

NEWSLETTER

Hello JEES Families,

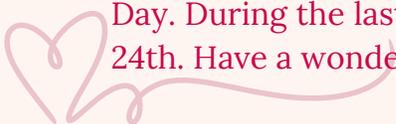
We've had a wonderful start to 2025 at Jennie Emery. Last weekend, Mrs. Kerr and our Choir group sang O'Canada at the Hurricanes game. They did an amazing job singing the national anthem, and representing our school and community during the game. Well done to our grade 2 and 3 choir group. Also this month, our after school basketball club began for the grade 2 and 3 students. We have almost 100 students participating in this program and several parent volunteers helping our staff to lead these sessions. We appreciate all the support from our families. We have also had a couple field trip opportunities. Our grade 3 students went skating to the Coaldale Arena, and next month our grade 2 students will head to the outdoor rink. Our kindergarten students also had their swimming trip to Max Bell pool at the U of L.

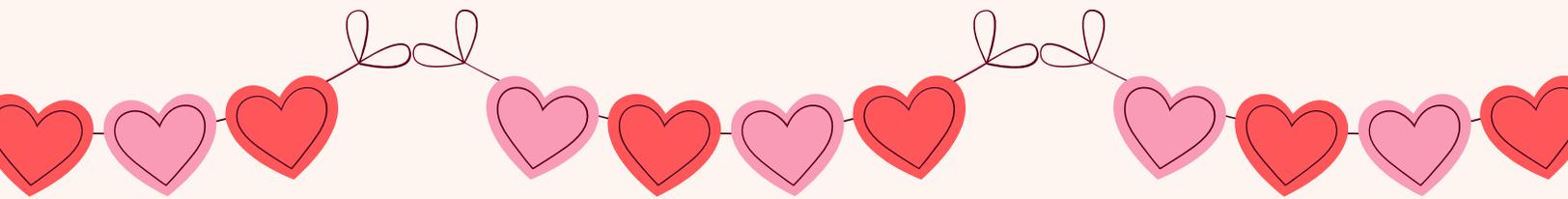
We are excited to offer **Jennie Emery school apparel** and open the online store with **Public Image. Beginning on February 3rd**, this will be the website (*this link will not work before February 3rd*): <https://jees2024.itemorder.com/>. The store will run for the first 2 weeks in February (from February 3rd until 14th). Please let us know if you have any questions or need any support with your orders.

On February 7th, our grade 1-3 report cards will be available for families to access on Edsby. This year, all Palliser elementary schools have shifted to a common outcome based report card using the Edsby platform. Please see the attachment in this newsletter package with more details about the format, outcome based assessment and reporting, and the proficiency scale indicators. If you have any questions about your child's report card, please contact the homeroom teacher or reach out to us in the office. We will have our next round of conferences the following month, on March 6th and 7th. More information for signing up for conference times will be shared in February.

Next month, on February 13th, Palliser will be hosting a Coaldale Public Engagement session at Jennie Emery. Please see the attachment for more information and to sign up for this in-person collaboration session. There is also a community survey to provide your feedback and input.

Also in February, we are looking forward to the grade 2s to lead our next assembly. This will be on February 14th, and will also be Red and Pink Spirit Day as we celebrate Valentine's Day. During the last week of February, we will also celebrate 100 days of school on February 24th. Have a wonderful month everyone.





We'd like to thank the Coaldale United Church Thrift Shop for their recent donation of \$800 to our school for student nutrition!

The Coaldale United Church has supported the JEES Nutrition program with a total of \$4500 over the past three years. THANK-YOU!

We have so many items in our Lost & Found again! Coats, Sweaters (so many sweaters), Glasses, Water bottles, Mittens & Toques! Please have your child look through the LOST & FOUND



(just outside of the office) for items that belong to them – parents are welcome to stop by and take a look through the lost & found also. Smaller items, like glasses and jewelry are kept inside the office – please ask office staff if you are looking for a small, lost item.

A wallet has been turned in, with no identification. To claim this wallet, please contact the office to describe it and the items inside of it.



Jennie Emery school apparel will be available to order through Public Image Co's online store from February 3rd - 14th at: <https://jees2024.itemorder.com/>

(Please note - this link will not work before February 3rd or after February 14th.)

