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École Lacombe Upper Elementary (http://www.elue.wolfcreek.ab.ca)

(403)782-7410

ÉLUES Students Perform!



Rotary Carol Festival

7:00 p.m. at the LMC

Wednesday, December 7!

Grade 4 & 5 ÉLUES students and the Music Club perform in the program and should arrive at the LMC no later than 6:50 p.m. Students will sit with their parents until they are called up.

*Wear bright colors if you can; wear your Christmas best! Most importantly, we want YOU there!



Wrapping Up 2022

With the most sincere gratitude, the entire staff at ÉLUES would like to thank our students, families and community members for their contributions to the success and achievements of our new school year.

2022/2023 at ÉLUES has been a year of change and transition. While it has been amazing to build and create some new customs, it has been great to be able to bring back some of the traditions and events that make our school such a special place to be. We have been able to welcome people back to our Open House, hold our Healthy Living Fair and fire up the energy at our annual Pep Rally. These are only a few of the examples of the wonderful opportunities that our incredible staff have committed to, and with many more to come, there are exciting times ahead. We are dedicated to continuing to provide an exciting, well-rounded learning experience for our students and families and are so grateful for the contributions made by everyone to bring this to fruition.

Whilst 2022-2023 has had it's fair share of challenges as a sense of normalcy returns, it is important to remember that within challenge there is opportunity. We are so impressed with ow everyone has embraced these opportunities and thank all of our stakeholders, - students, parents, volunteers, staff and our greater school community for making ÉLUES a tremendous place to work and learn.

We wish you all the very best as we head into the Christmas season and look forward to the many exciting opportunities that 2023 will bring. May your new year (and beyond) be filled with health and happiness.

Quality Citizenship Recognition -

November 2022

École Lacombe Upper Elementary School recognizes the value, necessity and significance of positive, contributing citizens within our school, community and society. It is our goal as a school, in conjunction with the home, to develop and enhance citizenship qualities and characteristics within individuals. This will provide an opportunity for every student in École Lacombe Upper Elementary School to work towards realizing his/her own personal aspirations while making a positive contribution to society as a whole. Students who demonstrate behaviors as delineated in the following criteria shall be eligible for the Quality Citizenship Recognition Award.

Demonstrate positive interpersonal relationships with peers and adults.

Demonstrate a consistent high level of responsibility, dependability and cooperation.

Demonstrate a high level of consideration for the personal feelings and property of others.

Demonstrate a positive role model in terms of leadership and participation in both school and classroom activities.

This month, the following students are being recognized as outstanding citizens and have been treated to a coupon from Boston Pizza:

Kayden Perez Daryian Roughfoot Quinn Flewelling Dante Jarvis

Leo Jackson Jordyn Carter Darius Okeymow Xander Rockarts

Mariia Morvaniuk Presley Saxton Oaklyn Gonzalez Gabby Richards

Zack Primmer Londyn Jones Amelia Mason

Congratulations to these outstanding citizens and also to our Staff of the Month: Mme Miller, Mr. Epp, Mrs. Cornish, Miss Cade.



We would like to extend our appreciation to Marty Curtis of Subway for sponsoring our Student of the Month Program this year! Once a month each teacher will choose two or three Students of the

Month and these students will meet with Mr. Fullarton or Mrs. Ouellette and will receive a coupon compliments of Subway!

Huge thank you to Boston Pizza for continuing to sponsor our monthly Quality Citizen lunches. Each Quality Citizen receives a certificate for an individual pizza and a pop!

Wow, what great supporters of our school!

Subway Students of the Month - November 2022

◆ Commencing the fourth week of September and ending the last week of June, each homeroom teacher will select three or four students once a month for this student recognition program.



- Students for this program will demonstrate academic excellence and/or excellent academic effort.
- ♦ Students who are chosen for this program will be called to the office by the administration and bring with them the work for which they have been selected. The student will share/discuss the work with the administration.
- ◆ A copy of the student's work and the student's picture will be displayed on the Student of the Month boards outside the general office for the following month. The student's name will also be announced.
- ♦ Students will receive a certificate highlighting their accomplishment and they will receive a gift coupon from the Student of the Month Sponsor, Subway.
- ◆ The administration will make a Happy Call to each student's parents/guardian congratulating the student on his/her accomplishment (s).

