

Leask Community School Newsletter

MARCH 2025

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Message from School Administration

The saying is that March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb....looks like March may come in like a lamb! It is so nice to finally see a break in the frigid February temperatures and with that comes many activities both academic and extra-curricular at Leask School! Our annual ski trip for 6-12 is happening on March 6th. It is always a day full of fun, exercise and time outside! Dress for the weather and stay safe! Our senior boys basketball team is hosting Conferences on March 8th. Come cheer on the Rams as they fight for a spot at Regionals! Our high school will be participating in a culture camp out at askiy-kamik. Activities include fire teachings, first aid in the wilderness and stories around the fire. Student led conferences are also happening in March. Mark your calendars for March 20th after school to chat with staff about your child's progress. With so much going on the month is sure to fly by!

Lindsey Burym – Principal
Tracy Henderson - Vice Principal

What's Going On?

Mar 3	Cyber Bully Presentation Grade 5-9
Mar 4	Culture Camp Grade 9-12
Mar 6	Ski Trip Grade 6-12
Mar 8	Sr. Boys Basketball Conf Play-offs
Mar 10	NO SCHOOL - PD/Prep Day
Mar. 11-14	Math Literacy Week
Mar 12	Winter Festival
Mar. 20	Student Led Conferences
Mar 21	NO SCHOOL – Day in Lieu
Mar. 25	Grad Photos
Mar 26	SCC Meeting 3:30pm
Apr. 3	Career Fair
Apr. 3	No HEALTH HUT
Apr 10	Good Food Box
Apr. 18-27	NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
May 9	NO SCHOOL – Prep Day

NEED SHOES

We are looking for children's running shoes. Preferably Youth 12-size 6

If you have any hanging around, we will gladly accept any donations.

Thank-you for your help!



SKI TRIP

TABLE MOUNTAIN

March 6th

GRADES 6-12



CAREER FAIR

APRIL 3RD

Looking for local business owners or professionals to come participate.

12:30-2:30pm.

Please contact Sarah Milliken if you are interested in having a booth!

sarah.milliken@spiritsd.ca or call 306-466-2206

There will be NO HEALTH HUT

APRIL 3RD

due to the Career Fair so please remember to pack a bag lunch!

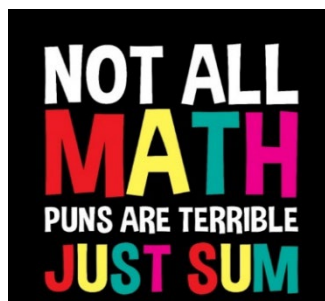


March 12th, the grade 11/12 class will be holding a Winter festival for Leask School as part of their Service hours for Phys-Ed. The afternoon will be spent participating in a variety of traditional winter activities.

High school students can get geared up for a swede saw competition, log throwing, snow shoeing, and leg wrestling, just to name a few.

Elementary can also take part in sled races, leg wrestling, sculpture making, etc. Snow and temperature pending, there may even be a small dog team for the grade 11/12's to run around the track.

We hope the weather is great for that afternoon, and look forward to friendly competition, with all points going towards our house teams.



**Math
Literacy Week**

March 11-14th

WINTER CULTURE CAMP

Leask Community School is hosting a Winter Culture Camp at askiy-kamik on Tuesday March 4th for students in Grades 9-12. We will follow the schedule below and are planning to proceed unless it is colder than -20 degrees Celsius with the wind chill. An announcement will be made on Edsby if we must cancel.

If students are not prepared to spend the day outside, they will not be able to come to the island and participate. Students are expected to bring a jacket, ski pants, toques, mitts/gloves, scarves, and winter boots. Students are also expected to bring their own water bottles.

A hot dog lunch will be provided but students are expected to bring water bottles and snacks for the day.

Parents are welcome to attend the Winter Culture Camp, but we ask that you please let your child's teacher (or Mrs. Milliken) know that you plan to attend.

A Knowledge Keeper will be on site in the cabin throughout the day if students want to connect or need a space to warm up.

9:45 - Depart LCS

10:15 - Arrival & House Keeping

10:30-11:15 - Session 1

11:15-12:00 - Session 2

12:00-12:30 - Lunch (provided by our Commercial Cooking 30 class TBD)

12:30-1:15 - Session 3

1:15 - Wrap Up & Debrief

1:30 - Depart askiy-kamik

Sessions include snowshoeing and collecting seeds; storytelling by the fire (possibly with tea); basic winter first aid; and emergency fire building.

