

PANTHER NEWS



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Important Dates

November 2024

Nov 1	No School For Students
Nov 4 - 10	December Hot Lunches Available to Order
Nov 4	Hot Lunch - Chicken Ranch Wrap
Nov 5	Christy Jordan-Fenton Author Visit (Gr. 4 - 12)
Nov 5 & 7	Parent Teacher Interview (Pre-K - Grade 8)
Nov 7	Remembrance Day Service / Hot Dog Day
Nov 8	Deadline to Order Mom's Pantry
Nov 8 - 11	No School For Students and Staff
Nov 12	Hot Lunch - Perogies & Sausage
Nov 13	Booster Juice
Nov 15	Rock Your Mocs / Elder Visit / Popcorn Day / Immunizations
Nov 18	Hot Lunch - Sweet & Sour Meatballs & Rice
Nov 21	Hot Dog Day
Nov 22	Pajama Day / Elder Visit / Subway Day
Nov 25	Bacon Cheeseburger Pasta Bowl / Parent Council Meeting
Nov 26	Deadline to Sign up for Date Night
Nov 27	Elementary Pizza Day
Nov 28	Jr/Sr High Pizza Day / Date Night
Nov 29	No School for Students

Nov 1 & 2
Sr. Girls
Volleyball
Tournament @
Calmar

Nov 2
Jr. A Boys
Volleyball
Tournament @
Caroline

Nov 15 & 16
Sr. Boys &
Girls Volleyball
Zones
Championship

Nov 22 & 23
Jr. A Girls
CWAJHAA
Championship
Tournament

Nov 22 & 23
Sr. Boys and
Girls Provincial
Championship

Principal's Message

Dear parents and students,

As we transition from October to November, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on some highlights from the past month and share some of the exciting events coming up. October was full of spirit and community connection. We came together for our Terry Fox fundraiser, demonstrating generosity and commitment to a great cause. Halloween brought plenty of fun and creativity to our school, with great costumes and a lively Halloween dance that brought families together for a memorable evening.

Looking ahead, November gives us a time to pause and reflect. Our upcoming Remembrance Day assembly will be an opportunity to honour and remember those who have served. In early December, we're excited to welcome Trickster Theatre, a program that brings interactive, creative performances to our school and gives students a unique opportunity to participate in the arts.

Thank you for your ongoing support and enthusiasm. I'm looking forward to another wonderful month together!

