



<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
<u>Monday Feb 17<sup>th</sup></u>  Family Day  No School	<u>Tuesday Feb 18<sup>th</sup></u>  No School	<u>Wednesday Feb 19<sup>th</sup></u>  No School	<u>Thursday Feb 20<sup>th</sup></u>  Teacher's Convention –  No School	<u>Friday Feb 21<sup>st</sup></u>  Teacher's Convention-  No School
<u>Monday Feb 24<sup>th</sup></u>  Badminton ID Camps Start	<u>Tuesday Feb 25<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Wednesday Feb 26<sup>th</sup></u>  Pink Shirt Day  School ends at 2:00 p.m.	<u>Thursday Feb 27<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Friday Feb 28<sup>th</sup></u>  Friday 2 Option  Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

**Attendance Matters!**

**ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW**

GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MEANS...



- ELEMENTARY STUDENTS**  
read well by the end of third grade
- MIDDLE SCHOOLERS**  
pass important courses
- HIGH SCHOOLERS**  
stay on track for graduation
- COLLEGE STUDENTS**  
earn their degrees
- WORKERS**  
succeed in their jobs

Too many absences—excused or unexcused—can keep students from succeeding in school and in life. How many are too many? 10% of the school year—that's 18 missed days or 2 days a month—can knock students off track.



### **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!](#)

### **Personalized Waste Bin Fundraiser – Feb 7 Deadline**

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.

### **Pink Shirt Day**

GS Lakie, in coordination with the Lethbridge School Division Indigenous Education Team and the Mental Health Capacity Building Team, are creating an act of kindness movement for Pink Shirt Day. **Kitsikakomimm** – means “I love you” in Blackfoot. Our entire community thrives when we are kind to one another. All schools are being asked to bring certain items that could make a difference in our city. Middle schools are asked to bring **mitts, toques, socks, and hand & foot warmers**. Donations will be accepted for the month of February and collected on **February 26<sup>th</sup>**. We will celebrate our act of kindness on that day and ask all students to wear pink to promote the importance of service and kindness to others.

### **Badminton ID Camps**

Badminton ID camps will start the first Monday after Reading Week, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Posters have been included and posted around school for grade level dates and times. If students are unable to attend ID camps, please chat with Mr. Brunner for alternative arrangements. 16 students from each grade level will compete for GS Lakie at a number of tournaments, including LSAA City Championships April 7-9. Students not selected to one of those teams will be invited to participate in our Club badminton program, which will run Wednesdays from 2:00-3:00 pm. Please direct any questions to Mr. Brunner at the school.

### **Alberta Education Assurance (AEA)**

**ATTENTION** grade 7 parents! Please keep an eye out for your access code to complete the AEA survey. Random Access Codes will be mailed out sometime in the coming month to all parents or guardians of grade 7 students. This provides parents opportunity to give feedback in all areas of your student's education at GS Lakie. It is essential in collecting valid data that as many parents/guardians complete the survey as possible, and we appreciate in advance taking the time to provide your thoughts and opinions. More information will be sent out once it has been provided by the government. If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact Mr. Brunner at the school.

### **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 – February**

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

### **Division Indigenous Education Newsletter – February**

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

### **Division Digital Wellness Newsletter – February**

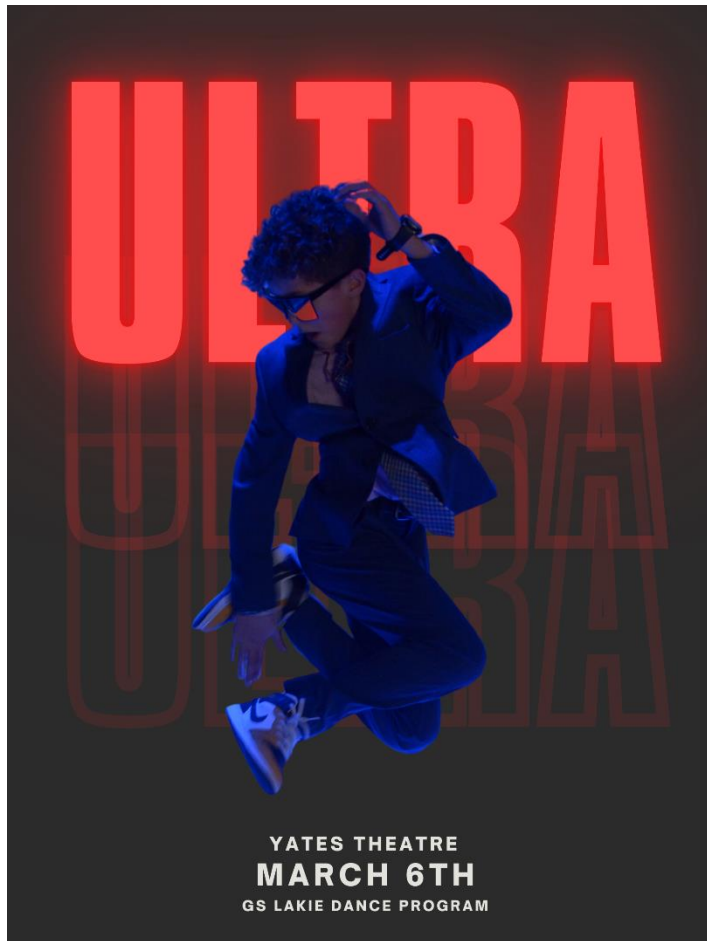
You can find the February edition of the LSD Wellness Newsletter [here](#).

