




<p><u>Monday Oct 28<sup>th</sup></u></p>	<p><u>Tuesday Oct 29<sup>th</sup></u></p>	<p><u>Wednesday Oct 30<sup>th</sup></u></p>	<p><u>Thursday Oct 31<sup>st</sup></u>  <b>Halloween at Lakie</b>    <b>Students are welcome to dress up!</b></p>	<p><u>Friday Nov 1<sup>st</sup></u>  <b>Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.</b>  <b>Friday 2 Option</b></p>
<p><u>Monday Nov 4<sup>th</sup></u></p>	<p><u>Tuesday Nov 5<sup>th</sup></u></p>	<p><u>Wednesday Nov 6<sup>th</sup></u>  <b>School ends at 2:00 p.m.</b></p>	<p><u>Thursday Nov 7<sup>th</sup></u></p>	<p><u>Friday Nov 8<sup>th</sup></u>  <b>Remembrance Day Ceremony</b>  <b>Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.</b>  <b>Friday 1 Option</b></p>

**Attendance Matters!**

**Did you know?**

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to graduation.
- Frequent absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with schoolwork, dealing with a bully or facing some other difficulty.
- By 6<sup>th</sup> grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may not graduate high school
- By 9<sup>th</sup> grade, attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8<sup>th</sup> grade test scores.
- Missing 10%, or 2 days per month, over the course of the school year, can affect a student's academic success.



### **Halloween at Lakie**

Students are welcome to dress up for Halloween on Thursday, October 31st. The day will be business as usual, but students will have the opportunity to enjoy a haunted house put on by several of our teaching staff. Students will be offered the opportunity to go through the haunted house during PE time. Please review and have your child respect the following costume guidelines:

- ***Participation is voluntary for students, teachers, staff, and administrators.***
- ***Is my costume safe?***
  - ***Will it be comfortable and practical to wear at school?***
  - ***Will I be able to participate in classroom learning while wearing it?***
- ***Come to school wearing your costume. Put makeup and hairspray on at home. Please don't make large messes with makeup and such in our bathrooms.***
- ***Prop headwear (hats, caps & masks) may be worn. Please be unmasked when entering and exiting the school for safety reasons. Full masks cannot be worn during class instruction time.***
- ***No dangerous props (knives, swords, toy guns, etc.)***
- ***Shoes must be worn for safety.***
- ***Costumes should be in good taste. Avoid overly gory or grotesque costumes.***
- ***Please be mindful when choosing costumes that are based on culture. Costumes that perpetuate stereotypes or make fun of other cultures will not be permitted.***

### **Halloween Reflective Armbands**

Thank you very much to our local AMA, and a parent who works there, for the donation of reflective armbands for every student in the school. These will be sent home with students October 31<sup>st</sup> so they can wear them and be safe for Halloween! Please save these with your Halloween costumes so they can be used for years to come!



### **Gator Classic Volleyball Tournament**

Our annual Gator Classic Volleyball Tournament will be held October 25 & 26<sup>th</sup> in the G.S. Lakie gymnasium. Eight boys and eight girls' teams will attend this year's tournament, making it a great draw and competitive atmosphere! The entire girls draw will take place on the Friday with the boys competing Saturday. Click [here](#) to view the tournament schedule.

### **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.

### **Modern Music Academy Clothing**

There's some new clothing out for our new "Modern Music Academy" consisting of Lakie Guitar and Rock n Roses Singers. Check out all the new designs at <https://www.customclothingstore.ca/> and click on the Lakie icon.



### **Dia De Los Muertos**

G.S. Lakie Spanish Bilingual Program will be hosting an ofrenda in celebration of Dia de los Muertos. This celebration will be held the week of **October 28 - November 1st** and is meant to be a joyous opportunity to remember the amazing lives of loved ones who have passed away. While this celebration is not intended to be sad it is also meant to be respectful. All G. S. Lakie students are invited to bring items from home that they could add to our ofrenda. Small pictures, keep sakes or favorite items of their loved ones are welcome contributions. We ask that any items that students would like to contribute to the ofrenda be brought to their advisor teacher who will make sure that they are properly labelled so that they can be returned appropriately. If you would like to learn more about this fascinating cultural practice in many Latin countries feel free to check out this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HtdUV3cDW0w>

### **Spanish Bilingual Education Association**

The Spanish Bilingual Education Association was recently formed to support and grow Spanish bilingual programs in the Lethbridge elementary, middle, and high schools. Additionally, the association will lead engagement and fundraising opportunities that enable students to better understand the Spanish language and cultures.

Want to learn more? Visit our website ([sbea.ca](http://sbea.ca)) and sign up for email updates here: <https://forms.microsoft.com/r/Ze92Uxzx7r>

If you are interested in joining our board of directors, please email [autumnbarnes05@gmail.com](mailto:autumnbarnes05@gmail.com).



### **Yearbook Orders**

You can order your child a yearbook on [School Cash Online](#) for \$35 and they will be delivered to students in late June.

### **Angel Tree 2024**

Registration has opened for families in need of support during the holiday season. You can register for Angel Tree 2024 at using the QR code found below. The deadline to register is November 18<sup>th</sup>.



### **A Need for Band Instruments!**

Do you have a band instrument that is gathering dust? Being forgotten? Is sad because it wants to be played? Consider donating it to the GS Lakie Band programme! We have grown over the last year to over 80 students again and next year will again have 3 full bands.

