



<u>Monday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup></u>	<u>Tuesday Feb 4<sup>th</sup></u>  LSD Town Hall 6:30-8:30 pm Victoria Park High School (gym)	<u>Wednesday Feb 5<sup>th</sup></u>  School ends at 2:00 p.m.	<u>Thursday Feb 6<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Friday Feb 7<sup>th</sup></u>  Friday 2 Option  Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.
<u>Monday Feb 10<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Tuesday Feb 11<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Wednesday Feb 12<sup>th</sup></u>  School ends at 2:00 p.m.  Gr 5 Spanish Bilingual Parent Info Night 6:00 pm	<u>Thursday Feb 13<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Friday Feb 14<sup>th</sup></u>  Friday 1 Option  Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.  Last Day For Students

### **Attendance Matters!**

Attendance on Fridays tends to be less consistent compared to other weekdays. For some students, reaching the end of the week can be challenging, while others may perceive Fridays as less important due to the shorter school day. Additionally, some students miss Fridays due to family commitments or extracurricular activities. Regardless of the reason, it is important to emphasize that Fridays at Lakie are not simply a time for relaxation or less serious activities.

While we do celebrate our FISH philosophy with a "FISH Friday" event at the beginning of each Friday, the academic expectations and rigor remain consistent with the rest of the week. In fact, approximately 15% of a student's core class time occurs on Fridays, meaning that missing even one Friday per month can significantly impact their learning.

Over the past few years, we have implemented several changes to our Friday schedule to enhance student engagement and attendance:

- FISH Friday activities now begin just prior to the 8:00 am bell and run until approximately 8:20 am. Aside from being fun and engaging, they also reinforce the four pillars of the FISH philosophy and build community in our school.
- We have introduced a Friday 1/Friday 2 rotation, offering students 1 of 2 of the electives they've chosen. This rotation aims to increase motivation and encourage consistent attendance.
- Core teachers now lead their own classes on Fridays, replacing previous practices where other staff members provided coverage to meet timetable requirements.

These adjustments are designed to create a more engaging and academically rigorous environment, ensuring that Fridays remain a valuable part of the learning experience.

### **Yearbook Orders**

This is a friendly reminder that yearbook sales for the 2024-2025 school year will **close on Friday, January 31st**. The cost is \$35, and yearbooks serve as a cherished keepsake for students. To ensure you don't miss out, please place your order today via [School Cash Online](#). Yearbooks will be distributed in late June to those who have purchased them, with designated time for students to have their peers sign them.

### **Ultra Dance Odyssey**

Mrs. Legge's annual dance show is getting closer! The show will once again take place at the Yates Memorial Centre on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased by calling 403-329-SEAT or online at [GS Lakie Presents ULTRA: A Dance Odyssey | VisitLethbridge.com Arena - Lethbridge, Alberta!](#)

### **LSD Town Hall – Need Volunteers**

The annual Lethbridge School Division Town Hall is scheduled for Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30 pm at Victoria Park High School (gymnasium). Each school has been asked to advertise the event as well as find volunteers to attend. We are in need of six parent volunteers, four students and one community member to attend this event on behalf of our school. A cross section of attendees brings diverse perspectives to the table. Click [here](#) for more information on the event. Please email [brad.dersch@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:brad.dersch@lethsd.ab.ca) if you would like to be a part of this.

### **Personalized Waste Bin Fundraiser**

Mrs. Waldie is running a fundraiser in support of our Dance and Design programs that allows people to purchase personalized waste bin labels! A set of three only costs \$12! Go to [SchoolCashOnline](#) to purchase and then email [kate.waldie@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:kate.waldie@lethsd.ab.ca) the address you would like on your labels to complete the order.

### **Traffic Safety!**

It's been observed and reported that many students aren't taking the necessary safety precautions on their way to and from school each day. Please have a discussion with your child about using crosswalks, looking before crossing roads and accessing safety lights at intersections!

### **Lakie Online Clothing Store**

We have partnered with Custom Clothing to open an online clothing store that is active all year long. 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.

### **Reporting Absences**

Daily attendance can and should be monitored through PowerSchool. If your child is going to be away or needs to leave early, please inform our office staff in advance. The best method to do so is through the **Safe Arrival app**. You can download this in the app store on your phone (SchoolMessenger app) or submit absences through the Safe Arrival website (<https://go.schoolmessenger.com>). Alternatively, you are welcome to excuse your child's absence by calling our front office.

