



**DATES TO
REMEMBER**

- April:
- 1-5—Spring Break—No school
 - 8—PL Day—No School
 - 15—Kernels Fundraiser Begins
 - 17—Spring Fling BBQ
 - 22—Spring Photos
 - 22—Council Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
 - 25—Choir Concert @ 6:30 p.m.
 - 26—Kernels Fundraiser closes @ 9:00 a.m.
 - 30—Assembly @ 9:30 a.m.
- May:
- 14—Talent Show
 - 20—Victoria Day—No School
 - 21—PL—No Classes
 - 22—Hot Lunch Order deadline @ 10:00 p.m.
 - 23—Family Gym Night
 - 24—Jersey Theme Day
 - 27—Council Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
 - 29—Hot Lunch Day

No School March 29-April 8

Schools will be closed on Good Friday, March 29, April 1-5 for Spring Break and Monday, April 8 for Professional Learning Day. **Classes resume Tuesday, April 9.**



**Save the Date – Spring Fling
Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

Senator Buchanan is excited to host our third annual "Save On Foods – Spring

Celebration"! We are excited to partner with several

community businesses to support a fun and engaging day for our students, staff, and parents/guardians. Activities will be scheduled in the afternoon (12:30 - 3:30 p.m.). All staff, students and participating parents are invited to enjoy lunch (includes juice box, popcorn & hot dog), as well as engage in some fun outdoor activities. Any parents wishing to participate in our fun afternoon, please let your child's classroom teacher know. If you are hoping to enjoy lunch with your child, please try to visit during your child's scheduled eating time.

Kindergarten parents/guardians – As we are hosting this event in the afternoon on April 17, any morning Kindergarten students that would like to attend must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Morning Kindergarten students will be dismissed at the regular time (11:45 a.m.). If you and your child wish to participate in the afternoon activities, you and your child are invited back to the school at 12:30 p.m. to enjoy a hot dog lunch, and to have some fun moving through the various activities. Please let your classroom teacher know whether you are attending with your child in the afternoon so we can ensure we have enough food prepared.



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Spring Photos

Spring Photos will be taken by LifeTouch on Monday, April 22. Proofs will be sent home once we receive them. If you wish to order Spring Photos please submit your order online through Lifetouch or return the order form to the school by the deadline that will be provided on the order form.



Kernels Fundraiser April 15-26

We are running a Kernels Popcorn fundraiser starting April 15. Orders will be available online as well as manual orders. All orders are due by 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 26. Cheques should be made payable to Senator Buchanan School Council. All funds raised will go directly to student field trips. Thank you for your continued support!

Kindergarten Registrations for 2024-25

We are now accepting Kindergarten registrations for September 2024. We are offering a morning class Monday through Thursday with alternating Friday mornings and an afternoon class Monday through Thursday, with alternating Friday morning classes. Students must be five years old as of December 31, 2024. The registration link is available on our school website.

Returning Students Registrations for 2024-25

It is that time of year when we begin planning for the next school year, including staffing. We will continue with digital registrations for returning students. **The digital registrations for returning students Grades K-4 were emailed to the parent listed as first contact on March 15 and were due to be submitted by March 22.** The email is titled "Student Registrations" and contains your child's returning registration by clicking on the link within that email. Please submit your child's registration if you have not done so yet. If you have any questions, please call the office at 403-327-7321.

*Please remember to update your information with the office if you have changes to your phone numbers or address.
Thank you.*

DEHR Art Show & Sale

The DEHR Art Show & Sale is on Wednesday, April 17 at the Galt Museum and Archives. The doors open at 6:00 p.m. Art sale is 6:30-7:30 p.m. Artwork is from students in our division. This year's theme is art that celebrates rebuilding and regrowth in our communities.

Elementary/Middle School pieces will be sold at fixed prices \$5-\$20. High school pieces will be sold at silent auction with starting bids set by artists.

All proceeds from the art sale will go to supporting the Lethbridge Soup Kitchen who's work nourishes our community.

Choir Performance

Senator Buchanan's Choir will hold a performance in the school gym on Thursday, April 25 at 6:30 p.m. We hope to see you there!



Come out & join the Boulet Family
for the annual **FREE**
GREEN SHIRT DAY
FAMILY SKATE

CANADIAN TRANSPLANT ASSOCIATION

GREEN SHIRT DAY

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APRIL 7

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REGISTER • TELL YOUR FAMILY • BE INSPIRED



Canada's Organ and Tissue Donation Community

April 7th
1-3pm

Cavendish
Farms
Arena

In honour
of the
Logan Boulet
Effect





DONATIONS &
SPONSORS WELCOME!

COME SHOW
YOUR SUPPORT

SUPERHERO WALK

for Autism Awareness

MAY 4, 2024 ~ 2:00PM - 5:00PM

@ HENDERSON LAKE - HORSESHOE AREA

FREE BBQ TO FOLLOW!



CHALLENGER BASEBALL

This is a great opportunity for young individuals with cognitive and or physical disabilities to enjoy the full benefits of participating in a sport, such as baseball. The coaches help each player by providing a safe and enjoyable experience, and to assist players with all aspects of the game.



Empowering children with disabilities through physical activity

**Free
Registration!**

To Register:

www.lethbridgellittleleague.com/challenger

Or by email:

seto849@icloud.com



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FARVARDIN (IRAN)



April 1- It is the 13th day after Nowruz or New Year. The number 13 is considered as unlucky number for the Persians, and therefore everyone leaves home for the day to go on picnics or trips.

LAYLAT AL- QADR (ISLAM)

April 5- It is also known as Night of Power, which commemorates the revelation of the Qur'an to Prophet Muhammad in 610 CE. It begins the previous beginning.



EID-UL-FITR (ISLAM)

April 10- This marks the end of the Ramadan fast and is celebrated for three days. date of observance may vary according to the sighting of the new moon. Dates vary by a day depending on whether the Saudi Arabia or the North American Calendar is being observed.



BAISAKHI (BANGLADESH, SIKH, AND HINDU)

April 13- The first day of the solar year, this is an agricultural festival celebrating the harvest, especially in North India. Tamils and Sri Lankans celebrate their New Year on this day. In Kerala, South India this day is called Vishu. Especially important to the Sikhs, it marks this day in 1699, when the tenth Guru, Guru Gobind Singh established the order of 'Khalsa'. The festival is a mixture of feasting, dancing and worshipping.





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SONGKRAN/NEW YEAR (CAMBODIA, INDIA, MYANMAR, SRI LANKA, THAILAND)

April 13- In southeast Asia, Songkran is recognized as the New Year for Buddhists. For Thais, it is a three-day religious festival in which homes are routinely cleaned, and water is sprinkled on monks paying visits and on statues of Buddha.

RAM NAVAMI (HINDU)

April 17- Ram Navami celebrates the birthday of Rama, the seventh incarnation of God Vishnu. Hindus read the Ramayan, a Hindu epic, which tells the story of Rama, during the previous eight days.



PESACH/PASSOVER (JEWISH)

April 23-30- Pesach lasts for eight days. It begins previous sundown at 6 pm. This time commemorates the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt. It begins with a ritual meal 'Seder' when no leavened bread is consumed with special prayers and symbolic foods.

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