

# Lochearn School News

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## February 2019

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**Mrs. Danielle Spencer, Principal**  
**Mrs. Kathy McNutt, Vice-Principal**



### 2019/2020 WRSD School Year Calendar

The development of a school year calendar is no easy task. WRSD shares communities and bussing with both STAR Catholic School Division and Red Deer Catholic School

Division and our borders touch seven other school divisions. The interests and needs of students, teachers, parents and the community are all taken into consideration when balancing calendar decisions between educational and family needs, preferences and values.



Click [here](#) to the WRSD website, then access the **South** draft calendar.

Feedback will be accepted up to February 8, 2019.  
Please use the following form: [2019/20 School Year Draft Calendar Feedback Form](#)



Please remember to check the "Parent Handbook" posted on our website <http://lochearn.wrsd.ca/> for lots of informative information about our school!

## Registrations continue for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for the 2019/2020 school year.

Registration Forms are available from our website <http://lochearn.wrsd.ca/> under the "Parent Forms" tab, or from the school office.

Please stop in anytime, Monday to Friday between 8:30-4:00 pm, to register and have a tour of the school. Watch for information in the spring for our annual "Meet the Teacher".

### PRE-KINDERGARTEN

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

*Our program includes:*

- \* Certified teacher
- \* Half-day programming, 3 mornings/week, September to June

*Program Requirements:*

- \* Screening required for speech, language and readiness needs

*Program Fees:*

- \* \$30.00 one-time fee for students who have a moderate to severe speech delay or who qualify for PUF funding (there will be no other fees)
- \* \$175.00 monthly fee for non-funded students with no identified learning needs

*Eligibility:* Children must be four (4) years of age by December 31, 2019 to be eligible for Pre-Kindergarten. **A copy of your child's birth certificate, or other acceptable legal documentation is required at the time of registration.**

### KINDERGARTEN

Our Kindergarten programming for the 2019/2020 school year includes:

- \* Full day Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday and scheduled Fridays.

*Eligibility:* Children must be five (5) years of age by December 31, 2019 to be eligible for Kindergarten. **A copy of your child's birth certificate, or other acceptable legal documentation is required at the time of registration.**



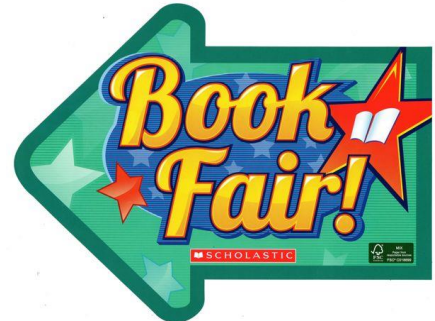
Parent Council /Friends of Lochearn Meeting  
Wednesday, February 13, 2019  
1:00 – 1:45 pm  
Everyone is welcome!

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Scholastic Book Fair is coming from February 12 – 14. Book Fair is held during the 1<sup>st</sup> break from 10:43 – 11:04 pm. See you there!

- Tuesday, February 12 - K2/K3, grade 3 and 5
- Wednesday, February 13 - K1/K4, grade 2 and 4
- Thursday, February 14 - grade 1

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### INCLEMENT WEATHER – Weather Symbols

The following are indicators 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.**

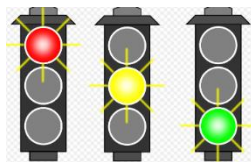


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**RED Light (-25°C) Too cold (or wet) to be outside. Students will stay inside in their classrooms.**

**YELLOW Light (-19°C) Students may come inside and warm up in their entranceway.**

**GREEN Light – Normal Day - Students expected to dress for the weather and play outside.**

### BUS CANCELLATIONS – SCHOOL IS ALWAYS OPEN!

Keep up with bus cancellations/delays on our website (<http://lochearn.wrsd.ca/>), WRSD website ([www.wrsd.ca](http://www.wrsd.ca)) or announced on the following radio stations: B94 (94.5 FM), Real County Red Deer (95.5 FM) and Big 105 FM.

WRSD also has a **bus status app** available for download. The app is available for Android and iPhone users and can be downloaded at the iTunes store or Google Play.

**The school is always open, even if buses do not run; however, remember that if your child's bus does not run in the morning, it will not run in the afternoon, so you must plan for your child to be picked up.**

## FLU SEASON . . . SNIFFLES & SNEEZES

It is the season for all sorts of illnesses! Please help in minimizing the number of children ill at our school by keeping your child home when they are not feeling well. We know how hard it is sometimes to do that; however, when children come to school feeling sick, they pass along their germs to others.