### **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.

**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.

**LSD Multi-Cultural & Diversity Newsletter – January**

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

**Division Indigenous Education Newsletter – January**

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

**Division Digital Wellness Newsletter – January**

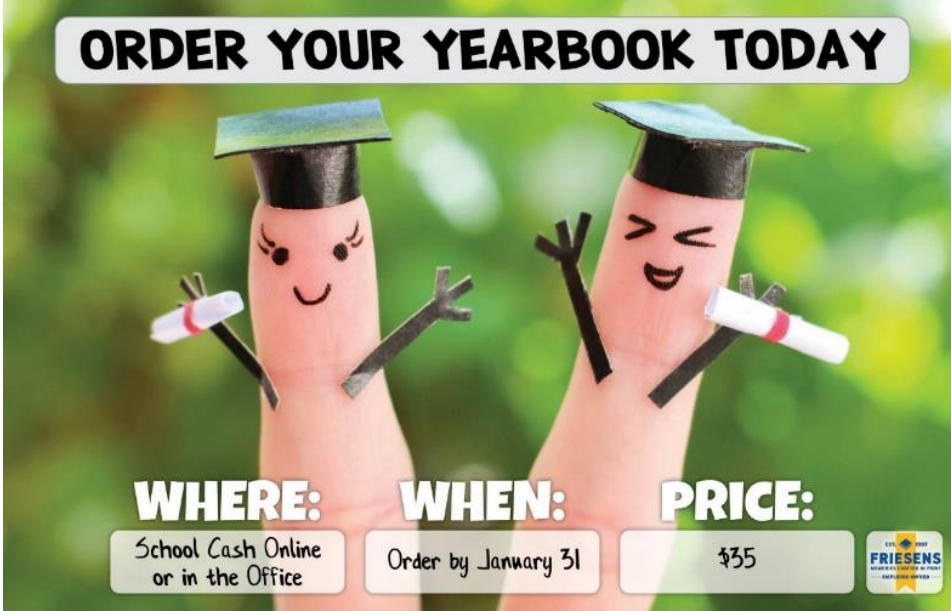
You can find the January edition of the LSD Wellness Newsletter [here](#).

**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



**ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY**


**WHERE:** School Cash Online or in the Office

**WHEN:** Order by January 31

**PRICE:** \$35

**FRIESENS**  
EST. 1989  
Lethbridge, Alberta  
SCHOOL YEARBOOKS

Order your yearbook [here!](#)



**ULTRA**

YATES THEATRE  
**MARCH 6TH**  
GS LAKIE DANCE PROGRAM



**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)

**Y** Lethbridge  
Shine On



# KITSIKAKOMIMM

I LOVE YOU  
2025



In honour of Pink Shirt Day the Lethbridge School Division Indigenous Education team and Mental Health Capacity Building team would like to invite you to take part in an act of kindness this February. Our entire community thrives when we are kind to one another. No matter how small an act, our kindness makes a difference and does not go unnoticed.

We are asking all elementary schools to collect  
Bottled Water  
Non perishable food items

We are asking all middle schools to participate in collecting  
Mitts/Gloves/Toques  
Socks  
Hand and Foot Warmers

We are asking all high schools to participate in collecting  
Personal hygiene products  
feminine hygiene, deodorant, wipes, toothbrushes,  
toothpaste, etc.)

All donations will be collected and distributed to community agencies around Lethbridge that work with and support people in our community.

Collection ends February 26th, 2025

### Collection Info:

Each school will be provided with a basket for donations. Once full please reach out to someone from the Indigenous Education to arrange pick up.



**U12-14 & U15-17 SPRING LEAGUE**

**ATTACK VOLLEYBALL**

**WHO'S GOT NEXT?**

30 MINUTES OF SKILLS AND 90 MINUTES OF GAMEPLAY EVERY SESSION!  
REGISTER AT [ATTACKVOLLEYBALL.CA](http://ATTACKVOLLEYBALL.CA)

### 2025 OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL SOCCER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

[www.lethbridgesoccer.com](http://www.lethbridgesoccer.com) - 403-320-5425 (KICK)

Age Group	Birthcut	Fee	# of sessions	Days Playing	Field	Times
U4 - CoEd Parent & Tot	2021	\$150.00	10 (30 min sessions)	Monday	Servus Sports Centre Indoor Field	5:00pm &/ or 5-5:30pm
U5 - CoEd	2020	\$150.00	10 (45 min sessions)	Monday	Outdoor Servus Sports Centre Field	5:00pm &/ or 6:00pm
U6 - CoEd	2019	\$150.00	10 (45 min sessions)	Wednesday	Outdoor Servus Sports Centre Field	5:00 &/ or 6:00pm
U8 Boys	2017 & 2018	\$225.00	18 (55 min sessions)	Monday & Wednesday	College Field	5:00pm & or 6:00pm &/ or 7:00pm
U8/ U10 Girls	2015, 2016, 2017, & 2018	\$225.00	18 (55 min sessions)	Monday & Wednesday	College Field	6:00pm
U10 Boys	2015 & 2016	\$225.00	18 (1 hr sessions)	Tuesday & Thursday	College Field	5:00pm & or 6:00pm &/ or 7:00pm
U12 Boys	2013 & 2014	\$225.00	18 (1 hr sessions)	Monday & Wednesday	St. Teresa School (North)	5:00pm &/ or 7:00pm
U12/ U14 Girls	2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014	\$225.00	18 (1 hr sessions)	Monday & Wednesday	St. Teresa School (North)	6:00pm
U14 Boys	2011 & 2012	\$225.00	18 (1 hr sessions)	Tuesday & Thursday	Gilbert Paterson School (South)	5:00pm & or 6:00pm &/ or 7:00pm
U16 CoEd	2009 & 2010	\$225.00	18 (1 hr 10 min sessions)	Monday & Wednesday	Winston Churchill School (North)	6pm & 7:30pm
U18 - CoEd	2007 & 2008	\$225.00	18 (1 hr 20 minute sessions)	Tuesday & Thursday	Also Towasawa Park (West)	6pm & 7:30pm

