

# **HOOPERS SCHOOL BELL #9**

ÉOES - A Happy Place to Live, to Learn, to Grow

May 2025

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## May Principal's Message:

## A Safe and Caring School









As parents, the most important part of our child's day is that they are safe and feel cared for. As a school community, we spend our school year continuing to create a safe and caring community within our classrooms and throughout the school. We believe that this sense of community establishes the foundation that enables and supports our Chinook's Edge School Division mission to engage every student in meaningful learning by challenging, encouraging and believing in them.

We nurture this throughout the year in various capacities.

- We offer many different extracurricular activities: choir, cross country running, Hooper's Hoops, soccer, and science fair.
- Hooper is our school mascot and his code reminds us to "Be helpful not hurtful!"
- At ÉOES, we enjoy the connections and friendships we make with Horizon School and Jungle Junction.
- We benefit from the many special programs offered by our community. Some of these include: Olds Fire Department, Alberta Farm Safety, Olds RCMP, YES program and Family School Wellness.
- A dedicated group of parents volunteer to sit on our School Council. This group spends countless hours assisting in the school, providing hot lunch opportunities and fundraising to support classroom trips, playground equipment and supplies, and bring groups into the school to perform for our students.
- Along with a commitment to supervision at the crosswalk, busses and playground, we have a safety and security plan and practice drills in order to prepare students and staff in the event of an emergency.
- We support many organizations that remind us of the importance of 'Thinking of the other person.' Some of these include Food Bank, Christmas Angels, visiting and singing with seniors in our community and the Terry Fox Run.
- Our many performance assemblies, positive phone calls home, and parent/student/teacher conferences share and celebrate the wonderful accomplishments of our students.

Your children bring smiles to our faces each and every day and we feel very fortunate to be a part of this incredible community.





Sincerely,

Alanna Sampson, Principal

#### Dropping off & Picking Up Your Child

#### **Morning Drop Off**

- Morning bell rings at 8:35am. Students can be dropped off at the school no earlier than 8:25am and head towards their classroom area.
- If you will be later than 8:35am, please have your child use the front entrance, as all other doors will be locked.

#### After School Pick Up

• All student will be dismissed at 3:10pm. Students will exit to their predetermined meeting spots, buses or walk home.

#### **Our Bell Schedule**

Sometimes it is hard to know when is best to pick your child up for an appointment so below, please find our current bell schedule:

#### \*\*\*8:25am Doors open to students

8:35am Start of Class



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- 10:10am-10:23am Recess for all grades
- 11:55am-12:25pm Lunch for all grades
- 12:25pm-12:50pm Recess for all grades
- 1:55pm-2:08pm Recess for all grades

#### 3:10pm Dismissal

Please remember that all students need to be picked up at 3:10pm. Thank you!



We are bound to have rain on some days: Please send appropriate outerwear for the weather AND...WE WOULD APPRECIATE AN EXTRA SET OF CLOTHING IN EACH STUDENT'S BACKPACK. THANK YOU!



#### 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. You can also set up monthly payments - please call Lisa Ormann at the school

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

The fee schedule can be found on the Chinook's Edge website, www.cesd73.ca , Menu, Students and Parents, School Fees. Scroll down to Olds, and find École Olds Elementary School.

If you have any questions please call the school. Fee waivers are also found on the Chinook's Edge website, under Menu, Students and Parents, then on the left, click on the arrow beside School Fees.

#### Physical Education Update for May 2025 Mr. Kish





#### Curriculum Focus - Skipping - Hula Hoops - Reflex Challenge- Wall Climbing Challenge

This month students will try their best to achieve Levels of Excellence in Skipping, Hula Hooping, Wall Climbing, and the popular 10 second Reflex Challenge. For Skipping and Hula Hooping we measure our success by how long we can Skip or Hula Hoop continuously without stopping. Each Level is measured in minutes. If a student can achieve a Level they will be put on that list with other students to celebrate their Achievement. Grade 1 and 2 Levels are modified. Grade 3 and 4 are more challenging.

For the Wall Climbing Challenge students have to climb completely across the Climbing Wall while a friend "judges" them. If successful students get to put their name on the Wall Of Fame!

For the 10 second Reflex Challenge students start a Timer Clock and then have to STOP IT at exactly 10 Seconds. It takes concentration, luck, and a little bit of skill!

#### Basketball Shooting Class Championships

In April we held our annual basketball free throw shooting competitions in grade 3 and 4 gym classes. This year's format once again was to try to be Top 3 in your class for Basketball Free Throw Shooting. All students had the opportunity to shoot 10 basketball free throw shots to see if they had that magic touch to get the most in. Congratulations to our class Champions!

