



École AGNES DAVIDSON SCHOOL



March, 2021

1-15-Online Scholastic Book Fair
4- Gr. K-5 online Celebration of Learning Interview Bookings Open (3pm)
9-School Council (7pm)
11-Aggie's Brew Cut Off on School Cash
12-Digital Report Cards Issued(12noon)
15- Gr. K-5 Online Bookings Close (10pm)
17-Mills Kindergarten Interviews (All Day)
17-Green and Gold Day
18-Grade 1-5 (No School in the PM)
18-Gr.1-5 (PM) Celebration of Learning/Interviews
18-Mills, Mooney, Baker Kindergarten Interviews ALL Day
19-No School for Students (Staff PL)
22-Moustache Day
31-Gr.1 English and French Immersion Snapshot of Learning (Digital Release to Gr. 1 families)

Registration 2021 – 2022

Early Education Programming - At this time, we are uncertain if Agnes Davidson will have an Early Education Program. Any registration for EEP will be at a later date.

Kindergarten – Kindergarten registration will begin on March 8 at 8am. Kindergarten registration can either be completed by filling out the registration forms found on-line and emailing them in (along with a copy of your child's birth certificate) or dropping them off in-person at the school. Registration forms can be found on the school website. To help with the process when dropping off in-person, please bring in the completed registration form and a copy of your child's birth certificate. Please note, registrations will only be accepted after 8am on March 8. Anything emailed or dropped off before this time will be considered for placement at the end of the day on March 8th.

Currently, we are still determining the programming for our Kindergarten classes. We will have a Monday / Wednesday (alternating Fridays) full day program, as well as a Tuesday / Thursday (alternating Fridays) full day program. We may have a morning program (alternating Fridays) as well and an afternoon program (alternating Fridays), but this will be based on the needs of parents and number of registrations. Classes will be determined by the end of March.

Agnes Davidson Students in the English Stream – Students currently at Agnes Davidson in the English stream will be automatically enrolled at their boundary school. Usually this means Dr. Robert Plaxton or Lakeview Elementary, but it could also be another elementary school based on where you live. If you are hoping to attend a school outside of your boundary school, you will need to fill out form 501.3.1 and submitted by March 23rd as directed on the form.

Agnes Davidson Students in French Immersion – You will need to do nothing if you are planning on continuing in the French Immersion stream. You will receive a re-registration form at some point to ensure your information is correct. If you plan on transitioning to the English stream, please reach out to Terra Leggat or Megan Cummins.

Agnes Davidson Students in French Immersion but live outside of Lethbridge – Your registration will continue but to confirm your placement, you will need to fill out form 501.3.1 as well.

Agnes Davidson Students Moving to Middle School – At this point you need to do nothing; more information will come out shortly.

Click on [BOUNDARIES](#) for information regarding our new school maps.



Science Fair

Registration for the 2021 Lethbridge Regional Virtual Science Fair is now open. Register by clicking on this [LINK](#).

Submissions of K-12 science projects will be accepted between **March 5-22** through a different link (to follow). We are happy to include a NEW grade category this year where students from Kindergarten to Grade 3 are welcome to submit their projects. They will not be a part of the competition that takes place from Grades 4-12 but will receive judge feedback and will be great practice for their future experiments.

In summary, students are asked to set up their science project, record a video of them presenting their project, and create a Word or PDF document of their logbook. The students will be required to submit both their video's URL and logbook document. Detailed instructions are included in the registration link above and on their website.



Scholastic French and English Book Fair

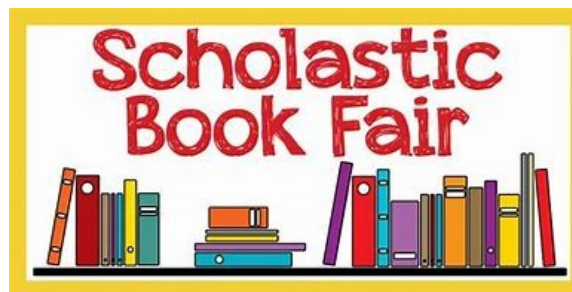
Wednesday March 3rd 6-8 PM: Family Free Shipping Night

Wednesday March 10th 6-8PM: Family Free Shipping Night

The link will be located in our newsletter and on our school website.

