JEES - NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

Hello JEES Families.

Thank you to all our grade 1, 2, and 3 families who were able to join us for the first round of Parent Teacher Interviews. We appreciate your time to meet with us and have conversations about your child's progress. At the mid-year point, grade 1-3 teachers will prepare an outcome based report card. This will be available via Edsby. We will then have another set of interviews in March and a final report card at the end of the year.

Thank you to all of our grade 3 students who have been participating in volleyball club. Thank you as well for the support from our parent volunteers. There are 53 students who signed up to participate over the 5 sessions. It has been wonderful to be part of the fun and to watch the students improve. The last 2 practice nights will be November 12th and 13th.

It was great to see all the costumes during our Halloween parade! As we transition into November, we will prepare for our Remembrance Day Observance on November 8th at 10:45am. The Town of Coaldale will also host a Remembrance Day Ceremony in our gym on November 11th beginning at 10:30am.

Some of our classes have been out in the community during the first couple of months, including visits to the Fire Department, Sunny South Lodge, and Coaldale Health Centre. Next month, our grade 2 students will visit the Town's Civic Square.

I hope you had a fun and safe Halloween, and have a wonderful month of November.

~ Chris Spanos, Principal



PARENT COUNCIL CORNER

What we do

Meet

On the <u>last Wednesday of</u> <u>every month</u> Parent Council meets at Jennie Emery School to review up coming activities, past activities, & update and review with other parents, board members and school admins.

Everyone is welcome!

November Meeting Link will be shared closer to date

Our 50/50 Fundraising is open until December 20th!

Currently we have a **one year secretary term** open! If you would like to (or have thought of being involved) but want to test the waters first...Secretary may be for you! Attend the meetings, take notes and be involved!

Reminders

Jennie Emery at the **Coaldale Bottle Depot!**

Just a reminder – if want to help our school and kids but don't have a lot of time? We have a donation box at the Bottle Depot! Drop off at the depot and it comes right to our activities.

Upcoming Events

- Parent Council BAKE, CARE, SHARE sale coming soon!
- November 20th PIZZA HUT Hot Lunch
- November 27th 2024 Parent Council regular meeting

Contact Info

Email:

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JEES FOOD DRIVE to benefit the Coaldale Foodbank

The Coaldale Foodbank is currently in need of donations of all varieties. JEES will be collecting donations from November 4 - 28th.

IF 1500 FOOD ITEMS ARE COLLECTED STUDENTS (BY RANDOM DRAW) WILL GET TO PIE A PRINCIPAL!

Drop point: JEES FOYER - Monetary donations can be made to the JEES Office. 100% of donations will go directly to the Coaldale Foodbank. *(\$1 = 1 item towards pie a principal!)*

SOME IDEAS OF THINGS YOU CAN DONATE:





ANGEL TREE

JEES will once again, be a drop-off site for the Angel Tree Campaign. We will be collecting new, unwrapped toys for our annual toy drive starting the last week of November.



▲ GET READY TO WIN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON! OUR SCHOOL'S 50/50 FUNDRAISER IS OFFICIALLY OPEN, AND WE MADE IT FUN TO SUPPORT! HALF OF THE FUNDS RAISED WILL GO DIRECTLY TO IMPROVING SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES, WHILE THE OTHER HALF + COULD BE YOURS! + CHRISTMAS CONCERT SAVE THE DATES



DECEMBER 18 LAST NAMES A - L DECEMBER 19 LAST NAMES M - Z



Healthy Albertans. Healthy Communities. **Together.**

Child, Youth & Family Addiction and Mental Health

In Person ADHD Parent Group

This is an educational group for parents and caregivers who want to learn about ADHD. The purpose of this group is to provide current introductory information around ADHD. This closed group consists of five ninety-minute sessions on these topics:

- What is ADHD and how to talk to you child/teen about it
- How medication, nutrition, exercise, and sleep impact ADHD
- How ADHD impacts self-regulation and the importance of co-regulation
- Tools for parenting a child/teen with ADHD
- Navigating school systems and community services

Upcoming Dates and Location

Tuesdays, November 5 – December 3, 2024, from 6-7:30 p.m.

