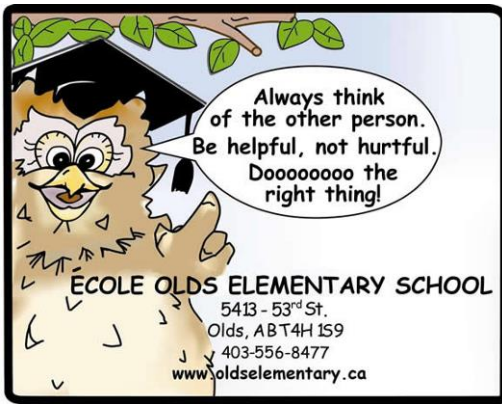


HOOPER'S SCHOOL BELL # 6

ÉOES - A Happy Place to Live, to Learn, to Grow
Thursday, Feb. 1st, 2018



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Vice Principal: Mrs. Melissa McEwen

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

When we think back to our schooling, the academics, while important, are usually not the first thing we remember. What floods back are the feelings of school - both good and bad. One of the most important roles that a school system plays is that of caregiver. We want our children to feel a sense of belonging and hope – an understanding that they are safe and cared for during good and during difficult times.

Young children tend to be pretty positive beings. They usually come to school with a smile on their face and carry the smile home with them at the end of the day. But sometimes, just like adults, children experience unhappiness, frustration and loneliness. At school, these feelings tend to disappear following a heart-to-heart talk with a teacher or a friend, some physical activity, a little fresh air, or simply a break from the daily routine.

When children or families look for additional support, Ms. Lynne Lafreniere, our Family School Wellness Worker is happy to help. Each day, Ms. Lafreniere helps children regain their sense of belonging and hope through a wide variety of hands-on strategies. In addition, ÉOES and CESD are proud to sponsor a unique initiative called the Youth Empowerment and Support (YES) program. The YES program provides ÉOES with youth mentors who facilitate fun activities for kids (during and after school) while coaching children in the areas of decision-making and resiliency. We are very lucky to have three youth mentors, Ashten, Emma & Becky, under the supervision of Raelynn Notley, who spend time at ÉOES and make a big difference at our school! We are so fortunate to have both family school wellness and YES supports in our building.

Caring for our kids is also a community responsibility. I was happy to read that on January 29, our new mayor and council proclaimed **February 28 as "Bullying Stops Here - Pink Shirt Day"** for the town of Olds. Join us in wearing pink in support of spreading kindness in

our world and helping all our children (and adults) feel safe and cared for every day.

ÉOES SCIENCE FAIR DAY: ←



When: École Olds Elementary School will be having its annual Science Fair on **Wednesday, February 7th**.

On Science Fair Day

- Your projects will be dropped off and set up in the GYM between 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. on **Wednesday, February 7th** (parents please remember that we must keep the bus lanes clear and that most science projects are unable to ride the bus with students)
- All judging takes place in the morning. Parents/guardians are not permitted in the gym during this time.
- Public viewing of projects takes place in the from 12:45 – 2:15 p.m.
- An awards ceremony will be held in the Library at 2:15 pm. By this time, all projects have been scored and those invited on to the Mountainview Science & Technology Society's Science Fair have been identified. Mountainview Science & Technology Society's Science Fair will be held March 3, 2018 at the Olds High School.
- All Science Fair projects must be picked up between 3:10 - 4:10 as **there will be no evening public viewing this year**. If you are unable to pick up the project at this time, please contact the office in advance to make alternate arrangements.

If you have any other questions about Science Fair, you can contact the office 556-8477 and we would be happy to help!

Sharing our values each day

A Message from the Board of Education

Ensuring that our students are engaged in meaningful learning and encouraged to rise to new challenges is our mission in Chinook's Edge. At the core of this work are the strong values that guide character development and positive school culture that we see our staff cultivating for students each day. It is gratifying in our role of Trustee to have many opportunities to visit our schools and see that our division's mission, vision and values are at the core of every interaction with students.

There are countless examples, large and small, of our values in action throughout Chinook's Edge. As we watch staff in our school communities work to provide a safe and caring culture, where students feel a sense of belonging, we know our core values are present at every level of our school division. This impacts the potential of each student as an individual and fortifies the values that our Chinook's Edge families have come to expect from us. As Trustees, we are extremely proud of these efforts and priorities in Chinook's Edge.

Colleen Butler, Chair

Chinook's Edge Board of Education

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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 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

We would love to have you join us on Thursday, February 1st at 2:15 or 6:30 when the grade 3 classes present "**When I Grow Up!**" With several songs and lots of humour, the students will consider several different professions which they could choose to do when they grow up.

This year, the students at Olds Elementary have been given a very special gift from the parent council. On Tuesday, February 13th at 9:00 a.m. **jamani duo** will do a performance for the whole school. This husband and wife team play several different percussion instruments and also incorporate the flute into some pieces. For the rest of that week, **jamani duo** will do an artist-in-residency at our school which means that each class will have one opportunity to come to the music room and spend 45 minutes playing some of their percussion instruments and creating music together. Thanks to our parent council, our students will be experiencing a fantastic music-making experience with professional musicians!

The **choir** also continues to practice diligently each week. They are looking forward to March when they will perform at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Physical Education – February 2018

Randy Kish

Skating The Grade 2 classes started completed their skating in January and Grade 1 classes are skating in February/March. This Year has been a special treat as our friends from The Olds College Broncos Ladies Team and the Olds Grizzlys have been on ice lending a hand with the students. These young adults are a fine example of how our Town Of Olds Sports Teams give back to the community. Bravo Broncos and Grizzlys!!

