

Friday, February 18, 2022



# Lafleche Central School

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Lafleche Central School is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the original lands of the Cree, Ojibwe, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. We are all Treaty people.



## Notes from the principal...

Another month has just sped by in a blink of an eye! The second semester is well underway. Grades 7-12 have started their new classes and schedules. There are also several students taking online classes. We have students taking: Career and Work Explorations, Psychology, Forensic Science, Robotics and Pre-Calculus. We are thankful that the division has these classes set up to offer a variety to our students. If you have a student in your house that is taking an online class, please check in weekly to make sure that they are staying on top of their assignments. We are also excited to be offering PAA to students. These classes would not be possible without the help and support of our community! A big thanks to the Lafleche businesses for providing opportunities for our students to explore the different careers.

Report cards for K-8 will be sent to the parent portal the week of March 7. Our student led conferences will be held in the evening of Wednesday March 16 for grades K-12 from 4:00-8:00. Student Led Conferences are great ways for students to show parents what they are doing well, challenges they are having and plans for future growth.

We have had some very cold weather and then some melting weather that creates puddles/ice. Thank you to so many parents who ensure that their children have proper clothing! We know Saskatchewan weather is a challenge.

It doesn't come as a shock that our recent reading results indicate that students are progressing, but still not achieving the same level of proficiency in reading as they were pre-pandemic. This is a division-wide concern and one that other school divisions share in Saskatchewan and across North America. As a school, we will continue to target and work on the skills that are missing. We are asking families to continue to support their child/ren's reading at home with diligence.

With the hockey leagues starting to wrap up, we congratulate all our hockey players for an entertaining season! We wish those teams who are in the final playoff games, good luck! Thanks to all our hockey coaches, manager and volunteers who make this all possible!

Badminton season has now officially started. Scheduled practices will be set after February break. Mrs. Hartman and Ms. Wilson are coaching the seniors and Mrs. Bouffard and Ms. Hagenes are coaching the bantams. Mrs. de Graauw will also be starting archery after February break.

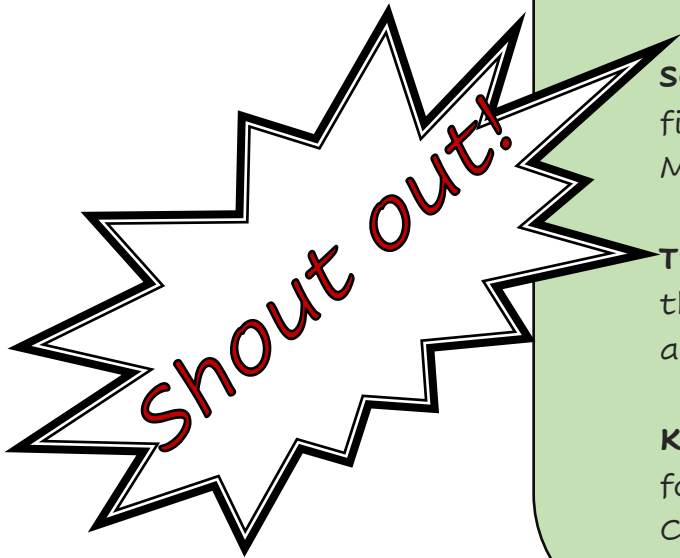
When your child/ren are absent please remember to **contact the school**. Due to safety reasons, even when buses don't run, all students need to be accounted for. We know that some parents may have staff members personal cell numbers and just

send a text to them, however, we have had missed messages and student absences unaccounted for if staff members don't see the text or are also absent that day.

Staff appreciation week was Feb. 7-11. We would like to acknowledge the numerous people who contribute in one way or another in order for our children to get the education they require. No job should go unnoticed. To everyone we say, "Thank you!"

We are ready for February break! Cheers to all our LCS families! We hope your family time is filled with unforgettable memories.

**Mrs. Lisa Packet**



**SCC** for the November and December birthday bucket celebrations!

**SCC** for sponsoring our 1<sup>st</sup> place oratory finalists to attend the Lafleche & District Music Festival.

**Trent Packet** at Lafleche Autobody for having the PAA 9&10 class come in and learn about all the different aspects of autobody.

**Kyla Massé** for the delicious treats she made for staff and students during our Literacy Day Celebrations sponsored by the SCC!

## **REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES**

Please **contact the school** by email ([spence.joelle@prairiesouth.ca](mailto:spence.joelle@prairiesouth.ca)) or phone (306-472-3192) when your child/ren are going to be **absent or late**. A reason for the absence is also required so the absence is accurately documented in the MSS attendance program. **If your child is ill, please keep them home until they are symptom free.** Please do not contact staff members on their personal cell phones regarding student absences.