Here are the results in order 1st, 2nd, 3rd;

#### Grade 4

Schochenmaier - Oliver W, Samson K, Jordan V Windsor - Charlie R, Owen E, Ruby V Proctor - Leo T, Koebe B, Zhian G Turnbull - Anderson S, Sethun B, Adriel M Adams - Jaxson D, Selene P, Danica P

#### <u>Grade 3</u>

Martens - Maverick K, Rylie D, Georgia H Latimer/Kohut - Colt K, Kylan C, Lincoln T Tulloch - Ella P, Joseph D, Jack N Adams - Rougan K, Caleb R, Rook H Klinck - Carter F, Lucas B, Henry T Burkeim - Blake G, Ben B, Raylene A



#### Swimming

Grade 2 classes will be completing their swimming lessons at the Pool. Grade 1's will begin Mid May. Swimming is a LIFE SKILL and I encourage all parents to make sure your kids learn how to swim. We are fortunate to have access to an excellent Program through the Olds Aquatic Center ( which also offers swim lessons during evenings and weekends ).











We are Thankful to our Parent Council for providing the funds over the years to purchase hundreds of skipping ropes, balls, hoops, and all kinds of other specialty equipment for students to use in gym class and at recess. Right now if you were to pass by the school at recess time you would see students doing all the normal things kids do on the swings, and creative playgrounds but you would also see them playing soccer, basketball, skipping, playing baseball, and running the Track. Olds Elementary is fortunate to have sports equipment for its students to use in gym classes and at recess on the playground. Thanks to our Parent Council for believing in being a healthy kid through Sports and Athletics!

#### Mission Impossible Challenge Course

Students look forward to this fun challenge all year long. In fact it is usually the first question they ask me in September! The M.I Course is a test of skills, concentration, honesty, and focus because the kids have to work their way through a variety of challenging stations carefully, slowly, and silently. Sometimes they have a partner who watches their progress to confirm if they are doing the stations correctly. The Course is easily modified so that our younger students can try it as well and it gives our older students a chance to come in and help a Kinder Buddy go through safely.

The Mission Impossible Course becomes a favorite station for our Sports Day as well.

#### <u>Kilom<mark>eter Club Stick Runnin</mark>g</u>

Olds Elementary believes students should be healthy, active kids! During the year we offer running/walking on the paved pathway beside the playground at Lunchtime recess. We are back out on the track again and enjoying the fresh air. The Kilometer Club allows students who have a desire to run challenge themselves to see how many laps they can do. Each lap is marked with a popsicle stick and tallied in the classroom to track progress. For many many years the popsicle stick running challenge has promoted a healthy lifestyle choice at Olds Elementary. Our last Challenge will last 5 weeks from May 1 to June 6. Thank you to Mr. Proctors students who have helped give out sticks on the Track.



#### Looking Ahead To June

#### Sports Day

In the beginning of June we will have our Annual Sports Day. Always a FUN EXPERIENCE rain or shine! Students will enjoy having the freedom to visit Activity Stations that Teachers set up inside and also outside. More information will be coming near the end of May.

Gymnastics and Outdoor Pursuits will round out the year! It goes quickly!

#### Shoes! The Struggle is Real!

Flip flops, sandals, bare feet, crocs, slippers, cowboy boots, Uggs, and shoes that make BLACK MARKS should not be worn in the school as Indoor Shoes

Parents, please check in with your child to see how those Indoor Shoes are holding up.

I have noticed many students with shoes that are not fitting, have no laces or velcro, are torn and toes are sticking through...etc

It's pretty hard to get through gym classes when shoes are holding your child back. Socks are slippery on our wooden gym floor which is a hazard.

Also a reminder that indoor shoes have to be worn in the school, flip flops and crocs worn to school in the morning on nice days cannot be used as Indoor Shoes.

And for some reason this year we have had a real problem with shoes that make **black marks** in the gym and hallways.

I appreciate you checking.



# From the Music Room for May 2025

## Hello Families!



Mrs. Koch



May in the music room is a hip hop happening place. We kick off this month with a choir field trip to the Holy Trinity School to take in a concert of the U of A choir. Students will head to their classrooms for attendance and then meet in the library to head over by 9:00 am.

The choir is also busy preparing for their performance at grad at the end of the month. We will be hosting both the Deer Meadow choir and the Olds High School choir on Monday May 12th at 12:15 pm for a group practice. Then we will meet at 6:30 pm at Olds High School on May 30th for our grad performance. More details will be coming home soon.

