



October 25, 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

First, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to the parents who volunteered for our recent off-campus learning opportunities, we've had many already this fall. Your support significantly reduces costs and enhances our students' experiences, allowing us to provide these valuable educational activities. These opportunities are designed to extend classroom learning and foster growth and confidence in our students. It's crucial that as many of our students as possible take advantage of these experiences. If you ever need assistance ensuring your child can participate, please don't hesitate to reach out.

This week was bustling with athletic events, and I'd like to extend a huge congratulations to our Boys Soccer team for their impressive win against the undefeated Branton, clinching first place in their division! Our Boys Basketball team also had a fantastic night, winning both their games, and our Junior Girls Basketball team achieved two significant victories as well. Kudos to our dedicated teams and coaches! Girls Soccer finals are next week along with Boys Soccer semi-finals and finals. Good luck Coyotes!

I want to take a moment to remind everyone that our coaches are teachers who volunteer their time to create opportunities for our students. They are not required to coach, but they genuinely enjoy working with our students in this capacity. It's important to remember that middle school athletics is about more than just winning; it fosters teamwork, resilience, and personal growth. Please support your child's involvement and refrain from providing unsolicited advice or questioning coaching decisions. Coaches make choices that are in the best interest of the entire team, and any significant concerns should be directed to me.

On another note, I'd like to address traffic safety. We've received multiple reports of students darting into the street instead of using crosswalks, leading to near misses. Please remind your children to be vigilant and obey traffic laws. If you're driving them to and from school, allow yourself extra time—our children's safety is paramount and well worth the extra minutes.

Next week, we'll be celebrating Halloween! Our student leadership class, with Ms. Caron, will host a haunted house, and students are encouraged to dress up. Please ensure that costumes do not fall into the realm of cultural appropriation and remind your child that props resembling weapons are not permitted. Costumes should be appropriate for our school environment, so if you have any questions or need clarification, feel free to reach out.

Lastly, I want to thank all the students who applied to join the Principal's Advisory Council, ImPACT. We received over 50 applications, making the selection process challenging. After careful consideration, we've shortlisted 20 applicants and narrowed it down to 12 members, listed below. Congratulations to all who applied—each one of you demonstrated the courage to take risks, and I applaud your efforts. While we wish we could work with everyone, our work becomes ineffective if our group is too large. Ms. MacDougall and I look forward to collaborating with the selected members, and we'll share meeting dates soon.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend! If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to email me at nmlisi@cbe.ab.ca.

Warm regards,

Dr. Nancy Lisi
Principal

Selected Members of the Principal's Advisory Council – ImPACT:

1. Lucas S. Grade 6
2. Johnny K. Grade 6
3. Claire G. Grade 6
4. Paige H. Grade 6
5. Avery R. Grade 7
6. Joey F. Grade 7
7. Eliya A. Grade 8
8. Layla M. Grade 8
9. Jio A. Grade 9
10. Leyan A. Grade 9
11. Taryn M. Grade 9
12. Jackson D. Grade 9

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS:

[Grade 9 Sailing Trip Fundraiser](#)

Our first Sailing Trip Fundraiser is up and running! Our students are selling winter plants to help raise money for their trip to the west coast!

If you would like to get some winter plants and help support our sailing students, please visit this link to place your order!

<https://alssailing.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

When checking out you can select all students when prompted to enter who you are supporting, and we will divide the funds amongst all the sailors, or you can select a particular student.

These plants are great quality and a great gift or holiday decoration.

Thanks for your support.

The 2025 Sailing Team

[School Fundraising Society – Casino Dates and Volunteering](#)

The Arbour Lake School Fundraising Society is organized by parents and plays a vital role in supporting our school and students by organizing various fundraising initiatives. Their efforts help provide additional resources and programs that enhance the educational experience for our students. One significant event they host is a casino night, which raises thousands of dollars for the school. This event relies heavily on the support of volunteers. If you're interested in helping out, please sign up using the link below. Your involvement makes a real difference!