Have you logged onto  
your Parent Portal yet?  
If you have not, please  
do so. If you have

forgotten your username or password, please contact Mrs. Spence. **NOTE: You MUST create the account on a computer (not a mobile device or tablet). If you need to use a school computer to do this, please contact us---we can accommodate you!** After you have created an account, you can log on anytime to see mark submissions, attendance, etc. for your son/daughter. All report cards (K-12) will be pushed out through the parent portal as well. Printed report cards will no longer be available.

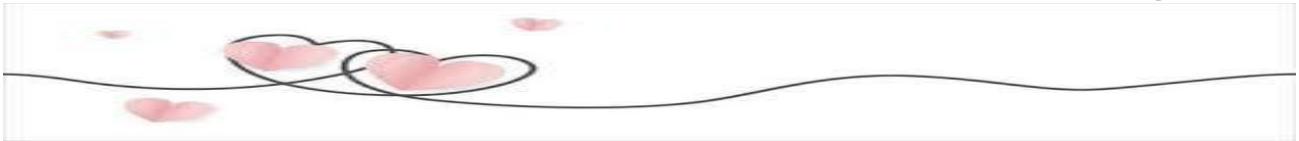
# MSS Parent Portal



## Mask-Friendly School



Please be aware that although restrictions will be lifted February 28, Lafleche Central School remains a mask-friendly zone. We ask that you please respect any students and staff who may choose to wear a mask while in the building.



*In a world where you can be anything, BE KIND.*

### PREKINDERGARTEN



Over the month of February, the students have been busy exploring ideas around love, family and friendship. It was enjoyable to hand out and receive special Valentine's with our friends. The class particularly enjoyed having the family dramatic role play, as the students show how they help around the home and take care of their little babies. This week, we will begin exploring nursery rhymes: "Patty Cake, Patty Cake", "Humpty Dumpty", "Jack and Jill", "The Itsy-Bitsy Spider" and "This Little Piggy". Our class is looking forward to the beautiful weather so that we can spend extra time outdoors.

***Mrs. Cornet, Mrs. Ellis, and the Prekindergarten Class***

## KINDERGARTEN



The Kindergarten class did a fabulous job on the presentation of their oratory poems. The speaking outcome is definitely a challenge and can be difficult in kindergarten. However, I am proud of every single student. Students have been working on jolly phonics sounds, rhyming, writing, making predictions and connections. The students are starting to read beginner/decodable words with 3 and 4 letters. In math, we will be continuing on with the number

strand and learning about numbers to 10. In science, we are learning about magnets and light. In social and health, we are learning about being mindful and having healthy relationships full of kindness. We look forward to report cards and Student Led Conferences in March! In PE we have enjoyed going skating at the rink with a big focus on balance and learning to stop. In the gym, we are focusing on our hand eye coordination by practicing "wall ball", learning about and working on sportsmanship and fair play in competitive games, and are starting to learn basketball skills.

**Mrs. Cornet, Mrs. DeWulf and the Kindergarten Class**

## Ask me about:

### GRADE 1 & 2



**ELA 1 & 2** – writing about my ideas.

**Math 1** – subtracting numbers within 20.

**Math 2** – subtracting numbers within 100.

**Social** – what peace is and how we can resolve conflicts in a healthy way.

**Health** – the job of my heart, lungs, and brain

**Arts Ed** – my different voices when I sing.

**PE 1 & 2** – skating at the rink and learning how to stop. In the gym, we are focusing

on our hand eye coordination by practicing "wall ball", learning about and working on sportsmanship and fair play in competitive games, and are starting to learn basketball skills.



**Ms. Sinclair, Mrs. DeWulf**



## GRADE 3 & 4



**ELA 3 & 4** – cursive handwriting.

**Math 3 & 4** – what division is.

**Science** – the difference between natural and artificial sounds.

**Social** – the Treaty Relationship between First Nations and the Crown.

**Health** – the difference between avoidable risks and reducible risks.

**Arts Ed** – creating beats, using the environment as inspiration.

**PE 3 & 4** – enjoying some time skating and playing shinny at the rink. In the gym, we have been working on our individual basketball dribbling and shooting skills and learning how to play basketball with a focus on following the rules of traveling and double dribbling.



