

MESSAGES & BLOGS

Greg Kostiuk, Principal  
<https://gregkostiuk.com>

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<https://blog.holyspirit.ab.ca/>

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed, Feb 1

New Registration Accepted,  
(reregistration for current  
students continues)

Tues, Feb 7th

School Council Mtg. 7:00 p.m.

Feb 13th week (tentative)

Badminton Tryouts Start

Mon, Feb 20

Family Day - No School

Feb 21-24

No School for Students -  
Teacher's Convention

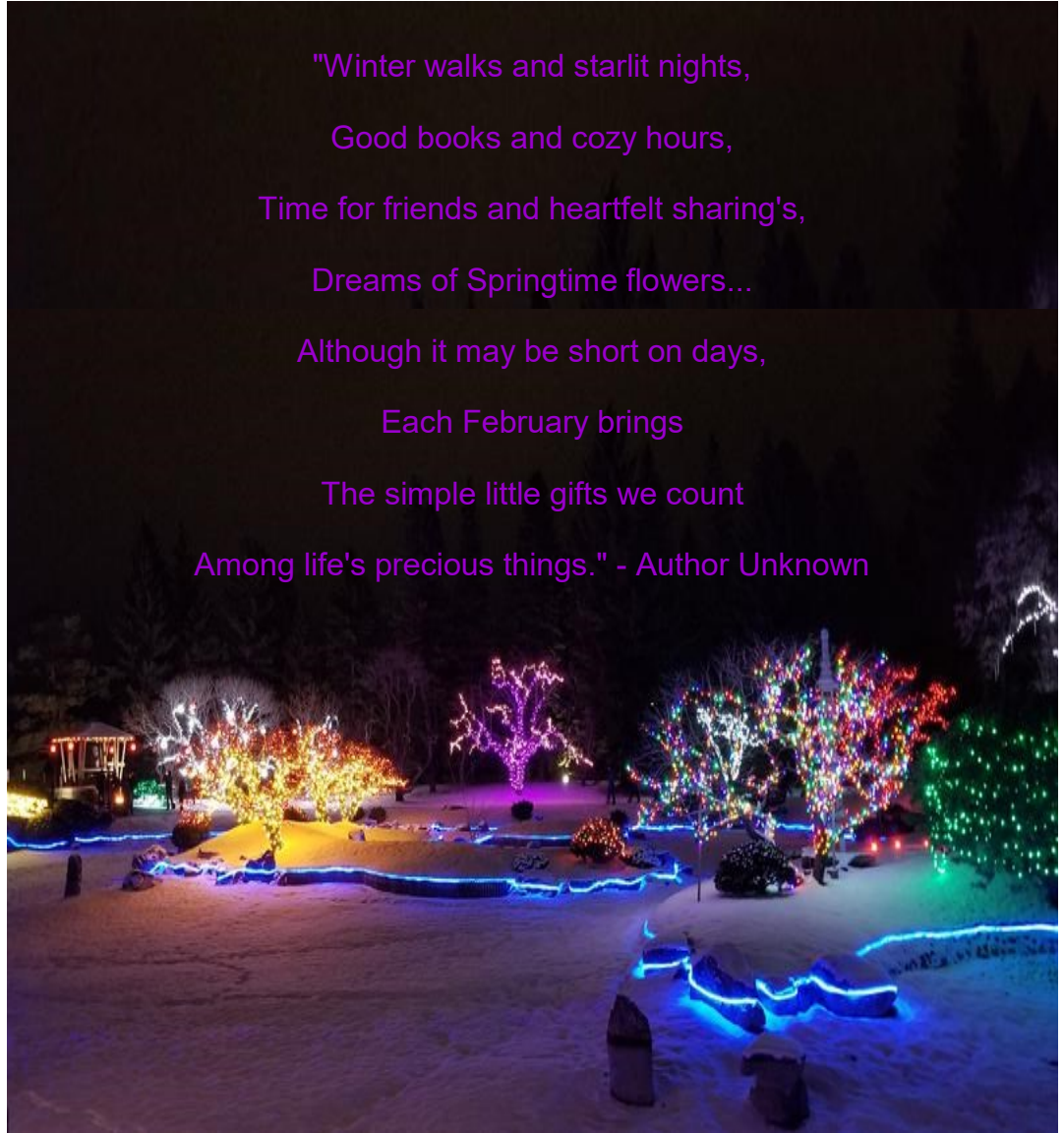
"Winter walks and starlit nights,  
Good books and cozy hours,  
Time for friends and heartfelt sharing's,  
Dreams of Springtime flowers...