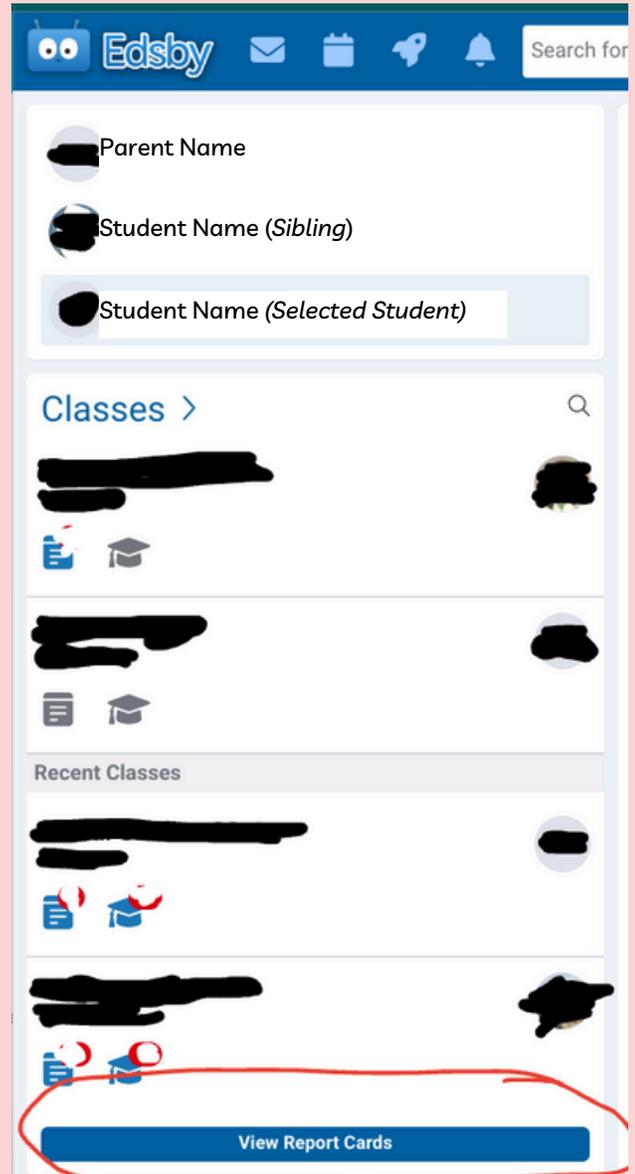
The February Assembly will be held on Friday, February 14th at 8:45am sharp, hosted by the Grade 2 classes! It is also our RED & PINK Spirit Day! Parents/Guardians & Families are welcome to attend the assembly.



REPORT CARDS

Grade 1 - 3 Report Cards will be published via EDSBY on Friday, February 7th.

To access the report card in either the app or on a desktop computer, select the student, then under “Classes” scroll all the way to the bottom, below where all of the classes are listed. Click on the blue “View Report Cards” button. Select the report card that you wish to view (at this point, there will only be one, as this is our first time using Edsby for Report Cards at JEES.) Please note - the report cards are much nicer to view using a desktop computer, as you can see the entire document without scrolling.



STUDENT ATTENDANCE

IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT FROM SCHOOL PLEASE REPORT IT TO THE OFFICE BY PHONING 403-345-2403 OR ENTERING IT INTO EDSBY.

Reading Week Break

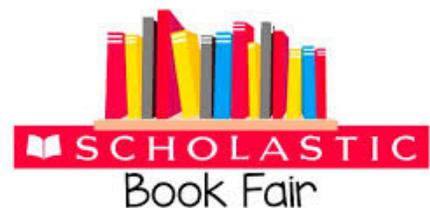
There is NO SCHOOL during the week of February 17 - 21st.



COMING UP!

WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE EVENTS!

**THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR WILL
TAKE PLACE IN THE LEARNING
COMMONS (LIBRARY) FROM
MARCH 3RD – 7TH.**



March Hot Lunch

McDonalds

Wednesday, March 12.

Ordering will be available via School Cash Online from Friday, February 14th until midnight on Sunday, March 2nd. Late orders will not be accepted.

**ONE SCHOOL, ONE BOOK
STARTS MARCH 24TH!**



There is NO SCHOOL for Kindergarten students from Monday, March 17 - Thursday, March 20, as this week will be scheduled for Kindergarten interviews.

**THERE IS NO SCHOOL FOR
STUDENTS ON FRIDAY, MARCH
7TH OR FRIDAY, MARCH 21ST**



**PARENT/TEACHER
INTERVIEWS WILL TAKE PLACE
ON MARCH 6TH AND 7TH.**

**THERE WILL BE AN EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM OPEN HOUSE ON THE
EVENING OF MARCH 6TH FROM 4-7PM. COME CHECK OUT THE
CLASSROOM AND MEET THE TEACHER! MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW . . .**



JENNIE EMERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



REGISTRATION FOR THE 2025/2026 SCHOOL YEAR IS NOW OPEN.

