

**IMPORTANT  
DATES:**

- **Nov. 4** - School Wide Assembly @ 9:00 am
- **Nov. 4** - Wear Red!
- **Nov. 10** - Remembrance Day Service at Cenotaph @ 10:45am
  - JEES Clothing Due
- **Nov. 11** - Remembrance Day: NO SCHOOL
- **Nov. 14** - Day in Lieu: NO SCHOOL
- **Nov. 15** - PD Day: NO SCHOOL
- **Nov. 21** - School Council Mtg. @ 6:30 pm
  - Operation Christmas Child Boxes due
- **Nov. 22** - Parent Teacher Interviews (Gr. 1, 2, ECMW/M2)
  - Report Cards
  - Book Fair
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- **Nov. 24** - Parent Teacher Interviews (Gr. 3, 4, ECTT/T2)
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- **Nov. 30** - Booster Juice Lunch

# Jennie Emery Newsletter

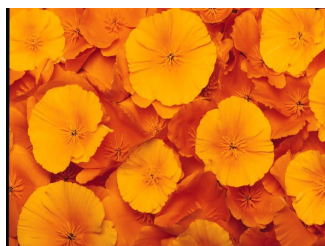
NOVEMBER 2011

## Website

### Our Website

Just a reminder that J.E.E.S. has their own website! Check us out at [www.jees.ca](http://www.jees.ca). The site has current calendars, newsletters and other school events. Also, by clicking on your child's homeroom parents can access their child's teachers. If you want a

newsletter emailed to you, sign up your email, hit subscribe, and then when the newsletters are uploaded each



month, one will automatically be emailed to you!

**ANYONE WISHING TO UNSUBSCRIBE TO THE ELECTRONIC VERSION OF THE JEES NEWSLETTER MAY DO SO ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE JEES WEBSITE.**

## School Wide Assembly

The Jennie Emery Elementary School assembly will be held at 9:00 a.m. on **Friday,**

**November 4th, 2011.** Grade 3's will be hosting the assembly this month. Everyone is invited to join us at

the assembly.

## School Fees



School fees for the 2011-12 school year are **NOW DUE AND PAYABLE.**

Thank you to those families who have already paid the school fees. We would like ALL fees paid and utilized for this school year to ensure that our

students have the best possible education advantages.

If you anticipate financial difficulties in remitting these fees to the school office, please contact the school office as soon as possible to make arrangements

for payment of these fees. We are also open to assisting you with setting up a monthly payment schedule - a smaller monthly fee is easier to handle than one large fee.

## No School

-The Remembrance Day Holiday takes place **Friday, November 11th.**

There will be no school for students or staff.

-There will be no school for staff or student on **Monday, November 14th.**

This day is in lieu of evening parent teacher interviews.

-There will be no school for students on **Tuesday, November 15th**

either. This is a PD day for teachers.

## Remembrance Day



We will once again be joining R.I. Baker Middle School and other organizations

in the community for a Remembrance Day Service for the Town of Coaldale. The service will be held on

**November 10, 2011** at the cenotaph south of the ice arena. The program will begin at approximately 10:45 a.m.

# Parent Teacher Interviews



As part of the on-going communication teachers have with parents/guardians, JEEES conducts two formal

parent teacher interviews per year. Dates for interview one are: **Tuesday, November 22 (3:30 – 8:30pm) and Thursday, November 24 (3:30 - 8:30pm).** We strongly encourage all parents/guardians to join us with their child. If

these dates are not feasible, please contact your child's homeroom teacher to arrange for alternate dates.

Interviews are scheduled in the teacher's rooms. A form will be sent home soon, please return it A.S.A.P.

## Welcome Aboard

The staff at JEEES would like to extend a warm welcome to all of the University practicum students who will be working with teachers at JEEES in the coming weeks.

## Report Cards

Report cards will be handed out at the parent teacher interviews.