Although it may be short on days,

Each February brings

The simple little gifts we count

Among life's precious things." - Author Unknown



# Library news & updates



## Library News from Ms. Pierson

**Rocky Mountain Book Awards:** The Rocky Mountain Book Awards is in full motion. The students are involved with reading the nominated books and reporting back to me on them. In order to vote, the students need to read a minimum of 5 RMBA books by the beginning of April. The participating students will not only get to vote for their favorite book but at the FLVT library they will get a chance to win some prizes. There are a limited number of copies at our library therefore, if your child would like to get through the books quicker, the public library currently offers free library cards and they have the RMBA books on hand (make sure they are from the 2023 nominee list).

**Library Manners Jar:** The Library Manners Jars are back for round two. The next challenge is on and the students are off to a good start. The goal is for students to fill their classroom jar first by using great library manners so they can win a classroom prize.

**Monthly Library Winners:** Students have the opportunity to win a library prize monthly by following HAWK values. I watch for respectful behavior and students receive a draw slip. The draw is made at the end of each month. Good luck!!

**Volunteers:** We appreciate our volunteers' time and help in the library. If you are interested in committing to volunteering in the library, please email me at [piersond@holyspirit.ab.ca](mailto:piersond@holyspirit.ab.ca)

**Book Donations:** The library accepts lightly used books. Please contact me at [piersond@holyspirit.ab.ca](mailto:piersond@holyspirit.ab.ca) prior to dropping off books. We are thankful to all families who have already made donations.

**Bringing books to life:** In the library we like to bring the books we read to life by being creative with them. Watch for photos of the grade 3's using puppets while they listen to "Audrey Cow" by Dan Bar-el in the next newsletter. Ask them what they know about a Charolais cow. Or what is special about this particular charolais cow.

Also, if any of you have puppets or stuffies of cows, people, crows, racoons, geese, deer, skunk, cougar, badger, or sheep that you would like to donate, this would be much appreciated. Please contact me via email to discuss. Thank you in advance.

This month the kindergarten students learned that we don't just read books but sometimes we can play with them too. Here we are "playing" with the book "Press Here" by Herve Tullet.





# PLEASE WELCOME



Elizabeth Lajoie - PSIII Student Teacher with Ms. Campmans

Hello!

My name is Elizabeth Lajoie, and I am a PSII/III student from the University of Lethbridge. I am so excited to be completing my education degree here at FLVT and joining the Hawks family! In my previous practicum I taught grade 3 at Ecole St. Mary School here in Lethbridge, so joining Laurie Campmans' grade 4 class feels just right!

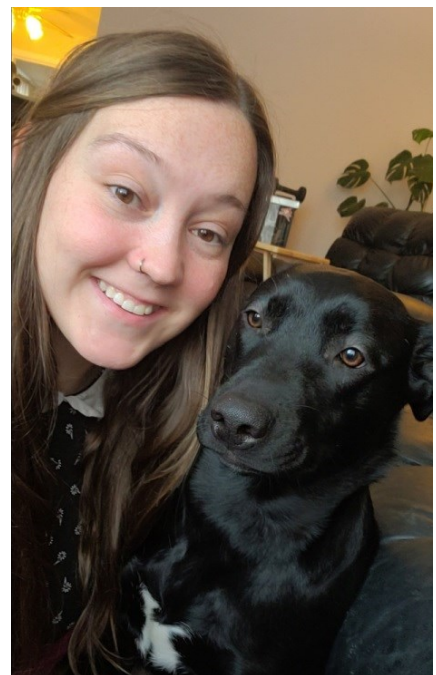
I will be teaching reading, writing, spelling, and social studies this spring. I am currently also working towards a degree in general humanities, with focuses in English, History, and Religious Studies, along with an education minor in Social Studies. Outside of school I am a member of the University of Lethbridge Track and Field team - go horns!- where I High Jump and Long Jump. I enjoy watching all sports and playing most, yet I can't say no to a cup of tea and a good book!