Warm regards,
Landan Stones

Principal
Bentley School

Parent Teacher Interviews

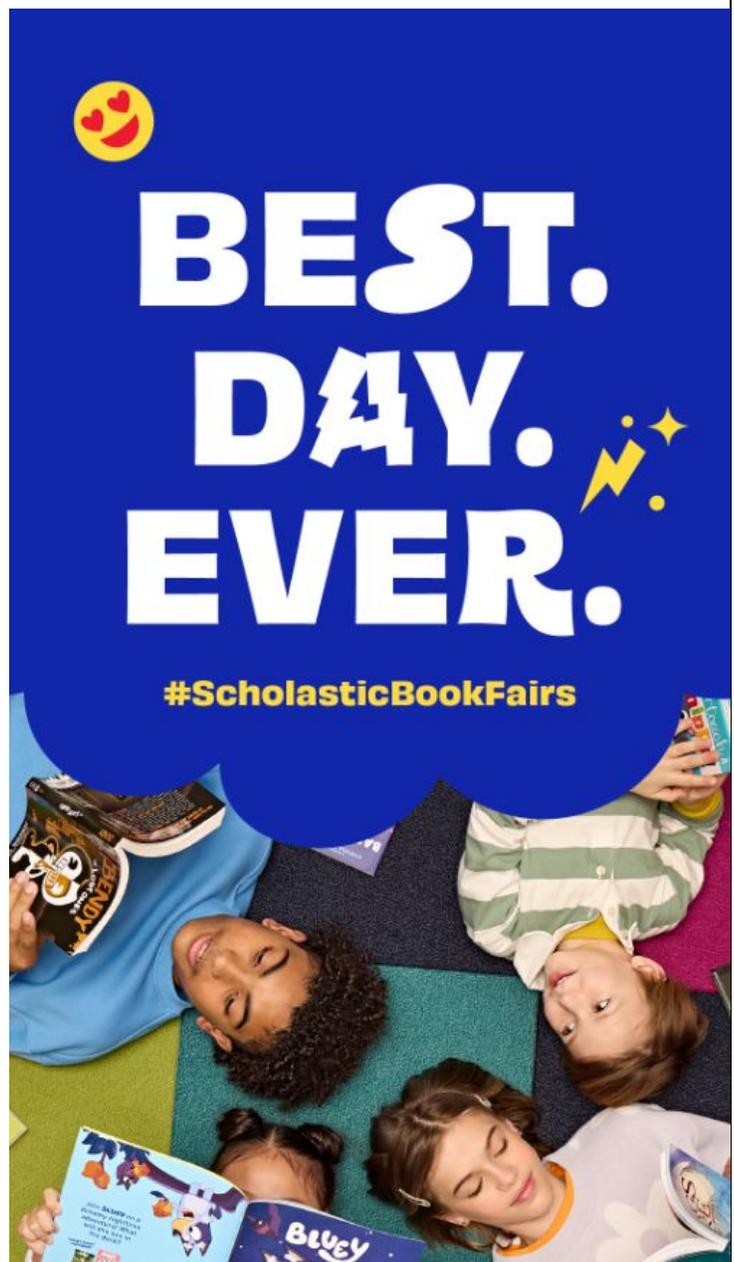
To accommodate the semester timetable for the high school, Parent Teacher Interviews were scheduled at different times for Gr. 9 - 12 and Kindergarten to Grade 8 this year. Parent teacher interviews for Kindergarten - Grade 8 and BFPA are November 5 & 7. A booking link is available on the homepage of our website. All interviews will be in person from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Appointments for regular interviews are 15 minutes only. Please help to keep our interviews on time and running smoothly. Parents of students with specialized programming/supports were contacted for an early interview. Marks for Grade 4 - 12 will continue to be available in the PowerSchool Parent Portal. For detailed instructions on how to view marks in PowerSchool, please [click here](#). Students in Kindergarten to Grade 6 can watch SeeSaw for updates as well. Leadership students will also be offering babysitting in the elementary gym both evenings. The Scholastic Book fair will be running the week of Parent Teachers Interviews from November 4 - 7th!

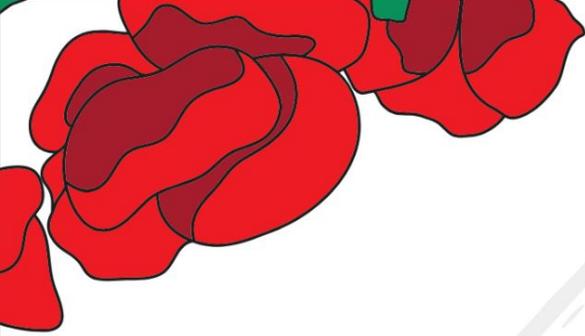
Scholastic Book Fair

We're excited to announce our Scholastic Book Fair is coming! Students can shop from hundreds of items in-person from November 4 - 7, and all purchases help us earn new resources for our school. The book fair will be open both evenings of Parent Teacher Interviews for parents to shop.

Terry Fox

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Terry Fox Walk/Run on October 4. Our Pie the Teacher fundraiser tripled the amount raised last year for a total of \$926.45, donations totaled \$5450.00 for a grand total of \$6376.45 for the Terry Fox Foundation! Congratulations to all our turkey winners and our top fundraisers. It was a beautiful day and we appreciated all the community support and spirit!





REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Commemorating Canadian battles past and present.