**\*\*\* START TIMES CANNOT BE REQUESTED AS TIMES WILL ROTATE THROUGHOUT THE SEASON \*\*\***  
Sessions will be scheduled during the Victoria Day long weekend (Monday evening)  
**\*\*REGISTRATION STARTS MONDAY APRIL 28 and is complete SATURDAY JUNE 28, 2025\*\***

*Jersey kits included in Registration price- Jersey, shorts and socks*

**U4-U6 Timbers:** An introduction to soccer. All sessions run by USA Staff Coaches, with activities based around players exploring the soccer ball and getting comfortable with an invasion sport. Some small sided scrimmages may be played, but this environment is purely about the players gaining their first touches of a soccer ball.

**U8-U10 Fundamentals:** Individual development is paramount by building a love of the ball. Sessions will challenge players creative side as well introduce them to skills needed in the game such as dribbling, passing and shooting. Scrimmages will be played, but no scores will be kept, and all players will be asked to experience all positions of a soccer match (goalkeeper, defender, midfielder, striker).

**U12-U14 Learning The Game:** This age is classed as 'The Golden Age Of Learning' where skills learnt in the earlier stages are now enhanced as well as an introduction to the tactical side of the game. Scrimmages will be played and although scores will be kept during the game, coaches and players are asked to keep games meaningful, competitive and to avoid blowouts at all costs. There will be no league standings.

**U16-U18 Excel In The Game:** Utilising the technical understanding and tactical skills learnt in the previous three phases to excel in the game. Like the previous 'Learning the Game' phase, coaches are asked to avoid blowouts and keep games competitive throughout.

Personalized  
**Waste Bin Label Fundraiser**

Each label measures 14.5 cm by 14.5 cm and is made of high-quality, permanent vinyl.

**\$12/set of 3**

**TO ORDER:**

- Head to School Cash Online to pay until February 7th.
- Email the address to be put on your labels to:  
[kate.waldie@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:kate.waldie@lethsd.ab.ca)

GSL DANCE & DESIGN  
**FUNDRAISER**

# homework club

What we provide:  
 Homework help  
 Tutoring  
 Quiet/Safe workspace  
 Light snack

Thursday's  
 4:15pm - 5:15pm

CONTACT JEREMY OR KELSEY FOR INFO  
 403-328-2414  
 lh.youthoutreach@gmail.com

**anfca**  
 alberta native friendship  
 centres association

**Sik-Ooh-Kotoki**  
 Friendship Society

## CHALLENGE YOUR BRAIN!

Sunday, Feb. 9  
 1pm-3pm  
 Markin Hall, M1035  
 Parking in LOT F

Open to all  
 students K-12



Try Math Kangaroo  
 Problems!



Fun puzzles that make you  
 think differently



**Special Guest:**  
 Dr. Emily Quesada-  
 Herrera  
 (Math Olympiad 2010/2012)



**Free Treats!**  
 Donuts and refreshments !

Perfect for beginners and math enthusiasts alike

# YOUTH SPORTS CLUB LACROSSE

**Sik-Ooh-Kotoki**  
 Friendship Society

**SPRIT NORTH**

**TUESDAY'S**  
**4PM-6PM**  
 AGES  
**5 - 18**

CALL 403-328-2414 OR EMAIL  
 MANYFINGERSHEALY@ICLOUD.COM

# Food Order Menu

[Click here to order](#)



## Lunch Menu

### Hot Lunch

**FEB. 3-13**



#### WEEK 1

##### MONDAY Feb. 3 : Booster Juice

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

Wraps (Various to choose from) \$5.50

##### WEDNESDAY Feb. 5: 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) \$8.50

Pizza (c/w pizza sauce, pepperoni, white cheddar) \$8.50

Veggie (c/w white cheddar, lettuce, tomatoes, cucumber, pickles) \$8.50

#### WEEK 2

##### TUESDAY Feb. 11: 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 Feb. 13: 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