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Ashley Pearse - PSIII Student Teacher with Mr. Templin

My name is Miss Pearse and I will be student teaching in Mr. Templin's grade one classroom for the next four months! I would like to take this opportunity to share a little about myself with you. This spring I will be graduating from the University of Lethbridge with an education degree in science and a minor in art. I am a very creative person who enjoys spending the majority of my time in nature. In my spare time, I love to go hiking, snowshoeing, camping, and biking. I am a photographer, an adventurer, and a dog mom!

I am also very passionate about teaching. I enjoy encouraging curiosity and I am dedicated to meeting the students where they are at. I am very eager to begin my final semester of practicum in Mr. Templin's classroom at Father Leonard Van Tighem! I look forward to meeting and getting to know all the students and parents.



The City of Lethbridge is asking for our assistance with community engagement on the harmonizing of school and playground zones.

What does that mean?

The [Transportation Safety Plan 2021\(External link\)](#) recommends harmonizing School and Playground Zones. Harmonizing School and Playground Zones means the City of Lethbridge would:

- Change existing School Zones to Playground Zones
- Change the effective time of Playground Zones to 7:30 AM to 9:00 PM, every day

Community Feedback is being ask for ... Please complete the Harmonized Playground survey found at

<https://getinvolvedlethbridge.ca/harmonizedplaygroundzones>



## GRADE 10 PREPARATION FOR CCHS

### PARENT INFORMATION

Tuesday, February 7 at 7:00 p.m.  
Campus East in the Cafeteria  
405 18th Street South

or

Wednesday, February 8 at 7:00 p.m.  
Campus West in the Gathering Space  
251 Britannia Blvd. West

### STUDENT ORIENTATION FOR GR. 10 @ CCH

FLVT (February 15)

Students will have program handbooks and a copy of their course selection sheets to bring home for approval. Please have all course selection sheets submitted back to your child's school no later than Friday, March 10, 2023.

Please note that course selections for CCHS cannot be completed until the registration update form has been submitted online.



## VIRTUE VOUCHERS

When staff members notice a student displaying one of our Van Tighem Virtues, they can give that student a Virtue Voucher. The student fills it out and enters their name in the office for a monthly draw to receive a \$20 Indigo gift card. There will be three draws; K-3, 4-6 and 7-9. All names collected throughout the year will also be eligible for an end of the year draw of \$50 Amazon gift card (one for each division).