NOVEMBER 7, 2024

10 A.M.

ELEMENTARY GYM

The Legion appreciates the opportunity to provide poppies to our students and gratefully accepts donations.

**PUBLIC IS WELCOME
TO ATTEND**



Bentley School is excited to welcome Trickster Theatre to our School from December 2 - 6.



Trickster Theatre!

Trickster Theatre is an artist-in-residency company based in Calgary, Alberta. They tour across Alberta, creating approx. 50+ original shows a year in all kinds of communities based on a theme chosen by the school and developed with the assistance of Trickster. These residencies take place in schools, transforming the gym into a theatre.

A Trickster Theatre Residency involves the theatre team coming into our school for a week and facilitating staff and students in creating a unique and highly visual theatre. This week of workshops and rehearsals will culminate in a fun and high-energy production. They have been working with schools for over four decades! In that time, they have found that having parent involvement during a residency project greatly enhances the final production.

There are many ways parents can be involved in a residency – from preparing costumes and making props, to helping the Trickster Team move equipment in and out of the school.

From December 2 - 6, Trickster will take over Bentley School, and we need your help!

How to Sign-up to volunteer:

1. Go on to SignUpGenius via this link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4DAEA923AAFB6-50131404-bentley#, look at the volunteer needs and sign up for what you can do – it's that easy!

Save the date for Public Performance which will take the place of the Christmas Concert on Friday, December 6 at 6:30 p.m.!

“Walking in a Genre Wonderland”

Bentley School Gives Back

Each year, in the Spirit of Christmas, Bentley School staff and students join together to fundraise for Gifts for Grandparents and Families in Need, which is used at Christmas and throughout the year to support families with gift cards for gas and groceries, hot lunches and other essentials.

Families in Need Raffle

Bentley School will be collecting gifts or gift cards for each division according to the themes below and raffling them off at our annual Christmas Concert on Friday, December 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary gym. Donations will be accepted until **Thursday, November 28**. Teachers will be reaching out to parents with ideas on how they can help fill baskets or the gift card tree.

<p>K - Grade 3</p> <p><i>Family Night Basket</i></p>	<p>Grade 7 - 8</p> <p><i>Death by Chocolate Basket</i></p>
<p>Grade 4 - 6</p> <p><i>Gift Card Tree</i></p>	<p>Grade 9 -12</p> <p><i>Warm Wishes Holiday Basket</i></p>

Tickets for the raffle will be 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20 and available for purchase the night of the concert and from December 2 - 6 through the elementary office. All proceeds will support families in need in our school community not only at Christmas but throughout the year as well.

Gifts for Grandparents Toonie Drive

We are, once again partnering with Earthy Accents to provide Christmas arrangements to the Care Centre, Oxford Court and Westview Apartments in Bentley. Toonie Collection bins will be in each classroom. Toonies will be accepted until **Thursday, December 12**.



Christy Jordan-Fenton Author Visit

Best-selling author and storyteller, Christy Jordan-Fenton will be visiting our school on Tuesday, November 5 for a presentation to our Grade 4 - 8 students at 1 p.m. and our Grade 9 - 12 students at 11 a.m. in the High School gym. She offers trauma informed, decolonizing, strengths-based approaches to exploring residential school history, cultural reclamation, and reclaiming personal narratives as medicine. Educator and corporate professional development available, as well as writing and storytelling workshops for youth and adults. for personal and community healing, and advocates for Reconcili-Action that is mindful of the impacts of how settler engagement affects youth self-identity and elder mental health. Christy is a member of the Yellow Thunder ceremonial family of the Kainai Blackfoot. With the blessing of her late Inuvialuit mother and best friend, Olemaun Margaret Pokiak-Fenton, who attended an Arctic residential school in the 1940s, Christy continues to share stories highlighting the strength and courage of Indigenous children who were forced to be their own heroes. Stories are medicine and Christy is passionate about decolonizing narratives cjordanfenton@yahoo.ca



- Nominated for 2 BC Book Prizes and countless other awards won
- 3 FN Communities Read Titles
- Mandatory reading for most provincial school curriculums

School Fees Notice

School fees are to be paid by Sept 30, any school fees not paid by the deadline are deemed outstanding. Parents will no longer be able to purchase lunch order items (hot lunch, booster juice, subway, hot dogs, popcorn, pizza) for their child until school fees are paid.