The choir has decided to host their own final concert at the beginning of June. This will be an in-school performance only and will be filmed and added to the google classroom for anyone who is unable to attend.

This Thursday May 1, Ecole Olds Elementary School will be hosting Welcome to Kindergarten night at 6:00 pm. Visitors to the music room can expect the annual treatment of Elephants have Wrinkles and other silliness.

The Grade Four Farewell Concert is also happening this month on Wednesday, May 7 at 1:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Students are expected to attend both performances. Please plan to have students in their classrooms at 5:30 pm that night so they can pick up their instruments for the show. We look forward to seeing you there and to saying goodbye to our wonderful grade four students.



Thank you all for supporting our music program. It's a busy time of year and we appreciate your kindness and attendance.







## **April - ÉOES Parent Council**

**FUN LUNCH** 



The ordering period for June Fun Lunch will be May 6-20. Order online @ <u>https://oldselementary.hotlunches.net/</u>. Please pay attention to the Fridays your kindergarten student is and is NOT at school as no refunds can be offered.

#### PARENT COUNCIL AND FUNDRAISING SOCIETY MEETINGS:

The Parent Council and Fundraising Society meets the first Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting is May 7, 2025 at 7:00pm at the EOES Library or you can attend virtually. All parents/guardians are welcome!

Please reach out if you are interested in joining the board for the 2025-2026 school year. The overlap of incoming members to work with the current members helps to gain confidence in their role on the board. Most of the board member roles are very low-key and do not require extensive time commitment.

Specifically, we are still looking for: Chair Co-Chair Social Media Coordinator Fundraising Coordinators Fun Lunch Coordinators



Please email chair@eoesparentcouncil.com if you would like the virtual meeting link.



## Parent Council Cont...

#### Lohr-A-Lee Greenhouse Fundraiser!

This Local Greenhouse offers a variety of hanging baskets including strawberries and flowers. Brighten up your yard, porch, deck or order as a Mother's Day gift!

Ordering is available at the below link until May 9, with pick up starting May 10 at the greenhouse. Order now!

https://www.lalgreenhouses.ca/shop/ecole-olds-elementary-school/9?page=1&limit=30&sort\_by=category\_order&sort\_o rder=asc









# SCHOOL FEES ARE DUE School





Parents/Guardians: School fees are past due. Please check out your student(s) account through Rycor for any outstanding fees. You are welcome to make payments for as little as \$10.00 a month. Please contact Lisa Ormann in the office at 403-556-8477 to make arrangements. We would appreciate payment by May 15th, 2025.

**Heads up** that swimming fees will be added to students in grades 1-4 soon. When you receive a consent form via email for you to give permission for your student to swim, the fee of \$40.00 will automatically be added to your student account.

There may also be field trip fees added to your student(s) account so please keep an eye out for any additional fees that could be added in the next few months.

#### We thank-you for being diligent on your school payments



#### Yearly reminders to check parent portal account to sign in

Good afternoon,

SCHOOL NAME staff are planning ahead for the upcoming year.



We are asking parents and guardians to ensure that they can sign into their PowerSchool parent portal account before the end of the year. If you are having troubles with your username or password, please contact your school before the end of May to get help.

When Mid August rolls around our school division will be sending you an email to fill in your *"Annual Re-Enrollment and Consents" for the 2025-2026 School year. The form will need to be completed and submitted prior to the start of the school year.* 

The form will ensure your registration and certain consents for the upcoming school year.

In the form the consents include a Walking field trip, and Technology consents that have to be completed every year before your child can participate in these activities.

Please do not create a new registration we will send you the form when it becomes available

This is for all active K to 12 students

Please try to sign into the link below to ensure your username and password.

Thank you

Only include the proper url as per your district

https://powerschool.cesd73.ca/public/

If you have verified that you can sign in, please disregard this message.





# School Bus Drivers Wanted



- No experience needed
- Must have a non-GDL Class 5 license
- Paid Class 2S training
- Take your preschool children with you.

Great part time job for retirees and parents with young children



403-227-7072 transportation@cesd73.ca

> www.cesd73.ca under Careers/Support Staff/Spare Bus Drivers



# FLY THE FLAG FUNDRAISER

## Show your Canadian Spirit and your Support for the Rotary Club of Olds fundraising efforts!

Subscriptions to the 3rd annual Rotary Club of Olds Canadian Flag fundraiser are now open!

Show your Canadian and Community Spirit by joining in the celebration of Canada, and at the same time,

raise funds for local community and international charitable projects supported by the **Rotary Club of Olds**.

This year the **185th Olds Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron** will be assisting and earning a portion of the proceeds.