## CONGRATULATIONS

### January 2023 Virtue Voucher winners

Division One - Maizy R

Division Two - Jerecho R

Division Three - Nathan B

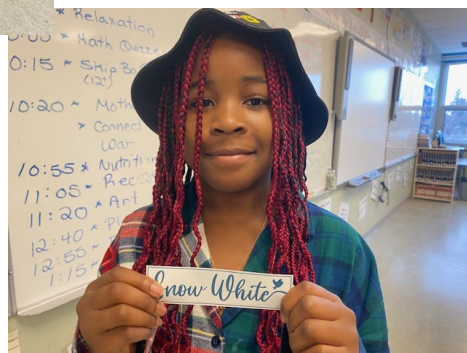
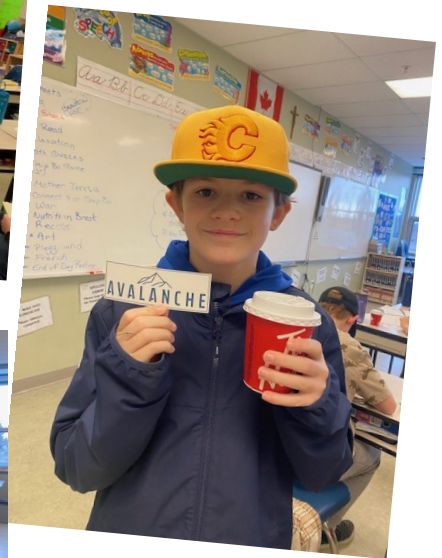
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**ACCEPTING**  
**WISE**  
**KIND**  
**SPIRITUAL**

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## Snow Plow Naming Contest Winners!

Mrs. Campman's Grade 4 class took part in a City of Lethbridge snow plow naming contest and got to meet "Snow White" which included a snow plow demonstration by the City of Lethbridge's Transportation Department (one a graduate of FLVT). The class also named two other snowplows - "Avalanche" and "Tina the Snow Shuffler"

Keep your eyes out on the road for Avalanche, Snow White and Tina the Snow Shuffler!





# Putting a Face on Alberta's Past an Alberta-wide Student Contest

ALBERTA  
CHAMPIONS

**Deadline: April 4, 2023**

Enter your essay, story, poem, video,  
animation, interactive game, or other media  
Two Divisions: **Grades 4-6 | Grades 7-9**

Our 14th annual contest connects Alberta  
students with important Alberta pioneers,  
founders, builders, innovators and  
Indigenous leaders; as well as their impact  
on today's important social issues.

The contest aligns with the curriculum for English Language Arts (ELA) and Social Studies



For entry details and rules, see  
[Alberta Champions.org](http://AlbertaChampions.org)



**LETHBRIDGE  
LITTLE LEAGUE**

**HOUSE LEAGUE  
BASEBALL REGISTRATION  
JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup> TO MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup>**

REGISTER NOW AT:  
[www.lethbridgelittleleague.com](http://www.lethbridgelittleleague.com)





# 2023 OUTDOOR SOCCER REGISTRATION

Online Registration opens February 1, 2023 – March 5, 2023



[www.lethbridgesoccer.com](http://www.lethbridgesoccer.com)



403-320-5425

Boys and Girls

U4 – U7 (Co-Ed) \$125.00

U9 & U11 (Male and Female Divisions) \$190.00

U13 - U18 (Co-Ed) - \$190.00

Season will run April – June 2023

LFC Competitive information available online at [www.lethbridgesoccer.com](http://www.lethbridgesoccer.com) or visit our Facebook Page at Lethbridge Soccer Association. LFC Registration for evaluations will open online February 1, 2023

ROLLER HOCKEY LETHBRIDGE

**ALL  
THRILL  
NO  
CHILL**



Want to get into hockey for the first time or develop your hockey skills?

Want to try 4-on-4 non-checking hockey on inline skates?

2023 Season begins end of April and goes through June  
Ages 7 to Adult!

[www.rollerhockeylethbridge.ca](http://www.rollerhockeylethbridge.ca) for more information and registration link



# FATHER LEONARD VAN TIGHEM, OMI, SCHOOL

25 Stoney Crescent West  
Lethbridge, Alberta T1K 6V5  
(403) 381-0953 · Fax: (403) 381-0906



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Greg Kostiuk, Principal  
Patti Pilsner & Travis Magierowski, Associate Principals

January 12, 2023

Re: Sponsorship

Dear Production Supporter:

We proudly announce that Father Leonard Van Tighem School is planning a spring production by our Junior High students. In May 2022, we will be performing *LITTLE MERMAID JR.*, a Disney musical. The production will showcase talented FLVT student singers, dancers, and actors. Our students also fill backstage roles, from the technical booth to hair and makeup to the front house service. The spring production is truly a student-centred project.