Jr/Sr Yearbook Fee: if you do not want your child to receive a yearbook this year or you only want to purchase one yearbook per family, please email bentley@wolfcreek.ab.ca indicating this and the fee will be removed.

Mom's Pantry

Don't miss out on ordering with Mom's Pantry! Place orders online at <https://momspantry.ca/>. Click on Shop Now. Once everything has been added to the cart, click on Group Pick Up and enter the Order Number and Group Passcode. Remember the Seller Name should be the student's name.

Order Number: 397561 Group Passcode: 20968

Order Deadline: November 8

We wish to thank you for your supporting Bentley School. Delivery date will be the last week of November. Please watch your email for the confirmed delivery date. Any questions please call Stephanie Smith at 403-896-9842. All orders must be picked up on the day of delivery no exceptions!!

Sincerely, Bentley School Chest Society

Immunizations

Every year, Alberta Health Services Public Health School Immunization Program reviews immunization records for children in Grades 1, 6, and 9 to see what vaccines are recommended for them. Information packages will be sent home to applicable students. The package includes a consent form and information for each vaccine that is recommended for your child. Your child can only be immunized in school with your permission (consent). Your child will not get any vaccines at school unless you have signed and returned the consent form included in the information package. AHS will be on site Friday, November 15 at Bentley School for routine immunizations for Gr. 6 & 9. For more information visit: myhealth.alberta.ca.

Bentley Parent COUNCIL

All parents
are urged to
attend.
Everyone is
welcome!

Date and Time

November 25, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

* There will be childcare provided at this meeting, so please come out and hear what is happening at your child's school, in our town and in the division.

What does parent council look like...

These meetings are a chance to hear from Bentley Administration on current events, hot topics or updates happening around the school. It is also a chance to hear from our Wolfcreek Trustee and Town Council.

As well, if individual parents have concerns or topics they would like discussed these can be added to the agenda for future meetings.

Topics at our next meeting:

November 25, 2024

- Introductions for new parents - we are hoping to see a larger turnout of parents. There is no obligation by attending, just come to be informed!
- Administration information update
- Wolfcreek Trustee update by Trudy Bratland
- Town Council update by Dale Grimsdale
- Discussion on how to spend ASCE Grant money



DATE NIGHT

Thursday, November 28th

**PARENTS... Are you in need of a Date Night ???
or to get your Christmas shopping started ???**

The Leadership Team is hosting a fundraiser called “Date Night,” on **Thursday, November 28th from 4:30-9:00 pm**. We are offering to look after your children for the evening. This will give you the opportunity to go on a date, have a quiet night at home or go **shopping!** We are willing to look after children ages 4 - Grade 5.

- The admission is **\$10.00 per child**.
- Drop off is no earlier than 4:30 pm.
- Pick up **must be no later than 9:00 p.m.**
- **Children must be able to use the washroom on their own.**

Family-rated movies will be shown, activities will be available in the gym and classrooms will also have activities for your child(ren) to do (crafts, games, etc.).

