



December 5, 2025

Good afternoon Parents and Guardians,

I hope you have all had a wonderful week. It has certainly been a busy one here at Arbour Lake School. Our Grade 8 students enjoyed a great science field trip to Laser City, and we extend our sincere thanks to the volunteers who joined us and supported supervision during the day. Our basketball teams also wrapped up their seasons this week and celebrated with their end of season gatherings. Congratulations to all of our student athletes on a great season.

Photo Retakes

Looking ahead, a reminder that **Monday, December 8** is Photo Retake Day for any students who require a new photo.

Drop Off & Pick Up Traffic Concerns

I also want to take a moment to revisit expectations for drop off and pick up. These routines greatly impact student safety and the flow of traffic around the school. Please remember that the bus zone extends from Arbour Crest Drive past the school field. Stopping in the bus zone, even briefly, creates significant challenges for our buses and places students at risk. I understand the morning rush is busy for families, but safety must come first. Please watch your speed, remember that U-Turns are NOT legal in this school zone, and be mindful of the high volume of students moving through the area.

We ask that families do not use the staff parking lot for dropping off or picking up students. Doing so creates access issues for our smaller buses and for staff arriving or leaving during the day. With more than 750 students, a single exception can quickly become a pattern that affects many others. Thank you for modelling patience and respect during busy times. If another driver waves you on, or signals to you, please respond in a calm and courteous manner. We are all here with the same intention that is to keep our students safe.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and for helping us keep our school community safe for everyone. Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend. As always, please feel free to reach out if there is anything I can assist with. I can be reached at nmlisi@cbe.ab.ca.

Warm regards,

Dr. Nancy Lisi
Principal, Arbour Lake School

Announcements & Reminders:

NEW – REPORTING AN ABSENCE

To report an absence, you can now email: arburlake@cbe.ab.ca with your student's full name and grade or you can continue to use the Absence Phone Line 403-777-7310 Ext 1.

THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

We are running our Magic of Christmas donation drive this year! From December 1st through December 18th, we are collecting donations for the local organization, Magic of Christmas. Each year they collect and then deliver donations on Christmas Day to families in need throughout Calgary. All donations need to be new and unwrapped. They are in need of gifts for all ages – infants to grandparents – and also accepting donations for pets. All donations can be brought into the office. Please see the attached Wish List for needed items. Thank you!

CELEBRATING OUR COYOTES

New this year is our Celebrating Our Coyotes initiative. We want to recognize the accomplishments of our students not only at school but also for the impressive things they do outside of school. Many students are engaged in athletics, the arts, community activities, and leadership beyond the classroom. We see Coyotes volunteering, performing in music and dance, acting on stage, coding, and robotics, competing in debate and science fairs, mentoring younger students, fundraising for causes, and contributing to cultural and faith communities. These achievements deserve to be highlighted, and we would love to feature them on our school social media. If your child has something to celebrate, please send a brief description with the student's name and grade, any relevant details or links, and a photo if you are comfortable with it being shared. We will use first names only in our posts. Send submissions directly to nmlisi@cbe.ab.ca.

Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Dec 8	Photo Retake Day
	Middle School Wellness Symposium
Dec 9	Gr. 9 Drama Field Trip – Wizard of Oz
Dec 15-19	Spirit Week
Dec 19	Last Day of Classes before Winter Break
Dec 20-Jan 4	Winter Break
Jan 5	Classes Resume

Healthy Hunger: Fun Lunch Program **NEW DATES**

Our Healthy Hunger lunch program is resuming. Please visit HealthyHunger.ca to create an account and order. When logging in to place an order, please search for **Arbour Lake Middle School** on the Healthy Hunger website.



Dec 11	Subway
Dec 17	Fun Snack – Kernels Popcorn
Dec 18	Edo Japan
Jan 7	Fun Snack – Tim Hortons
Jan 8	Little Caesar's
Jan 15	Subway
Jan 21	Fun Snack – Kernels Popcorn
Jan 22	Popeye's
Jan 29	Mary Brown's

Athletics & Extracurricular Activities

Clubs & Activities December Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
☞ Sketching Club Rm. 209 ☞ Lego Club Rm. 164	☞ Scale Model Builders Rm. 160 ☞ QSA Rm. 203 ☞ Board Games Club Rm. 164	☞ Chess Club Rm. 160	☞ Cribbage Club Rm. 219 ☞ Scale Model Builders R. 160
After School	After School	After School	After School

Athletic Events

The Coyotes' Canteen: NOW OPEN

Item:	Price:
Cheddar Goldfish	\$1.00
SmartFood Popcorn	\$1.50
Lay's Oven Baked Chips	\$1.00
Sun Chips: Harvest Cheddar	\$1.00
Rold Gold Pretzels	\$1.00
Veggie Straws: Original, Wavy Sea Salt, & Zesty Ranch	\$1.00
Chocolate Cookie	\$1.50
Small Noodle Bowl: Beef, Chicken, Spicy, Veggie	\$2.00
Large Noodle Bowl: Beef & Chicken	\$2.50



Kraft Dinner: Original & Poutine	\$2.00
Juice: Apple, Orange, & Grapefruit	\$1.50

- ❖ All items are subject to availability & prices may change without prior notice to reflect cost by supplier. This is non-profit service. Items are sold at cost.
- ❖ All Sales are CASH ONLY

Arbour Lake School Social Media

Instagram: arbourlake_cbe