To support our production, we rely on ticket sales, donations by our patrons, and advertisers in our Playbill. It is anticipated that our musical production will cost approximately \$10,000. Costs of the musical have increased. Last year, the Yates Memorial Theatre cost us just over \$600 per evening. This year, theatre costs have increased to over \$1,700 per evening. Therefore, we are asking for your support. If you would like to become a supporter of FLVT's musical production in the form of an advertisement or donation, please fill in the attached form and return it to Father Leonard Van Tighem School.

We plan on numerous shows on Tuesday, April 25, Wednesday, April 26, and Thursday, April 27, at the Yates Memorial Theatre. Ticket prices are \$15 per person, and children under five years old are free. Tickets will be available to purchase at the beginning of March. We hope to see you in the audience in April.

If you want more information about our sponsorship program, don't hesitate to contact the school office at (403) 381-0953. Thank you again for all your help and support. Monday, March 20, 2023, is the deadline, as we need to prepare the playbill.

Sincerely,

Greg Kostiuk

Principal

*"Many Hands Building A Better World"*



## OPTION 1

### Advertising in the Playbill.

Type of Advertisement:

- Business Card Advertiser (1 ¼ x 2 ¼ inches) \$50
- ½ Page Advertiser (4 x 5 inches) \$125
- Full Page Advertiser (8 ½ x 5 ½ inches) \$200
- Full Page Cover Advertiser \$300

\_\_\_\_\_ Inside Front Cover \_\_\_\_\_ Inside Back Cover \_\_\_\_\_ Outside Back Cover

Please pay online through School Cash Online by using the following link:  
<https://holyspirit.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/20143/179/False/True>

If paying by cheque, please make your cheque payable to FLVT School.

## OPTION 2

### Donating to the Program.

- Donation in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Our playbill will include thank you list of donors; please tell us if the donation is anonymous. For donations through School Cash Online, please click on the following link:

<https://holyspirit.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/2/179/false/true>

Under Gift, Information, choose FLVT School and write Spring Production in the memo.

If paying by cheque, please make your cheque payable to Holy Spirit RCSR # 4.

Email Contact: Kennedy McKenzie [mckenziek@holyspirit.ab.ca](mailto:mckenziek@holyspirit.ab.ca)

Phone: (403)-381-0953

Fax: (403)-381-0906

Mailing Address: FLVT School  
Attention: Kennedy McKenzie  
25 Stoney Crescent West  
Lethbridge AB T1K 6V5

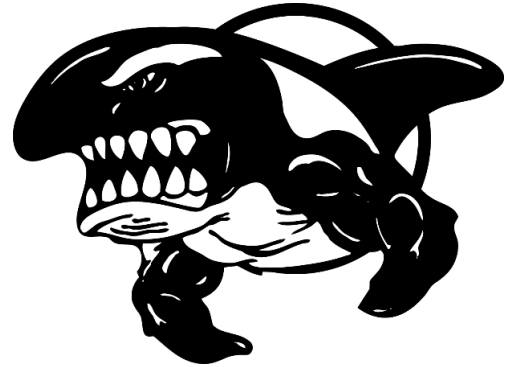
**Deadline for donations and advertisements: March 20, 2023.**

*“Many Hands Building A Better World”*

# LETHBRIDGE ORCAS

Looking for the perfect summer activity for your child...

Come join the Lethbridge Orcas Summer Swim Club.



