

NEWSLETTER





NEW ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

As the weather begins to shift and the days become colder, the need to adjust our student entry plan has become a priority. As has been the case in each of the decisions we have made regarding protocols at the school, student safety is our first priority.

On Monday, November 2nd, beginning at 8:20AM and up until 8:35AM students will be permitted to enter the building at their designated entrances. After 8:35AM they will need to enter through the office doors (NW entrance).

Please note, regardless of the weather conditions, doors will not open until 8:20AM each morning. Please endeavour to have your child arrive no earlier than 8:20AM and no later than 8:35AM as bell times will remain the same. Bus students will be welcomed and provided direction bu a supervisor upon their arrival.

Student dismissal procedures will remain unchanged. Please direct any questions to the Probe office.

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PROBE GEAR

Time is running out to purchase your Dr. Probe gear. Visit the Probe website to view our flyer and place all orders through SchoolCashOnline! Let's show off the pride we have in the school!





NUTRITION PROGRAM

Thank you to Farm Credit Canada for donating \$1000 to our nutrition program! At Probe, bins with healthy foods are provided to each classroom along with breakfast or lunch to students as needed.

STAYING ACTIVE

As a result of a generous grant supplied by the Lethbridge School Division Wellness Fund Probe was able to purchase 10 stationary bikes and one stair climber. This equipment is placed in hallways around the school for all students to use.



GPRO WELLNESS TEAM

We are so happy to support the amazing community partners in the Lethbridge Community. Each year Lethbridge Family Services Angel Tree campaign supports many families in our community. During the pandemic registration has been moved online. See the attached graphic for details on how to register. Any families wishing to donate to the campaign may choose a virtual angel on the Lethbridge Family Services website, from the school or from a participating community partner and have your child drop it here at the school. Online cash donation via their website are also graciously accepted.

Another amazing community partner Alberta Health Services Children's Addiction and Mental Health is offering a virtual group to support worry and anxious response in children. The group called Fearless Feathers will provide support to parents/caregivers and children on how to handle this big worry emotion. Please contact Cathy Kitagawa or Jen Robinson at the school to register.



FEARLESS FEATHERS

Fearless Feathers is a 4-session virtual group designed to address anxiety in children aged 5 to 8. The first session informs parents of how anxiety presents in children and techniques to address anxious behaviors. The next 3 sessions are designed for both parent and child to attend together to learn new ways to cope with anxious behaviors. These sessions will be interactive, guided by a group therapist. Each session will be 1 hour. You will need access to a device able to run the Zoom application. **Dates**: Tuesdays, November 3rd (parent only), November 10, 17 and 24th (parents and child together). **Time**: 6:00pm to 7:00pm. **How**: Over Zoom Software.



Just a friendly reminder to please do not park in our bus zone or staff parking lot (unless you need to use an accessibility parking stall and have a parking placard).

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Dr. Probe's Remembrance Day Assembly will be held on Tuesday, November 10th through Teams. A link to view the assembly will be sent out to families on November 10th.



SCHOLASTIC VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR

The fair will run November 23-December 4. Families will receive a special link to shop online and our school will receive 20% back in book rewards! All orders will be shipped directly to student's homes. Orders over \$35 will ship for free and there will be a potential that Scholastic is offering special "family nights" with free shipping as well. Stay tuned for more information and we look forward to this amazing opportuntiy to connect students with literature.



ROCK YOUR MOCS

We encourage everyone to wear their moccasins with pride on Thursday, November 19th to celebrate the culture and traditions of Indigenous Peoples. Students will be working on engaging activities that will further explore the purpose of the week as well.



DR. PROBE SCHOOL COUNCIL

This year Probe Parent Council continues to meet in the gym the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. This year council has been asked by the school to help raise funds for new laptops. Many of the current laptops are broken with no way to be repaired. Watch for more information coming out on a ABC fundraiser soon.

As a council we also continue to discuss ways in which we can raise funds to resurface the existing playground, as well as, add a piece or two of equipment to it. As many of you know the previous rubber tile surface was starting to heave and gap which posed a fall risk to the students. The city took out the dangerous surface and replaced it with wood chips last fall. This is only meant to be a temporary fix. Previously council was trying to fundraise to replace the surface with another rubberized surface, however this is a very expensive option. Council is currently discussing less expensive options for the resurfacing. We will continue to discuss ways to raise money to improve the playground. New ideas and suggestions are always welcome!

Other things discussed at council are how teachers and students are adjusting to new covid protocols. What activities and learning is taking place in the different grade levels and just generally what is going on in and around the school. It is a great place to come to meet the new administrators and address any questions or concerns you may have. This Friday October 30th, is our first Popcorn Friday. We hope to continue Popcorn Friday once a month with all proceeds going to playground enhancement. We are also hoping to implement a hot lunch program in the next few weeks so stayed tuned for more information on that. Hope to see you at the next meeting November 4th at 6:30 pm in the gym... don't forget your mask!

DATES OF IMPORTANCE

October 30 - Halloween Celebration November 4 - School Council (6:30PM in the Gymnasium) November 9-10 - Kindergarten Interviews November 11 - Remembrance Day (No School for Students) November 19 - Rock your Mocs November 23 - Scholastic Virtual Book Fair Begins

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