download and earn ongoing discounts for larger and repeat purchases. Families of all sizes, including those with students in multiple schools, will benefit from these rewards.

For more information and to sign up visit mylifetouch.ca

It is not too late to order fall photos and qualify
for your MyFamily Rewards

visit mylifetouch.ca or call 1-866-457-8212

December 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Day 4	2			Pre -Ordered Hot Lunch Day DQ Burgers	
	4 Day 5	5 Day 6	6 Day 1	7 Day 2	8 NO SCHOOL	9
10	11 Day 3	12 Day 4	13 Day 5	14 Day 6	15 Day 1	16
		Care Club Wear a Christmas Sweater today!		Grade One Performance 2:15 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. "Melton, the Warm- Hearted Snowman." Care Club Photos with Santa \$2.00	Pre -Ordered Hot Lunch Day Hot Dogs	
17	18 Day 2	19 Day 3	20 Day 4	21 Day 5	22 Day 6	23
	Care Club Candy Cane Sales 11:45-12:15 .50¢ 	Care Club Candy Cane Sales 11:45-12:15 .50¢ 	Care Club Candy Cane Sales 11:45-12:15 .50¢  ÉOES Choir Performs at the Olds Hospital Extended Care	ÉOES Choir Performs at the Mountain View Seniors Lodge	ÉOES Christmas Sing-a-long at 2:15 p.m. in the Gym Everyone Welcome!	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	 HAPPY HOLIDAYS					
31	1	2	3	4	5	6 NOTE: SCHOOL RESUMES MONDAY, JANUARY 8TH