Purchasing a ticket for \$75 will give you a 3' x 5' Canadian Flag

# installed on your front lawn from

# May 12th to July 5, 2025

Rotarians and Cadets will come to install the flag at least a week before the May Long weekend and return after Canada Day to collect them.

# Order your flag early!

Thank you for supporting the Rotary Club of Olds

a<mark>nd</mark> 185th Olds Royal Can<mark>adia</mark>n Air Cadet Squadron







GIRLS GOLF IS ABOUT TO GET BIG AT OLDS GOLF CLUB IN CENTRAL ALBERTA



Our Mission; To Create a Space for Girls 6-18 to golf, practice together in a positive, social, and fun setting.





WEEKLY SESSIONS FOR GIRLS TO GATHER FOR FUN, PRACTICE, LEARNING, EXCERCISE IN A GROUP LEARNING ATMOSPHERE

THURSDAYS 5-7 PM IN MAY TUESDAYS 5-7 PM IN JUNE



STARTS MAY 8

403-556-8008 www.oldsgolf.com email girlsgolfOGC@gmail.com

#### REGISTER BY WEDNESDAY NOON, FOR ALL OR SOME OF THE SESSIONS



FIRST SESSION FREE, COME AND TRY GOLF & JOIN THE GIRLS CLUB TO EXPERIENCE PLAYING GOLF, LEARNING AND PRACTICING WITH OTHER GIRLS!

#### \$10. PER SESSION

EVERY SESSION RECIEVES A COUPON FOR 1 SHORT COURSE(PASS) AND ONE BUCKET PRACTICE BALLS FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK



# WINTER/SPRING 2025 DROGRAMS

# YOUTH (AGES 6 - 12)

LEGO CLUB (Drop-In) Tuesdays 3:30 - 4:30pm

Little STEM Explorers (Register) Thursdays 3:30 - 4:30pm

# PRETEENS (AGES 9 - 12)

Minecraft Mayhem: SURVIVAL (Register) Tuesdays 3:30 - 4:30pm

Minecraft Mayhem: CREATIVE (Register) Thursdays 3:30 - 4:30pm

Big STEM Explorers (Register) Thursdays 3:30 - 4:30pm

Roblox Hangout (Register for each event) Jan. 31 (10:30 - 11:30am) | Feb. 21, Mar. 21, Apr. 25, May 16, Jun. 27 (2:30 - 3:30pm)

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# **© FAMILIES**

Family Literacy Day: Literacy Legends Lunch (Drop-In) (FREE) Monday, January 27

Read to Your Loved-One Day (FREE) Friday, February 14

World Storytelling Day (Drop-In) (FREE) Thursday, March 20

Earth Day Planting (Drop-In) (FREE) Tuesday, April 22

LEGO Springtime Spectacular! (Drop-In) (FREE) Submit between May 1 - May 16 Community Vote: May 20 - 23 Winner announced: May 26

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**Create, Learn & Discover with CLC Youth camps** 

# **Curious Creatures Camp** July 7-11 | Ages 8-12 \$250/week | \$60/Day



# Into the Wild Camp Aug 5-8 | Ages 7-12 \$210/4 day week | \$60/Day





# **Bites & Delights** Aug 20-22 | Ages 7-12 \$150/3 day week | \$60/Day

Mini Masterminds Camp

Aug 25-29 | Ages 8-12 \$250/week | \$60/Day





communitylearningcampus.ca



Clcrecreation@oldscollege.ca



Town of Olds Family and Community Support Services



# Hike for Hospice

# May the 4th be with you Location Olds : Holy Trinity School Didsbury - Train Station Theme STAR WARS

Fun for the whole family. 1, 3, 5k routes available. Prizes for best costumes and top fundraisers. Snacks, coffee and lunch provided. Join us May 4 at 9:30am to raise awareness and funds for a great cause.



**Mountain View Hospice Society** 



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				1 Welcome to Kindergarten 6pm - 7pm	2 PD No School	3
4	5	6 Gr. 1 starts swimming (Tues/Thurs) Fun Lunch Ordering Starts for June	7 Gr.4 Farewell Concert EOES Parent Council Meeting 7pm	8 Hats on for Mental Health	9 Last Day to Order from Lohr-A-Lee Greenhouse	10
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14	15	16 PD No School	17
18	19 Victoria Day	20 Last Day to order Fun Lunch for June	21	22	23 Pre-Paid Edo Fun Lunch	24
25	26	27	28	29 Dress Like a Student or Dress Like a Teacher	30 Pre-Paid Boston Pizza Fun Lunch EOES Choir Performs at OHS Grad 6:30pm	31