Please contact Mrs. Milliken at the school (or on Edsby) if you have any questions or concerns.



MARCH 25th

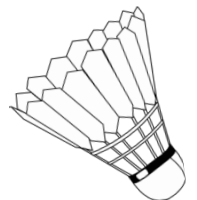


April 10th
Money due
by:
March 28th

BADMINTON (Gr.7-12)

Practices will take place on Wednesdays from 3:15-4:45pm. Students must have rides arranged; the van availability is TBD.

Any questions, please contact
Mrs. Milliken!



Thank-you to all our sponsors who supported the Senior Boys Basketball team for the 2024-2025 season



LCS is very proud of our boys as they placed 2nd in the invitational tournament we hosted in February! We had 11 teams attend over 3 days and it was a very successful event.

Coming up next is Senior Boys Basketball Conferences which are being hosted once again in Leask!

Please come out to watch some great ball and support our boys Saturday March 8th starting at 11:00am.

Admission for SHSAA play-offs is a requirement of the association to help provide opportunities for our youth

\$7 - Adults

\$5 - Grade 7-12,

FREE - 11 & under

Reminder that anyone under the age of 14 is to be accompanied by an adult to this event.

LEASK COMMUNITY SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

2025 MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23	24	25	26	27	28	01
02	03 Penne Marinara with Veg & Garlic Toast K	04 Chicken & Bacon Ranch Wraps with Fruit	05 Grilled Cheese with Pickles & a Yogurt Parfait K	06 French Toast with Sausage & Fruit	07 NO HEALTH HUT Hot Dog Fundraiser K	08
09	10 NO SCHOOL - PD/PREP	11 Hot Roast Beef & Cheddar with a Watermelon Triangle	12 2X3 Meatballs with Mashed Potatoes K	13 1/6 Pizza with Veggies	14 5+5 Perogies with Veg K	15
16	17 Chicken Burger with Veggies	18 Sausage & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich with Fruit K	19 Sweet & Sour Chicken with Fried Rice	20 Creamy Broccoli & Cheddar Soup with Garlic Toast K	21 NO SCHOOL - DAY IN LIEU	22
23	24 Tuna Melt with Pickles & Veggies K	25 Greek Pork Skewers with Veg & Garlic Focaccia	26 Smokie with Potato Wedges K	27 Chicken Fingers with Caesar Salad	28 Chicken Bacon Ranch Wrap with Fruit K	29

Promoting Good Attendance All Winter Long



WHAT CAN PARENTS DO?



Every winter, bad weather — snow, slush, freezing temperatures or even heavy rains — can present challenges to getting children to school. So do the illnesses such as colds, flu, fevers and earaches that often come with the winter months. Students might also have to stay home due to Covid-19.

1. Develop back up plans for getting your children to school in bad weather.

- a. Check to see who can give your children a ride to school if you aren't able to take them or the bus doesn't arrive.
- b. Talk with your school about forming a "walking school bus" with other families to get students to school safely.
- c. Contact your local government if roads to school are not regularly plowed.
- d. Join other families to clear snow from the sidewalks closest to the school.
- e. Tell school administrators about transportation challenges, including safety, and ask if they have plans for transporting students.

2. Keep your children healthy.

- a. Maintain a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- b. Ensure students eat a good breakfast every morning or check to see if your school serves breakfast.
- c. Ensure your children visit their medical provider and have received their vaccines, including flu and Covid.
- d. Stress hand washing, particularly before and after eating, and after using the restroom.
- e. Reinforce the importance of avoiding close contact with individuals who are sick, and not sharing cups and/or utensils with others.
- f. If your children seem anxious about going to school, ask teachers, school counselors, your medical provider and parents for advice on how to make your children feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- g. If you are concerned your children may have Covid, call your medical provider or school nurse for advice.

3. Keep your children engaged in learning if they cannot attend school in person.

- a. Ask your teacher or school for resources that you can use at home to keep your children learning, including computer tablets, internet access and online learning platforms.
- b. Identify who can support your children's learning at home, especially if you must go to work.
- c. Encourage your children to call classmates and stay connected to the teacher to find out about what they missed.

To learn more about attendance and strategies that make a difference visit www.attendanceworks.org