At recess time, all children are expected to go outside unless the weather is inclement. We are not able to have children in the building unsupervised during these break periods. If children are well enough to come to school, they will be outside with their peers during recess.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone as healthy as possible during the winter months!



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## Junior ATB

Our Junior ATB team is ready to serve you. Students can open a real ATB account and deposit money on the monthly deposit day. Each month your child will receive a monthly bank statement at home so they can watch their savings grow! By participating in Junior ATB, your child will practice saving money by learning the fundamentals of money management, such as earning, saving and spending.

Staff from the local ATB work closely with our team. The Junior ATB team will be visiting classrooms this month and sharing more information with students. Applications can be picked up at school, on deposit day, and at the local ATB branch. For more information please talk to one of our Junior ATB staff or Mrs. McNutt.

Dates for depositing money with Junior ATB - February 20, March 20, April 24, May 29, and June 12. Student accounts can be accessed anytime at the local ATB. Submitted by Mrs. McNutt





## PINK SHIRT DAY

The last Wednesday of February, each year is **PINK SHIRT DAY**, or Anti-Bullying Day in Canada. Participants wear pink to symbolize their stand against bullying.

In today's digital world, it can be impossible to escape online bullying, whether it takes the shape of harassment, spreading rumours, sharing embarrassing information or threats. This year, **PINK SHIRT DAY** is encouraging others to combat cyberbullying by thinking twice before posting something negative, and instead using the internet to spread kindness – because we know that **Nice Needs No Filter!**


We would like to support this movement at our school and ask that staff, students and parents wear pink on **Wednesday, February 27** to make a stand and help to put a stop to bullying!

Image: [www.pinkshirtday.ca](http://www.pinkshirtday.ca)



*Assembly  
Wednesday, February 27, 2019  
12:00 noon  
Everyone is welcome!*

### Skating Times 2019

<b>K2 and K3</b> Tuesdays 12:00-1:00 January 8, 15, 22, 29	<b>Grade 2C and 2K</b> Tuesdays 12:00-1:00 February 5, 12, 19, 26	<b>Grade 5T and 5B</b> Mondays 2:00-3:00 January 7, 14, 21, 28
<b>K1 and 1V</b> Wednesdays 12:00-1:00 January 9, 16, 23, 30	<b>Grade 3N and 3T</b> Wednesdays 2:00-3:00 February 6, 13, 20, 27	
<b>Grade 1W and 1/2M</b> Mondays 11:30-12:30 January 7, 14, 21, 28	<b>Grade 4R and 4E</b> Thursdays 1:15 -2:15 February 7, 14, 21, 28	

## NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS FOR 2018/2019 – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Friday, February 1  
Friday, March 1  
Thursday, March 14 (*Teachers' Convention*)  
Friday, March 15 (*Teachers' Convention*)  
Friday, April 12  
Friday, May 3  
Friday, June 7  
Friday, June 27 (*No School for K-9*)  
Friday, June 28

## UPCOMING DATES . . .

### February 2019

01 **No School** – Professional Learning/CAAMSE Day ☺  
04-06 Farm Safety Presentations  
08 K1 attend  
08 Winter Walk, 2:30 pm  
12 Book Fair – K2/K3, grade 3 & 5 – 1<sup>st</sup> break  
13 Book Fair – K1/K4, grade 2 & 4 – 1<sup>st</sup> break  
13 Parent Council Meeting, 1:00 – 1:45 pm, Room 104  
14 **Happy Valentine's Day** ❤️  
14 Book Fair – grade 1 – 1<sup>st</sup> break  
15 K2/K3 attend  
18 **No School** – Family Day Holiday ☺  
22 K1 attend  
22 Paul Isaak Presentation – Motivational Speaker  
27 **Pink Shirt Day**  
27 Assembly, 12:00 noon

### March 2019

01 **No School** – Professional Learning/CAAMSE Day ☺  
08 K2/K3 attend  
11-12 Dental Screening, Kindergarten – Grade 3  
13 Parent Council Meeting, 1:0 – 1:45 pm, Room 104  
13 Report Cards go home  
14-15 **No School** – ATA Teachers' Convention ☺  
19 Assembly, 12:00 noon  
20 Learning Conferences, 4:30 – 7:30 pm  
21 Learning Conferences, 4:30 – 7:30 pm  
22 K1 attend  
25-29 **No School** – Spring Break ☺