# Fleetwood-Bawden ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## October Newsletter

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE:



What an amazing start of the school year we have had! Every day I come to school happy and excited to be part of a community that works together to nurture our young learners. Although there are always challenges to overcome, mistakes made, and differing perspectives to navigate- our students, staff and families are special because we value empathy, understanding, connection and kindness. Together we can achieve anything! I appreciate each of you for working together and embracing learning and growing together!

Sincerely, Kathy Mundell (Principal)



#### All parents and guardians must have access to the following programs:

- PowerSchool to ensure you have access your child's report card
- Safe Arrival to report lates and absences
- School Cash Online to make any school payments including hot lunches These are division programs used by all schools in Lethbridge School Division.

If you are having difficulties accessing the sites, please connect with our office and Shaina will be happy to support you.

We encourage you to stay connected to our school community...









Subscribe to our Fleetwood Bawden website calendar to sync important dates with your mobile device.

# Oct 6 Last day of the Chapter's Love of Reading Foundation Adopt-a-School Fundraiser.



Donations to help purchase books and resources can be made in 3 ways:

- 1. Visit Chapters and make a cash donation at the front counter
- 2. Purchase a "surprise book" at a price/donation of your choosing
- 3. Share this link with friends and family near and far to make an online donation.

Oct 7 The start of Fire Prevention Week. This week serves as a reminder for all of us to check our smoke detectors and pause with our families to discuss emergency safety plans.



Oct 10 North/South Indigenous Bingo Evening October 10th- 6:00-7:00PM at Senator Buchanan 1101 & A Avenue North. Fantastic prizes to be won!

Oct 14 NO SCHOOL- Enjoy the Thanksgiving weekend with family and friends.

Oct 16 Handbells Workshop (11:30–3:15 PM) – for students signed up for handballs. Students will return in time to catch the bus.

Oct 17 Photo Retakes Day



Oct 18 National Chocolate Cupcake Day. School Council Snack Day. Chocolate cupcakes can be purchased on School CashOnline.



Oct 22 NO SCHOOL for Kindergarten only. Kindergarten parent/teacher conferences 8:30–3:40.

Oct 23 NO SCHOOL for all students. Professional Learning for staff in the morning. Parent/teacher conferences 1:00–7:30. Information about signing up will be emailed to families via School Messenger.

Oct 24-25 NO SCHOOL for all students. Professional Learning Day for staff.

Oct 31 Halloween! No scary costumes or weapons to respect our younger and more vulnerable children.

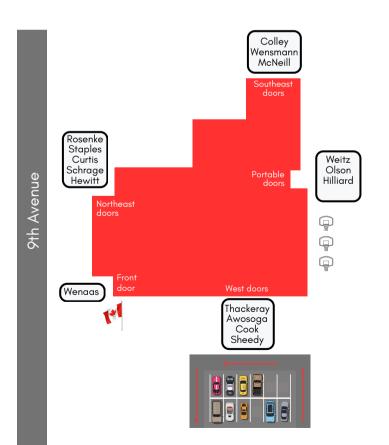


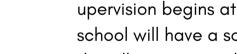
#### **ROUND-ABOUT and PARKING LOT**

- Thank you for not parking in our round-about and staff parking lot.
- We appreciate drivers using our round-about as a guick drop off area.
- We encourage early arrivers to park further away from the school, then enter the drop off zone when you are ready to drop off your children. This will allow for smooth traffic to flow.
- Thank you for keeping the last spot in the round-about (near the shed) for our EEP Buster Bus to safely drop off our youngest learners.
- To avoid theft and to ensure safety, please lock your doors.

#### STREET PARKING

- Bus parking is in front of the school along 9th Avenue. Please do not park in bus zones.
- Please adhere to the signs and do not leave your car unattended in the drop-off zone. Parking on the east side of 12th Street causes major congestion. Please adhere to the parking signs. thankzyou





and end of the day.



**Doors open at 8:30**. Outside upervision begins at 8:20. Our school will have a soft start to the day allowing enough time for students to change shoes, hang coats and backpacks, go to the washroom, eat breakfast if needed, and fill water bottles.

Just a reminder students are to use

the proper door at the beginning

Students are welcomed in the building at 8:30 then doors are immediately locked for safety. All late learners are asked to enter through the front door.

# CHESS-FEST!

FREE, FAMILY ACTIVITIES!



12:30 pm: Light lunch available on-site

1:00-4:00 pm: Family & chess activities

1:30 pm: "Simultaneous" chess demo







### **JOIN US**

SUNDAY, OCT. 13 9:30AM - 4:00PM

> Galt Musuem, Lethbridge, Alberta



Fun blitz chess tournament, all levels welcome! Tournament participants must register online by October 4th



QUESTIONS? J.OLDFIELD@ULETH.CA



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## Reach out for support!

# What can you do if your child might be struggling with mental health concerns?

- 1. Talk to your child's teacher
- 2. Connect with our Teacher Counsellor via email <u>kerrilynn.haneyvanderbergelethsd.ab.ca</u>
- 3. Visit your physician.
- 4. Contact the Alberta Health Services (AHS) Mental Health and Addictions intake line at 1–888–594–0211. An AHS intake worker will help you. They will complete a clinical interview over the telephone to determine your needs. The intake worker will provide local options and guide you to the most appropriate resources or services in our area.
- 5. Read helpful information from AHS's <u>Parent Information Series</u>.
- 6. Sign up for <u>FREE live online ZOOM presentations</u> through AHS's Community Education Series. See the next page for a few the sessions available.
- 7. Watch FREE pre-recorded sessions on the AHS YouTube Channel















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