ELP
KINDERGARTEN

KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

M/W Full Days

or

T/TH Full Days

both programs include some Fridays

EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM

M/W Mornings or M/W Afternoons

or

T/TH Mornings or T/TH Afternoons

Morning Programs: 8:30-11:30am

Afternoon Programs: 12:30-3:30pm

Program Cost: \$80 per month



2 Steps:

1 - Register using either the *NEW Student Link* or the *Returning Student Link*

2 - Advise us of your program preference (days preference)

Detailed instructions can be found using this QR Code or at the link below.

To indicate **PROGRAM PREFERENCE** for ELP and Kindergarten students, please complete form on our website the or call the office at 403-345-2403

<https://www.jees.ca/2025-2026-school-year>

The Town of Coaldale, Coaldale Public Library and Town Council is inviting the JEES community to attend the Civic Plaza & Outdoor Skating Rink Ribbon Cutting on Friday, February 14. The itinerary is as follows:

- Noon to 3 p.m. - Free hot chocolate served by the Coaldale Public Library from the Civic Plaza Concession
- 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Free pizza served by the Coaldale Public Library from the Civic Plaza Concession
- 1 p.m. - Speeches and ribbon cutting

More information is available here: [Civic Plaza Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting](#) | [Town of Coaldale](#)

VOLUNTEERING & Criminal Record Checks

Parents/Guardians who wish to attend school field trips must submit a **Criminal Record Check, with Vulnerable Sector Check** to the JEES office.

According to Palliser School Division policy this check must be obtained from an accredited Police Agency (such as the R.C.M.P. or the Lethbridge Police Service.)

There is a form available from the JEES office, to take to the Police Station to request your CRC. If you think you may be interested in volunteering at any time during this school year, please consider getting your CRC completed and submitted to our office sooner than later.

A CRC is valid in our office for 2 years, however we must receive it within 3 months of it being issued.



GRADE 2 & 3 BASKETBALL CLUB IS RUNNING AFTER SCHOOL UNTIL THE FEBRUARY BREAK. PLEASE REMEMBER TO REPORT YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE TO THE OFFICE IF THEY CAN NOT ATTEND BASKETBALL ON A DAY THAT THEY ATTEND SCHOOL.



Thank-you for not parking in the staff parking lot/bus loop.

**PLEASE DO BLOCK CROSSWALKS,
WHEN PARKING ON THE STREET.**



Parent Council Corner

Find out what's happening with Parent Council

What do we do?

Imagine baking for a great cause, making teachers feel appreciated, or bringing school and community events to life.

Maybe you have the vision for next year's gala or just the right touch for swag bags. However you contribute, it all starts with you. Let's roll up our sleeves and make it unforgettable!

Upcoming Events

Hot lunch - February 6

Meeting - February 26

Hot Breakfast - Date coming soon!

Bake Care Share - April 2025



Parent Input needed



We have been very lucky this year to receive some grant dollars.

This is an opportunity for us to spend some money on YOU the parents.

What would you like to see, learn about, or have available to you?

Send ideas to our email, message us on Facebook or stop by a meeting.

Secretary Needed!

Parent Council is looking for a friend to attend our meetings, take notes, send a few emails. If this sounds like you or someone you know...Contact us!



Jennie Emery Elementary
Parent Council

Questions? Ideas? Contact us!
friendsofjennieemery@gmail.com



The Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibition Program **Media
Release For Immediate Release**

...no end to our looking

'Still-life' describes works of art that show inanimate objects that are natural or man-made such as fruit, flowers, dead animals and/or vessels like baskets or bowls. Still-life paintings had their origins in ancient times and though the importance of the 'still life' has changed over the centuries, it has remained a consistent subject of artistic exploration.

The Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibition **...no end to our looking**, featuring works from the collection of the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, explores the enduring legacy of still-life as this subject has been expressed by artists in Alberta over the past forty years. Presenting an eclectic mix of styles and media, this exhibition invites viewers to look long and hard at the objects around them: to put themselves in the place of the artist and consider the shapes, textures, colours and meanings of the material items which surround them and help define who they are as people.