## School Spirit Committee

Thank you to those families who donated food for our Thanksgiving Food Drive. We had awesome participation for Orange and Black Day on October 7th. Thanks for showing your JEE school spirit. For the Grade 3 assembly on NOVEMBER 4th,

everyone is invited to wear RED. November marks the kick off to Operation Christmas Child boxes. Families are invited to fill boxes for those less fortunate in 10 different countries. There will be a big box in the office if you would like to donate one item for a

Christmas Box instead of making one. The deadline this year is NOVEMBER 21st. Be listening for a new school spirit activity Whisper Wednesday! Once again this year we will be collecting socks for the annual Sock It to Them Sock Drive so start collecting those socks.

## News From The Gym

We were very fortunate to have had the Southern Alberta Curling Association come and do a presentation on the sport of curling for the Gr. 3 and Gr. 4 students in October. The students had a great time learning how to play the game and sliding the indoor rocks in the gym. Thanks a whole bunch to Bob Takasaki for helping to bring this program to our school. Junior Curling started on the 24<sup>th</sup> of October, but I'm sure if you ask politely Bob would love to have more curlers. You can

contact him at the Coaldale Curling Club during business hours if you have any questions or Mr. H at school. Also, thanks a bunch to the parents who volunteered their time to help with the Curling Rox! In November we will be starting up a noon hour drop-in intramural program. Monday is for the Gr. 1's, Tuesday is for the Gr. 2's, Wednesday is for the Gr. 3's and Thursday is for the Gr. 4's. We'll be playing a variety of games until the Christmas concert stage takes our space in December. As well, the Gr. 1-3 classes will tie

up the volleying unit and begin a short gymnastics unit then move on to some dance. The Gr. 4 classes will get their volleyball unit underway, move to a short gymnastics unit and then have a student choice unit, which will take us into December. Finally, the Kindergarten classes will start adding low organization space awareness games into the gym class as well as tying up Perceptual Motor Circuits until January.



## Gr. 4's Get to Visit Author Sigmund Brouwer

JEES grade 4 classes have been invited to RIBMS next Tuesday (November 8th) at 9:00 am to hear Alberta author

Sigmund Brouwer. Parents are also invited to attend. Mr. Brouwer will have his books available for \$5 each

and he will autograph any requests also.



## CHECK-IT-OUT from the Library



It is that time again....BOOK FAIR time. Our Usborne book lady will be here on November 22 and the 24th, during Parent Teacher Conference times. She will be set up in the foyer outside the library for viewing and purchasing. The Usborne books are fabulous and we

THANK YOU for your support in advance. Great gifts for Christmas for the children that have everything else!!! \*\*Look for advertising going up around the school for preview times etc. Any questions please see Ms. Reti in the library.

We hope you have enjoyed the pictures that have been on display...the display was soo late in getting to us ...the museum has waived the fee...no cost to our school! We have a new

exhibit coming in Nov., it is the one that was written up in late months newsletter. The landscapes by Dean Frances: Prairie Observations.

New books will be hitting the shelves soon from Ms. Reti's buying spree in Calgary last month. So many books, soooo little time!!!

A big double thank you to R.I. Baker Middle School for inviting the grade 4's to a book signing of author, Sigmund Brouwer on November 8th!

## Special Events Committee

### JEES CLOTHING

Several years have passed since JEES clothing has been offered to our students. The Special Events Committee is offering school apparel on a **preorder** basis, the following items are being offered. All items will be available in **white or jersey grey** except the toque, which is only in black. Sample Sizes are available in the JEES office.

**T-shirt** Available in - Youth sizes XS thru XL \$7.00

- Adult sizes S thru XL \$8.00

### **Long sleeve T-shirt**

Available in - Youth sizes S thru XL \$11.00

### **Hoodie** Available in -

Youth sizes S thru L \$19.00

- Adult sizes S thru XL \$21.00

### **Full front zipper hoodie**

Available in - Youth sizes S thru L \$26.00 (Adult XXL-3XL available at an additional charge)

(Staff who want the word STAFF on a sleeve it is an

additional \$2.50 per item)

### **Toque** -One Size fits most.

Black in color with JEES embroidered \$8.50

### **ORDERS ALL DUE**

**BY THURSDAY**  
**NOVEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>,**

**2011**

Logo on shirts and hoodies:



# Special Events Committee Continued

## CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS

We are continuing to collect Campbell's soup labels for our school.

