



<p><u>Monday Mar 17th</u> <i>Professional Learning Day for Staff – No School for Students</i></p>	<p><u>Tuesday Mar 18th</u> <i>Term 3 Begins</i></p>	<p><u>Wednesday Mar 19th</u> <i>School ends at 2:00 p.m.</i></p>	<p><u>Thursday Mar 20th</u> <i>School Council 6:30 pm</i></p>	<p><u>Friday Mar 21st</u> <i>Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.</i> <i>Friday 2 Option</i></p>
<p><u>Monday Mar 24th</u> <i>Marine Bio Trip</i></p>	<p><u>Tuesday Mar 25th</u> <i>Marine Bio Trip</i> <i>Lakie Badminton Tourney – Gr 6</i></p>	<p><u>Wednesday Mar 26th</u> <i>Marine Bio Trip</i> <i>LSD Digital Wellness Day</i> <i>Lakie Badminton Tourney – Gr 7</i></p>	<p><u>Thursday Mar 27th</u> <i>Marine Bio Trip</i> <i>Lakie Badminton Tourney – Gr 8</i></p>	<p><u>Friday Mar 28th</u> <i>Students are dismissed at 11:30 a.m.</i> <i>Friday 1 Option</i></p>

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.



Alberta Education Assurance (AEA)

ATTENTION grade 7 parents! Alberta Education administers an annual assurance survey for students and parents in grades 4, 7 & 10. The survey provides parents the opportunity to give feedback in all areas of your child's education at GS Lakie. For data to be as valid as possible, we ask all grade 7 families to complete the survey prior to the **March 21st deadline**. Data from the survey is somewhat of a "report card" for our school and is essential for future planning. Each grade 7 student's household will receive one random access code (RAC) to complete the survey. An information package, along with your RAC, will be sent home. The RAC is only for the parent survey, grade 7 students will complete theirs at school.

If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact Mr. Brunner at the school.

Middle School Registration for 2025/26

Middle school and high school registration will open Monday, March 10th. Information from Lakie for grade 5 students moving into grade 6 will be sent directly to each feeder school, with key dates for orientations and parent nights outlined. Registration is the first step of preparing for next year followed by option selection which will open Friday, May 9th. 2025/26 student registration will occur through the [School Engage](#) platform, which can be accessed through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Please complete your registration in a timely manner to assist us with the preliminary stages of planning for the fall.

Lost Locks

Communication will go out to all families on Monday, March 3rd regarding an ongoing issue with students not latching their locks and locks going missing as a result. Due to the volume of locks being replaced, we will start enforcing an existing rule where students will be charged for replacement costs (\$12). Please have a conversation with your child about always latching their locks. This not only protects their belongings but also ensures their lock doesn't go missing.

Online Safety Presentation

The Alberta Law Enforcement Response Teams (ALERT) Internet Child Exploitation (ICE) unit is welcoming parents/guardians/caregivers to attend an evening information session on the realities of internet child exploitation in Alberta, and strategies to navigate these issues in an open and collaborative way with children.

The event will take place on **March 27 at 7 p.m.**, inside the **Casa Community Room at 230-8 St. S.**

Click [here](#) for more information.

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 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 – March

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

Division Indigenous Education Newsletter – March

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

Division Digital Wellness Newsletter – March

You can find the March 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

School

**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN**

For **2025/26**

OPENS MARCH 10

Registration for students entering Grades 6-8 opens on March 10. New families to Lethbridge School Division must create a SchoolEngage account and complete the 2025/2026 Registration form. Returning families can sign in to SchoolEngage with their existing PowerSchool Parent Portal account.



