



<p><b><u>Monday Sept 11<sup>th</sup></u></b></p> <p><i>Canteen orders taken on School Cash Online for Sept 18<sup>th</sup> and beyond</i></p>	<p><b><u>Tuesday Sept 12<sup>th</sup></u></b></p> <p><i>Picture Day</i></p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday Sept 13<sup>th</sup></u></b></p> <p><i>Firedrill 12:45 p.m.</i></p> <p><i>School ends at 2:00 p.m.</i></p> <p><i>Week 1 Fundraiser totals calculated</i></p>	<p><b><u>Thursday Sept 14<sup>th</sup></u></b></p> <p><i>Lakie Cross Country Run @ Nicholas Sheran Park</i></p> <p><i>Terry Fox Day – Bring a Toonie for Terry</i></p> <p><i>Week 2 Power Card sales start</i></p>	<p><b><u>Friday Sept 15<sup>th</sup></u></b></p> <p><i>Fundraiser FISH Friday</i></p> <p><i>Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.</i></p> <p><i>Friday 2 Option</i></p>
<p><b><u>Monday Sept 18<sup>th</sup></u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Tuesday Sept 19<sup>th</sup></u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday Sept 20<sup>th</sup></u></b></p> <p><i>LSAA X-Country Championships @ NS Park</i></p> <p><i>School ends at 2:00 p.m.</i></p> <p><i>Week 2 Fundraiser totals calculated</i></p>	<p><b><u>Thursday Sept 21<sup>st</sup></u></b></p> <p><i>Parent Council 6:30 p.m.</i></p> <p><i>RMBA Author Presentation</i></p>	<p><b><u>Friday Sept 22<sup>nd</sup></u></b></p> <p><i>Treaty 7 Day</i></p> <p><i>Fundraiser FISH Friday</i></p> <p><i>Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.</i></p> <p><i>Friday 1 Option</i></p>

### **Power Card Fundraiser**

This year's annual Power Card Fundraiser kicks off on Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> and runs until September 28<sup>th</sup>. We wish to remind you this is our only fundraiser of the year and funds raised go towards wonderful initiatives in the building. Sales packages will go home with each student on the 7<sup>th</sup>, please watch for these. We ask for your support by setting a target of selling a minimum of three cards per family. More would obviously benefit our community but setting a target of three is both manageable and reasonable. Thanks in advance for your efforts. We will promote the fundraiser at school with some fun FISH Friday activities and many great incentives draws for students selling cards. Please feel free to call Matt Brunner if you have other questions regarding the fundraiser.

### **Picture Day**

Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Smile 😊. The picture schedule will work around PE classes to ensure students get to wear clothing of their choice!

### **Electronic Devices**

As I'm sure you can appreciate, devices are a significant source of stress within schools. Issues resulting from students bringing devices to school range from damage and theft to lack of attention and engagement in the classroom. Furthermore, they sometimes create peer issues due to misuse in and out of school. This leads to many, many hours being lost to dealing with such issues. We encourage all students to leave devices at home. If brought to school, devices must be stored in the student's locker and can only be used before school, lunch time and/or after school. If you need to contact your child, we are more than willing to relay messages through our front office. We ask you to please support us with this policy as it is in the best interest of your child and their learning. Please click [here](#) to view our device policy.

### **Student Drop-Off/Parent Parking**

We welcome parents to use our drop-off loop throughout the day but ask you to be considerate of the handicap parking area. It's marked out with signage and yellow paint. We have many families and services that require use of this space and we ask for your cooperation to keep it accessible.

### **Bus Information**

Southland Transportation Ltd is the provider for bussing in our Division. For more information, as well as access to the MyBusStop app, visit the Southland website at <https://www.letbsd.ab.ca/transportation/mybusstop-app>. To access your school code, visit the page, and enter the password: **southlandcodes**. A reminder that to qualify for bussing, a student's primary address must qualify by being 2.4 km or more away from the school. This is according to the software they use, as opposed to the likes of Google Maps. New bus boundaries, as communicated by the government this past spring, will not come into effect until the 2024-25 school year.

### **Attendance - Absences**

Daily attendance can be monitored via PowerSchool, as mentioned above. If your child is going to be away or needs to leave early, please inform the office in advance. This can be done by phone, or better yet, the Safe Arrival app. You can download this in the app store on your phone (SchoolMessenger app) or submit it on the Safe Arrival website (<https://go.schoolmessenger.com>).

### **Lakie Communication**

Staff at G.S. Lakie will strive to communicate with families, throughout the year, to the best of our abilities. We will utilize many modes of communication to do so. Lakie has a website (<https://gsl.letbsd.ab.ca>), a Facebook account, Twitter account and Instagram account to compliment this weekly Gator Gab newsletter. We will also post some items on our digital sign on the front lawn as well as providing daily, morning announcements to all students in attendance. LSD51 schools also use the School Guide app. If you have students in other schools, all will be live on this app at <https://www.boxcleveredu.ca/our-products/schoolguide-app>. Lastly, in pertinent situations, Synvoices will call home as well. We strongly encourage families to use these tools, along with PowerSchool and Safe Arrival to get the most of your child's time at Lakie.

