



LOCHEARN SCHOOL

NEWS

MARCH 2024



It's hard to believe March is here; however, it is sure to be another busy month filled with great learning and opportunities to celebrate. Our Term II Report Cards will go home on March 15, with Parent Teacher Interviews to follow on March 19 and 20 from 4:00 - 6:30 pm. Watch for information in your child's home note with regards to booking your interview time.



Please join us for our next School Council/Friends of Lochearn meeting on Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00 pm. A Zoom link will be available . . . check our Facebook page.

Online registration continues for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for the 2024.2025 school year. Our classes are filling up, so please complete your online registration soon. We had an amazing turnout for our Open House on February 15. It was wonderful to welcome all of the new little people and their parents!

All classes in grades 1 to 5 have the opportunity to participate in swimming lessons. Lessons offered are a swim to survive program, with students learning water safety and important swimming skills. Please note there is a \$16 charge/student payable through SchoolCash Online. Watch for your email notification when the fees have been assigned to your student.

Congratulations to our Grade 5 team for the huge success of their bake sale. The grand total raised was **\$934.70**. All proceeds go towards the year end field trip to Camp Evergreen! 🌟🌟🌟

Communication is vital for the success of our school. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us. As your administration team, we value your input and are committed to working together to ensure the success and well-being of our students. We can be reached by phone at 403.845.3721 or email kathy.mcnuttt@wrsd.ca or lucas.brown@wrsd.ca .

Sunday, March 10

Daylight Savings Time starts at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 10. Remember to spring forward - turn your clocks ahead!

5416 54 Street / Rocky Mountain House, AB / T4T 1S6

Phone: 403.845.3721

Safe Arrival: 1.855.756.2797

LOCHEARN SCHOOL GRADE 5's

BOTTLE DRIVE

Help us lower the cost of our overnight camping trip to **CAMP EVERGREEN** (west of Sundre) in June!



Collection Date:
SATURDAY, MARCH 9

Drop-off Location:
ROCKY BOTTLE DEPOT
9:00 - 4:45 PM

Look for the open sea can to the south of the Bottle Depot!

If you have have questions or need to drop bottles off at a different time, please contact Mrs. Van Imschoot at 403.845.3721 to leave a message or by email at tracy.vanimschoot@wrsd.ca

♥ **THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US WITH YOUR DONATION!**



NUTRITION MONTH - Dietitians of Canada

Did you know that March is Nutrition Month? Check out this [website](#) for the Activity and Ideas Guide 2024. The Dietitians of Canada provide great information!



PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Our Pre-Kindergarten program is a language rich program that adheres to the philosophy of learning through play. Pre-K is a quality, early learning, play based program focused on readiness, literacy and numeracy skills.

Our Program Includes:

- * Certified teacher
- * Monday to Thursday mornings, September to June (8:45 - 12:00 pm)

Program Requirements:

- * Screening required for speech, language and readiness needs

Monthly Program Fees:

* Fees are posted on SchoolCash the first of each month, and due by the 15th. Program Fees are \$100/month. Students with special learning needs may qualify for a tuition subsidy.

Eligibility:

Children must be four (4) years of age by December 31, 2024 to be eligible for Pre-Kindergarten. A copy of your child's birth certificate is required.

KINDERGARTEN

Our Kindergarten program offers two programs: full day Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday and scheduled Fridays. Programs are available first come, first serve. Please note each class receives the same programming hours.

Eligibility:

Children must be five (5) years of age by December 31, 2024 to be eligible for Kindergarten. A copy of your child's birth certificate is required.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES

All parents/guardians are required to present legal proof of a student's name, citizenship and birth date when a child is registered in school. If a student was born outside of Canada, official documents from that country must be presented. As we are required by Alberta Education to have these documents for all students, you are required to provide them.

If you require an Alberta Birth Certificate for your child(ren), click [here](#) and follow the steps to order.



**Order milk for the month of APRIL from
March 4 until March 17**

Online orders through SchoolCash

(watch for your email notification when the fee is posted)

Sorry, no late orders accepted.



SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

Wild Rose School Division offers School Cash Online as its preferred method of payment. If you are new to the school and have not registered, please click [here](#).

✨ Pre-Kindergarten Fees ✨ Field Trips ✨ Activity Fees ✨ Milk Program

Did you hear the 2024.2025 School Calendar has been approved?

Check out the Parent Calendar [here](#). 🌟👍🌟

SCHOOL COUNCIL FRIENDS OF LOCHEARN FUNDRAISING SOCIETY

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 12, 2024
7:00 pm**

Zoom link will be available . . . check our Facebook Page



SCHOOL SPIRIT - ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Friday, March 15

Dress in GREEN



**Thank you to the Âsokêwin Friendship Centre
for the generous donation!**

**All grade 5 students will be able to make
their own Indigenous Style Flute!**

SWIMMING 2024

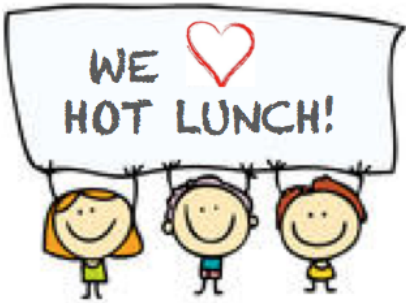
\$16/student payable through SchoolCash. Watch for email notification when the fees have been posted. Students must bring their own swimming suit and towel.

