JENNIE EMERY ELEMENTARY May 2024 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES

May 1	KG - Field Trip to Rehoboth			
	Grade 1 - Clay Day			
May 2	Quest Theatre			
	KG - Field Trip to Rehoboth			
	Gr. 3 & 4 - to RI Baker			
May 3	TT Kindergarten			
	8:45am Assembly			
	Gr 3 - 11:30am Intramurals vs. Staff			
May 5	Coaldale Bakery Hot lunch orders due			
May 8	Hats on for Mental health			
May 10	MW Kindergarten			

May 15	Coaldale Bakery Hot Lunch			
May 16	Gr. 4 - Field Trip to Remington			
	Carriage House			
	7:00pm Parent Council Meeting			
May 17	PD Day - No School			
May 20	No School			
May 24	MW Kindergarten			
	Gr. 4 - 11:30am Intramurals vs. Staff			
May 30	Track Meet			
	Spirit Day - Sports Day			

May 31 TT Kindergarten



Gr. 2 - 11:30am Intramurals vs. Staff

Coaldale Bakery Orders Due: May 5th Served: May 15th

Please send applicable condiments & utensils for your child

You can order until 10pm on the order due date. Please note that late orders are NOT accepted.

RI BAKER NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

On Tuesday June 11th from 6:30 - 7:30pm, we will have our new student orientation, where we will have a Baker passport that needs to be signed in all areas of the school. This gives staff a chance to meet and mingle with new students. We usually end the night with a small assembly.

6:30 - Travel around the school begins (passport signing)7:00 - Assembly

- Welcome
- Rules & Expectations
- Great things to look forward to
- Passport draw
- 7:30 Dismissal

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello JEES families,

Welcome to May. As we transition into our last couple of months, we look forward to a number of upcoming activities for our students. This includes Badminton Club for our grade 4s, a production later this week by Quest Theatre, Track Meet, Staff vs Students Intramural Final Games, Fun Day (organized by our council parents), and various field trips. These events will be exciting experiences for our students.

We are also preparing for next year with our upcoming Developmental Check Up days for new kindergarten (June 3rd) and early learning (May 31st) students. For our grade 3 and 4 students, our staff have connected with R.I. Baker staff, to arrange a series of visits over the next several weeks, including a session for fun activities this week on May 2nd and an assembly during the day on June 11th followed by an Open House that evening for families. There will also be some informal small group opportunities. We are also planning to host a JEES Open House in June and will plan to share more information in the coming weeks.

It is also the time of year when we begin working on homeroom class lists for next year. Staff work collaboratively to build these cohorts and consider a range of items including ability levels and peer relationships. If you have information about your child that will help us with this process, please email or give us a call. Please keep in mind that this would primarily be an opportunity to share about learning styles and peer relationships for pairing considerations rather than a request for a particular homeroom teacher. Please contact us by the end of May if you have any information that would be helpful to this process.

Last month, our Friends of Jennie Emery (FOJE) Society received wonderful news about a grant application to assist with the playground expansion project. Our society was approved for \$82,800 by the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) for this playground project. These funds combined with the funds already raised will allow the project to proceed with the build timeline to be scheduled in the summer. The added features will provide a more inclusive play space for all students and will be able to accommodate wheelchairs, strollers, and people with limited mobility. Thank you to our FOJE parents for all their fundraising efforts and work to submit this grant application. Congratulations and well done!

Have a great month everyone.

Chris Spanos

BADMINTON

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

We hope Grade 4's have been enjoying badminton club. It has been fun to watch your excitement and knowledge of the game grow. A reminder that the club wraps up the week of May 13th.





School Fees ARE NOW OVERDUE

School Fees at JEES are now overdue. They have been attached to each student via SchoolCashOnline, and can be paid via SchoolCash Online or via cash in the office. Hard copy statements will be sent home in agendas.

JEES School Fees consist of:

<u>\$10.75 - Agenda Fee</u> for Kindergarten - Gr 4 Students This pays for the agendas used for communication between home and the teacher on a daily basis.

\$35.00 - Palliser Technology Fee for Grade 1-4 Students This pays for student used technology in our schools such as chromebooks.

Any families who are experiencing financial difficulties and as such are not able to pay their school fees are encouraged to speak with Mr. Spanos regarding setting up a payment plan or discussing other options.

Unpaid fees will carry over to the next school year.

FRIENDS OF JENNIE EMERY

Friends of Jennie Emery Elementary Society has a FB page! If your wondering who we are, what we do, and stay in the loop for fundraising efforts and information give us a follow on FB at "Friends of Jennie Emery Society"

We'd like your feedback: Parent Feedback form 2024

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

May 16th at 7:00pm

HOT LUNCH INFORMATION:

Bakery Orders Due: May 5th Served: May 15th

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

We have a treasurer position available, and would love your help! This position would start as a shared position and move into the full treasurer position next year. If you are interested please contact foje.treasurer@gmail.com

GALA UPDATE

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We're over the moon to share that our very first gala fundraiser was a roaring success, raising an impressive **\$12,500.00 in one evening**! And that's not even the best part!

