

Arbour Lake School Weekly Update

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we head into the weekend, I hope the recent rainfall has helped ease the smoky conditions we experienced earlier this week. With any luck, we can look forward to enjoying some clear skies and warm spring weather in the days ahead.

A quick update regarding our school-wide floor hockey tournament: due to unforseen circumstance, we have had to postpone the event originally planned for this week. Students who registered and paid can come to the office for a refund. We are pleased to share that the tournament has been rescheduled for December 2025, and we look forward to hosting a great event at that time.

As many of you are aware, our Grade 6 and Grade 9 students are currently in the midst of writing their Provincial Achievement Tests (PATs). Next week will be particularly busy and potentially tiring for these students. We understand that some families have expressed concerns about the value and impact of these assessments. While we appreciate the range of perspectives on this issue, please note that PATs are mandated by the Alberta government and, as a public school, we are required to administer them in accordance with provincial legislation. Our approach to assessment remains consistent with our school philosophy: to support student learning and prepare them for a variety of assessment experiences, including the PATs.

Looking ahead, next week is Spirit Week! Please see the schedule below for daily themes. We hope students will participate and help end the year on a high note. Please also see important messages below in reference to next year planning.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend. As always, if you have any questions or need to connect with me directly, I can be reached at nmlisi@cbe.ab.ca.

Warm regards,

Nancy Lisi Principal, Arbour Lake School

NEXT YEAR PLANNING

Students NOT Returning to ALS Next Year:

As you know, June is a time of year when we wrap up the current schoolyear but also plan ahead to the following year. Please contact us ASAP if your child is in Grades 6-8 and WILL NOT be returning to us in 2025-2026. We will be making class lists this afternoon and it is important that we allocate resources appropriately.

Next Year Peer Requests Gr. 6-8:

 All students have been provide multiple reminders to work with their parents in submitting Peer Requests for next year. We WILL NOT entertain such requests in the fall.

Complementary Course Selections Gr. 6-8:

Thank you for completing the complementary course selections. Students
who did not complete this process will be placed in courses based on
availability and space.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spirit Week – June 16-20

Monday - Country vs. Country Club

Yeehaw or tee off — it's time to choose your vibe! Are you rocking cowboy boots and flannel, or popping your collar and bringing the golf course glam? Whether you're riding a horse or riding in a golf cart, bring your best western or country club look. Bonus points for fake mustaches or visors!

Tuesday - Rhyme Without a Reason

Grab a buddy and get creative! The rules are simple: you and your partner must dress up as two different things that rhyme, but make absolutely NO sense together. Think "shark" and "park," or "queen" and "bean." It's confusing, it's hilarious, and it's totally pointless — and that's the point.

Wednesday – Beach Day

Time to bring the beach to the hallways (minus the sand, please). Throw on your Hawaiian shirts, sunglasses, sunhats, and beachy vibes. Just remember: this is still school, so keep it appropriate — no swimsuits, but all the flip-flop energy you've got!

Thursday – Rock, Paper, Scissors Showdown

It's a full-day battle for bead glory. Everyone will get one plastic necklace to start and can challenge others to a game of Rock, Paper, Scissors to win more necklaces. Collect as many as you can — trade up for higher levels — and aim for the elusive gold necklace! One champion to rule them all.

Friday - Coyote Pride Day

Let's end the week with a howl! Show off your Coyote spirit by wearing school colours, school merch, or anything that screams "GO COYOTES!" Bonus points for face paint, school signs, or full mascot-level commitment. Let's turn the halls into a wave of Coyote pride!

PAT SCHEDULE: GRADES 6 & 9

PAT DATES

| Grade 6 | | Grade 9 | |
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| June 16: | ELAL Part B | June 16: | ELA Part B |
| June 17: | Math Part B | June 17: | Math Part B |
| June 18: | Social Studies | June 18: | Social Studies |
| | | June 19: | Science |

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

| June 16 | Grade 7 Trip to Heritage Park |
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| | Grade 6 & 9 ELA Part B PAT |
| June 17 | Grade 8 Science Walk to Ponds |
| | Grade 6 & 9 Math Part B PAT |
| June 18 | Grade 6 & 9 Social Studies PAT |
| | Grade 8 Movie Trip to Crowfoot |
| | The Class Trip to ROARR |
| June 19 | Grade 9 Science PAT |
| June 20 | School Wide Indigenous People's Day Celebration |
| June 23 | Grade 8 Movie Trip to Crowfoot |
| | Grade 9 Trip to Arbour Lake |
| June 24 | Grade 6 Trip to Arbour Lake |
| | Grade 7 Trip to Heritage Park |
| | Grade 9 Movie Trip to Crowfoot |
| June 25 | Report Cards Available in PowerSchool |
| | Grade 6 Movie Trip to Crowfoot |
| | Grade 8 Trip to Arbour Lake |
| June 26 | Last Day of School – Early Dismissal 12:00PM |
| June 27 | Report Card Appeals 8AM – 12PM: Please call to book a time |
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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 can attend, please sign up using the link below. If you have previously volunteered with us, we would love to have you back. If you are new to the process, feel free to contact the Office to learn how to get involved.

Please sign up here to volunteer:

| June 19 | Subway |
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| June 25 | Saucy Bread Company |

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – JUNE

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| Lunch | Lunch (Full period unless noted) | Lunch (Full period unless noted) | Lunch (Full period unless noted) |
| | Scale Model Builders Rm. 160 | Card Magic Club Rm. 160 | Cribbage Club Rm. 219 |
| | QSA Rm. 203 | | Scale Model Builders Rm. 160 |
| | Outdoor Club Rm. 178 | | Outdoor Club Rm. 178 |

THE COYOTE CANTEEN

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

| CANTEEN ITEMS | PRICE |
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| 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 |

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