This program allows us to get some great extras for our school at no cost only man-hours to count the labels that come in. The Special Events Committee information board has a list of what products qualify. All it takes is to remove the **entire label** off the cans with the **UPC code intact** and send them to the school with your child. There is a drop off can in the school office. Thank you for your support on this worthwhile project.

## CUPCAKE SALE

We will be holding our first cupcake sale on **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2011.**

Cupcakes will be offered for sale at a cost of 0.25

cents each and there is an initial purchasing limit of two cupcakes per person. After all classes have had a opportunity to purchase, students will be allowed to purchase the remaining cupcakes on a first come first serve bases.

Parents will be asked to contribute the cupcakes for the sale. The room reps will be contacting the parents that are needed closer to the sale. We would like to "Thank" everyone in advance for your help and support in making our cupcake sales a huge success. The kids really do love them.

## SPECIAL LUNCH

Our next special lunch will be held on **Wednesday,**

**November 30th.** We will be having **"Booster Juice and/or**



**Quesadilla"**. Watch for order forms coming home with your child. If your child is not taking part in this special lunch please still return the form with their name on it and an "X" put through the order form and send a lunch a usual.

## Head Lice Committee

Remember that lice cannot fly or jump from one person to another they can only crawl (fast). They spread by head to head contact or by sharing personal items like combs, headbands, hats etc. The colder weather does not get rid of them; they stay nice and warm on the scalp at the nap of the neck and behind the ears. If we keep checking our children regularly, and properly treating (if needed), we can keep the number of head-lice in our school down. Keep up the great work!

# School Council Update

Next JEES School Council Meeting:

**Monday November 21, 2011**

All meetings are at 6:30 p.m. in the school staff room

## **DID YOU KNOW.....**

The role of Parent Council is to advise your school and school board on how your child's education is planned and put into action!

**And....**

**According to a 2008 Alberta Council Survey parent involvement in school and council often**

**results in a student'**  
**-increased achievement in school**  
**-increased attendance at school**  
**-higher high school completion rate**

Mr. Fender will be sharing the Jennie Emery goals at the Parent Council Meeting on November 21. This is your opportunity to give constructive feedback to your school.

Just a reminder, according to our School Council Bylaws, any parent, staff member, board member or community member who wishes to present an issue to the council on which

they are requesting action be taken should submit a written request to the Chairperson (Mrs. Sandra Smith) at least eight (8) days prior to the meeting. Please email these requests to Mrs. Smith at chinook400@hotmail.com. Please ensure your request clearly states the issue and the reason you would like it discussed.

**WATCH FOR PARENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES ON THE JENNIE EMERY WEB PAGE UNDER THE PARENT COUNCIL TAB (AGENDA'S, MINUTES, MEETING DATES)**

# Triple P Parenting Program

The Triple P Parenting Program is an internationally recognized parenting program which promotes positive caring relationships between parents and

their children. This program helps parents develop effective strategies for dealing with a variety of behaviours and common developmental issues.

For more information, call 403-345-3000  
Triple P Practitioner - Maria Klassen

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**- Thank you to all the students and staff who contributed to the Terry Fox Walk. Our school raised \$653.00 and the Special Events Committee donated \$347.00 to make it an even \$1,000.00 for this very worthwhile cause.**

**- Thanks to our Special Events Committee for all your hard work!**

# Superintendent Message

Hello, everyone,

Welcome to November, an important month for our students, staff and families.

This is report card month, an excellent time to get an update on student learning so far this school year.

I say it's an excellent time.

It's certainly not the only time for such an update.

