

# NEWS

JANUARY 2021

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### FROM THE OFFICE

Welcome to 2021! As I reflect on the first part of the school year I am filled with pride. Your children have done an amazing job being resilient and kind learners. They have handled the changes involved in going to school during a pandemic exceptionally well. Our at-home learners have shown us that students can be supported and challenged using a different delivery method of education, and our in-school learners have shown they can incorporate new health habits and ways of interacting with ease. They are truly remarkable children, and we are so fortunate to have them with us at Lakeview. Of course, none of this would be possible without our dedicated staff who have shown themselves to be flexible and adaptable and committed to providing the best education for your children. We are so lucky to have our Lakeview staff members! We are also grateful for you, our Lakeview families who have supported us through multiple changes and trusted us to educate your children despite a constantly changing pandemic landscape. Lakeview is certainly set up for success!

We begin this year in online learning for all our students. Our staff has worked hard to prepare an engaging project (The Memory Box) for our students to work through this week. I know your children will enjoy interacting with their teacher and classmates on Teams and watching the videoed lessons Lakeview and Mike Mountain Horse teachers have prepared. Although our teachers are very comfortable in front of their classes it can be a challenge for them to appear on video "in public". Please be sure to share your appreciation and praise with them for going out of their comfort zone. We will all be very happy to return to regular programming soon though!

I would like to take a moment for some thank-you notes:

- Thank you to our Music Specialist Ms. Quinn for her work in preparing our Digital Christmas Concert! I hope you enjoyed watching your children and their classmates. It certainly brought that magical feeling of the season home for us.
- Thank you to our Parent Council for treating us so well during the month of December. Your treats made our days brighter. Even though we couldn't see you, we felt your presence and support in our building.
- Thank you to our extremely generous community supporters. Your work and donations made many families' holidays that much happier. Lakeview is truly a giving community.

Lots of changes are ahead for us at Lakeview this year. There are many things we are uncertain about with the continued pandemic, and also the opening of Dr. Robert Plaxton Elementary School. It will continue to be an exciting, and at times, challenging year. There will be lots of information coming out from the Division soon regarding boundaries for the new school, and pivot points for students who wish to change their current learning scenario. Although I too have lots of questions, I do know for sure that Lakeview will be here for your child and continue to be a school focused on academic success and Living to Learn, Learning to Live. Thank you for being a part of our journey.

Please know that even though we can't have you in the building at this time you can contact us at any time by phone of email. Take care and be well! - Dawn Walmsley, Principal

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL CO

Hello Lakeview families,

School Council will meet again on January 19th, via Microsoft Teams. Every parent is welcome to join this meeting, so please watch for an email invitation as the date gets closer. If you don't receive the invite, but would like to join, please contact the office.

I hope to see you all soon! Rachelle Ririe, Chair

#### 2021-2022 **Kindergarten Registration**

Kindergarten registration for the 2021/2022 school year will be in the spring of 2021. The registration date is yet to be announced. Your child must be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2021 to be eligible to register.

We will send an email and add more information to our website once the date is set. Please watch your email in March/April.

## UPCOMING AND ONGOING

Mon Jan 4 — No School for students, teachers organizing at-home learning **Tue Jan 5—Fri Jan 8** — All students in all Lakeview classes will have at home/online learning.

**Mon Jan 11** — In school classes will resume

**Tue Jan 12**— School boundary presentation 6:30pm. Link for presentation will be available on lethsd.ab.ca closer to the event

(403) 328-5454

Tue Jan 19— School Council meeting 6:30pm

Fri Jan 29—Professional Learning Day, No School for students



https://lv.lethsd.ab.ca/about/newsletter for information about:

- School boundaries recommendations for change
- The LOOP
- How Long to Stay Home From School