*The exhibition **...no end to our looking** was curated by Shane Golby and organized by the Art Gallery of Alberta for the Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibition Program. The AFA Travelling Exhibition Program is financially supported by the Alberta Foundation for the Arts.*

For more information about this exhibition please contact the following venue:

Venue: JENNIE EMERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - LEARNING COMMONS

Dates:

JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 20 Phone: 403-317-5829



Please contact Palliser Central Office at 403-328-4111 if you have any questions about this information.



Links from letter:

[Sign Up for In-Person Collaboration](#)

[Community Survey](#)

Help Shape the Future of Education with Palliser School Division

The Palliser School Division Board of Trustees is embarking on an exciting journey to shape the future of education for its students, staff, and communities. This year, the Board will continue developing a strategic vision that will guide the Division for the next four to five years. This thoughtful process is designed to assess the current state of the Division, realign priorities, and determine a clear, lasting impact that will benefit all stakeholders.

The Board's commitment to this vision underscores their dedication to ensuring that every Palliser student is supported in achieving their full potential. By evaluating the Division's strengths and addressing areas for improvement, the Board aims to create a unified roadmap that will guide decisions and inspire success across all schools. The process will also emphasize accountability, with clear goals and progress markers that keep the Division moving forward and celebrating milestones along the way.

To ensure that the strategic plan reflects the diverse needs of the Palliser community, the Board is inviting input from parents, caregivers, current students, graduates, staff, business leaders, and community partners. Engagement opportunities will include both in-person focus groups and online surveys, ensuring accessibility for all who wish to contribute.

The public engagement sessions have been scheduled across three locations with staggered times to provide greater scheduling flexibility and accommodate various needs.

- **February 12, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM:** Vulcan
- **February 13, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM:** Coalhurst
- **February 13, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM:** Coaldale

[Sign up for in-person collaboration sessions](#)

Seating is limited; invitations will be sent on February 4th, 2025

In addition to these in-person sessions, online surveys will be shared soon to gather even broader feedback. The Board encourages everyone in the community to participate and help shape the strategic direction of the Division.

[Complete our community survey here](#)

The Board thanks all participants for their important role in shaping the future of education in Palliser School Division.

Check out the Coaldale Public Library for their many programs and activities!



LITTLE MAKERS
Stories, Songs & Building with Duplo for ages 2-5
Tuesdays 3:45-4:30pm



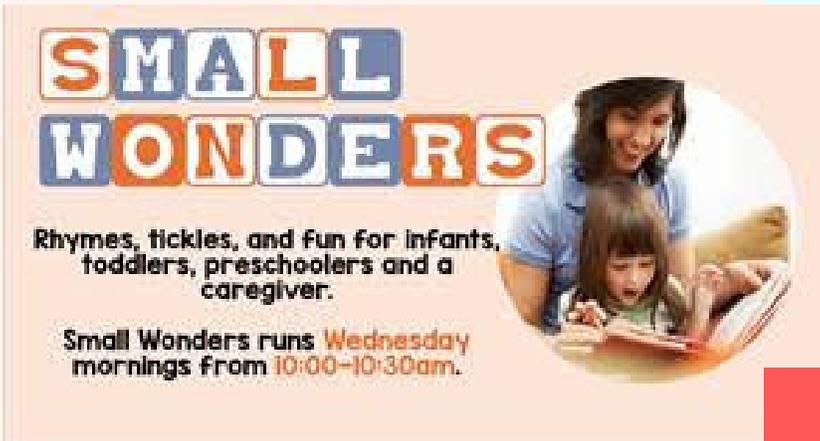
MORNINGS AT THE MUSEUM
Join the Coaldale Public Library at the Gem of the West Museum for themed stories and crafts in the museum exhibits.
Thursdays 11:00-11:45am
January 23 - February 27
No sessions February 28



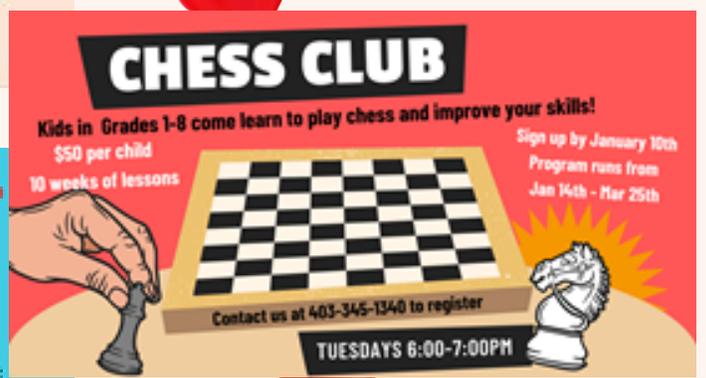
MESSY MORNINGS
Join us on Friday mornings as we sing, read stories and explore creativity through crafts. It's a great program for ages 2-6.
FRIDAYS 11:00 - 11:30 AM



learn French phrases and songs!
January 8 & February 12
SMALL WONDERS
Rhymes, tickles, and fun for infants, toddlers, preschoolers and a caregiver.
Small Wonders runs Wednesday mornings from 10:00-10:30am.
bilingual/ bilingue