Child, Youth and Family Addiction and Mental Health Clinic Melcor Centre (Suite 120A 200 - 4 Ave. So.)

To register, call Access Addiction & Mental Health 1 888 594 0211



LOST & FOUND Our Lost & Found is FULL! If your child is missing anything, please come have a look, just inside the foyer, before you walk into the office. There are a lot of

sweaters and jackets right now.

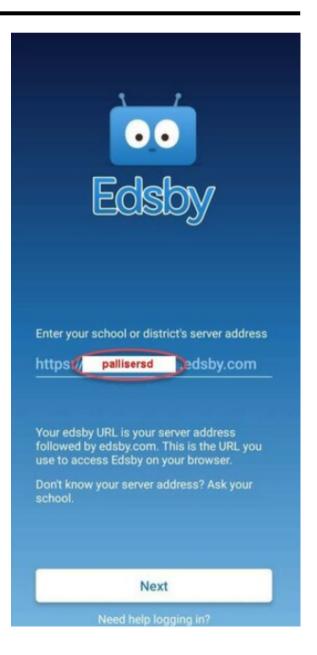
We have been using Edsby at JEES for the last few years, and in an effort to streamline communication and eliminate the use of various systems/communication tools, the Palliser School Division is moving to use Edsby to relay information, schedule Parent/Teacher Interviews, complete and share Report Cards in addition to student attendance reporting.

Parents can set up an account, by accepting an invitation to join that they receive from the school. If you have not received an invitation to Edsby, please advise the office by phone (403-345-2403) or email to kristy.darby@pallisersd.ab.ca.

There is an app for Edsby to make it easy to use from any device. The server address is simply <u>pallisersd.</u>

We have recently created an Edsby Help section on our website. We will continue to add tips and tutorials here if you are looking for any Edsby help.

Please also fee free to call our office if you require any assistance.



Search and the Learning Commons News!

We're excited to bring you the latest updates from our school library. We've been having a wonderful time with students exploring new books, discovering their favorite stories, and learning how to take care of their library books!

🌟 Book Care Tips 🌟

Taking care of books is an important part of being a responsible reader! Here are a few simple tips to keep our books in great shape:

- 1. Clean Hands, Happy Pages Always wash your hands before reading to keep the pages clean and free from dirt or sticky fingers.
- 2. Use a Bookmark

Never fold pages to mark your spot. Use a bookmark to keep your place in the story!

3. Keep Books Dry

Protect your book from water, food, or drinks. Be mindful to store it in a dry place in your backpack. To help protect our books and keep them in great condition, we kindly ask you to provide a sturdy plastic bag for your child to carry their library books. This simple step can make a big difference in preventing wear and tear.

4. Handle with Care

Turn pages gently and carry your book carefully to avoid tearing or bending the cover and pages.

5. Pets and Books Don't Mix

Keep books away from pets who might chew or scratch them. Your book deserves a safe, cozy spot to rest when you're not reading!

Weekly Book Return Reminder

Our library books are like adventures waiting to be shared! To make sure everyone gets a chance to enjoy them, **please** remember to return your books every week on your designated library day. If it is hard to remember, keep them in your backpack.

Returning books on time helps keep our collection available to everyone and ensures that your child is able to check out new, exciting books for the week.

Upcoming Library Events

- Book Fair March 2025
 - It's a great opportunity to find new books for your home library and support the school.
- Alberta Foundation For The Arts Travelling Exhibitions 2025

Reminders for Parents

- Please help your child find a safe place to store their library book at home.
- Encourage your child to read for at least 15 minutes each day.
- Feel free to call or email if you have any questions about book borrowing policies or need book recommendations!

Thank you for helping make our library a wonderful place to learn and grow. Happy reading!

Sincerely, Mrs. Sue Wells Learning Commons Facilitator

JOIN CURLING

WHEN: Tuesdays 4 pm to 530 pm, starting October 29th to March 4th

WHERE: Coaldale Granite Club, 2007 13th Street, Coaldale, AB

HOW MUCH: \$100/player

Learn & play the sport of curling. **Brooms & sliders provided.**

Register online @ Coaldale.curling.io or email coaldalecurlingclub@gmail.com

Goals for this curling season: Interclub play, send teams to local junior bonspiels & host a family fun spiel (February 22nd, during Curling Day in Canada).