School Engage Sign Up:

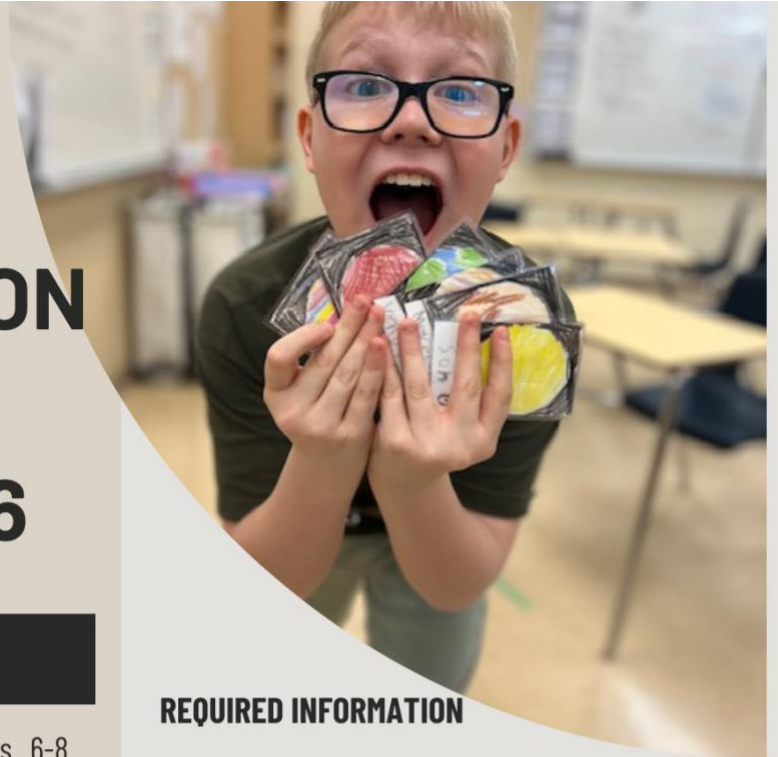
<https://ps.lethsd.ab.ca/public/home.html>

School Engage Parent User Guide:

<https://gsl.lethsd.ab.ca/download/491037>

PowerSchool Link:

<https://ps.lethsd.ab.ca/public/home.html>



REQUIRED INFORMATION


- Proof of child's age & legal name
- Proof of child's address
- House number and street address
- Home, cell & business phone numbers
- Notification of special medical conditions
- Alberta Health Care number (optional)
- Caregiver name, if child is in care of an adult other than parent/guardian
- Name & address of child's previous school
- A copy of child's most recent report card

School Information

- ☎ 403-327-3465
- 🌐 <https://gsl.lethsd.ab.ca>
- ✉ gslakie@lethsd.ab.ca
- 📍 50 Blackfoot Blvd West




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LETHBRIDGE
PARTNERED WITH HORNS RE



YABBA

KIDS AND TEENS
FITNESS CLASSES FOR
AGES 3+




**6 WEEK PROGRAM STARTS
MARCH 14TH**

- Teens: ages 8-13
classes run Fridays at 4:50-5:30pm
- Kids: ages 3-7
classes run Fridays at 4:10-4:40pm

Classes will help youth learn proper lifting techniques, increase overall power and speed all while having a lot of fun. Lets help kids be strong, confident and so much more with the benefits of strength training

REGISTER NOW AND JOIN YABBA!!!!

Email yabbafitnessprogram@gmail.com to register



THUNDER FC EVALUATIONS

BOYS U10 & U13 MARCH 21ST 6-7PM MARCH 22ND 12-1PM		BOYS U15 & U17 MARCH 20TH 8-9PM MARCH 22ND 1-2PM
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**SHIFT COMMUNITY REC CENTRE
IN COALDALE**



**OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS OF
SOUTHERN ALBERTA**

FOR INFO
COALDALETHUNDER.CA

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Some of the topics we will discuss include:

- who we are and what we do;
- the internet and social media;
- child luring and sextortion;
- artificial intelligence and emerging online sites/apps; and
- how we can work together to keep kids safe online.

JOIN US
March 27, 2025
7:00 p.m.
Casa Community Room
230 8th St S,
Lethbridge, AB

Please note the presentation runs approx. 2 hours






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



Food Order Menu

[Click here to order](#)



Lunch Menu

Hot Lunch

MARCH 18 - 26



WEEK 1

TUESDAY March 18: 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 March 20: 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 March 24 : Booster Juice

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

Wraps (Various to choose from) \$5.50

WEDNESDAY March 26: 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