

Jennie Emery Elementary

JANUARY

Newsletter 2020



There will be a school wide assembly on **Friday, January 24th** at **9:00 a.m.** Parents, guardians and community members are welcome to attend.

JERSEY DAY

This will also be **Jersey Day!** The *Spirit Committee* would like to invite students and staff to show their school spirit and wear their favorite Jersey.



Jennie Emery is excited to announce they will be participating in **One School, One Book** this year!

One School, One Book is an interactive program where each family in the school is gifted the same book with a schedule of chapters to read. As the whole school reads the book together, there will be fun activities related to the book happening around the school.

A huge thank you to the **Kinsmen Club of Coaldale** and the **Kinette Club of Coaldale** for their generous donation which will be used to purchase the books for the families at *Jennie Emery*.

Please watch for more information coming home soon. More information will also be available on our website (www.jees.ca) under the 'One School One Book' tab.



The staff at *Jennie Emery* would like to thank the parents and volunteers who gave their time to help with the classroom parties, the Christmas Concert and all the other activities that occurred in December. Without your support, many of these activities would not be possible.

The staff would also like to thank the families who sent in delicious Christmas treats and cards for us to enjoy!

THANK YOU



There will be **NO SCHOOL** on **Monday, January 27th**.
We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy long weekend!

Message from the Principal

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a relaxing and happy holiday. I want to thank everyone for coming out to our Christmas concert. It was so much fun watching all the students perform the different songs.

January is going to bring a number of exciting things to our school. We are all looking forward to continuing the levels of learning we have seen so far this year. New West Theatre will be here for their annual visit. We will also be starting our Grade 4 science club.

I have a special note for our grade 4 families. You will soon be receiving surveys in the mail from Alberta Education. Please don't throw them away. This is an opportunity for you to tell us what we are doing well and how we need to improve. This is valuable information for us to make sure we do the best job we can for your children.

As always, my door is open if you have any comments or concerns.

Curtis Uyesugi, *Principal*

2019-2020 School Fees for all students are now due.

Invoice for outstanding *School Fees* were sent home in November.

School Fees are as follows:

Kindergarten students are \$7 (Agenda); Grade 1-4 students are \$42 for the year (\$35 Technology fee; \$8 Agenda)

The Agenda is used by all JEES teachers as a communication tool between home and school.

The Technology Fee is paid directly to *Palliser* for every student to cover costs such as laptops, computer programs, and to update technology used to teach our students every day.

Jennie Emery does not charge any fees that stay at the school level.

Fees can be paid online at <https://palliserregional.schoolcashionline.com/>. (A link and instructions can be found on our website at www.jees.ca) If you have any questions regarding School Fees, please phone the office at 403-345-2403.

Thank you to everyone who has paid their school fees this year!!

The *Learning Commons* is excited to host another art exhibit from 'The Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibition Program'. This art exhibit will be in the *Learning Commons* from January 22nd – February 19th, 2020.

We would like to invite all families to come into the *Learning Commons* to see this amazing art!

Heather Buchanan is an artist from Calgary who has painted realistic renditions of famous people in this exhibition. The use of pop culture imagery in 'Eating' stems from a desire to use painting as a vehicle for human connection. We connect with objects and characters through the fiction of the screen. Dramatic scenes elicit real human emotion because they capture and isolate the truth of the matter, we can empathize with the scenarios in which the characters are placed. For better or worse, we identify with characters in pop culture, unconsciously shaping our understanding of the media-saturated world.

Consumption, or "eating" has a double meaning when it comes to pop culture. We consume images in film and television, and they become part of our identity. Consuming food can be a means for sustenance or comfort, whereas our everyday consumption of media culture has other implications.

When we look at each painting we see the cultural landscape of the time in which it was produced from the 1990s to the 2000s to today. Food can mean friendship, comfort, hedonism, rebellion, weakness or the release of tension in an awkward moment.

How does our consumption of media culture, through film and television, shape our own identity and understanding of the world around us?

Curated by Todd Schaber, Art Gallery of Grande Prairie, TREX Region 1

JUST A LITTLE
Reminder



8. Eleven Eats an Eggo, 2017-18.
Acrylic on Canvas, TV: Stranger
Things (2016 -)

SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

thank you

Thank you to those families who donated and purchased tickets for our **Hidden Hobbies Holiday Raffle** and **Front Row Raffle** at the Christmas Concert performances this year!

We appreciate your continued support!



Januaries *Hot Lunch* will be held on **Wednesday, January 22nd** for those who order.

Please watch for order forms coming home soon.



The next *School Council/Friends of Jennie Emery* meeting will be on **Thursday, January 23rd** at **7:00 p.m.** in the Mezzanine above the Staff room.

All parents/guardians are encouraged to attend and share their thoughts and ideas regarding the activities funded by the *Friends of JEES Society*.

BABYSITTER COURSE

Be Prepared.



Coaldale

This course is intended for youths 11 - 17 years of age who want to look after infants and young children. Participants will learn basic skills which will prepare them to deal with emergency situations plus general principles of caring for infants and young children. Students will receive a manual and a certificate. ***Please bring a bagged lunch, water bottle and paper & pen***

Saturday, March 7 ~ Coaldale Public Library ~ 9 am - 4 pm

Please contact **The County of Lethbridge Community Learning Council** to register by **February 27** Cost **\$60**
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Registration for the **2020-2021 Early Learning & Kindergarten** programs at *Jennie Emery Elementary School* will begin on **Monday, January 13th, 2020.**



You may register between the hours of **9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** Children are eligible to attend Kindergarten if they will be five years of age on or before December 31st, 2020. To be eligible for the Early Learning Program, your child must be four years of age on or before December 31st, 2020. Registration forms are available at the school office.

Please bring your child's birth certificate or citizenship card/passport with you when you register for either of these programs.

For the **2020-2021 school year**, *J.E.E.S.* will again be offering a **full-day Kindergarten program.** The full-day program will consist of classes on either Mondays & Wednesdays with some additional Friday classes or Tuesdays & Thursdays with some additional Friday classes. All programs are filled on a **first come, first served basis** so please make sure to register as soon as possible if you require a specific day/program.

The **Early Learning Program** will again be offering **four half-day programs**, two days per week as follows: Monday & Wednesday mornings **or** afternoons as well as Tuesday & Thursday mornings **or** afternoons. All programs are filled on a **first come, first served basis** so please make sure to register as soon as possible if you require a specific day/program.

The cost for the **Early Learning Program** is **\$80.00 per month.** Please make post-dated cheques made payable to *Palliser Regional Schools* OR payment is available online beginning in September.

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Developmental Checkups

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Developmental Checkups will be held on **Friday, April 3rd** and **Friday, May 22nd** for students entering the **Early Learning Program**, and **Kindergarten** students who have not attended JEES before.

A developmental checkup involves community partners who work together to facilitate fun activities for parents and children to do together at five different centers (**communication** [Speech and Language Pathologist on site], **gross motor, fine motor, problem solving** and **personal/social**). Parents gain important knowledge regarding their child's development and have the opportunity to access resources and, if needed, support to enhance their child's development. This also assists the school to have staffing and supports in place when children enter school in the fall.

January

2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Happy New Year!! No School	2 No School	3 No School
6 Welcome Back!!	7	8	9	10 New West Theater Presentation 10:45 a.m. MW Kindergarten
13 2020-2021 ELP & Kindergarten Registration opens	14	15	16	17 TT Kindergarten
20	21	22 Hot Lunch (if ordered)	23 Parent Council @ 7 p.m.	24 Assembly 9 am Jersey Day! MW Kindergarten
27 No School	28	29	30	31 MW Kindergarten