WEATHER! Please make sure your child has 💥 warm winter gear with them at school, as well as a full change of clothing.

DRESS FOR THE





Students will be be expected to go outside f<u>or recess unless the</u> temperature is colder than -25C or in the case of extreme weather conditions.





In the case of extreme cold, doors will be open at 8:15 am, so students can come inside.











1st Coaldale **Girl** Guides

Come learn about Guiding ask questions and have some fun!

Everything she wants to be.

WHEN:

Sparks & Embers November 19 6-7:15 pm Guides November 20 6-7:30 pm Pathfinders & Rangers November 14 7-8:30 pm WHERE: Coaldale SPORTSPLEX, basement RSVP by November 10 @ coaldalegirlguides@gmail.com

> **REGISTER ONLINE!** girlguides.ca 1.800.565.8111 #girlguidesofcanada

Student Holiday Art Contest!



Enter your art for the chance to appear on the Palliser School Board's 2024 Holiday Card.





This year's theme is "Holiday Traditions". Palliser School Division celebrates the strength of our diverse community, where many cultures come together. Holidays offer a perfect opportunity to honor and share these cultures. As we look forward to the winter break, we invite you to share your holiday traditions. These can be related to any winter or special holiday you observe—whether a cultural celebration or a unique family tradition. We look forward to learning about the special ways you celebrate!

- Artwork should be suitable for use on a holiday greeting card and should keep with the theme, "Holiday Traditions"
- Each entry must be accompanied by an entry form completed and signed by a parent/guardian. Remember to also include contact information, including the name and school of the artist
- Standards for sizing of artwork: 5x7 (portrait or landscape)
- Art submissions may be on paper, canvas or a digital photo of 3D art or even digital art.

Art and accompanying forms may be submitted by mail or through Palliser's inter-school mail system. Artists should submit this form with their original art no later than noon, Nov 15, 2024

> Greeting Card Showcase, Palliser School Division ATTN: Wesley Lebeau #101 3305 18 Avenue North Lethbridge, AB T1H 5S1



Entry Forms can be found on the Jennie Emery Elementary School website or picked up from the office.



Tips for dressing for cold weather:

- Dress in layers: insulating layers underneath and a wind-protecting outer layer
- Protect your extremities: Feet, hands and heads get cold very quickly. Warm boots, mittens (they keep fingers warmer than gloves), hats and gaiters or scarves are important for very cold days.



 Avoid exposed skin, consider a mask or scarf to protect the face if it's very cold and windy



Transportation Information

Did you know that at around **-34 degrees** Celsius, diesel fuel can turn into gel? This means that our buses may not operate in such extreme cold. While closing schools can significantly disrupt family routines, this decision is always considered carefully. Therefore, there may be times when schools remain open, even though buses are not running.

In situations of severe weather, Palliser School Division respects and supports your family's decision regarding your child's attendance. This could mean opting to keep your child at home if you don't have a safe way to transport them to school, or arranging an alternative method of transportation when bus services are cancelled.

Communication in Severe Weather

Notification of School Closures: If weather and road conditions are bad enough (ie bad visibility or heavy snow) to necessitate school closures, we aim to notify staff and families by 6:45 AM on the day of the closure. On-Site Staff Presence: In the event of unexpected student arrivals, efforts will be made to ensure at least one staff member is present at the school.

For comprehensive details on how our Division handles inclement weather, including bus cancellations, please visit our Inclement Weather Procedures:

☆ https://www.pallisersd.ab.ca/board-oftrustees/procedures/5695

Stay prepared, safe and warm! Palliser School Division



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	NO SCHOOL: Remembrance Day	KINDERGARTEN INTERVIEWS: NO CLASSES FOR KINDERGARTEN				
Remembrance 11 Day NOVEMBER	LEST WE FORGET					
17	18	19	20	21	22	25
	PICTURE Retake Day		PIZZA HUT LUNCH (If Ordered)	PICTURE Retake Day	T/Th Kindergarten	
24	25 Bake, Share, Care Sale!	26	27 School Council Meeting @ 7pm	28	29 NO SCHOOL: PD Day	50