



April 2, 2026

Hello ALS families,

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable Spring Break. For those who stayed in Calgary, it certainly did not feel like much of a spring with all the recent snowfall, but it has been great to welcome students back and settle into our routines as we move into the final stretch of the school year.

This week, our Grade 6s were visited by MP Pat Kelly and CBE School Board Trustee Jenny Regal. Students had an opportunity to learn about the operations of government from those fully engaged in this process – huge thank you to MP Kelly and Trustee Regal for taking the time to come and visit us.

I would like to share a few updates with you. As mentioned prior to the break, Arbour Lake School was selected to receive support from a Class Complexity Team. Hiring new staff continues to be a challenge across the system, both for teachers and Educational Assistants. We have been asked to prioritize increasing hours for existing staff where possible, however most of our staff are already working at full capacity. Where we were able to adjust, we have done so thoughtfully. Through this, we have been able to hire Mr. Darren Halasz and increase Ms. Kenna Williams' time to provide additional in-school support. We have also added an additional five hours per week of Educational Assistant support.

Our goal with these additional supports is to strengthen classroom environments, support student learning, and better respond to behavioural, social emotional, and learning complexities. It is important to note that these resources are limited and have been directed toward areas of greatest need within the school. While this will provide meaningful support, keep in mind, this is the addition of one full-time teacher, and it is not a comprehensive solution for targeted literacy and numeracy intervention across all grades.

Finally, there are several additional updates posted in the announcements section. Please take a few moments to review these.

For those of you celebrating Easter, I wish you a very happy Easter. A reminder that the school is closed tomorrow for Good Friday. I wish you all a wonderful long weekend. If you have any questions or need support, please do not hesitate to reach out via email at nmlisi@cbe.ab.ca.

Sincerely,

Nancy Lisi
Principal, Arbour Lake School

Announcements & Reminders:

ARBOUR LAKE SCHOOL MARKET DAY – APRIL 10TH - NEW

The Arbour Lake Market is happening on Friday April 10th! The grade 9 students have been busy at work creating a variety of products to sell to students at the school. Students will have a chance to come to the gym on April 10th to purchase products. There are a variety of items available, including ice cream, bracelets, carnival games, popcorn to more unique items such as pet rocks! All proceeds will be going to charity. If your child would like to purchase items, please send cash with them.

ARBOUR LAKE SCHOOL PRESENTS - FROZEN JR. - NEW

Arbour Lake Middle School presents the musical Frozen JR. on May 5th, 6th, and 7th at 7pm.

Do you want to build a snowman? You'll love this fanciful and heartwarming stage adaptation of the top-grossing animated film of all time! Join Anna, Elsa, and all of your favorite characters as they embark on an epic, ice-filled journey of self-discovery, camaraderie, and the real meaning of true love. Adapted for young performers, this musical includes favorite *Frozen* songs such as "Love Is an Open Door," "Do You Want to Build a Snowman?," and "Let It Go," as well as wonderful new songs from the Broadway production. With its empowering message of love and understanding, *Frozen JR.* is sure to melt your heart!

Tickets are \$17.31 each. For more information and ticket sales please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/frozen-jr-tickets-1986353461675?aff=oddtcreator>

Students interested in ordering **Frozen Jr. Hoodies** can do so up until tomorrow using the following link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScLzBCmUjAfr2RO1ajs7JA5BfuffifTVWxsuMziAB8YegaWBw/viewform?usp=header>

NOTICE OF UPCOMING SCHOOL COUNCIL AGM & IMPORTANT UPDATE - NEW

The Annual General Meeting of the Arbour Lake School Council and Arbour Lake School Fundraising Society will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 6:30pm. This will be an in-person meeting held at the school. Please join us as we gather to celebrate another successful year of council at Arbour Lake School.

Parent Council is recruiting for the 2026-27 school year! There are several key executive roles that must be filled, being Council Chair, Vice Chair and Casino Chair. Anyone interested in being involved on council will be warmly welcomed. No experience required. Elections for council positions for the 2026-27 school year will be

held at the upcoming AGM on May 19. If you are interested, or have any questions, please reach out to Jenny and Krista at alscouncil.chair@gmail.com.

REPORTING AN ABSENCE

To report an absence, you can now email: arbourlake@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.

CELEBRATING OUR COYOTES

Our *Celebrating Our Coyotes* initiative is an ongoing opportunity for us to recognize and celebrate our students for who they are as individuals, not just as learners in the classroom. Thank you to the families who have already shared information and photos. We truly appreciate your willingness to help us bring these stories to life. If your child has something to celebrate, please send a brief description including their 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. Submissions can be sent to nmlisi@cbe.ab.ca.

Upcoming Events & Important Dates

April 3	Good Friday – School Closed
April 6	Gr. 8 Outdoor Education trip to Climbing Wall
April 10	Gr. 9 Market
April 13	Spring Photos
April 14	Gr. 6 Vaccinations
April 15 & 16	Gr. 8 Field Trip to Glenbow Museum
April 21	School Council Meeting 6:30pm – Virtual
April 24	Non-Instructional Day – No Classes
April 25-29	Grade 9 Sailing Trip #2
April 30	Spring Dance

Hold the Date

May 5-7	Main Stage Production of <i>Frozen</i>
June 4	Grade 9 Farewell

Healthy Hunger: Fun Lunch Program

VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED: On behalf of School Council, we are always in need of volunteers to help sort the lunches. If you are able to spare a couple hours on a Thursday please sign up using this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CABA723A1FAC52-60960362-healthy>



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.

April 8	Tim Horton's
April 9	Subway
April 16	Papa John's
April 22	Kernels
April 23	Edo
April 30	Mary Brown's
May 7	Popeye's
May 14	Subway
May 20	Tim Horton's
May 21	Opa!
May 28	Pizza 73
June 3	Jelly Modern Donuts
June 4	Mary Brown's
June 11	Papa John's
June 17	Kernels
June 18	Subway
June 25	Edo

[Athletics & Extracurricular Activities](#)

[Clubs & Activities April Schedule - NEW](#)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yearbook Club Rm. 209 - Lego Club Rm. 164 - Full Lunch Period – Band Practice (Band Students ONLY) – Band Room 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scale Model Builders Rm. 160 - QSA Rm. 203 - Board Games Club Rm. 164 - Knitting & Crocheting Club Rm. 127 - 2nd Half of Lunch – Band Practice (Band Students ONLY) – Band Room 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Card Magic Club Rm. 160 - 2nd Half of Lunch – Band Practice (Band Students ONLY) – Band Room 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cribbage Club Rm. 219 - Scale Model Builders R. 160 - Full Lunch Period – Band Practice (Band Students ONLY) – Band Room
After School	After School	After School	After School

[Athletic Events at Home](#)

See Ms. MacDougall's Update – Sent on Weekend

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