Thanks again to all parents and friends who skate on the ice with us or help out with the skate tying. If your child has grown out of their skates or helmet and you don't know what to do with them..... we accept donations of skates and helmets for our skating program! Just bring it in and we will put it to good use right away!

February Curriculum This month we will continue to focus on fitness, eye/hand coordination, and teamwork through games. We have been learning how to use rackets to play floor ping pong and wall tennis. I see future Ping Pong Sensations in each class and the kids really enjoy the challenge of the sport! The Winter Olympics 2018 is in February so I have planned some fun "events" for the students to try. The fun Olympic Events will be set up as a competition with classes earning points for winning events and participating...maybe Future Olympians in training!!

Floor Hockey Intramurals Grade 4 Boys and 4 Girls Divisions started in November and are continuing through the winter months. Two games are scheduled each week during the lunch hour recess. The games are exciting with full effort by all players. We are getting closer to the grand final which will crown our Champions!!! The winners of each division get to play the teachers in the Annual Teacher/Student Challenge (dates TBA).

Good Morning Basketball Each morning over 100 kids drop in for Good Morning basketball! The kids are playing very nicely and enjoying their socializing. This is a great way to start the day and research has proven that active kids are smarter! Please remember school supervision does not begin until 8:20am when dropping your children off and basketball participants must come in through the front entrance of the school.

Girls Only (Grades 3-4) Sports Club This Drop-In Club is a lunch hour program to give girls a chance to play and practise sports in a Fun Environment. The Girls Club is currently for grade 4 girls, the grade 3 girls will start later in February. Girls can drop in and play with each other. The Club provides a nice opportunity for girls to hang out and make friends from other classrooms and their own! The Girls Club will meet each Friday at lunch hour recess in the gym until April.

Coming Soon in March

March Madness Basketball Shooting Competition-
Month of March

Floor Hockey Finals and Teacher/Student game (TBA)

Soc Hop Party- March 8



Art From the Start 2018

Our annual art show will be held **March 2-April 13th**. Students art will be displayed at the following venues:
Olds Hospital
Olds Municipal Library
Olds Aquatic Center
Wildrose Clinic

Volunteers will be needed on March 2nd for set-up and April 13th for take-down. More information will be coming. Please consider helping us out for our Art From the Start Art Show! If you have any questions, please see Carrie Krause, Amanda Koch or Janice Tulloch.

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



School Council

Our next school council meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 6th 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 MAR/APR ON-LINE FUN LUNCH DAYS

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING FOR MAR/APR. 2018 HOT LUNCHES WILL BE FEB. 16, 2018 (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.

Hot Dogs
Friday, February 2nd



Ted's Subs
Friday, February 16th



D.Q. BURGERS
Friday, March 2nd



EXTREME PITA
Friday, February 16th



PANAGO PIZZA
Friday, April 6th



Hot Dogs
Friday, April 13th



Taco in a Bag
Friday, April 27th



COMMUNITY

PLAY BALL!!
OLDS MINOR SOFTBALL
IS NOW ACCEPTING
REGISTRATIONS

See website for information
www.oldsminorsoftball.com

Girls ages 6 and up welcome!
Learn to play, competitive and recreational levels available
FUN, FRIENDS, FITNESS & FRESH AIR!
Registration open until February

The advertisement features a background image of a softball field under a blue sky with clouds. The text is prominently displayed in bold, black and red fonts. A circular logo for 'OLDS PISTOLS' is centered, featuring a softball and two maple leaves. Below the logo, there is a small photo of three young girls in softball uniforms smiling.

ÉCOLE OLDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

is now accepting registrations for 2018/2019

- ✓ Pre-Kindergarten (By referral only.)
- ✓ Kindergarten (Child **must** be 5 years of age on Dec 31/18)
- ✓ Grade 1 – 4 English and French Immersion





- ♥ English and French Immersion Programming ♥ Pre-Kindergarten for 3 and 4 year-olds ♥ A Focus on Literacy, Numeracy, Fine Arts, and Physical Activity ♥ Music and Physical Education Specialists
- ♥ Extensive Learning Supports ♥ Values-Based School Community
- ♥ Cross Graded Opportunities ♥ Before & After School Care

Stop by our school or visit us online at
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FEBRUARY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Day 6 Grade Three Performance 2:15 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. "When I Grow Up" Everyone Welcome!	2 Day 1 Hot Lunch Hot Dogs	3
4	5 Day 2	6 Day 3	7 Day 4 Science Fair Day Set-up: 7:30-8:30 a.m. Public Viewing: 12:45-2:15 p.m. Awards Ceremony: 2:15 p.m.	8 Day 5 	9 NO SCHOOL	10
11	12 Day 6	13 Day 1 jumani duo Performance @ 9:00 a.m. Everyone Welcome!	14 Day 2 Happy Valentine's Day! 	15 Day 3	16 Day 4 Hot Lunch Ted's Subs	17
18	<h1 style="margin: 0;">WINTER BREAK</h1>					24
25	26 Day 5 School Resumes	27 Day 6	28 Day 1 Pink Shirt Day ~ "Bullying Stops Here"	1 Day 2	2 Day 3 Hot Lunch D.Q. Burgers	3 Mountainview Science & Technology Society's Science Fair ~ Olds High School