*Ms. Hagenes, Mrs. DeWulf*



## GRADE 5 & 6

**ELA 5 & 6** – elements of a fairy tale, how to write a fable, editing my own writing and using million-dollar words.

**Math 5** – my variable/equation test and my new unit on measurement.

**Math 6** – the difference between equations and expressions in math. Also, ask me what the definition of a variable is.

**Science** – my experiment in static electricity.

**Social** – what represents quality of life.

**Health** – my research project on a medical

breakthrough.

**Arts Ed** – my research on a Motown musician.

**PE 5/6** – basketball; dribbling and ball control.

*Ms. Elek, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Packet*

## GRADE 7 & 8

**ELA 7** – the factual articles we have read which taught us about the information garnered from mummies and bones.

**ELA 8** – the “Pandora’s Box” assignment which had me create a box to contain all the evils of the world. Also, ask me about the Greek myths we have read thus far.

**Math 7** – measurement - Perimeter and area of regular polygons, rectangles, parallelograms, triangles, and circles.

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**Art 7/8** – elements and principles of design.

**PAA** – photography; rule of thirds, line, macro, and viewpoint.



**Health 7** – What I have learned regarding the risk factors for HIV and Hepatitis C. Also, ask me about social determinants of health and how they can contribute to and exacerbate these illnesses.

**PE 7 & 8** – basketball; shooting from various points on the court.

*Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. de Graauw*

## **GRADE 9 & 10**

**ELA 9** – the short stories we have read introducing our “Search for Self” unit. Also, ask me about the personal narrative I wrote about a significant event in my life.

**ELA 10** – Act I and II of Macbeth. Ask me about my Unit I examination and how I am able to explain the predominant themes of the text.

**Math 9** – learning how to solve one and two-step linear equations. We started with whole numbers and are now dealing with fractions and decimals solving these types of linear equations.

**Math 10** – greatest common factor and lowest common multiple using two or three numbers. Then we factored trinomials. We factored special trinomials that were perfect squares and ones that contained two variables.

**Art 9/10** – drawing with perspective, how to create the 7 elements of art, blending colours and shading, and how and why street art has become a mainstream form of contemporary art.

**Health 7** – what I have learned regarding the risk factors for HIV and Hepatitis C. Also, ask me about social determinants of health and how they can contribute to and exacerbate these illnesses.

**PE 9** – basketball; shooting from various points on the court.

**Wellness 10** – basketball; skills and game situations.

**PAA 9/10** – the exterior parts of a car. We have been going to Lafleche Auto Body. Trent Packet went over the tools used in the autobody, we have been fixing dents, sanding down clear coat and learning how to repair vehicles.

**Com Cook 20** – quick breads. We started with muffins and have been making biscuits.

*Mrs. Bouffard, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. de Graauw*





## GRADE 11 & 12



**ELA 20** – the narrative, oral presentation, and visual presentation (postcard) which I have completed as introductions to the Childhood/reflection unit.

**ELA 30** – my independent reading novel, *Night*, and the book talk I did with it. Also, ask me about the etymology and Old English assignment I completed.

**Workplace 30** – the uncertainty and precision of measurements.

**Physics 30** – the review of significant figures, scientific

notation, solving linear equations, and metric conversions. We started our first unit on Kinematics. We have been learning how to solve questions dealing with motion. We have been solving questions dealing with velocity and acceleration. We did an experiment with cars to determine the velocity using a ramp at various degrees 10, 20 and 30.

**Chemistry 30** – the various fields of chemistry. We began reviewing the contributions that various scientists have made towards the atomic theory. We have been doing a quick review of the atom, periodic table, and electron configuration.

**History 30** – the current events log I have been keeping and the editorial I wrote regarding a Canadian issue. Also, ask me to explain a worldview.

**Com Cook 20** – quick breads. We started with muffins and have been making biscuits.

**PE 20/30** – basketball; skills and game situations.



**Mrs. de Graauw, Mrs. Bouffard, Mrs. Packet, Mrs. Hartman**

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT



Lafleche Central School SCC had a regular meeting on February 3 at 6:00. There are several terms that are up at our Annual General Meeting. If you are interested in joining the SCC, please attend our AGM which will be held on Thursday, April 7 at 6:00 at Lafleche Central School. On February 4, SCC sponsored treats made by Kyla Massé to celebrate Literacy Day. Students in Kindergarten – Grade 9 also had oratory speak-offs in the gym that day. All

first-place winners had the option to attend the Lafleche and District Music Festival and the SCC would sponsor their entry fee. We are happy to sponsor seven participants who are going to recite their poem at festival this year. Good Luck to all participants!