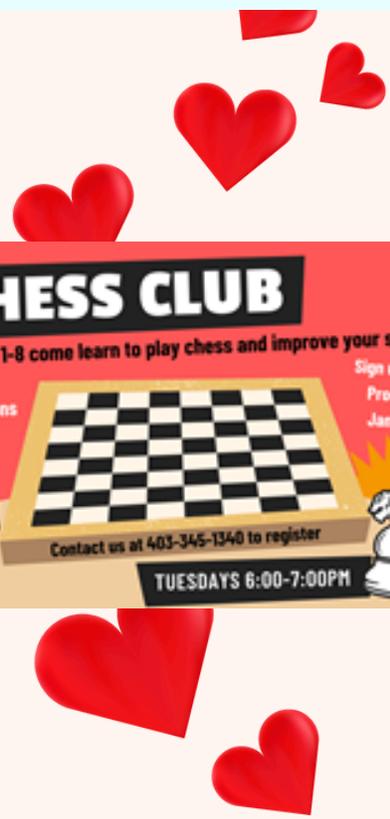
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CHESS CLUB
Kids in Grades 1-8 come learn to play chess and improve your skills!
\$50 per child
10 weeks of lessons
Sign up by January 10th
Program runs from Jan 14th - Mar 25th
Contact us at 403-345-1340 to register
TUESDAYS 6:00-7:00PM



LEGO club.
Children ages 5-12 are invited to join us to build, create, and play with Lego. Snack provided.
Tuesdays 3:45-4:30pm





RAINBOWS FOR ALL CHILDREN



WHAT

In this 8 module program, **children ages 8-12**, will process feelings of grief resulting from parental separation and/or divorce.

WHEN

February 18, 19, 20 & 21
9:00-11:30 am

WHERE

Coaldale FCSS
2107 13 St, Coaldale

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Deadline February 13, maximum of 6



Amanda
403-331-4763
amanda.fontaine@fcss.ca

Jackie
403-732-5470
jackie.fiorino@fcss.ca



TRIPLE P Family Transitions

Are you experiencing complicated parenting due to **separation or divorce?**

This 5 session program offers positive parenting strategies to help promote your child's development, how to look after yourself as a parent and manage the stressors and demands involved in going through separation or divorce.

WHEN

Wednesdays, January 22 - February 19
9:30-11:30 am

WHERE

Online
A Zoom link will be sent to you.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Penny
403-915-4017
Penny.Pittman@fcss.ca

Kim
403-795-7841
Kim.Fehre@fcss.ca





BGC Daycare - Coaldale

Our new BGC Daycare - Coaldale is now taking registrations!

For more information or to register,
- call: 403-849-7159
- email: coaldaledaycare@bgcfoothills.com
- website: www.bgcfoothills.com

Spaces are limited, please register early to avoid disappointment!

**Ages:
3-5 years**

Subsidy is available!

All parents of children in Alberta, zero to kindergarten age, will benefit from reduced fees through affordability grants. Funding is provided directly to our agency and is used to reduce parent fees. In addition to the affordability grants, parents of children zero to kindergarten age that make an annual income of \$179,999 or less per year will get additional subsidies to further reduce parent fees.

 **bgc** Foothills Clubs

**ENROLL
TODAY**

February

2025



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2	3 JES Gear Store Opens via Public Image Co.	4	5 Grade 2's Skating @ Civic Plaza	6 Subway Lunch (if ordered)	7 M/W Kindergarten has class Report Cards will be available in Edsby	8
9	10	11	12	13 Orders begin for March 12, McDonalds Lunch	14 T/Th Kindergarten has class HAPPY Valentines DAY RED & PINK DAY! JES Gear Store Closes	15
16	NO SCHOOL THIS WEEK.					22
	17 HAPPY Family Day					
23	24 100 Days of School!	25	26 PINK SHIRT Day Free Breakfast for ALL Students School Council Meeting at 7pm	27 Deadline to Order March 12 Hot Lunch (McDonalds)	28 M/W Kindergarten has class	