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

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



# School & Community Informational Flyers



**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.

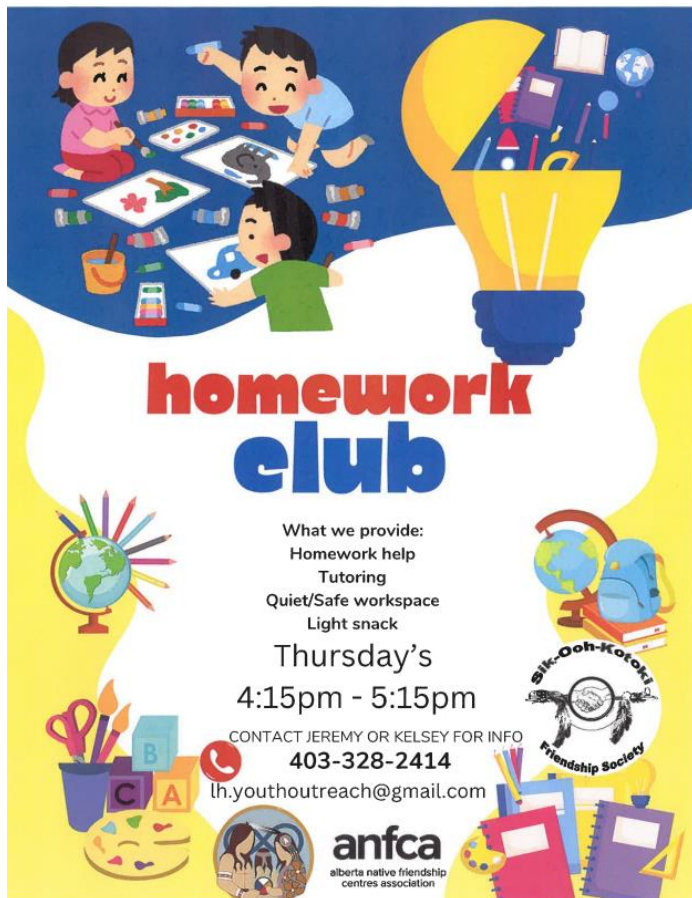
Our tutor programs will be running Monday-Thursday from 4:30pm-7:00pm.

*No membership required!*

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



Shine On




## 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](mailto:lh.youthoutreach@gmail.com)



anfca  
alberta native friendship centres association



## 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





# 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.



WEDNESDAY  
FEBRUARY 26TH



# Pink Shirt Day

Our entire community thrives when we are kind to one another.



Lethbridge School Division is asking all schools to participate in collecting various items for our community. Middle schools are tasked with collecting, **mitts, gloves, toques, socks and hand & foot warmers.**

Items can be brought to your child's classroom.



## 2025 LETHBRIDGE EXPRESS TRYOUTS



**U11 GIRLS**

FEB 22- 9:35-11:15 AM, U OF L FIRST CHOICE SAVINGS CENTRE  
FEB 24- 6:30-8:00 PM, COALBANKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**U13 GIRLS**

FEB 22- 12:55-2:25 PM, U OF L FIRST CHOICE SAVINGS CENTRE  
FEB 24- 8:00-9:30 PM, COALBANKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**U11 BOYS**

FEB 22- 11:20 AM-12:50 PM, U OF L FIRST CHOICE SAVINGS CENTRE  
FEB 25- 6:30-8:00 PM, COALBANKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**U13 BOYS**

FEB 22- 2:30-4:00 PM, U OF L FIRST CHOICE SAVINGS CENTRE  
FEB 25- 8:00-9:30 PM, COALBANKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PLEASE VISIT [HTTPS://LETHBRIDGEBASKETBALL.CA/BASKETBALL/1006/](https://lethbridgebasketball.ca/basketball/1006/) TO REGISTER

## 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:**

- 1 Head to School Cash Online to pay until February 7th.
- 2 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

**GS LAKIE**

# **BADMINTON**

## **ID CAMPS**



### **MON. FEB 24**

**GR. 7 ALL 3:00-4:00**  
**GR. 8 BOYS 4:00-5:00**  
**GR. 8 GIRLS 5:00-6:00**

### **TUES. FEB 25**

**GR. 7 GIRLS 3:00-4:00**  
**GR. 7 BOYS 4:00-5:00**  
**GR. 8 ALL 5:00-6:00**

### **WED. FEB 26**

**GR. 6 GIRLS 3:00-4:00**  
**GR. 6 BOYS 4:00-5:00**  
**GR. 7 ALL 5:00-6:00**

### **THURS. FEB 27**

**GR. 8 INVITE 3:00-4:00**  
**GR. 6 BOYS 4:00-5:00**  
**GR. 6 GIRLS 5:00-6:00**



# 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