

# Panda Press

DECEMBER  
2019

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

(403)782-7410



ÉLVES Students  
Perform!

Rotary Carol Festival

7:00 p.m. at the LMC

Wednesday, December 4!

Grade 4 & 5 ÉLVES 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!



Parents, please  
drop by the  
office and enjoy  
a cup of cider  
during our 12  
days of Christmas  
starting  
December 2!



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## Quality Citizenship Recognition -

November 2019



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 were treated to a complimentary lunch from Boston Pizza on Tuesday, November 27th.

Connor Hair	Devyn Law	Gavin Wager	Tobias Woelke
Emerson Lamrock	Marlise Lawrence	Max Ruan	Chase Wright
Brit Tans	Wyatt Hunt	Roxy Thornhill	Larah Sonido
Sadie Unger	Jaymie McTrowe	Katelyn Morin	Riley Crow
Jetaime Thibeau	Maya Sarnecki		

Congratulations to these outstanding citizens and also to our Staff of the Month: Mrs. Ehr, Mrs. Freitag and Mlle. Ince



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 Mrs. Dykslag or Mrs. Rawlinson and will receive a coupon compliments of Subway!

Boston Pizza Lacombe continues to sponsor our Quality Citizen lunches. Boston Pizza will be delivering pizza, salad and drinks to each of our Quality Citizens ~ the students will get to enjoy their lunch with the Quality Staff of the month! **Wow, what great supporters of our school!**



## Subway Students of the Month - November 2019



- ◆ 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).

Taylor Mathieu	Lexie Schmidt	Rachel Meyer
Ethan Willing	Sambor Neumann	Ayden Shaw
Lucas Murray	Aveya Lage	Shia Strawberry
Gabe McBean	Chance Flewelling	Dax Peralta
Milan Mohamed	Lilly Lavigne	Ava Forais
Dayton Pilger	Tyree Gopher	Katelyn Adams
London Ueland-Kewin	Jaszy Ten Hove	Aiden Curtis-Hinke
Pim Tans	Dominic Anwender	Kaiden LeBreton
Nickoli Ten Hove	Linkin Cooper	Wade Zobell
Lewis Langlets	Julie-Ann Munro	Huw Roberts
Jesse Burrell	Drayton Page	Emerson Winslow
Kaylee Halls	Isla Thomas	Colton Styles
Hans Loic-Fuhrer	Chase Willcocks	Katie Bachor Smerekza
Kolby Szervé	Mac Warawa	Payton McKellar
Lachlan Corkum	Avery Shelton	Brooklyn Miller
Chloe Sinclair	Eli Richter	



## Healthy Living Fair a HUGE success!

Students and staff enjoyed a fantastic performance of First Nations traditional dancers and drummers for the kick-off to our 18th annual Healthy Living Fair. Special thank you to Burman University—Department of Education for supporting this special event. Another huge thank you to Miss Gabrielle Guderyan, our Burman practicum student, who organized this event for our school!



### VOLUNTEERS!!!

We can't say **THANK YOU** enough to all the parent helpers and LCHS Rams volunteers who spent the day with us!!! You are **AMAZING!!!**

Your help made our day such a great success and we could not have done it without you!



We had another spectacular Healthy Living Fair on Wednesday, November 20! Our event this year featured 21 various sessions all focused on different aspects of healthy living—from fitness, to nutrition, to brain development, to safety and hygiene. All sessions were led by either local experts or volunteers and were very interactive for all students. The goal of our event is to inspire and develop lifelong skills and knowledge to help our students lead healthy lives.

A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported this special day! Thank you to our School Council for providing funds towards this inclusive day. Another HUGE thank you to all the local businesses and organizations who volunteered to spend the day with us, running sessions & teaching our students.

Our students and staff enjoyed a day together learning, playing, moving and eating healthy snacks! Everyone finished the day with a better understanding of how to make healthy choices and why our choices are so important.



# Supporting *ALL* Students



If your child has experienced a loss, such as death, divorce or separation and would like to participate in the Rainbows program, please contact Ms. Kramer.



## In-school Mentors Make a Difference!

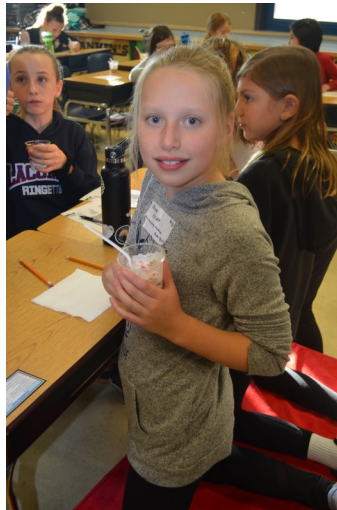
Each week, members of our community graciously volunteer one hour of their time and spend it with our students.

Together, they do fun activities, have good chats, and enjoy each other's company. The students benefit from building a positive relationship which strengthens their self-esteem and school performance. The mentors get the chance to meet great students and re-experience the daily life of pre-teens.

ÉLUES is very grateful to the Lacombe Big Brothers/Big Sisters (BBBS) agency for organizing the program and for its belief that In-school Mentoring really does make a BIG difference in our youth.