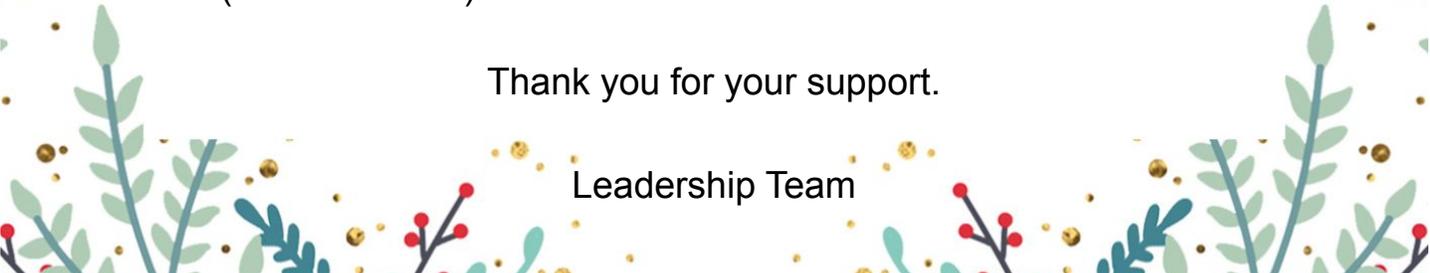
Leadership students and staff will be supervising these activities. **We will also offer the option to prepay and have a hot dog, juice and chips for your child at the cost of \$4.00 per child. Your child will not be able to pay for a snack at Date Night.** If you are not buying a hot dog package, please make sure your child has had supper before you leave.

Funds raised go to support Leadership initiatives at the school.

Pre-registration is required. Sign up through the PowerSchool & Online Payments Parent Portal under the school fees tab. If you are signing up children who don't go to our school, [use this link](#) by **Tuesday, November 26th** if you would like your child(ren) to attend. If you have further questions, please contact Miss Bertin at the school (403-748-3770).

Thank you for your support.

Leadership Team





BENTLEY SCHOOL

DECEMBER HOT LUNCH

Available to Order From

NOVEMBER 4 - 10

Booster Juice
Hot Lunch Mondays

Subway
Pizza
Hot Dog
Gr. 1 - 8 only
Popcorn
Gr. 1 - 8 only

Order through the PowerSchool and online Payments parent portal. No late orders will be accepted. This program is sticly voluntary if you wish to sign up each month.

BENTLEY
PANTHERS

SCHOOL BUS

Rider of the Month

Congratulations to
Gunnar - gr 10
Joe - gr 10
Makenna - gr 10
Bentley Bus - 04

Sub Sponsored by
Subway

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in celebration of

Métis Week

ROCK YOUR MOCS

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 15TH

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AP 132: CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER



**COLDER
THAN -40°C**

With or Without
the Wind Chill.



**BUSES CANCELED,
BUT SCHOOLS ARE OPEN**



**COLDER
THAN -45°C**

With or Without
the Wind Chill.



**BUSES CANCELED,
SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED**



**ROAD
CONDITIONS**

Heavy Snowfall, Blowing
Snow, Freezing Rain,
or Heavy Fog.



**BUSES CANCELED,
SCHOOLS MAY BE CLOSED**

Please watch school and Division websites, Facebook, and your email, text and phone calls for notifications regarding inclement weather.



Wolf Creek Public Schools

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Creating Success For All Learners

October Highlights!



Athletic Highlights!



Two teams consisting of grade 3 & 4 students competed in a mini handball tournament in Edmonton on October 19. Team A placed 5th out of 25 teams and team B won the bronze bracket!



The gr 5/6 handball teams had fun and finished well at the mini handball tournament on Oct 26 in Edmonton. Team 1 placed 18th and Team 2 placed 6th out of 29 teams.



Congratulations to our jr high golfers for winning the Wolf Creek 2J/3J banner on October 7! Thank you Mr Stones and Mr Hazlett for coaching and hosting this tournament.



Shout out to Brynn, Ryker & Nick as they competed in Sr High Zones Cross Country Race on October 9 in Camrose. Ryker placed 6th out of 70 jr runners. Nick placed 4th out of 58 intermediate runners. The Sr. High Cross Country team moved on to compete in provincials Oct 19 in Grande Prairie. The Sr High Cross Country team finished 8th out of 38 1A schools in the province.