### **Lakie Online Clothing Store**

We have partnered with Custom Clothing to open an online clothing store that is now active. There are many options with most items available in multiple colors. You can choose to pick your order up at the store, have it delivered to the school or have it delivered to you at home! Since all orders are custom, no refunds will be given. Go to Online Store | Custom Clothing [www.customclothingstore.ca](http://www.customclothingstore.ca) to submit your order today! The store will be open for the foreseeable future with no hard-closing date at the current time.

### **PowerSchool & School Cash Online**

PowerSchool allows you to view updated information on your child's grades, homework and attendance. School Cash Online is an electronic payment system for all fees, etc. ***This year School Cash Online will be used for preordering lunches for your child.***

If you need assistance signing up for PowerSchool or School Cash Online, please call the office at 403-327-3465.

### **Gator Volleyball**

A reminder that our volleyball ID camps will run from September 7-12 for all interested students. Participant abilities will be assessed at that time and all athletes will then be placed into a program that suits their current level of ability. The three levels of play are House, Development and Rep. Details are posted on the athletics tab of our [website](#). A complete season schedule will also be posted here.

### **Lakie Canteen – Need Parent Volunteers!**

For the 2023-24 school year, G.S Lakie is not offering daily canteen services. Instead, there will be a bi-weekly rotation of hot lunches that students can order, two days per week. Orders will need to be made on [School Cash Online](#) the week before, with the cutoff for orders being Wednesday evening of each week. Currently, we are working with Quesada, Boston Pizza, Booster Juice, and Subway as our hot lunch vendors.

Weekly menus will be posted on the school website and in our weekly Gator Gab newsletter. Online ordering will be available Monday, Sept. 11, with the first hot lunch being delivered on Tuesday, September 19. Lakie also provides a well-stocked vending machine on site with an assortment of snacks and drinks.

As was the case last year, we will need parent help to distribute food each day in our canteen (Monday-Thursday). Ideally, our hope is to obtain 8-10 volunteers so each person would only need to commit a couple hours every other week. The commitment would simply require volunteers to take pre-packaged orders and place them in bins for a student from each cohort to pick up just prior to their eating time. The time commitment would be:

Mon, Tue, Thu – 11:10-12:10 p.m.

Wed – 10:45-11:45 a.m.

***If able to assist with this service, please email [matthew.brunner@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:matthew.brunner@lethsd.ab.ca)***

### **Beginner Band Clinics**

Mr. Griffioen is Lakie's new band teacher for 2023/24. He's arranged clinics for new band students to get a jumpstart on learning their instruments. The two dates for these are September 8<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

### **Running Club**

Our annual Lakie Running Club will commence Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. See the attached flyer for details!

### **School Zones**

A reminder from LPS of the newly harmonized school/playground zones which are set to take effect September 5<sup>th</sup>. School zones will have a 30km/h speed limit from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Furthermore, please be cautious when dropping your child off for school. Encourage your child to use crosswalks and look for those that don't to keep everyone safe. The loop in front of our school is a busy drop off and pick up zone. We ask people to please not park in our extended handicap parking zone as we have many families and services needing this each day.

### **LSD Multi-Cultural & Diversity Newsletter – September**

You can find the September edition of the LSD Multi-Cultural & Diversity Newsletter [here](#).

### **Follow Us !!!**

As always, feel free to follow us on Social Media. If you want to see all of the great things that we are doing at Lakie, check us out on one of our Social Media Platforms:



# Food Order Menu

[Click here to order](#)

## Lunch Menu



### Hot Lunch (Sept. 19-27)



#### TUESDAY Sept. 19: Quesada Burritos & Tacos

(Choice of meat or Roasted Veggies)

Tacos (c/w 2 soft Tacos with lettuce & Cheese) \$8.00

8" Burrito (c/w rice, beans, lettuce & Cheese) \$7.25

Jr. Burrito Bowl (c/w rice, beans, corn, tomatoes, lettuce & cheese) \$8.00

#### THURSDAY Sept. 21: Boston Pizza

Personal Size Pizza (Pepperoni/Cheese/Hawaiian) with Drink \$8.00

Personal size Pizza (Pepperoni/Cheese/Hawaiian) no Drink \$6.25

Pasta (Meat Sauce/Marinara Sauce/Tomato Sauce) with Drink \$8.00

Pasta (Meat Sauce/Marinara Sauce/Tomato Sauce) no Drink \$6.25

#### MONDAY Sept. 25: Booster Juice

SMOOTHIES (355ml or 710ml) \$5.75 or \$8.00

Wraps (Various to choose from) \$5.75

Lunch Combo's (Include 355ml Smoothie and Wrap of choice) \$9.00

#### WEDNESDAY Sept. 27: Subway - choice of white or Gluten bun (\$1 extra)

(c/w white cheddar, lettuce, pickles & mayo, choice of drink & cookie)