If you wish to learn more about the program contact the school or BBBS at 403-782-7870.

## Wellness...from the inside out!



# Program Highlights

## Cribbage Club

Crib Club will start in January. Everyone, from grades 4-6, interested in joining can meet in Room B105 on Tuesdays during the lunch recess. Students can learn how to play and practice their skills. It's a great game that encourages mathematical thinking.

All interested parents or adult volunteers are most welcome to come and join us as well. The Cribbage Coaches this year are Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Wagar.



## Share the Spirit! 12 Days of Christmas

The Leadership Team and Phys. Ed. Team have many events planned to get everyone into a festive mood. Many exciting activities have been planned during the twelve days leading up to Christmas holidays.

### December

- ⇒ Dec 4th Food Bank Drive
- ⇒ Dec 5th Long Winter's Nap Christmas PJ Day
- ⇒ Dec 9th Class Wreath/Present Decorating begins
- ⇒ Dec 10th Acts of Kindness/Appreciation Day
- ⇒ Dec 11th Guess the Christmas Song Bingo
- ⇒ Dec 12th Candy Cane Sale and Basket Raffle
- ⇒ Dec 13th Red and Green Day
- ⇒ Dec 16th The Who's of Whoville Crazy Hair Day or Christmas Toque/Scarf Day
- ⇒ Dec 17th Reindeer Games
- ⇒ Dec 18th Dress Fancy/Jingle Bell Dance
- ⇒ Dec 19th Tacky Sweater Day/Christmas Carol Assembly @ 12:55
- ⇒ Dec 20th Christmas Carol Assembly @ 8:45



## Homework Hotspot!

Don't forget! All students are welcome to stay for Homework Hotspot on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:25 to 3:55. Students are responsible for making sure their parents know they are staying and for making alternative transportation if they need to.

## **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 Mrs. Wagar or Mrs. Freitag's classroom!! Just a reminder that our sale will take place on December 16 and 17th. 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 16 or 17th.



### **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 12th and 13th they are hosting a Candy Cane and Basket Raffle. Raffle baskets will be drawn on December 13th. All money raised will support Santa's Anonymous. Raffle tickets and candy canes will be .50 each. Thank you for supporting our project.



### **Winter Clothing**

Now that the cooler weather is here, we would ask parents/guardians to ensure that children are dressed appropriately. Students are expected to be outside during lunch break and afternoon recess, except during severe weather. Remember—student's names should be placed on ALL articles of clothing, shoes, etc.

Occasionally, students accidentally wear the wrong shoes home. Please take a moment to check your child's shoes to ensure they have the correct pair.





## After School Volleyball Club

Over **80** 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. A special thank you to our coaches and helpers for putting in the extra hours! Our next after school sport will be Basketball starting up in February.

## ÉLUES Panda Invitational Grade 6 Volleyball Tournament

Our 8th Annual Volleyball tournament will take place Saturday, November 30th. Teams from Ponoka Elementary, Iron Ridge and Clive will be joining our ELUES teams for some fun round robin action. We plan to have a super day using our volleyball skills and meeting different athletes from other schools in the division. Thanks to the players for representing our school.

### Grade Six Leadership

A huge thank you to our Grade 6 Intramural Referees. Intramurals are successful because of the dedication that our referees have to set up and officiate our noon hour activities.

Our Grade Six Leadership Team is now getting ready to be make posters, do announcements and make sure our 12 Days of Christmas activities run smoothly.  
Keep up the great work!



### Drop In Family Badminton

Sunday, December 1st, 3:00-5:00pm is the next time for drop in family badminton in our gym (Sponsored by Rotary Daybreak Lacombe). No cost to play. Racquets and shuttles are available. Please wear indoor shoes to help keep the courts clean. All are welcome.

### Morning Gym

Morning Gym has been going strong for the past couple months. We've been enjoying a variety of activities ranging from free time to beachball volleyball. All students are welcome to come join us in the gym on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:00am. Please enter through the north doors (Door Number 1).



## ***Music Notes!***



### **2019-2020 Concerts**

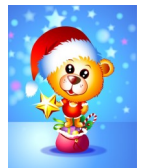
The concert format at École Lacombe Upper Elementary School this year will be as follows:



### **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 4 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 2020 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 2020.

### ***Grade 4 Concert***

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

**More details to come!**

# Santa Claus

IS COMING TO LACOMBE FORD

Saturday Dec. 7th  
11am - 1pm

Presented By



PAINTED LIGHT  
PHOTOGRAPHY



-  Professional Photographer  
Includes FREE Digital Copy
-  Kids Crafts & Activities
-  Complimentary Snacks &  
Refreshments

**Bring the whole family!**

**Help Us To Support Our Local Food Bank By Bringing A Small Food Donation**

The Lacombe Ward  
of  
THE CHURCH OF  
**JESUS CHRIST**  
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS  
presents

**A Live Nativity Pageant**  
and crèche display

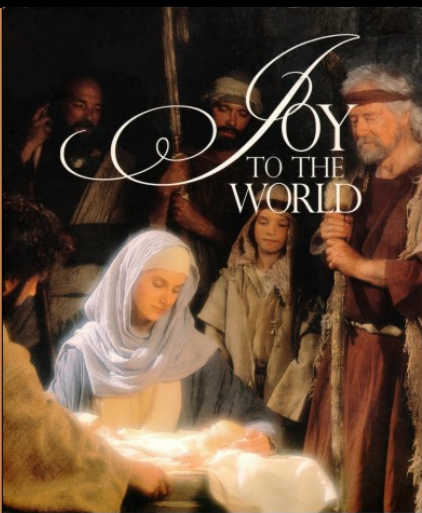
Dec. 19, 20, 21

Showtimes  
6:30, 7:00,  
7:30, 8 p.m.