<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5155909>

Questions? Email: lesley.masuk@lethsd.ab.ca



School Swag!

Our school is excited to be offering Agnes Davidson gear! Please click on the link to access our online school store. You can also find the link on our school webpage.

Click [HERE](#) for more details!

APEGA Science Olympics

The 2021 APEGA Science Olympics will take place virtually. In place of local in-person events, APEGA will host one free, province-wide event for all students in Alberta during the months of March, April and May 2021. This event will consist of one hands-on engineering- and geoscience-related challenge for each division. Challenges will be released on March 1, with submissions due on May 20. Challenge prototypes will be evaluated via video submissions. Participants will be given a list of specific criteria they must demonstrate with their prototypes in a 5-minute video, which will then be evaluated by APEGA members. All participants will receive feedback on their submissions. Final challenge results and a wrap-up video will be shared with registrants in June 2021.

Click [HERE](#) for more information

Student Safety

A friendly reminder that the bus loading zone is a no parking zone during school hours. In addition, according to city bylaw, the alley way is not an approved drop off or loading zone. Thank you for not using the staff parking lot as a loading zone.

Merci!



Spell-A-Thon

We will be hosting a spell-a-thon again this year with the support of the School Council. Information will go out before Easter Break and then, as a school, we will have the spelling test on **April 20th**.

Spell-A-Thon lists will go home with your child the week of March 29-April 1.

The Spell-A-Thon will occur on April 20th.

Spell-a-thon will be sent home with your child by families by April 23rd.

We are accepting both cash and online donations. All monies raised will directly impact your student and provide additional learning opportunities!

Online donations over \$20.00 will be eligible for a tax receipt.

School Council

We are looking forward to seeing our families, virtually, for our March 9th, 7pm School Council Meeting

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Celebration of Learning

Celebration of Learning for all Gr.1-5 students will occur March 18th. Teacher requested interviews will also occur during the day and evening. Our teachers are preparing a Covid friendly celebration that will highlight your child's learning over the last 4 months. Please refer to teacher communications with regards to specific Celebration of Learning information. As directed by the classroom teacher the online booking system will be available as required/requested by the classroom teacher.



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 Grade K-5 Online Celebra- tion of Learning Bookings Open (3pm) | 5 | 6 |
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THE LOOP

MARCH 2021



MHCBC Wellbeing Team



Hello, Lethbridge School Division staff and families!

Welcome to the March issue of THE LOOP! In spite of losses people may have experienced in the past year, there are positive outcomes to also acknowledge. We hope you have found some positive moments through this pandemic. Remember, if you or your family need support, the helpers are out there- in your school and your community. We are here for you! Please email THE LOOP submissions to kathy.mundell@lethsd.ab.ca

The Alberta Teachers' Association **In Focus 2021: A CSC Virtual Conference**
ATA Council of School Counsellors
 April 30, 8:45-4:30 & May 1, 9:00-12:30
 *WIN memberships to the Mental Health Academy valued at over \$400!
 Friday evening FREE film screening with live panel discussion.

The Alberta Teachers Association Council of School Counsellors presents an online virtual conference featuring:

Welcome address from ATA President Jason Schilling

Sessions include:

- Calgary & Area Child Advocacy Centre: Healing Centred Practices
- Dr Robbin Gibb, PhD: CCBN, Play for Success
- Tanzi Hoover, R. Psych: Refugees, Trauma & Mental Health
- University of Lethbridge Bookstore: Healing & Growing in Literature
- Bernie & Toby Boulet: Grief in the Public Eye
- Tyler Smith: Not Alone, Perspectives from Tragedy
- Vincent Mireau, R. Psych: Supporting Overachievers
- Cyndi Starzk-Frey, RSW: Self Care Planning
- Mental Health Commission of Canada: Headstrong, youth mental health leadership

Registration is FREE to all Council of School Counsellor members. Registration information via 'Sched' will be emailed to all members. Not a member? Sign up NOW for \$35 by contacting our ATA Staff Advisor: Dan Grassick at: dan.grassick@ata.ab.ca

THE FIRST 100 REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE... A comfort box valued at over \$50

CONNECTING THE DOTS

MENTAL HEALTH PROMOTION COMMITTEE OF SOUTHERN ALBERTA

presents **MENTAL HEALTH DURING THE PANDEMIC**

A Virtual Information Series
 Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30 PM
 \$10.00/presentation

- FEBRUARY 24** **Parenting through the COVIDBlues**
 with Michelle McFadden, B.A., B.Ed., M.C. & Kalie Dye ECE/CYC/W
- MARCH 24** **Preventing Burnout through Wellness**
 with Tracy Harvey, MSW, RSW
- APRIL 14** **Addictions & COVID**
 with Kayla Napper & Laura Hahn, AHS
- MAY 5** **Understanding Suicide**
 with John Thompson, B.A., RSW

CLICK HERE to register.

