APRIL 14 - APRIL 18 SJF NEWSLETTER



Severe Weather









Spring is in the air, and things are buzzing at SJF! As we head into the final stretch of the school year, we have lots of exciting updates, events, and important reminders to share. Thank you for being a part of our amazing school community—we're so glad you're here!

🞓 Grade 9 Transition Info 🎓

Chinook High School

- Parent Info Evening: May 6 @ 6:30 PM in the Media Centre
- Registration: PowerSchool open May 9-16
- **Tours:** Limited tours available in late June email chs@leths.ab.ca to book LCI
- Parent Info Night: April 14 @ 6:30 PM in the LCI Large Gym
- Option Selection: Available on PowerSchool from April 14-29

🚓 Parking Safety Reminder from SJF 🚓

Student safety is our top priority! Please help us keep drop-off and pick-up times safe by following these key guidelines:

- Use designated drop-off zones avoid stopping in the road •
- No parking in bus zones keep them clear at all times
- **Respect accessible parking** only park with a permit
- Watch for pedestrians drive slowly and stay alert
- **Use crosswalks** always cross at designated areas





Did you know that Senator Joyce Fairbairn was not only a trailblazing politician but also an honorary chief? In 1990, she was inducted into the Kainai Chieftainship of the Blood Nation and given the name "Morning Bird Woman." This honor recognized her dedication to Indigenous communities and her efforts to support their causes. Sources: University of Lethbridge, Wikipedia, Lethbridge Herald

Did vou know

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

April 18 - 27 Spring Break (No School)

May 09 Grade 5 Tour/ Orientation

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INFORMATION FOR GRADE 5 PARENTS & GUARDIANS WHOSE CHILD WILL BE COMING TO SENATOR JOYCE FAIRBAIRN MIDDLE SCHOOL IN GRADE 6

FAIRBAIRN

REGISTRATION

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR GR. 55

Alberta Education requires a new updated registration form for every student in the province. This requirement can be fulfilled by looking into your parent PowerSchool account and updating your students registration for the 2025/2026 school year.

Registration is now open in PowerSchool. Please complete your school registration by April 14.

GRADE 5 ORIENTATION:

May 9: Grade 5 students will walk or bus over to SJF for an orientation.

ADMIN VISITS GRADE 5 STUDENTS May 13: Probe

May 14: Nicholas Sheran and Coalbanks

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

OPTIONS

GRADE 6 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

May 6: 5:30-6:30 at SJF

Come for a tour and a short presentation. Meet the grade 6 and option teachers. PowerSchool option courses will be open on **May 9** and close **May 23.** Please have your student log in to select the options they want. Please know that students may not get the options they want, but there are opportunities to switch after the term starts. *Grade 6 students need one music and one art option.*

OPEN HOUSE

August 28: Students are welcome to come with their parents to the school to meet the teachers, see their classrooms and get their locks.

> Last Names: A-L: 1:00pm-2:00pm M-Z: 2:00pm-3:00pm

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LEARNING COMMONS CORNER

Welcome to the Learning Commons Corner! This is your go-to spot for all the exciting happenings in our Learning Commons at SJF. From new books to STEM challenges, there's always something fun and engaging happening in our space!



STEM Challenge: Constellation Creations!

& Can you design and build your own constellation using pipe cleaners and beads?

Instructions:

- 1. Choose a real constellation or invent your own! (You can provide star maps or let students get creative.)
- 2. Use pipe cleaners as the "lines" connecting the stars and beads as the "stars" in your constellation.
- 3. Make sure your constellation stays intact when held up!

Bonus Challenge:

- **Storytelling Twist:** Name your constellation and create a short myth or legend to explain its meaning!
- **Glow-in-the-Dark Upgrade:** Use glow-in-the-dark beads or paint to make your constellations shine!

SUMMER CAMP MAGRATH, AB

VOLLEYBALL CAMP

JULY 28-AUG 2, 4-7, 2025

Sessions for students entering gr. 7-12 in the fall of 2025 \$150 LEAD COACH: SHANE ORR

REGISTER NOW





complete info on our website! www.reachvolleyballcamp.com







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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

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What is the IB program?

• an international program that encourages students to ask challenging questions, to critically reflect, to develop research skills, and to learn how to learn.

What is the IB program?

- Challenges students academically
- IB students learn a variety of skills (including time management, and organization)
- Learn with like-minded individuals
- Engage in a global curriculum
- Prepares you for life after high school, including a post secondary education

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CHURCHILL IB PROGRAM

Grade 8 presentation at Senator Joyce Fairbairn Middle School on Tuesday March 4, 2025

12:30pm - 1:00pm in the Learning Commons



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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*