Leif Krehmer
Hadley Brigham
Alexis Skinner
Cameron Stewart
Crikka Torgerson
Khalel Abarro
Brenna Waddell
Mohamad Al Omar
Cayden Best
Bente Buter
Julie Kennedy
Paxton Hemingson
Owen Souveny

Brody Wilson
Cruz Astles
Maggie Wigmore
Kiana Laye
Emersyn Pike
Maleah Wianeko
Pernilla Cowl
Eva Lachner
Kaleb Burnett
Hannah F. Atisme
Charlotte Sarneeki
Abel Williams
Harper Badry

Colin Sydenham
Peyton Nowochin
Mekenzie Barefoot
Khloe PeClerek
Chase Myers
Chase Gray
Rhys Malachowski
Lilly Nicholas
Koen Vis
Samuel Leavitt

Healthy Living Fair a HUGE success!

We had another spectacular Healthy Living Fair on Thursday,
November 24!

The day was a fabulous success. The goal of this event is to inspire students to live healthy lifestyles. All students participated in a variety of sessions throughout the day.

This year the HLF featured a wide range of activities such as 3 different food sessions, Shadow Boxing, curling, broomball, and skating.

Another exciting feature of our HLF was a special presentation with Jo(e) Social Media. Students learned how to make safe and appropriate choices online and how to talk with safe adults about using social media.

Our students and staff enjoyed a full day together learning, playing, moving and focusing on all aspects of health and wellness. Everyone finished the day with a better understanding of how to make healthy choices and why our choices are so important.



















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12 Days of Christmas 2022

1st (December 6th) - Food Bank Drive Begins

2nd (December 7th) - Class Wreath/Door Decorating Begins

3rd (December 8th) - Long Winter's Nap Christmas PJ Day / Dress Red and Green

4th (December 12th) - Acts of Kindness/Appreciation Day

5th (December 13th) - Christmas Bingo

6th (December 14th) - The Who's of Whoville Crazy Hair Day or Christmas Toque/Scarf Day

7th (December 15th) - Dress Fancy Day

8th (December 16th) - Grade 4 Reindeer Games

9th (December 19th) - Grade 5 Reindeer Games

10th (December 20th) - Grade 6 Reindeer Games

11th (December 21st) - Christmas Carol Assembly and Christmas Sweater Day

12th (December 22nd) - Christmas Carol Assembly



After School Volleyball Club

150 enthusiastic grade 4,5 and 6 students have been improving their volleyball skills by attending our extra curricular After School Volleyball Club. The athletes spent time working on improving their serving, setting, passing, and even attempting the odd spike. Our next after school sport will be Basketball starting up in February.

More details to come.

Music Notes!

2022-2023 Concerts

The concert format at École Lacombe Upper Elementary School this year will be as follows:



Christmas Celebrations

We will once again be taking our grade 4 and 5 students to participate in the Rotary Carol Festival. This year the Music Club will also be performing two separate numbers. The concert will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 7 at the LMC. This provides an opportunity for our school to spread the joy of Christmas to the whole community.

Our Christmas celebrations at ÉLUES include the Twelve Days of Christmas activities as noted on the calendar. This includes school-wide Christmas Carol Assemblies in the last week of school before the holidays. Should parents, guardians and community members be available to come into the school on these days to enjoy and participate, please do so!

Grade 6 Concert

The grade 6 students will be presenting a drumming concert sometime in April 2023 in the gym. Mr. Epp will announce details in the New Year.

Grade 5 Concert

The grade 5 students will have "in-class" concerts during the first part of June 2023.

Grade 4 Concert

The grade 4 students will have "in-class" concerts in the month of May.

More details to come!

ÉLUE Service Projects

White Elephant Sale

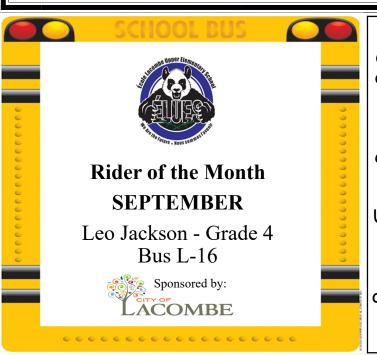
The Wagar and Freitag classes are still accepting items for their sale!!! If you would like to donate, please send your items, gift bags, etc, to the Main Office!! Just a reminder that our sale will take place on December 19 and 20th. Thank you to all of the parents who have sent in items already!



Forms are not sent home ahead of time, students bring money on their classes shopping day either December 19 or 20th.

Candy Cane Sale and Christmas Basket Raffle

Mrs. Nelson's and Mrs. Mackay-Hawkin's classes are organizing a Service Learning Project that spreads some Christmas Cheer and raises money for Santa's Anonymous. On December 15th and 16th they are hosting a Candy Cane and Basket Raffle. Raffle baskets will be drawn on December 16th. All money raised will support Santa's Anonymous. Raffle tickets are 1.00 and candy canes will be .50 each. Thank you for supporting our project.