*Mrs. Spence*

### **BANTAM CURLING**



What a great season! It's hard to believe we have already finished for the year. This season the Bantam Curlers participated in fun exhibition games against Glentworth and Kincaid. During curling Sections, the Girls team placed second and the Boys team placed first. The Boys advanced to Districts in Assiniboia. At Districts there were some close matches with some nail-biting entertainment! Throughout the season our athletes worked hard and improved their skills immensely. Congratulations to all our athletes for a great season and job well done! A grateful thank you goes to Shaylor Layman for tending to the ice surface for our practices and games and to the Lafleche curling club for the use of their facility.

*Ms. Hagenes*



## **CELEBRATE LEARNING!**

**WHEN:** March 16, 2022

**TIME:** 4:00-8:00

Lafleche Central School invites you and your child(ren) to come to our Open House SLC night. Have a hot dog or hamburger and check out your child's progress while touring their classroom and looking through their SLC binder.

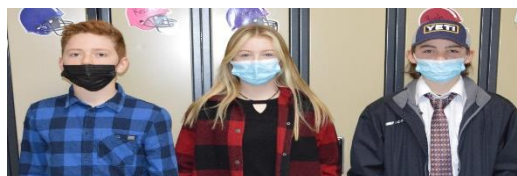
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**We've got SPIRIT yes we do!**



**We've got SPIRIT how 'bout you?**





**Lafleche Central**  
**School Community Council**  
**Annual General Meeting and Elections**

A general meeting for the purpose of presenting an annual report and to hold elections for  
the School Community Council of

**Lafleche Central School**  
will be held on  
**Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 6:00pm**  
at  
**Lafleche Central School Gymnasium**

School Community Council Administrative Policies developed by the Board of Education regarding the elections can be  
viewed under the schools tab, School Community Councils section on the Prairie South Schools website:

[www.prairiesouth.ca](http://www.prairiesouth.ca)

Parents and guardians of students attending Lafleche Central School and School Division electors residing in the school  
catchment area may stand for election to the School Community Council and vote in the elections. The School  
Community Council is comprised of five to nine elected parent and community members. Elections are being held to fill  
these positions.

Nominations of parents and community members interested in standing for election must be submitted on the official  
form and will be received up to the time of the election.

Nominations are available from Lafleche Central School and can be returned to Lafleche Central School prior to  
the election or be presented at the election.

Contact: Crystal Bouffard at 306-472-3192

Email: [bouffard.crystal@prairiesouth.ca](mailto:bouffard.crystal@prairiesouth.ca)

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- 3) Follow instructions on the screen. Type **LCS Bottle Drive** when prompted to enter the group phrase. It is simple!
- 4) The amount of your order will be processed and paid directly to the **Lafleche Central School**.

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Drop & Go Locations



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Regina Vic East  
Saskatoon East  
Saskatoon North  
Saskatoon West  
Spiritwood  
Swift Current  
Tisdale  
Weyburn  
Wynyard  
Yorkton

#### How to get to Drop & Go

- Side entrance to the north of the building
- Side entrance on the south side of the building
- Entrance at back of building
- Entrance to the left of the main doors
- Entrance to the east of the building
- Entrance to the south of the building
- Entrance on the east side of the building
- Entrance on the north side of the building
- Entrance to the right of the main doors
- Entrance to the left of the main doors
- Entrance to the right of the main doors
- Entrance to the north of the building
- Enter through Avenue X (west side) doors
- Entrance to the right of the main doors
- Entrance to the left of the main doors
- Entrance on the east side of the building
- Entrance in the back of the building
- Entrance on the right side of the building
- Entrance to the left of the main doors

*For all other SARCAN depots, Drop & Go is located inside the customer area. Just watch for pink signs when you arrive or speak to one of our friendly staff members.*

## PLEASE REMEMBER...

- If your child(ren) is ill, they must remain at home until they are **symptom free**. Please call the school at 306-472-3192 or email Mrs. Spence at [spence.joelle@prairiesouth.ca](mailto:spence.joelle@prairiesouth.ca) to report their absence.
- **When your child is absent, please make arrangements with the teacher for homework. We can always have it ready for pick up outside the school. We ask that you give the teacher's notice so they can adequately prepare homework.**
- For safety reasons, we ask that all visitors use the main entrance and call the front office prior to entering the building.