- Lunch & Learn Webinars (Tuesdays noon-1:00 pm)**
 - Keeping Scattered Kids on Track: Understanding ADHD March 1 & 8
 - Mindfulness: Benefits for the Whole Family March 2 & 9
 - Building Executive Functioning Skills March 15 & 22
 - Parenting Strategies That Promote Positive Mental Health March 16 & 23
- Caregiver Education Sessions (Wednesdays 6-7:30 pm)**
 - Sleep and Your Family's Mental Health March 3
 - Parenting Teens in the 21st Century March 10
 - Supporting Self-Regulation in elementary School Children March 17
 - Technology and the Teenage Brain March 24
- Drop-in Series (Thursdays 6-7:30 pm) Anxiety: A 4-Part Series March 4, 11 18 & 25**

For more information, visit www.cyfcaregivereducation.ca

CLICK HERE to view the Caregiver Education Team Newsletter and for more details about the March sessions

After School Unpacking Staff Wellness

THURSDAY, MARCH 11 3:30-4:30

Join AHS Health Promotion Facilitators to explore subtle but meaningful actions that can boost staff wellness. As a group we will discuss strategies around promoting and fostering work-life balance, skills for self-care, healthy relationships, and the ripple effect.

CLICK HERE to register.

Need Support?

KidsHelpPhone.ca
 1800 668 6868
Kids Help Phone
TEXT 686868

24hr free Mental Health HELPLINE
 1-877-303-2642

Black Youth Helpline
 BRIDGING CULTURES | REACHING YOUTH | IMPACTING CHANGE
 TOLL FREE 1-833-294-8650

Text4Hope
 393939

24hr free ONLINE support for Albertans
togetherall.com

ADDICTION HELPLINE
1-866-332-2322

McMan has a new FREE youth drop-in service for youth ages 14-30. Youth may utilize Wi-Fi, computers, Xbox and art supplies. Youth workers are available to assist youth with life skill development, including; learner's license preparation, resume building, job/volunteer applications and cooking/baking.



Drop-in runs from 10:00 AM-4:00 PM every Friday.

Due to COVID-19, youth must schedule their one-hour drop-in time by contacting Kate Clements at 403-308-7463. **To minimize barriers transportation is available with appropriate notice.**

Post-Secondary Fairs

[CLICK HERE](#) for access information about **post-secondary fairs!**

Mar 1 5:30pm Concordia
Mar 2 5:00pm SAIT
Mar 3 5:00pm Mount Royal
Mar 4 5:00pm Univ of Alberta
Mar 8 5:00pm MacEwan Univ.
Mar 9 5:00pm Med Hat College
Mar 10 6:00pm Red Deer College
Mar 11 5:30pm Univ of Calgary
Mar 11 6:30 pm Univ of Lethbridge
Mar 17 7:00pm Olds College
Mar 22 5:00pm Bow Valley College
Mar 23 5:30pm AB Univ. of the Arts
Mar 24 6:30pm Univ. of Lethbridge
Mar 25 5:30pm Ambrose University

[CLICK HERE](#) to register for exciting sessions.



**Pediatric Nurse (Mar 2) Veterinarian (Mar 4)
Operating Room nurse (Mar 25) Hairstylist (Apr 1)
Genomicist and Bioinformation (Apr 27)**

[Check out the site for pre-recorded sessions.](#)

March/April Scholarship Deadlines

[Stacey Levitt Award](#) \$4000 (March 1)
[John Hasselfield Endowment Foundation](#) \$400 (Mar 1)
[Pathways to Medicine Scholarship](#) \$27000 (Mar 1)
[Canadian Hearing Services National Scholarship](#) (Mar 10)
[Quest for Excellence](#) \$1000 (Mar 13)
[Calgary Stampede Grade 12 Western Art](#) \$2000 (Mar 17)
[Ray Jolliffe Memorial Scholarship](#) \$2000 (Mar 31)
[Northern AB Development Council Bursary](#) (Apr 30)
Indigenous Scholarship Opportunities
[Belcourt Brosseau Métis Awards](#) \$1000-10000 (Mar 31)



To Register: Call
403-327-5724



Thursdays, 9:30-11 am
Mar 4, 11, 18, 25 April 1 and 8
Identify as female



Thursdays, 1:00-2:30 pm
Feb 25, Mar 4, 11 and 18
Everyone welcome.