Across Palliser, our teachers and administrators are working very hard on increasing communication with parents/guardians throughout the year. I hope you've noticed this concerted effort.

At some of our schools, this focus on communication has involved a change up to parent-teacher interviews so these meetings occur before report cards are issued.

Issues can be raised early.

Report cards then serve to affirm what's already been discussed.

Regardless the timing, parent-teacher interviews or

student-led conferences are an important communication tool.

I encourage all of our parents/guardians to participate in these meetings. Bring your questions and your suggestions for how we can support each other in supporting student learning. These occasions are an opportunity for teachers and parents to talk about how we can support each other in our shared interest in helping our students reach their goals and achieve success.

We are partners in this all-important effort. The theme of Palliser this school year is **TEAM: Together Everyone Achieves More**. Through collaboration and team effort, as students, parents, teachers, support staff and community members, we can ensure learning success for all students.

Thank you for being part of Palliser's TEAM.

Kevin Gietz, Superintendent  
Palliser Regional Schools



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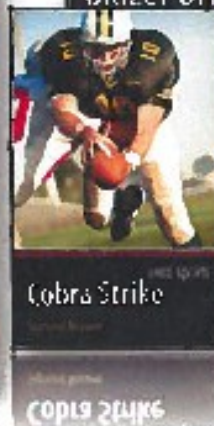
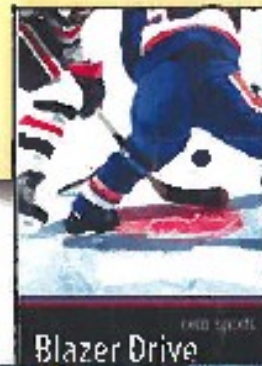
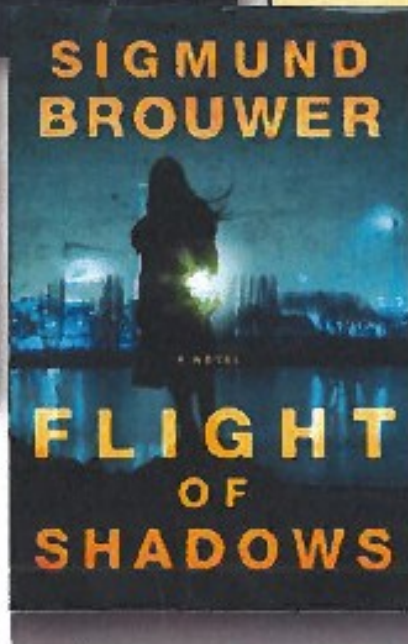
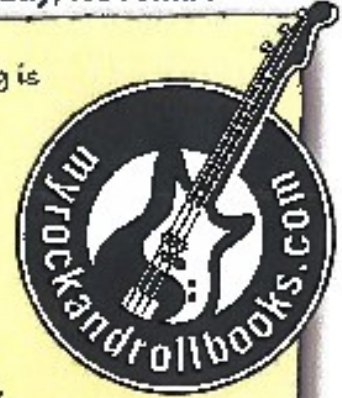
# Sigmund Brouwer

And the Grade 4's visit R.I. Baker Middle

Tuesday, November 8



For me, writing is difficult. In fact, I barely passed my high school English classes. But I've learned it doesn't matter where you come from, it's where you decide to go in life that's far more important. So I'll use great music to show you a fun way to get better at reading and writing -- because both skills are crucial for reaching your dreams. You'll also learn about giant slingshots, wedgies, cockroaches and maybe a few other surprises. Get ready to rock and roll!!



# Usborne Books Are Coming!



Usborne Books produces colourful and fascinating educational books for children on virtually every topic imaginable!

Usborne Publishing offers **only** books, with the majority priced between \$5 and \$15. This Literacy Fair will provide you with an opportunity to purchase these books for your home library, while supporting your child's classroom and library.

**Jennie Emery School Library earns 25% in  
Free books from your sales!!!**

If you can't make it to the fair there are over 1200 titles to view online at: [www.usbornebooksathome.ca](http://www.usbornebooksathome.ca). Send your order to the school and your books will be delivered to the classroom within 2-3 weeks from the Literacy Fair.