## 2023 Registration Dates

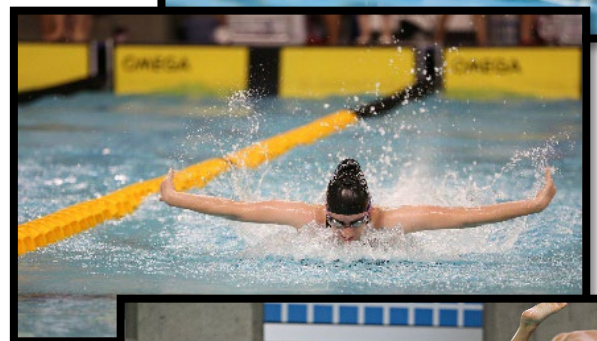
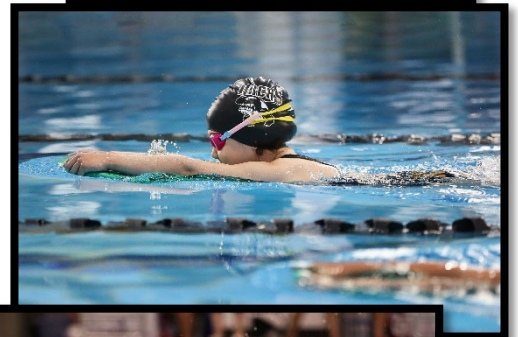
Returning Swimmers – March 1

New Swimmers – March 15

Summer Swim Club runs from May 1<sup>st</sup> to Mid Aug for the 2023

Swimming is a lifelong sport that can be used to achieve personal growth and development physically, psychologically and socially. The Lethbridge Summer Swim Club is a local non-profit organization that offers a swim program presenting this opportunity for your child to experience.

Scan the QR Code or go to [www.lethbridgeorcas.com](http://www.lethbridgeorcas.com) for more information and to register today!



For more information please email [orcasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:orcasecretary@gmail.com)





# february 25, 2023

## coldest night of the year

it's cold out there #cnoy23



The **Coldest Night of the Year** is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for local charities serving people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. Team up, fundraise, walk, and **gather for good...** because it's cold out there.

walk / donate / volunteer / share / [cnoy.org](https://cnoy.org)



Invites you to join in this family-friendly walk in the cold.

**Location:** Festival Square

**Time:** 4:00 pm - Registration

5:00 pm - Start of Walk

6:00 pm - Warmup snack

7:00 pm - Heading home

Sign up today at [cnoy.org/streetsalivemission](https://cnoy.org/streetsalivemission)

Thanks to our  
Sponsors!



scan+go!  
<https://cnoy.org/register>





# Angel Tree Christmas Campaign Stewardship Report

It is my privilege to provide your annual Angel Tree Stewardship Report. The enclosed report includes campaign-specific information as well as highlights from this amazing year. This was our 30th anniversary operating the LFS Angel Tree Christmas Campaign.

The level of commitment from our entire community of volunteers, donors, drop-off locations, media, friends, and family, was outstanding. The impact of this shared experience will be felt every day by every child who received a gift bundle and by every family who was given the gift of hope. Hope from you.

Hope is a part of everyone's life. It's an inherent part of being a human being. Hope links our past and present to the future. "Hope is a match in a dark tunnel, a moment of light, just enough to reveal the path ahead and ultimately the way out." Dr. Judith Rich

Because of your support, Angel Tree is truly changing lives.

## LFS Angel Tree 2022 Committee

A healthy community is galvanized by the people in it; connected by thousands of dreams and motivated by acts of kindness. Volunteerism brings that kind of inspiration and joy; it "changes the odds".

The LFS Angel Tree Committee think about Angel Tree all year long. They meet, discuss, plan, recruit, and shop way before the campaign begins. As early as October 2022, the Committee began setting up the Toy Depot in our brand new space, and by November 7, the group began gift bundling. Committee members devoted Monday to Friday, every morning, to this task, until December 19. The level of commitment we were privileged to witness from this group of dedicated volunteers was truly inspirational.

### Co-Chairs

Jody Gentek  
Trina Tymko

Alexis Sakamoto  
Diane Buker  
Evelyn Yackulic  
Fran Yoshida  
Heather Androkovich  
Heather Grant

Jacinda Keedwell  
Karen Nemeth  
Karly Lowe  
Loural Meeks  
Robin Sakamoto  
Teri Smith

### LFS Team

Brody Prete  
Georgina Firth  
Jane Fox  
Michelle Gallucci  
Mikey Ward  
Val Wingerter

# Angel Tree Christmas Campaign

## Campaign Facts

In 2022, a total of 3,571 babies, children and youth between 0 -18 years of age, received gift bundles (297 more than last year). Due to the current financial stress on our families, we anticipated increased numbers and readied ourselves early on. With incredible help from our community, we delivered gift bundles to every single child on our many lists.