Casino Night Dates: February 6 & 7, 2025

Sign-Up Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4FA5AD2FA2F5C70-51590141-volunteer>

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Oct 28-31	Law Students Visiting Grade 6 – HR 6.5 & 6.6
Oct 30	Grade 9 Drama to Storybook Theatre
Oct 31	Grade 9 Leadership Activity – Haunted House
Nov 1	Grade 6 Online Coding
Nov 3	Daylight Savings Begins
Nov 5	Grade 8 Outdoor Ed – Wall Climbing Trip
Nov 7	Remembrance Day Ceremony
Nov 8	Non-instructional Day – No Classes
Nov 11-13	Fall Break – School Closed
Nov 14	Photo Retakes Grade 9s Zoo Field Trip (9.5, 9.6, 9.7)
Nov 18	Grade 8s to The Beach YYC

Nov 19	Grade 8s to The Beach YYC Grade 9 Zoo Field Trip (9.1 & 9.2) Grade 6 to Arts Commons School Council – Virtual 6:30PM
Nov 21	Grade 9 Zoo Field Trip (9.3 & 9.4)
Nov 25	Grade 7 Storybook Theatre Trip
Nov 28	Parent Teacher Conferences 4-8PM Regular Scheduled Day
Nov 29	Parent Teacher Conferences 8AM-1PM No Classes

THE COYOTE CANTEEN

Please note that this is a cash only service. Students are able to come down and purchase a snack if they have forgotten their lunch OR if they would like to supplement the lunch they have.

CANTEEN ITEMS	PRICE
COOKIE	1.00
CHIPS/VEGGIE STRAWS	1.50
POPCORN	1.50
PROTEIN BAR	2.00
CHEEZIT CRACKERS	1.50
RITZ BITES / FISH CRACKERS	1.00
LARGE NOODLE BOWL	2.50
SMALL NOODLE BOWL	2.00
MAC & CHEESE	2.00
JUICE/WATER	1.50

HEALTHY HUNGER – FUN LUNCH

Our Healthy Hunger program, organized by the School Council, is a popular initiative that provides a tasty treat for students and a welcome break for parents.

This program relies on parent volunteers to help organize and distribute lunches to homerooms. If you're able to attend, please sign up using the link below. If you've previously volunteered with us, we'd love to have you back. If you're new to the process, feel free to contact the main office to learn how to get involved.

Please sign up here to volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CABA723A1FAC52-51330546-healthy>

Oct 31	Papa John's
Nov 6	Kernels

Nov 7	Subway
Nov 20	Tim Hortons
Nov 21	Opa
Dec 5	Subway
Dec 11	Savory Bread Company
Dec 12	Mary Brown's
Dec 18	Jelly Modern Donuts
Dec 19	Pizza 73
Jan 9	Subway
Jan 15	Kernels
Feb 5	Kernels
Feb 6	Kernels
Feb 19	Tim Horton's

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Lunch (Full period unless noted)	Lunch (Full period unless noted)	Lunch (Full period unless noted)	Lunch (Full period unless noted)
Minecraft Club Band Room	Lego Club - Rm. 164	Creative Writing Club Rm. 120	Cribbage Club Rm. 219
	Scale Model Builders Rm. 160		Board Game Club Rm. 164
	QSA - Rm. 203		Scale Model Builders Rm. 160
	Trivia Club - Rm. 206 (2nd half of lunch)		Jazz Band - Band Room
			Mathematics Club Rm. 204 (2nd half of lunch)
Afterschool	Afterschool	Afterschool	Afterschool

Chess Club coming soon...

ATHLETICS

Soccer Spectators: Please be advised that all spectators attending our soccer games need to be on the opposite side of the field from our athletes and soccer teams. Thank you.

Oct 30	Sr. Girls Bball at Home
Nov 14	Sr. Boys Bball at Home

Nov 15	Jr. Boys Bball at Home
Nov 20	Sr. Girls Bball at Home

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