**COME TO THE FAIR TO ENTER OUR FREE PARENT & CHILD BOOK  
DRAWS!**

See you at the fair during the following times:



November 22(Tuesday)

8:30am-8:30pm

November 24(Thursday)

8:30am-8:00pm



\*\*\*Orders need to be in by NOON on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November\*\*\*

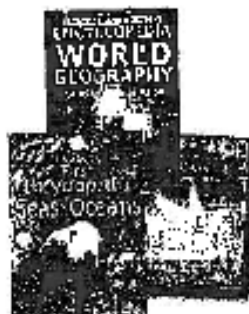
## FREE BOOK DRAW COUPON

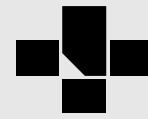
Bring this to the book fair during the above listed times to enter our Usborne book draw. One per child, please.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASSROOM: \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_





**Addictions Awareness Week Nov. 13-19**

*Some tips for parents who want to prevent substance use by their children*

Have a conversation with your child about substances; avoid lecturing; stay relaxed and encourage your child to ask questions and to tell you what they think

Learn about drugs and substance abuse so you can have an informed discussion

Listen to them...and then listen some more

Talk to your child about the things they are good at, and encourage them to say positive things about themselves and others

Develop clear, reasonable and safe rules, and revise them as your child gets older

**Tuesday, November 15 – Join us for a FREE Family Skate at Nicholas Sheran Arena, Lethbridge (6:30-7:30 p.m.)** Information and give-aways will be available.

**Hand Washing to Prevent Influenza**

The flu (influenza) virus can live on your hands for five minutes and on doorknobs for days! Protect yourself and others by washing your hands often. Teach young children to wash their hands too.

**When to clean your hands**

After you cough, sneeze or blow your nose

Before you eat or serve food

After you are near a person who is ill

Before you brush your teeth

**What to use**

Use regular soap and water **or**

Hand cleanser or sanitizer with alcohol in it.

**How to wash your hands**

Wet your hands with warm, running water

Rub on regular soap and lather well

Rub all parts of your hands and wrists for 15 seconds

Rinse well under warm, running water

Dry your hands with a clean towel

Visit [www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org) Search "hand washing"

**Tobacco: Talk About It!**

Parents are the biggest influences in kids' lives and have the power to shape kids' views. Research shows that children who talk to parents about smoking are less likely to start, so keep up the conversation. How to talk to your kids about tobacco:

Tell them that most people do not smoke

Talk about how smoking causes bad breath, smelly clothes, stained fingers and teeth

Discuss immediate harms from smoking: shortness of breath and risk of colds and asthma

Be honest about the long term health consequences; about friends or family who have been negatively impacted.

Introduce the importance of individual differences and standing up to peer pressure

Talk about ways to say "no" and allow them to use you as a defense ("I'd be grounded if I smoked")

Visit [www.albertahealthservices.ca/2544.asp](http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/2544.asp)

**Osteoporosis**

When we hear 'osteoporosis' we often think of it as a disease old people have. According to calcium researcher Dr. Robert Heaney, "Osteoporosis is a pediatric disease that waits until old age to express itself."

The time for building bone is in the preteen and teen years. Maximum bone mass in the hip and spine is achieved by age 20. The best way to have the strongest bones possible is to have adequate calcium in the diet.

Exercise also helps build bone provided there is enough calcium in your diet. Teenage girls, especially those who are underweight or dieting, may not get enough calcium.

Foods rich in calcium include milk, yogurt, cheese, salmon, tofu, sardines, rhubarb, broccoli, peas, sesame seeds and almonds to name a few. If your child is not a milk drinker, various cereals and juices are fortified with calcium. By learning to read food labels, you may be able to find other foods fortified with calcium. Visit [www.osteoporosis.ca](http://www.osteoporosis.ca).

# November 2011

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