

#### Lester B. Pearson Newsletter - November 5, 2023

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Last week marked the end of our Fall Athletic Season. I want to recognize our athletes and coaches for their time, care and dedication. A season is measured best not by wins and losses but in the journey of development as a player, person and teammate. All of our athletes ended their season having accomplished significant personal and team goals. In the end the bonds they made with each other and their coaches and the growth they all worked for will be memorable and last well beyond the end of the season.















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The football season ended Monday night in our final match against Churchill. There were some exciting plays for the Patriots. At the hill, the coaches had some words of thanks especially for our grade 12 and words of encouragement for those who will see another season. The final thought as the sun was setting next season starts today!!! Kudos to coaches Easingwood, O'Neil, Longlitz and Baudner. Special thanks go out to our timekeepers, Benard and Little and our wonderful Sports Med Trainers.



For true golfers weather is not a barrier the Golf Club played a round of Virtual Golf!!!







Volleyball Season has come to an end. Thanks to the Senior Boys and coach Fowler.



Thanks to the Junior Girls and coaches Collinge and Lam.





Thanks to the Senior Girls and coach Groves.





Thanks to Junior Boys and Coaches Duss and Marcil and all the amazing Sports Med Trainers for all the teams.









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In case you missed all the Trick or Treaters <sup>(2)</sup> The Contest was full of cheers and Creative costumes!!!



Just wanted to share a picture of the Unified athletes. Today, we wrapped up the soccer season with a rousing, sporty final match. All the athletes showed great dedication and improvement and fittingly, the score ended in a sportsmanlike 1-1 draw.



Our Soccer Team's playoff hopes were dashed when the decision was made to limit post season play to the top 4 teams in each division. Our soccer team worked hard to prepare for their quarterfinal match. They are Champions in effort, dedication and



teamwork. Thank you to the Soccer Team, coaches Byrgesen and Sousa and our outstanding Sport Med students for a fine season.







There was lots of interest for the post-secondary choices available to our students at our Post Secondary Fair. Some students are dreaming a year or two ahead and many are looking seriously at where to go and what program to take for next year. Thanks to Students Services, PE and our caretaking staff for all your efforts.



Randy Turning Robe Jr. met with two of our students for a special noon hour chat. He gifted them with sweet grass. I took part in the smudge and it helped lift the burdens of a busy morning. Thanks to Ms. Hayden, our Indigenous Mentor and Learning Leader.



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Students taking part in Archery in the Aux Gym, fun and always done safely. Did someone win \$5????







Special thanks to Aneeta Katongole, EAL Specialist, for spending the week supporting our students and staff. Mr. Leonhardt enjoyed his collaborative time with Aneeta. Aneeta will be presenting some strategies on Activating Background Knowledge at our staff meeting on Friday.







Every student can learn, just not on the same day, or the same way.

- George Evans



Enjoyed my visit to Ms. Buchan's EAL Class. Her opener encouraged her students to converse and she used wonderful questioning strategies addressed to each student creating a comfortable and safe climate for them to talk. My favorite answer Octopus have 8 legs!!!!





Happy winners of the Roll Out the Carbon Week! First prize a fabulous mountain bike!!! Second Prize a bike tool kit and accessories.











Pearson was proud to host the First Robotics Competition of the year. The Main Gym served as the completion field and the Cafeteria and hallways were the pit areas where the robots were readied and repaired. Team Pearson finished in the top 10. Thanks to coaches Butlin, Trautmann and Tran.







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The Vic Lewis Festival in Canmore was fun and inspiring. Our students were complemented on their stage presence and performance. Our adjudicator, Dr. Woodsman, touched all of our hearts and double dared us to play even better. Our Concert Band was the epitome of grace and professionalism. Thanks to Ms. Riben, Mr. Toy, Mr. Mason, and Ms. Wittrock for supporting and encouraging our band students.

Please speak to and remind your student to wear his/her ID visibly around their necks. School safety is dependent on being able to identify our students each



and everyday. This includes guest teachers who are in our building who do not know our students.

#### Save the Dates:

- Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>: Remembrance Day Services
- Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>: Non-Instructional Day No Classes/No School
- Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>: Fall Break
- Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>: Classes Resume
- Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>: Photo Retakes Drama Lounge Set Up
- Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>: School Parent Council at 7:30 pm
- Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>: Connect Substitute Day
- Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup>: Non-Instructional Day No Classes/No School









Kenneth Chee Principal