## Oratory Competition

We are so happy that LCS was once again able to hold their annual Oratory Competition. Although things were a little different this year with it being closed to the public, the students still had the opportunity to perform a poem in front of a panel of judges. At LCS, we feel public speaking is a life skill needed at various times throughout an individual's life and according to the English Language Arts curricula, it is a skill which students are required to learn. Students in K-9 each memorized a poem and presented it in front of their peers in the classroom speak offs. Three students from each grade were chosen by a group of judges to perform their poems in the final competition on February 4 in conjunction with our Literacy Day Celebrations. A big thank you goes out to our judges Wanda Longworth, Daphne Fogal and Veronique Hartman. We know it is not an easy job! The judges picked a winner from each grade to attend the Lafleche and District Music Festival. The winners were sponsored by the Lafleche School Community Council.

### Kindergarten

Nash – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Cohen, Beau



### Grade 1

Daxen – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Benjamin, Payton

### Grade 2

Elisha – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Lexi, Maxell

### Grade 3

Olivia – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Kamryn, Janelle



### Grade 4

Lawson – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Griffin, Hallie

### Grade 5

Cole – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Grady, Rylee

### Grade 6

Ethan – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Jarius

### Grade 7

Darin – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Tyson

### Grade 8

Chloé – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Tyson, Raela

### Grade 9

Erica – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Grant, Kai



*Best of luck to Nash, Daxen, Elisha, Olivia, Lawson, Cole and Chloé who will be competing in their respective categories at the Lafleche & District Music Festival in April! Thank you to the SCC for sponsoring the winners of the LCS Oratory Competition.*



With the warmer weather, please remember to send your child(ren) to school with appropriate gear – rubber boots, splash pants, extra clothes in case of a mishap in a puddle!

We try to remind the students to stay out of the puddles but sometimes it is just stronger than them!

# Puddle

(noun)

A small body of water that attracts other small bodies wearing dry shoes



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<https://lafleche.entripyshops.com/>

and you can pick anything from hoodies and hats to pants and backpacks! Pick from a multitude of designs and colours. They ship directly to you (FREE on orders over \$85) and the best part? The school benefits from every purchase made.



## Winter Break Self-Care

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### MENTAL

- 01 Guided Meditation for 5 Minutes
- 02 Deep Breathing for 5 Minutes
- 03 Brain Dump My To-Do List
- 04 Read an Affirmation & Say It Aloud
- 05 Journal for 5 Minutes Before Bed

### PHYSICAL

- 06 Take a 15 Minute Walk
- 07 Do 15 Minutes of Yoga
- 08 Play My Favorite Sport for 30 Minutes
- 09 Eat 3 Healthy Meals in One Day
- 10 Stretch for 5 Minutes in the AM & PM

### EMOTIONAL

- 01 Listen to an Inspirational Podcast
- 02 Listen to Soothing Music for 10 Minutes
- 03 List 5 Things I'm Grateful For
- 04 Talk Honestly with a Trusted Friend
- 05 Keep a Mood Log for a Week

### SOCIAL

- 01 Have Lunch with a Family Member
- 02 Have a Game Night with Friends
- 03 Call a Friend to Reconnect
- 04 Give Support & Cheer on Social Media
- 05 Send a Postcard to a Loved One

### ENVIRONMENTAL

- 01 Declutter My Work Space
- 02 Clean Out My Fridge & Pantry
- 03 Add a Cheerful Decoration to My Office
- 04 Attend a Fun Event
- 05 Create an Uplifting Music Playlist

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## February 19-27

February Break – School Closed



## February 28

Back to school

## March 4

Non-instructional Friday  
Prep Day/LIT

## March 9

Report Cards K-8  
Hot Noon Meal – Pancakes and Sausage

## March 11

Regular classes – Wednesday Timetable  
K Day

## March 16

LCS Open House - Student-Led Conferences  
4:00-8:00

## March 18

Non-instructional Friday

## March 21

World Down Syndrome Day

## March 25

Regular classes – Thursday Timetable  
PreK Day

## March 28

Early Dismissal – 2:30

## April 1

Non-instructional Friday

## April 3-9

Lafleche & District Music Festival

## April 7

SCC Annual General Meeting – 6:00

## April 8

Regular classes – Monday Timetable  
K Day  
Badminton Sections

## April 12

Report Cards – Grades 9-12

## April 15

Good Friday – School closed

## April 18-22

Easter Break

## April 25

Back to school



## April 29

Regular classes – Tuesday Timetable  
NO PreK

## May 2

Early Dismissal – 2:30

## May 5

SCC Meeting – 6:00

## May 6

Non-school Friday

## May 13

Non School Friday

## May 19

High School Track & Field Sections

## May 20

Regular classes – Wednesday Timetable

## May 23

Victoria Day – School closed

## May 25

High School Track & Field Districts

## May 27

Regular Classes – Monday Timetable  
K Day