Congratulations to the Jr High Cross Country team for winning the 2J Wolf Creek Championship banner and the 2J CWAJHAA Championship banner.



Congratulations to our Jr A Girls Volleyball team for winning silver at a tournament in Caroline on October 19.



Congratulations to the Sr Girls Volleyball team for winning gold at Delburne's tournament October 4/5.

Community News!



Lacombe & District
Family and Community
Support Services



Kin Canada
Lacombe
Kinsmen Club

Santa's Anonymous

Donate or Apply online or at any of these partner agencies:
Lacombe & District FCSS, Clive FCSS, Bentley Community
Services & the Alix Resource Centre.

Opens November 4, 2024
www.lacombefcss.net

BABYSITTER'S & FIRST AID TRAINING

A course for responsible youth at least 11 years of age who want to become a babysitter or may already be one. The babysitter course covers the responsibilities of a babysitter, safety tips for children of all ages, first aid, mealtimes, stages of play and development, diapering babies, basic childcare skills, and what to do in case of an emergency.



FUN TIMES!



\$40.00

SATURDAY CLASS

NOVEMBER 23, 2024
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (lunch provided)

Scan code to register
online or call the office
403-782-6637
#201 5214-50th Ave Lacombe



Lacombe & District
Family and Community
Support Services

If you have something you would like advertised here, please email the school at bentley@wolfcreek.ab.ca.



Family and Community
Support Services



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A
FRIDGE**

LACOMBE, ALIX, MIRROR,
BENTLEY & LACOMBE
COUNTY

LOCAL GROCERY CERTIFICATES ARE PROVIDED FOR
QUALIFYING FAMILIES TO PURCHASE GROCERIES
FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

APPLICATIONS OPEN NOVEMBER 4



WWW.LACOMBEFCSS.NET
403-782-6637
#201 5102 49 STREET LACOMBE

DONATE TODAY!



COATS FOR KIDS



Lacombe & District
Family and Community
Support Services

2024 2025

New Coats for Kids

program enables qualifying families to
choose new winter coats for their
children. Applications available
September 25 - November 15, 2024

Monetary Donations can be made online at
www.lacombefcss.net/donations or in office at Lacombe
FCSS, #201, 5214 50th Ave. Lacombe, AB T4L 0B6. For
more information contact us at : (403) 782-6637 or Email:
wgriffin@lacombefcss.net



Managing Anger BEFORE IT MANAGES YOU

Catholic Social Services is holding a six-week in-person group to help children ages 7 - 10, and their parent/guardian learn how to manage their child's anger and angry behaviours.

Children can LEARN TO:

- Identify anger triggers
- Communicate feelings differently
- Respect boundaries of self and others

Parents/Guardians can LEARN TO:

- Identify beliefs about anger
- Communicate with the child
- Use different parenting strategies

**SIX-WEEK IN-PERSON GROUP
BEGINS NOVEMBER 13, 2024**

For more information and to register call
Donna Damsgaard at 403.347.8844

Registration ends November 11, 2024 at noon

5104 - 48 Ave. Red Deer, AB.
cssalberta.ca



Sign of
Hope!



Babysitting Course Saturday, Nov.30/24

9- 5:00 pm

Ages: 11 & up

\$45

**Bentley
Basement town office**

Please bring a doll for
practical
lunch, snacks & drinks



We need a Min. of 6 to run,
Max. 12



Contact: Carolyn McLaren
403-704-3315



parentingproactively101@gmail.com

Mondays 3:15 to 5:15

Grades 3 to 5

Kids Klub



Where young minds meet big ideas!

With a focus on community engagement our program nurtures good citizenship, emotional regulation and creativity. We will explore science and art while learning valuable life skills in a fun and supportive environment



Fridays 9:30 to 11:30

Stay & Play

Ages 0-6 with an adult



Location: Basement of Town Office
Contact: Community Services 403-748-2160
Programs Facilitated by: Parenting Proactively 101