To compare that to past years (and their yearly totals) the 21/22 school year, our total yearly fundraising efforts amounted to \$9,990.00, and in the following year, we upped the ante to \$13,377.00. Those numbers represent our entire year's fundraising efforts. The gala alone brought in \$12,500.00 in one fabulous evening! And the Gala was just ONE of our fundraising events this year.

The Gala not only went better than we projected, but we received such amazingly good feedback from our partners, community and friends that we are going to host this event biennially, held every other year.

Stay tuned in future newsletters as we wrap up the 23/24 year of fundraising and of course we welcome any and all to come be a part of the Friends of Jennie Emery Society. Especially as we have another fundraising event to plan coming in the 25/26 school year!

INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND UPDATE

Friends of Jennie Emery Society is thrilled to announce that we've been approved for the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) Grant, securing a whopping \$82,800.00.

These funds will be in addition to donations and fundraising efforts that have taken place specifically for the Inclusive Playground addition and are NOT a part of the fundraising mentioned in the GALA update.

What does this mean? It means big things are happening! With this grant, we'll be enhancing our park with an inclusive playground addition, making it even more accessible to everyone in our community. (You can take a look on the Jennie Emery Schools website for complete drawings.)

And here's the best part: the work will be happening over the summer months, ensuring it doesn't disrupt any precious recess time for the remainder of the year.

This is an incredible achievement, and here's to building a brighter, more inclusive future together for our school and our community!



NEWS FROM THE LEARNING COMMONS

MEDIA RELEASE

ALBERTA FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS TRAVELLING EXHIBITION PROGRAM TREX SOUTHEAST

Travelling Exhibition: Companion Species

Companion Species features a selection of eighteen artworks depicting some of Alberta's favourite friends; cats, dogs, and horses too (needless to say, in this province). Drawing from the Alberta Foundation for the Arts' (AFA) permanent collection, the featured artists in this show span cultures, time and artistic media. Together, their visual interpretations of these three animal groups tell a nuanced story of the deeply intertwined and celebrated relationship between certain humans and animals.

The coming together of this exhibition was guided by a desire to share sentiments of love and connectedness, a desire to add a moment of joy into each spectator's day. We hope this selection from the AFA's permanent collection will charm,

ease and enliven each viewer's day. Curated by Genevieve Farrell, TREX Southeast Organized by the Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre

VENUE: Jennie Emery Elementary School DATES: Apr. 18-May 15, 2024 LOCATION: Learning Commons

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Terry Gregoraschuk, Guarding Pumpkin, 1994, acrylic on canvas. Collection of the Alberta Foundation for the Arts.



May 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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6	7	8 Hats on for Mental Health	9	10 MW KG 11:30 Gr. 2 vs Staff Intramurals
13	14	15 Coaldale Bakery Hot Lunch	16 Gr. 4 - Remington Carriage Museum 8:30 - 3:30 7:00 FOJE Meeting	17 JEES PD Day
20 No School	21	22	23	24 MW KG 11:30 Gr. 4 vs Staff Intramurals
27	28	29	30 Track Meet Spirit Day - Sports Day	31 TT KG





VENLIES

Coaldale Civic Square 1801 - 20th Ave, Coaldale **Coaldale Sportsplex** 1213 - 20th Ave, Coaldal **Coaldale Community Centre** 1217 - 20th Ave, Coaldale **Coaldale Seniors Centre** 1806 - 21st Ave, Coaldale **Kate Andrews High School** 2112 - 21st Ave, Coaldale **R.I. Baker Middle School** 2112 - 13th St, Coaldale The Quads 1300, 30th Ave, Coaldale Land-O-Lakes Golf Course 102 Fairway Dr, Coaldale **NEW Coaldale Rec. Centre** OFFICIAI NAME COMING SOON (2600 - 16th Ave, Coaldale) **Stafford Lake Resort** 190057 Twp Rd 9-2, Lethbridge County **Twisted Steel Fitness** 2600 - 16th Ave, Coaldale **Coaldale Pool** 1213 - 20th Ave, Coaldale Scott's Barn Township Rd 100, Cranford **Owl's Nest Campground** 505 20th Ave, Coaldalo

REGISTRATION

Registration opens on May 3rd and will run until May 31st.

A link to the online registration will be available on the official SASG website.



www.southernalbertasummergames.ca

Regional Directors Contact information will be available on the website in May. Your local director will be your point of contact for registration. 2024 COALES LETHIBRITER COUNTY CONTRACTOR COUNTY CONTRACTOR COUNTY SOUTHERN ALBERTA SOUTHERN ALBERTA SUMMER GAMES

JULY 3 - 6

GAMES

SCHEDULE

REGISTRATION DATES

MAY 3 - 31

*specific information on events being held at each venue will be available on the website at a later date

For more information, contact Mark McIntosh, 2024 SASG Coordinator @ 403-345-1324 mark.mcintosh@coaldale.ca

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DISASTER CORNER EVENT

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AS A PART OF THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK, THE TOWN OF COALDALE INVITES YOU TO COME INTERACT WITH THE VOLUNTEERS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE INVOLVED IN YOUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE! ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS AND BBQ WILL MAKE THIS AN AWESOME EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



COALDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE



