

# LEGAL PUBLIC SCHOOL Newsletter November 2023

## IMPORTANT DATES

November 1st 4-7 pm- Parent Teacher  
Interviews

November 3rd- Remembrance Day  
Ceremony

November 6th-10th- Fall Break

November 13th-17th- Metis Week

November 16th 7pm- Parent Council  
Meeting

November 17th- Digital Citizenship Day

November 20th-25th- Compassion Week

November 30th- Hot Lunch Dairy Queen

## I Am Awesome!

At LPS we believe every child is awesome and each month we create opportunities for students to celebrate their awesomeness! The students have been working hard to fill the awesome jar with a marble each time they do something that demonstrates our school commitments; Be Safe, Be a listener, and Be appropriate. They are working towards a Pizza Party this month! Way to go LPS!



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Dare to reimagine learning

Reminder: We are a  
nut free school!  
Thank you!





REMEMBRANCE DAY

NOV 3 2023

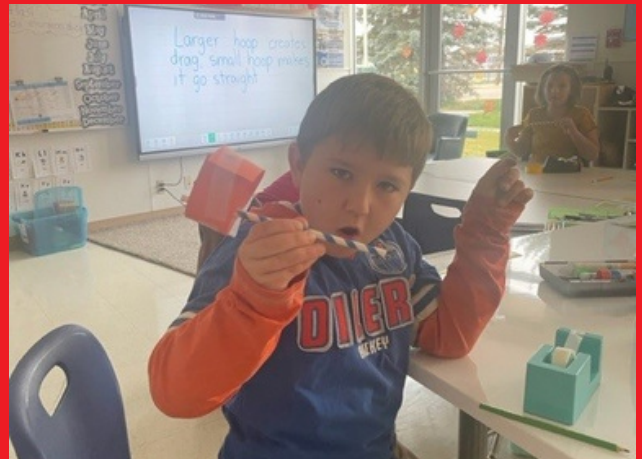
IT'S NOT WE FORGET

CHAUVET ROOM 1:30 PM  
LEGAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY ON NOV. 3RD AS WE OBSERVE AND REFLECT AS A SCHOOL COMMUNITY.



# October





# From the Principal

Dear Legal Public School families,

On October 19th we had our first School Council meeting for the 2023-2024 school year and I am happy to announce that we have a formal School Council Executive! Please help me in congratulating:

Kaitlyn Breederland - School Council Chair

Sarah McIntosh - School Council Vice Chair

Amber-Rae Ens - School Council Secretary

Thank you for your commitment and dedication to our school and students!

Meetings will be held every third Thursday of each month, starting at 7:00pm at the school. Please come join us to find out about all the great things happening at Legal Public as well as plan for our school's future!

The next meeting will be held on November 16th at 7:00pm at the school. I will be presenting our School Education Plan for the 2023-2024 school year. This is aligned with Sturgeon Public School priorities as well as our student achievement data. This will also be posted on our website for access.

I will also be informing parents and guardians of our school assessment plan and providing information about outcome based reporting and PowerSchool. If you have any questions prior to the information being sent out, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher.

Every time I come to Legal Public school, I am amazed to see the growth of our students and the learning that is happening. I love seeing them be a community of learners and support each other.

I hope that you all have a wonderful fall break and I am excited for things to come this year!

Ms. Brenneis





# This past month...



There are so many things to celebrate at LPS! As another month goes by and we embark on the changing season, the growth of our students continues to amaze me.

We began the Roots of Empathy program in October, covering the first Theme: Meeting the Baby. This was incredibly exciting for our students as we got to meet Baby Myer for the first time. The students had so many great questions for his mom, Mrs. McKinstry and were very mature in the way they respected and considered the perspective of Myer. They were surprised at how small he was and what he could or could not yet do in his development. Witnessing this small baby even changed how some of the students viewed each other and themselves demonstrating a greater empathy towards one another. It was such a privilege to witness these moments with them!

I look forward to sharing more about this incredible program as we continue learning about Emotional Literacy!

Have you and your family have a great month!

-Mrs. Ameobi



## Help Us Name Our School

WE NEED YOU! Public Education is here to stay in Legal and we need you to help us build our identity! We are looking for suggestions for our school name, logo and colours. We would like our name and identity to reflect the values that the community of Legal encompasses as well as our Sturgeon Public values! To give us your input, scan the QR code below or head to:

<https://forms.gle/8h8QgUw67CHY3wBAA>



**The next Parent Council Meeting  
will be on Thursday November 16th  
at 7pm.**

**We hope to see you there!**



## Hot Lunch Program

Thanks to our parent community, our school is very excited to be able to offer Healthy Hunger Hot Lunches for the 2023-2024 school year!

Parents/Guardians can sign up or create an account here:

<https://healthyhunger.ca/index.php>, once an account has been created you will be able to add a student, select Legal (city) and find Legal Public School (school) in the drop down menu.

Only online payments are accepted.

If you are interested in helping to organize or to deliver lunches, please contact the school at [lps@sturgeon.ab.ca](mailto:lps@sturgeon.ab.ca) or call 780 961-0133.

# Iyikopiwipisim

Frost Moon Pronounced: ee-oh-gee-pee-wee-pee-sim

## Welcome to November

We have been so lucky to have had such a long warm autumn season. As we welcome this new moon we will notice our weather begin to shift. Temperatures are dropping to below 0° overnight and we notice frost on the trees and grass in the mornings. This is our signal that colder weather is almost here to stay, and snow is just around the corner.

