



Dear Trailblazing Parents and Families,

Welcome back, we hope everyone had a wonderful break filled with holiday cheer and we are looking forward to welcoming all of our students back to school tomorrow! We made it to 2025 and we hope our students are feeling relaxed, refreshed and ready to take on the new year! The end of January marks the end of semester 1 and the release of progress reports in the parent portal.

### **A Few Things**

#### **Hockey Day in Canada: Special Assembly for Students**

On January 17th Hockey Day in Canada will be coming to LGMS for a special assembly for LGMS & Exshaw students. There will be guests from SportsNet and alumni hockey players in attendance. We are very excited that our students get to have this special experience.

#### **Parent Council Meeting**

Our next Parent Council meeting of the year will be Thursday, January 11th from 7pm until 8:30pm in person at LGMS. All parents are welcome. If you are unable to attend in person, you can attend virtually, by logging into [the google meet](#).

#### **Grade 5 & 6 Basketball Sessions**

We are fortunate to have Krystal MacKinnon offering basketball sessions for students in grades 5 & 6 starting in January. These sessions will be on Friday afternoons from 3:30-5:00 (the specific dates are in the permission form, linked below). These sessions are for students who are interested in learning how to play basketball or those who want to work on the skills they already have. If your student is interested, please fill out this [Permission Form](#).

#### **Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS) Sessions**

The SWIS team is offering the following free SWIS events, aimed at foreign-born students, parents, and family members.

1. Positive Ways to Parent  
Tuesdays: January 14, 21, 28, and February 4  
Time: 6:00–7:00 pm (online via Zoom)  
*Pizza will be provided.*  
[Register here](#)
2. Schooling in Canada: Open Discussion and Skill Building  
Monday, January 20, 2025  
Time: 6:00–7:30 pm (online via Zoom)  
*Pizza will be provided.*  
[Register here](#)
3. Schooling in Canada: Grade to Grade  
Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2025  
Time: 6:00–7:30 PM (online via Zoom)  
*Pizza will be provided.*  
[Register here](#)

## **Other Resources**

[Right From the Start Blog](#)

[Family Connection Centre](#)

[Schools Healthier Together - Parent Resources](#)

[Alberta Health Services: Healthy Together](#)

[Government of Alberta: Children's Mental Health](#)

## **Important Dates in December & January**

Monday, January 6 - Back to School

Wednesday, January 8 - Pizza Day

Thursday, January 9 - Parent Council Meeting 7-8:30pm

Friday, January 17 - Special Assembly for Students

Friday, January 17 - Half Day Friday

Monday, January 20 - Knowledge Keeper Visit

Wednesday, January 22 - Pizza Day

Friday, January 31 - Progress Reports Released to Parent Portal

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at the school either by phone (403) 678-6006 or email.

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