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March 12, 2021

From the Principal's Office: (doucetr@lrsd.ab.ca)

Thursday was our midyear honour roll assembly. We passed out certificates at the end of the day on Thursday. A giant congratulations to all the recipients.

Summer School registrations have opened. LRSD Pursuits is a brand new initiative for the Livingstone Range School Division. Visit <u>https://www.lrsd.ca/services/lrsd-pursuit/summer-school</u> or call me at the school for more information. Register by April 16, 2021, and you'll be automatically entered to win an LRSD Pursuits hoodie!

A reminder that March 17-18 is parent-teacher interviews. Visit our website to book an appointment.

Thursday, March 18, is also our School Council meeting. Join us at 6:00 pm; below is the zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4033369697?pwd=ZkJaRkNBdWJMcXdwNXN3US9FczFYdz09

Meeting ID: 403 336 9697 Passcode: 165845

Friday, March 19, is an inter-school collaboration day for staff and thus no school for students.

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Grade 7:

Baxter (Drama 7): Students will be reading/rehearsing their chosen scripts for performance. **Doucet & Porteous (Social Studies A & B)**: Students are progressing well in our Confederation Conference investigation. We will continue with this for the next couple of weeks, allowing the students to gain a deep appreciation for the reasoning behind the creation of Canada as a country.

Gammie (PE): Students are finishing up the badminton singles ladder and March fitness. Pickleball starts next week.

Hatch (Science): This week in science the students worked through the section notes discussing concepts, such as, Structural Strength vs. Stability, Types of Structures, and other considerations when designing structures. Students will be having their first quiz for the unit on this upcoming Tuesday.

Howard (Math): We have just completed our Circles and Circle Graphs unit. We will be moving on to Geometry and Measurement where we will discover the area of various polygons. MacLachlan (ELA 7A): We are continuing our study of *Hatchet*. There are short responses due each chapter, and comprehension quizzes every five chapters.

Porteous (ELA 7B): We are continuing our novel study of *Hatchet*. Students are completing their characterization work on Brian and we are beginning to read the next 5 chapters. **Gamache (Shop)**

Shop 7B This week we are spending time working with the scroll saw. Looking forward to introducing the Drill press next.

Grade 8:

Baxter (ELA A & B): Students will continue to watch Pay *it Forward*. After they will be composing a comparison/contrast essay to Hercules. "Reading is an exercise in empathy; an exercise in walking in someone else's shoes for a while." —Malorie Blackman

Gammie (PE): Students are finishing up the badminton singles ladder and March fitness. Pickleball starts next week.

Hatch (Science): In science, students recently began the notes for section two, which cover such topics as complex machines, systems & subsystems, and linkages & transmissions. Students can expect the section 2 quiz to be scheduled later this upcoming week.

Howard (Math): We have just begun our next unit: Surface Area and Volume. Students will apply their knowledge from the last unit, pertaining to nets of objects, to find success within this unit.

Henning (Social Studies): This past week students worked through a brief medieval history of the Iberian Peninsula, including changes in Worldview related to Belief, Economy and Knowledge. This week students will be working on a **4G Flip Book** assignment where they detail how religious belief, need for economic expansion, desire for glory, and location on the west coast of Europe promoted the colonial actions and expansion of Spain in the 16th Century.

Gamache (Shop) Students are finishing individual projects and excited to move onto the scroll saw art

Grade 9:

Baxter (ELA): Students will continue to watch *The Odyssey* and then *Swing Kids*. After they will be composing a comparison/contrast essay. "Reading is an exercise in empathy; an exercise in walking in someone else's shoes for a while." — Malorie Blackman

Anderson (Science): Students completed their Unit C Exam "Environmental Chemistry" on March 9th. See PowerSchool for recent marks updates including their fantastic environmental chemistry projects. Way to go students! We will now transition to Unit D "Electrical Principles &

Technologies." Extra help is available, just make arrangements with Mr. Anderson.

Gammie (PE): Students are finishing up the badminton singles ladder and March fitness. Pickleball starts next week.

Greven (Math): Students will be wrapping up multiplication and division of polynomials. We will be heading into solving equations and inequalities.

McNutt (Math): Students will begin to look at similarity of figures.