CLASS	DAY	MONTH	TIME
1C	Friday	May 3, 10, 24, 31	12:00 - 2:45 PM
1W	Thursday	March 7, 14, 21, April 4	10:30 - 11:15 AM
2K	Wednesday	February 28, March 6, 13, 20	1:00 - 1:45 PM
2V	Friday	March 22, April 5, 12, 19	1:00 - 1:45 PM
3N	Tuesday	April 9, 16, 23, 30	2:00 - 2:45 PM
3T	Tuesday	February 13	1:45 - 2:30 PM
	Tuesday	February 27, March 5	1:00 - 1:45 PM
	Thursday	April 18	1:00 - 1:45 PM
4B	Thursday	May 2, 9, 16, 23	10:30 - 11:15 AM
4C	Wednesday	April 3, 10, 17, 24	2:00 - 2:45 PM
4/5E	Monday	February 26, March 4, 11, 18	2:00 - 2:45 PM
5T	Tuesday	April 16, 23, 30, May 7	10:45 - 11:30 AM
5V	Wednesday	May 8, 15, 22, 29	9:15 - 10:00 AM



Remember to order Hot Lunch by the 20th of each month at HotLunches.Net

Haven't signed up yet? Click [here](#) for instructions!



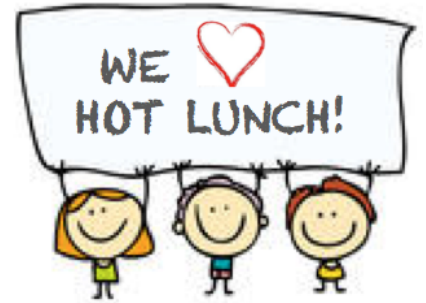
Pre-Ordered Hot Lunch Days:

March 7 - Subway

March 13 - A & W

March 21 - Âsokêwin Friendship Centre

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MARCH/APRIL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

12:15 pm

Everyone is welcome to attend!



NO SCHOOL

March 25 - 28 Spring Break

March 29 - Good Friday

April 1 - Easter Monday

School Resumes Tuesday, April 2



REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

- If your child is absent or will be late for school, please connect with our Safe Arrival Line at 1.855.756.2797 or use [SchoolMessenger](#), before 9:00 a.m.
 - Please remember to sign your child out in the office if they are leaving early. It is very important in case of an emergency that we know where your child is.
 - If your child rides the bus, and has been signed out early, please notify your bus driver that they will not be on the bus going home. If the bus driver does not know where your child is, the office receives a call from the Transportation Department.
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INCLEMENT WEATHER

Indicators are placed at the entrances for our students during inclement weather. If there are no indicators on the doors, students are expected to play outside before school and during both recess breaks. *Please dress your children appropriately for all weather conditions.*

RED (-25c) Too cold (or wet) to be outside. Students will stay inside in their classrooms.

YELLOW (-19c) Students may come inside and warm up in the entranceway.

GREEN (Normal Day) Students expected to dress for the weather and play outside.

**Something exciting is happening at our school on
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10**



WATCH FOR DETAILS IN THE COMING WEEKS!

Image: <http://www.thenedshow.com/>

VOLUNTEERS - Information Updated!

Lochearn School loves volunteers and invites you to take an active role in volunteering at our school. Requirements for Criminal Record Checks have changed. Kindly refer to the following information.

★ CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK NOT REQUIRED:

- Volunteer is only assisting with a single event
 - Volunteer will not be working with students out of direct supervision of school staff
 - Examples: helping with food preparation during a special event, assisting with prepping materials in the staffroom, attending a field trip for skating (tying skates) – always with the large group
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★ CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK REQUIRED:

- Volunteer is assisting with multiple events, requiring multiple visits in the school
 - Examples: assisting with hot lunch program every week/month, doing one on one site words in the hallway every Friday
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★ CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK (Including Vulnerable Sector Query) - *Requirement for Grade 5 Ski Trip and Camping Trip*

- Volunteer is working with individual or small groups of students on a regular basis without direct supervision
- Examples: coaching a team, attending an overnight trip or trip that is outside of school hours and they are responsible for students

How to apply: You must take two pieces of government issued identification, at least one must be a photo ID, showing you reside in the same community as the RCMP Detachment.

Cover letters are available from the office so there is no cost. *Please be advised there is a waiting period for the completion of this check. If you require further clarification, please contact the office.*

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL (PD) DAYS FOR 2023.2024 – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

- March 8
- April 26
- May 17
- June 7
- June 27

LOOK WHAT’S COMING UP NEXT MONTH . . . *Dates are subject to change.*

April 1	Spring Break - Easter Monday
April 2	School Resumes 😊
April 9	K2 - Kinder Grad Photos, 9:00 AM School Council Meeting, 7:00 pm
April 10	K1 - Kinder Grad Photos, 9:00 AM The NED Show - Mindset Mission
April 25	School Spirit - Career Day! March/April Assembly, 12:15 PM
April 26	Non-Instructional Day - Staff Only
April 29	No Pre-Kindergarten Class
April 29/30	Dental Screening, K - Grade 3

To view the entire Parent Calendar for 2023.2024, click [here](#).