Living with Suicide Loss



Mondays 2:00-3:30 pm
March 1, 8, 15 and 22
Everyone welcome.

PRESENTED BY **volunteer lethbridge**
non-profit leadership centre

Nominate someone for a
Volunteer of YQL award!
Open Mar 1-31

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information



JA Southern Alberta
A Member of JA Canada

Junior Achievement is dedicated to educating students in grades 4-12 about financial literacy, entrepreneurship and work readiness. Contact Davina comstock@jasouthalberta.org



Here you'll find information about the ever-changing online interests of young people, the potential risks they face and proactive strategies to help keep your child/adolescent safe while online.



Alberta Health Services

Learn how to manage stress in challenging times

Transform Your Stress: The Resilience Advantage – Strategies for Managing Stress in Challenging Times

Part 1: Mar 9, Apr 15, May 18, Jun 21
Part 2: Feb 24, Mar 30, Apr 29, Jun. 1 & 28

[CLICK HERE](#) for registration information and times.



umind

FREE Webinar series! [CLICK HERE](#) for more information
Trauma in the Midst of Trauma with Dr. Barbara Ward - March 3
Grieving Over The Loss of Our 'Old Ways' of Working - March 9

Mental health professionals who work with and support youth and families living with mental health issues draw upon a vast toolbox of resources. How to break down these resource silos and facilitate the exchange of this knowledge between organizations is the genesis of Umind.



CANADIAN CENTRE for CHILD PROTECTION
Helping families. Protecting children.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access free
Video Read-Along Storybooks
to help keep kids safe

PARENTING TWEEENS AND TEENS IN THE

DIGITAL WORLD



jack.org
young leaders revolutionizing mental health

The Albert COVID-19 Youth Mental Health Resource Hub

A hub of relevant resources to help you take care of yourself and look out for the people you love during this challenging time.

Centre for Sexuality



March 16: Communication
April 20: Allyship

Cloud GSA offers a virtual space for middle/ high school GSA students across Southern Alberta to connect. Each meeting we'll have a theme, activity, and time to socialize! We meet on the third Tuesday of each month from 5:00pm-6:30pm. Please email rsingecentreforsexuality.ca for the link.

MARCH 2021

MULTICULTURAL & DIVERSITY CELEBRATIONS



MARCH 8TH

UN International Women's Day

2021 Theme- Women in Leadership: Achieving an equal future in a COVID-19 world



MARCH 21

Nowruz- Persian New Years

Celebrated for over 3000 year- Balkans, Black Sea Basin, the Caucasus, Central Asian, the Middle East and other Regions

Meaning "new day", this is a celebration of the coming of spring marked by the vernal equinox. This is an official holiday in many countries and promotes the values of peace, reconciliation and solidarity.



March 28 Holi

India, Nepal, Hindu

A celebration of the coming of spring and blossoming of love. This is a time to play, laugh, forget and forgive.



March 20

International Francophonie Day

"Celebrating La Francophonie is recognizing the potential of language and culture to unite people, to create spaces of solidarity and mutual understanding, to reflect together on our common future." UNESCO -

<https://en.unesco.org/commemorations/francophonieday>



2021 OUTDOOR SOCCER REGISTRATION

Online Registration begins March 1, 2021 at noon – Sunday April 4, 2021



www.lethbridgesoccer.com

403-320-5425

Boys and Girls

U4 – U6 (Co-Ed) \$115.00

U7 - U19 (Co-Ed) - \$165.00

Season to start May 10 – July 10, 2021



LFC Competitive information will be made available online at lethbridgesoccer.com or visit our Facebook Page at Lethbridge Soccer Association. LFC Registration will open online March 1, 2021