## What is Frost?

Frost is water vapor that freezes and becomes a thin layer of ice.

## Frosty Fun Facts

Did you know that there are several different types of frost?

The three most common are:

**Hoar Frost** → When the frost grows overnight into long crystals of ice on the ground or other objects outside. It can also grow in freezers.

**Advection Frost** → A collection of small ice spikes that are formed when cold wind blows over tree branches or flag poles.

**Window Frost** → Forms when a window is exposed to cold air outside, and warm moist air inside. We can find this on windows, and windshields.

## Nature Challenge

Bundle up and get outside to enjoy the beautiful frosty mornings. Take your camera and try to find the three different types of frost.



# Stay Informed!

There's always something happening in Sturgeon Public School Division!

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<https://www.sturgeon.ab.ca/>

## SPS GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Excellence in Teaching

Shared Responsibility

Mutual Respect

Belonging

Learning Choices

Communication



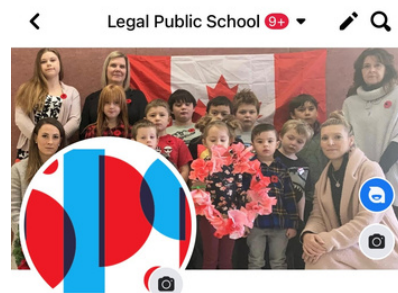
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STURGEON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# TRUSTEE TALK

Updates from the Board of Trustees for our Sturgeon Public School Community  
October 2023



## School Councils “Year in Review” 2022-2023

School Councils are asked to provide an annual “Year in Review” report to the Board of Trustees every Fall as per *Policy 305: School Councils*. To view the “Year in Review” reports for all Sturgeon Public Schools, [click here](#).



Christina Dafoe (Four Winds Public School) and Konnor Wood (Gibbons School) at the ATLE Convergence Conference presenting on SPS STEAM programming (October 2023).

## Holiday Card Artwork Selection

The Division is excited to announce the winners of the Holiday Card Artwork Contest, a project that was initiated by the Advocacy Committee in response to the expressed interest of the Board of Trustees to revive this wonderful tradition.

After careful review and deliberation, the Board of Trustees selected the following winners for this year's Holiday Card Artwork Contest:

Winner  
Category

Rebecca Luoma - Ochre Park School

K-3  
Chloe Treuer - Lilian Schick School

4-6  
Alayna Barbosa - Lilian Schick School

7-9



These outstanding artworks, chosen by the Board of Trustees, will grace the cover of the Holiday cards this year. The Division extends sincere congratulations to these talented student artists. Thank you to all participants for their contributions to this year's contest. Participant creativity and dedication was truly valued.



### Policy 235: Board Operations

During the 2023-2024 school year, the Board of Trustees is conducting a thorough review of their governance role, emphasizing a review of their board policies. This demonstrates their commitment to effective governance of and accountability to the Division.

At the October 25th, 2023, Public Board meeting, the Board approved revisions to Policy 235:

Board Operations. To view the updated policy, [click here](#).

### Administrative Procedure 315: Volunteers

A review of *Administrative Procedure (AP) 315: Volunteers* was conducted and shared at the October 25th Public Board meeting.

The updated AP includes key definitions and clarification on the procedure for when a Vulnerable Sector Check is required.

The purpose of these changes is to provide a clear framework for the involvement of volunteers within our Division and to safeguard the welfare of students and staff.

To view the updated policy, [click here](#).



# In Our Legal Community

<https://www.legal.ca/>



Did you know that Sturgeon Public School Division also has access to Social Workers? They can help connect families to various community supports, mental health supports, navigating new systems, and many other areas. Contact the school for more information!



**LEGAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
**CRAFT N' TRADEFAIR**

**10-4 PM**  
Centralta Community Hall  
5108 46 street, Legal

Pancake's with Santa (10-12pm)  
Concession (12-4pm)  
Photos with Santa (10-3pm)  
Santa's Workshop \$ (10-3pm)  
Christmas Cheer Challenge Room (10-3pm)  
Christmas Cookie Decorating & Letter to Santa (10-3pm)  
Craft N' Tradefair (10-4pm)  
**ENTER TO WIN! North Pole Passport**  
Complete passport during fair from 10-3pm and enter draw at Town of Legal Festival between 3-6pm

Accepting Toys & Food Items for Legal Christmas Hamper Program  
For more information visit [www.legalchamberofcommerce.ca](http://www.legalchamberofcommerce.ca)  
Find us on

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND**  
**FREE FAMILY EVENTS**

**TOWN OF LEGAL CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL**

JOIN THE TOWN OF LEGAL IN CELEBRATING A MAGICAL CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Horse sleigh rides  
Petting zoo  
360 Photo Experience with Santa  
Christmas Elves  
Hot Chocolate  
Treats for Kids  
Bonfires  
Skating under the Christmas Lights

For more information visit [www.legal.ca](http://www.legal.ca)  
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Accepting Food Bank Donations

**3-6 PM**  
Centennial RV Park  
south end of 43 street, Legal



<https://www.tawatinawvalleyfreeriders.com/>

**Light Up Legal**

**HAVE YOUR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ON THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 11 - 16TH**

**PRIZES UP FOR GRABS**  
1ST PLACE \$150  
2ND PLACE \$75