Porteous (Social Studies): We are finishing up our look at economies and moving on to the concept of Consumerism and how it shapes and impacts our lives.

Gamache (Shop) : Continue to work on individual projects. Many have completed a full car inspection and know how to do most routine inspections.

Grade 10:

Anderson (Science 10): Students recently wrote Quiz #2 in the Chemistry Unit. See PowerSchool for recent marks updates. The Unit A Exam is scheduled for Thursday, March 11th. Extra help is available, just make arrangements with Mr. Anderson.

Doucet (Social 10): Next week students will have their unit one exam. The exam is in two parts. Their written portion is due at the end of school day on Thursday or if handed in on the google classroom Sunday at noon. The Multiple choice component is on Thursday.

Gammie (PE 10): CPR continues. Students will be transitioning from Volleyball to Pickleball. McNutt (Math 10C): Students will conclude their unit on measurement.

MacLachlan (ELA 10): We have begun reading *Romeo and Juliet*, and will be focusing on comprehension for the first few acts.

Baxter (CALM): Students will continue with the Sexual Health unit. We will also be having virtual visits from universities and colleges.

Greven (Foods): Students have completed module 1040 and are moving on to Module 1070 Farm to Table.

Gamache (shop): Continue to work on individual projects

Grade 11:

Anderson (Bio 20): Students are working on Unit B "Ecosystems & Population Change." See PowerSchool for recent marks updates from the Case Study: Natural & Artificial Ecosystems p.88-89. The Unit B Exam is scheduled for March 23rd. Extra help is available, just make arrangements with Mr. Anderson.

McNutt (Math 20-2): Students will begin work on Trigonometry.

Porteous/Doucet (Social Studies 20): We will be wrapping up our look at Napoleon and how that led into the growth of Nationalism across Europe. The Unification movements of the 1870s will be examined as one of the great consequences of the Napoleonic Era.

Grade 12:

Anderson (Physics 30): Students are working on Unit B "Forces & Fields" See PowerSchool for recent marks updates from a conservation of momentum lab activity and the Unit A Exam. The Unit B Exam is scheduled for the end of March. Extra help is available, just make arrangements with Mr. Anderson.

McNutt (Math 30-2): Students will conclude the chapter on Probability.

MacLachlan (ELA 30): We are continuing our study of *Hamlet*, and will be closely analyzing some of the most important passages as we read.

Porteous (Social 30): We are wrapping up the first unit this week before moving into examining the history of liberalism and the reactions to liberal democracies around the world.



School Council Presents:

Recognizing Stress and Talking About Mental Health With Your Teen

Please join us for a virtual presentation by

Patti Helmer-Desjarlais Registered Psychologist Mental Health Therapist Alberta Health Services

> March 15, 2021 7:00PM

Please join using the following link:

https://zoom.us/j/93881583991?pwd=UUVKL0V3M0hxRUIC NIhhSEh5eE91dz09

> Meeting ID: 938 8158 3991 Passcode: 020888

From the desk of our Family School Liaison Counsellor:

As the weather gets warmer and the pandemic restrictions continue, students continue to search for connections. With students having access to the internet through their phones, they are able to spend time in their curiosity and stumble on things that might help them feel the connection they are craving in some way. This can look like forums, social media, videos and even pornography.

Children are stumbling on pornography at younger ages and the conversation about pornography and internet safety has come up at JTF in a few different grades. We encourage you to speak with your children about pornography and the effects it can have on their brains, development, social interactions and relationships. If you need some guidance, please read over these articles:

Porn, When and How to Talk About It Bridging the Technology Gap How Pornography Affects a Teen Brain

As always, please reach out if you have concerns or would like further support and information.

Angie Conway Office hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30-4:30 conwaya@lrsd.ab.ca

From the desk of our Career Practitioner:

Newly Updated: Lettie's LIST OF COOL THINGS is available on our school website at all times! This list helps students identify opportunities to expand their horizons and consider unique options to study, volunteer or work in different locations and fields either during or following high school graduation. Unfortunately, the program we knew and loved, Encounters with Canada, is no longer on the list as that program has ended after close to 40 years. The good news is that there are still many great opportunities to check out on the list. Lettie Croskery

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CAREER SERVICES

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