### Demographic Breakdown

0 - 24 months:	498 children
3 - 5 years old:	673 children
6 - 9 years old:	768 children
10 - 12 years old:	789 children
13 - 18 years old:	843 children

### Gift Bundles

Each child received one carefully crafted gift bundle worth \$65 – \$85, containing:

- Something on their wish list
- Something inspirational to fuel their imaginations
- Something educational to nourish their minds
- Something warm or soft (blanket, stuffie, toque, scarf, mitts, socks)

## Did You Know?


Over **\$180,000**  
raised by 464  
donors 

From October to December  
**473 Volunteers**  
donated a record 4,247  
volunteer hours in the  
Angel Tree Toy Depot 


## 3,571 Children

0 - 18 years old, received gift bundles through our  
LFS Angel Tree Christmas Campaign in 2022



Toy collection/Drop Off  
Locations increased **20%**  
in Lethbridge and surrounding  
communities to **138** 

See Drop Off Locations list at  
<https://www.lfsfamily.ca/content.php?p=90>

Our local sewing, knitting,  
loomng, crocheting, and  
crafting groups donated over  
**1,400** blankets, toques, mitts,  
and doll accessories. 



# Angel Tree Christmas Campaign

## Dates of Note



- **Oct 28:** Volunteer Committee sets up Toy Depot
- **Oct 20:** Drop Off Locations begin receiving angel packages from 1st Choice Savings & Credit Union volunteers
- **Nov 4:** Drop Off Locations begin sending photos of their trees
- **Nov 12:** Toy collection Campaign official start date
- **Nov 7:** Gifts are bundled and delivered through to Dec 24
- **Nov 21:** Angel Tree Launch Date - Media Event
- **Nov 29:** Fire Safety Services Matching Gift Campaign begins
- **Nov 30:** Community volunteers begin their shifts
- **Nov 30:** Stafford Dental Give Back Day
- **Dec 1:** First critical due date for gift donations
- **Dec 2:** Crossings Christmas Event
- **Dec 3:** Charity Checkstop at the ENMAX Centre
- **Dec 4:** Treat Yo Elf Christmas Market at the ENMAX Centre
- **Dec 9:** Lethbridge Hurricanes Teddy Bear Toss
- **Dec 17:** Alberta Big Trucks Christmas Cruise at the Lethbridge Hurricanes Ugly Sweater Night
- **Dec 17:** Tuba Christmas
- **Dec 24:** Last gift donations picked up
- **Dec 24:** Last gift bundles delivered

### Conclusion

Angel Tree is a learning experience; a shared experience; an experience that gives all of us moments that can adjust our thinking, bring immense joy, and yes, can sometimes break our hearts.

One of the donations we received this year was a suitcase. It came in quite late and no child had asked for one, so we wondered how to honour the donor's intention with this gift.

Shortly before Christmas, on December 20, a social worker called us with the sad news of a nine year old boy being suddenly re-located into foster care. She asked if we would help out with a gift bundle and perhaps some hygiene items. In a moment of perfect synchronicity, we suggested assembling his items into the suitcase. She started to cry. Children who experience emergency foster care, she told us, normally take their small belongings in a large black bag to their new home. They are scared, they feel alone, they need hope.

With assistance from our gift bundlers, we assembled a suitcase full of treasures and surprises, so that this nine year old boy can keep his dreams alive. The journey of this suitcase is the experience of Angel Tree.

"Hope springs eternal".

# FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4.50</b>	<b>1</b> New Registrations Accepted  <b>Loaded Nachos \$4.50</b>	<b>2</b> Jr High Communi-tea during lunch break  <b>Chicken Burger \$4.50</b>	<b>3</b>  <b>Smoothies \$3</b> <b>Kraft Dinner \$2.50</b>	<b>4</b>
	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  <b>Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4.50</b>	<b>7</b> School Council Mtg. 7 p.m.  7pm Gr 10 parent info session @ CCHE  <b>Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4.50</b>	<b>8</b> 7pm Gr 10 parent info session at CCHW  <b>Beef &amp; Cheese Taco w Mexi Fries \$4.50</b>	<b>9</b> Jr High Communi-tea during lunch break  <b>Chicken Burger \$4.50</b>	<b>10</b>  <b>Smoothies \$3</b> <b>Kraft Dinner \$2.50</b>
<b>12</b> Badminton try-outs this week - tentative  	<b>13</b>  <b>Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4.50</b>	<b>14</b> Wear Red/Pink for Valentines Day  <b>Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4.50</b>	<b>15</b> ELP Shrove Tuesday Pancakes Gr 9 to 10 student info session 6pm Holy Spirit Div. Board Meeting @CEC  <b>Taco in a Bag (by Pre-order) \$6.25</b>	<b>16</b> Pink Shirt Day (Feb 22) Shrove Tuesday Pancake Days 6-8:30pm Jr. High Dance  <b>Chicken Burger \$4.50</b>  	<b>17</b>  <b>Smoothies \$3</b> <b>Kraft Dinner \$2.50</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> No School  Family Day	<b>21</b> No School  Shrove Tuesday 	<b>22</b> No School  	<b>23</b> No School	<b>24</b> No School Teacher's Convention	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Elementary Science Sizzle  <b>Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4.50</b>	<b>28</b>				

# March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <b>Chicken Nuggets w Veggies &amp; Chips \$4.50</b>	2 Lent Celebration Time TBD Jr High Communi-tea during lunch break Twin/Triplets Day <b>Chicken Burger</b>	3 <b>Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50</b>	4 Thursdays - Jr High Communi-tea during lunch break 
5	6 <b>Elementary Science Sizzle</b>  <b>Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4.50</b>	7 Lent Celebration Time TBD  School Council Mtg. 7 p.m.  <b>Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4.50</b>	8  <b>Pancakes &amp; Hash Brown \$4.50</b>	9 Grade 10 Course Selection Due  Jr High Communi-tea during lunch break  <b>Chicken Burger \$4.50</b>	10  <b>Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50</b>	11
12 Daylight Savings Begins 	13 <b>No School</b>  <b>Collaborative PD Day</b>	14 <b>No School</b>  <b>Spiritual Development Day</b>	15 Lent Celebration 9:30am  <b>Loaded Nachos \$4.50</b>	16 Jr High Communi-tea during lunch break  <b>Chicken Burger \$4.50</b>	17 <b>Green for St. Patrick's Day</b> Elementary Report Cards Interview bookings start <b>Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50</b>	18
19	20 <b>Elementary Science Sizzle</b>  <b>Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4.50</b>	21 Lent Celebration Time TBD  <b>Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4.50</b>	22 Grade 7 student orientation 9am  <b>Taco &amp; Mexi Fries \$4.50</b>	23 <b>Gr. K-9 In person Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:30 -7:30</b>  <b>Chicken Burger \$4.50</b>	24 <b>Kinder Parent/Teacher Interviews Cont.</b>  <b>Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50</b>	25
26	27 <b>Elementary Science Sizzle</b>  <b>Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4.50</b>	28 Grade 7 parent orientation 7-8pm  <b>Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4.50</b>	29 <b>El intramural event</b> Lent Celebration Time TBD 6pm Holy Spirit Div. Board Meeting @CEC <b>Pre-order Taco in a Bag \$6.25</b>	30 <b>Crazy Sock Day</b> Jr High Communi-tea during lunch break  <b>Chicken Burger \$4.50</b>	31  <b>Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50</b>	