Culture Club

Created based on the idea from one of our amazing grade 5 student's, Culture Club brings students together to celebrate where we come from, our heritage, and our backgrounds and experiences that shape who we are. Up to now, we have heard incredible stories from travel to Uganda, life in Ukraine, and look forward to continuing to hear stories from across the globe. Culture Club goes beyond the sharing of stories and truly gets at the heart of celebrating the diversity that exists within our school community.

AERR Results, PAT Results and Other Celebrations!

		Ecole Lacombe Upper Elementary		Alberta	
		2022	2019 - 2021 Avg	2022	2019 - 2021 Avg
English Language Arts 6	Number Writing		117	47,534	49,639
	Acceptable Standard %	96.6	94.0	89.8	91.9
	Standard of Excellence %	19.8	29.9	22.3	19.6
French Language Arts 6 année	Number Writing	41	29	3,312	3,479
	Acceptable Standard %	87.8	79.3	81.1	89.7
	Standard of Excellence %	7.3	10.3	11.1	16.1
Français 6 année	Number Writing	n/a	n/a	698	642
	Acceptable Standard %	n/a	n/a	88.1	93.3
	Standard of Excellence %	n/a	n/a	21.5	25.4
Mathematics 6	Number Writing	115	114	47,909	49,753
	Acceptable Standard %	81.7	85.1	75.0	79.8
	Standard of Excellence %	15.7	18.4	14.8	16.6
Science 6	Number Writing	118	121	48,395	49,793
	Acceptable Standard %	91.5	88.4	83.4	85.5
	Standard of Excellence %	28.8	33.1	27.7	31.6
Social Studies 6	Number Writing		120	48,283	49,670
	Acceptable Standard %	85.5	87.5	79.3	84.1
	Standard of Excellence %	23.1	37.5	23.6	27.0

- ⇒ PAT results from 2021/2022 are in and we are thrilled to see that students at ÉLUES exceeded the provincial average in all subject areas!
- ⇒ Our most recent AERR survey results show that 92.3% of all students, staff, and parents agree that their learning environments are welcoming, caring, respectful and safe. The provincial average is 86.1%.
- ⇒ 98.9% of all students, staff, and parents are satisfied with the overall quality of the basic education being provided at ÉLUES. That is significantly higher than the provincial average.
- ⇒ The percentage of teachers, parents and students who agree that students are engaged in their learning is at 91.7%. This includes 98.6% parental agreement, 100% teacher agreement, and 76.6% student agreement. This is an identified area of growth, although still significantly higher than the provincial average.
- ⇒ 76.7% of parents are satisfied with their ability to be involved in decisions about their child's education. This is also an area identified for growth.
- ⇒ 90.1 % of all students, staff, and parents agree that students have access to the appropriate support and services at school. This includes 92.5% of parental responses, 88.2% of student responses, and 89.7% of teacher responses.



Smile You're On Camera

Why is there video surveillance in schools?

In Wolf Creek Public Schools video cameras provide personal safety and security of students and personal property. The use of cameras and video surveillance is commonplace in schools across Alberta and indeed Canada. Administrative Procedure 181 (AP 181) is used in Wolf Creek Public Schools to govern the use of video surveillance.

- The use of video surveillance is intended to be minimally intrusive, and is used exclusively in common areas in the schools.
- Cameras <u>ARE NOT</u> in classrooms nor are they in any areas, such as washrooms, gym locker rooms, etc. where there would be an expectation of privacy.
- In Wolf Creek, the use of video surveillance complies with provincial and federal laws, and is there to add to, rather than to replace, direct supervision by school staff.



Viewing the videos

Anyone who is the subject of the video has the **right to request access** to the video recording.

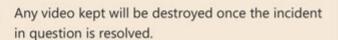
Parents can request to review a segment of video related to a specific incident involving their child or children. That may be granted only after considering and ensuring the privacy of any other individuals in the video. Access can be denied for privacy reasons.

Monitors will not be located in an area where the video surveillance can be publicly viewed.

Principal, designated employees or agents of the school division only have access to the camera and video recordings. Videos are kept in a secure storage, are never sold or publicly viewed or distributed.

Keeping the video recordings

Videos will be erased or disposed of within 21 days unless they are being kept at the request of the principal, division, employee, parent or student for documentation related to a specific incident, for law enforcement, or for insurance.



Reviewing Administrative Procedure 181

AP 181 is subject to review by the superintendent.



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December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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