We need instruments so as many kids as possible have access to band.

If you have an instrument, please contact Dr. G at [keith.griffioen@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:keith.griffioen@lethsd.ab.ca)

### **Lethbridge School Division Digital Wellness Parent Night – November 13th**

The Digital Wellness Team is pleased to announce that we will be hosting our second Digital Wellness Parent Engagement Event on Wednesday November 13th, 2024. This event will be held from 6:00-7:30 PM in the G.S. Lakie Middle School Foyer. Our aim is to give parents and stakeholders the opportunity to learn more about the new Personal Mobile Device and Social Media Use in Schools procedure, and the relationship between technology and education. Attendees will be able to hear about the formation and implementation of the procedure and share perspectives in round table discussions.

Attendance for the event will be limited to 150 individuals, so families, staff, and community members are asked to confirm their attendance using the link provided in the attached flyer. The link can also be found here --> [Parent Engagement Night](#)

### **Salsa in the Swamp**

Families and students from the Spanish Bilingual Program are invited to our *Salsa in the Swamp* event on November 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm held at G.S. Lakie Middle School. You can look forward to salsa dancing, a special performance from Latin Soul Dance Lethbridge, food and a showcase of student work. Donations accepted at the door to cover Spanish Program costs. ¡Nos vemos pronto!

### **Lakie Hot Lunch Orders**

Hot lunch orders need to be made the week before on [School Cash Online](#) with the cutoff 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 our school website and included in our weekly Gator Gab newsletter.

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

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

### **Division Indigenous Education Newsletter – October**

You can find the October edition of the LSD Indigenous Education Newsletter [here](#).

### **Division Digital Wellness Newsletter – October**

You can find the October edition of the LSD Wellness 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:

# School & Community Informational Flyers

## Free Tutor Program

Would you like help in your school studies? The YMCA of Lethbridge is hosting a FREE tutor program for all subjects open to both high school and middle school students. The program will be held in the Upper Galleria at the Cor Van Raay YMCA.

Our tutor programs will be running Monday-Thursday from 4:30pm-7:00pm.

*No membership required!*

For any questions, reach out to Arnaud at: [arnaud.sparks@lethbridgeymca.ca](mailto:arnaud.sparks@lethbridgeymca.ca)




## NAVIGATING TECHNOLOGY TOGETHER

### UPDATE ON DIVISION PERSONAL MOBILE DEVICE AND SOCIAL MEDIA USE IN SCHOOLS PROCEDURE

PLEASE JOIN US

ENGAGE IN LEARNING AND DISCUSSION REGARDING EDUCATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR TECHNOLOGY USE



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE BY OCTOBER 31ST

EVENT FROM 6:00-7:30PM

G.S. LAKIE MIDDLE SCHOOL FOYER

LETHBRIDGE SCHOOL DIVISION | DIGITAL WELLNESS TEAM



## FIELD OF SCREAMS



Spitz Stadium, Lethbridge

ADULTS \$15.00  
CHILDREN (12 & UNDER) \$7.50

We appreciate all donations to the local Food Bank!

October 17, 24	6:30 to 10:30PM
October 18, 19, 25, 26	6:30 to 11:00PM
October 27, 28, 29, 30	6:30 to 9:30PM
October 31 (Halloween)	5:30 to 11:00PM

WATCH FRIDAY THE 13<sup>TH</sup> ON THE BIG SCREEN:  
October 18, 25, 31 (Halloween) 11:00PM

Presented by The Lethbridge Bulls, Prairie Baseball Academy and Under the Lights Sports & Entertainment




NOV 1 8:00 AM-7:00 PM

## HALLOWEEN Candy Buy Back

DOOR PRIZE DRAW WIN OUR SPOOOOOKY PRIZE BASKET!



WE WILL PAY YOU \$1.00 PER POUND!

Lethbridge Dental Services South  
#50 2810 Fairway St. S

G.S. Lakie Spanish Bilingual Program

**JOIN US**

# *Salsa in the Swamp*

**November 27th 2024 at 6:30pm**



**Dancing!**

**Special guest from Latin  
Soul Dance Studio!**

**Food!**

**Student work showcase!**

**Donations at the door to cover Spanish program costs**

## **ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY**



**WHERE:**

School Cash Online  
or in the Office

**WHEN:**

Order by January 31

**PRICE:**

\$35



# Food Order Menu

[Click here to order](#)



## Lunch Menu

### Hot Lunch

**OCT. 29 – Nov. 6**



#### WEEK 1

#### TUESDAY Oct. 29: Quesada Burritos & Tacos

*(Choice of meat or Roasted Veggies)*

Tacos (c/w 2 soft Tacos with lettuce & Cheese) \$8.50

8" Burrito (c/w rice, beans, corn, tomatoes, lettuce & cheese) \$8.00

Jr. Burrito Bowl (c/w rice, beans, corn, tomatoes, lettuce & cheese) \$8.50

#### THURSDAY Oct. 31: 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

#### WEEK 2

#### MONDAY Nov. 4 : Booster Juice

SMOOTHIES (355ml or 710ml) \$5.50 or \$8.75

Wraps (Various to choose from) \$5.50

#### WEDNESDAY Nov. 6: Subway - choice of white or Gluten bun (\$1 extra)

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

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