Meat (Choice of Ham, Turkey, Turkey & Ham) \$8.00

Pizza (c/w pizza sauce, pepperoni, white cheddar) \$8.00

Veggie (c/w white cheddar, lettuce, tomatoes, cucumber, pickles) \$8.00

# School & Community Informational Flyers



Join **LETHBRIDGE SPEEDSKATING**

lethbridgespeedskating.ca  
leth\_bridge\_blades

**Youth ages 5 - 18**  
**Recreational to Competitive Levels**  
**Season runs September to March**  
**Affordable Equipment Rental Available**

FREE "Try B4U" Join held throughout the year  
NEW "Learn to Skate" Program Tuesday Evenings

Contact Issa.sk8r@gmail.com



**G.S. LAKIE RUN CLUB**

Get ready to lace up and get some training runs in before the X-Country school meets.

Tuesdays & Thursdays (1st run on Sept 7th)  
Meet in the foyer at 3:00 pm  
Pick-up is at 3:45

www.gsl.lethsd.ab.ca



**LETHBRIDGE REC HOCKEY**

Interested in hockey but don't want the significant time or financial commitment that often comes with this great sport?

We offer an organized non-checking recreational hockey league for all genders aged 5-17. All skill levels are welcome.

One hour, once a week. Season runs from October to March. Registration closes on September 17, 2023 - spots fill quickly so don't delay!

www.lethbridgerechockey.com



**Why play badminton with us?**

- It's the fastest sport in the world!
- Cheaper than Formula 1
- Burns calories faster than lawn-bowling
- Less injuries than cheese rolling
- More normal than extreme ironing

**What we offer:**

- Youth classes ages 7-19
- Recreational play for all ages
- Private coaching available
- Racquet restringing
- Swag

2023/24



**15TH LETHBRIDGE SCOUTS GROUP**

It's time kids were kids again.  
Scouts.ca/join

**BEAVERS**  
Youth Ages 5 - 7 (K - Grade 2)  
Monday Sept 11th @ 6:15pm - 7:30pm

**CUBS**  
Youth Ages 8 - 10 (Grade 3 - 5)  
Wednesday Sept 13th @ 6:15pm - 7:45pm

**SCOUTS**  
Youth Ages 11 - 14 (Grade 6 - 9)  
Thursday Sept 14th @ 6:30pm - 8pm

**OPEN HOUSE**  
Try out our program for FREE!  
Youth ages 5 - 14 years old can try a meeting for free on the week of Sept 11th - 14th (See dates and times on side of flyer)

Helen Schuler Nature Centre (outdoors)  
300 Indian Battle Rd S  
www.15thLethbridgeScouts.com



www.lethbridgebadmintonclub.ca

lethbadclub@gmail.com

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CAREER EXPLORATION SESSION

# ACTOR

SEPTEMBER 19, 2023  
4:30pm



Actors tell a story by interpreting the work of a writer with the support of a director. Typically, they shape and convey a character using their imaginations, voices, and bodies. To be a great actor, empathy and a deep understanding of humanity are required.



Acting is both a talent and a skill. It demands business savvy – you need to learn financial management and self-promotion to make a living.



Join Judith to find out more about this creative career and her career path.



**Register now for this FREE virtual session!**

Once registered, you will receive an email with the link, plus additional information regarding the event.

Questions? Email [office@careersteps.ca](mailto:office@careersteps.ca)



CAREER EXPLORATION SESSION

# AUTHOR

SEPTEMBER 28, 2023  
4:00pm



An Author is a very creative career that lets your imagination soar. You can be the one who dreams up what's on TV screens or inside the pages of a book. You can write children's stories, different genres from mystery to romance, or even non-fiction!



The sky is the limit! From advertisements to news stories, podcasts to comics – everything we read or sometimes even watch and listen to starts in the mind of an author.



Join Ryan to find out more about one of the most unique careers from sniffing out opportunities to developing your own voice.



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**Career Transitions is offering virtual career exploration sessions. Scan the QR codes for more information!**



CAREER EXPLORATION SESSION

# LIFEGUARD

OCTOBER 11, 2023  
4:00pm



Lifeguarding is in high demand, with positions open not only here in Alberta, but Canada wide. With attention to detail, Lifeguards work hard to prevent incidents from happening through public education and intervention. As a Lifeguard steps on the pool deck, they encounter many individuals and a variety of situations, ranging from helping participants fit lifejackets to jumping into the water for a rescue.



Jill, from the Lethbridge YMCA, will tell you more and answer your questions.



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