Free Admission  
&  
Refreshments

Visitors Welcome

4049-63 Ave, Lacombe  
(across from the airport)



## LACOMBE LONGHORNS JR NBA & CLUB BASKETBALL

- \* Do you live in Lacombe, Blackfalds, Ponoka, Rimbey, or the surrounding area?
- \* Are you aged 5-18?
- \* Do you like basketball?
- \* This is for you
- \* A new program looking to start up and grow the game of basketball
- \* Looking to start in spring and be based in Lacombe
- \* If interested join the Facebook group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2412704752389407/>
- \* Register at this website which is currently free  
<https://app.teamlinkt.com/register/go/abbasketball/272>  
Team Code is PKJA6782
- \* If any further questions you can contact me (Dixon Dunkle) by phone at 403-614-0918 or by email at [dtdark23@gmail.com](mailto:dtdark23@gmail.com)

# December 2019

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1  Drop In Badminton 3-5 p.m.	2	3	4 1st day of Xmas  Food Bank Drive  Extreme Pita Hot Lunch  Rotary Carol Festival Gr 4/5	5 2nd day of Xmas  Long Winter's Nap Christmas PJ Day	6  Staff PD/ Collaboration Day	7
8	9 3rd day of Xmas  Class Wreath/ Present decorating begins	10 4th day of Xmas  Act of Kindness/ Appreciation Day	11 5th day of Xmas  Guess the Christmas Song Bingo  Tim Hortons Snack	12 6th day of Xmas  Candy Cane Sale/Basket Raffle	13 7th day of Xmas  Red and Green Day  Nutcracker Field Trip Grade 5/6	14
15	16 8th day of Xmas  The Who's of Whoville Crazy Hair Day or Christmas Toque/Scarf Day	17 9th day of Xmas  Reindeer Games  Leto's Hot Lunch	18 10th day of Xmas  Dress Fancy/ Jingle Bell Dance  Boston Pizza QC Luncheon	19 11th day of Xmas  Tacky Sweater Day  Carol Assembly 12:55 p.m.	20 12th day of Xmas  Christmas Carols  Carol Assembly 8:45 a.m. Grade 6 Beach Bash	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
						
29	30	31				



# January 2020

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

			1	2	3	4
5	6 Back to School	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15  Subway Hot Lunch	16	17  Staff PD/ Collaboration Day	18
19	20	21  Booster Juice Snack	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 School Council Meeting 7:15 pm  Boston Pizza QC Luncheon	30	31	



# Skating Schedule



## ÉLUES December Skating Schedule 2019

Monday	2nd (Day 2)	Tuesday	3rd (Day 3)	Wednesday	4th (Day 4)	Thursday	5th (Day 5)	Friday	6th (PD Day)
9-10Back	Wagar	9-10Back	Ricshall			9-10Back	V-C/Lebrasseur		
10-11Back	Miller/Durocher	10-11Back	Ince			10-11Back	Forman		
11-12Back	Norris/Parsons	11-12Back	Nelson			11-12Back	LaFrance		
1-2Back	Lebrasseur	1-2Back				1-2Back	Hawkins		
2-3Back	Leidl/Freitag	2-3Back	Rankin			2-3Back	Pfeifle		
Monday	9th (Day 1)	Tuesday	10th(Day 2)	Wednesday	11th(Day 3)	Thursday	12th(Day 4)	Friday	13th(Day 5)
9-10Back	Hawkins	9-10Back	Wagar/Miller			9-10Back			
10-11Back	Leidl/Forman	10-11Back	Norris/Parsons			10-11Back			
11-12Back		11-12Back	Hawkins			11-12Back	Durocher/V-C		
1-2Back	Lebrasseur/Ince	1-2Back				1-2Back	Rankin		
2-3Back	LaFrance/Freitag	2-3Back	Pfeifle			2-3Back	Ricshall		
		Tuesday	17th(Day 2)	Wednesday	18th(Day 3)	Thursday	19th(Day 4)	Friday	20th(Day 5)
		9-10Back	Wagar/Nelson			9-10Back		9-10Back	
		10-11Back	Rimmer			10-11Back		10-11Back	
		11-12Back	Durocher/V-C			11-12Back	LaFrance/Miller	11-12Back	Rankin
		1-2Back	Ricshall			1-2Back		1-2Back	Forman/Lebrasseur
		2-3Back	Pfeifle			2-3Back	Rimmer / Leidl	2-3Back	Nelson

