

# Ecole Camille J. Lerouge

Weekly Voyageur News - Nov 27-Dec 3



## Division Theme

Inspiré par Dieu dans une aventure à découvrir, grandir et servir. Inspired by Christ on a Journey to Encounter, Nurture, and Serve.

## Important Dates

### November 27, Day 1

Beginning of Advent

Term 2 begins

Ornament Raffle tickets for sale starting today

**November 29, Day 3**

7pm - EDGE YM: Christmas Formal - St. Pat's

**December 1, Day 5**

Tuesday/Thursday Kinder Class in  
First Friday Coffee

### **Upcoming Events at Camille:**

December 7 - Advent Celebration

December 7 - Parents Night Out - 5pm - Info coming soon

December 8 - Division Faith Day (No School)

December 12 - MS Band Concert

December 18 - K-2 Advent Concert at 6pm

December 19 - Grs 3-5 Advent Concert at 6pm

December 21 - Parents Night Out - 5pm - Info coming soon

December 22 - Pyjama Day - Last day of school - Christmas Break

### **Food Bank Advent Calendar**

The Food Bank shelves are empty and there is an increase in people needing support. Starting on Monday, November 27, we will be collecting food for the Food Bank and one of the Grade 5s will be delivering to the Food Bank every Friday until the Christmas break. Items we are collecting are on our Food Bank Advent [Calendar](#). Thank you for your support!



# THE GIVING TREE

Contribute to the Catholic Social Services Giving Tree Campaign **to help local families this holiday season** by purchasing a Walmart gift card valued at \$25 or \$50. In addition, our office is happy to accept cash donations of any amount. Please label the donation "CSS Giving Tree ."



**GIVE SUPPORT**  
*Need support?*

Contact Mme Julie at the school

## Christmas Bureau

We are once again collecting toys for the Christmas Bureau. Please do not wrap these toys. The Christmas Bureau box is located by the office. The deadline is December 15.

## Giving Tree and Gifts for Grandparents

It's that time of year again.

**Giving Tree** - see poster above. We are proud to be partnering with Catholic Social Services' Giving Tree campaign again this year! Families in need of support this Christmas can apply directly through Catholic Social Services or through our school's Family School Enhancement Counsellor. Again, this year gift cards (instead of gifts) will be collected. Tags are available in our gathering area and will remain available throughout school days until they are gone. The TAGS are \$25 or \$50 gift cards from Walmart only. Please return your gift card back to the school office by **December 1st**. If you have questions, please contact Julie Masson at [julie.masson@rdcrs.ca](mailto:julie.masson@rdcrs.ca).

### Gifts for Grandparents

The Gifts for Grandparents program is a community program which helps spread the joy of Christmas to seniors and shut ins in our community. These are the items that can be donated:

- lightweight blankets
- boxes of cookies (small boxes)
- chocolates (small boxes)
- candy (including diabetic)
- crackers (small boxes)
- large print word search/crossword with pens
- cash/grocery store gift cards

These items are not to be wrapped. Deadline for bringing in donations is **December 4th**.

## Ornament Raffle

The Ornament Raffle begins Monday, December 4th! Proceeds of this fundraiser will be used towards our Christmas Hamper Program which supplies food, gifts/gift certificates for children in the family to families in our school who are in need during the Christmas season.

Draws are made daily throughout the month of December. Students may purchase tickets beginning the week of November 27. Tickets are 1 for \$.25 or 6 for \$1.00. All tickets are placed in the draw bin at the office. Each day, 10 student names are drawn and these students are called to the office to select an ornament to take home from our office Christmas tree. The first draw is Monday, December 4th.

Donations of fun, children Christmas tree ornaments are always appreciated! If you have some, please send them to school with your child.

## Poinsettia Fundraiser

School Council is offering a Blue Grass poinsettia fundraiser. Here is the [Product Info](#). And this is the [Order Form](#). The deadline for order is **Wednesday, November 29th**. Payment can be made by cheque (made payable to RDCRS) or cash. Poinsettias will be ready for pick up at the school on December 4th after 2 pm.

First notices have been sent out by email. Please check your email inbox and/or spam mail. Fees need to be paid ASAP!

Payments can be made as follows:

- RYCOR Online Payments can be accessed on PowerSchool
- by cash at the school office
- or by cheque made payable to RDCRS.

Fees are as follows:

Gr 5 Band Fee - \$10

Gr 6-9 Option Fee - \$25

Gr K-9 Transportation Fee - \$300/year if less than 1.6 km

Gr K-5 Transportation Fee - \$150/year if between 1.6 km - 2.4 km

Gr 6-9 Transportation Fee - \$300/year if between 1.6 km - 2.4 km

Gr K-9 - Use of 2nd bus - \$150/year

## **Student Information Update Form**

To date, we are still missing 191 Student Information Update Forms. Third requests were sent by email on Wednesday, October 18. According to Alberta Education, this is a legal document and is required to be revised every school year. Please check your inbox and/or spam mail and take the time to review your child's form. If you have forgotten your username or need your password reset, please call the office at 403-347-7830. Any changes to address, phone number, email address, etc, need to be made on the Student Information Update Form ASAP.

## **Voyageur Athletic Program**

### **Volleyball News**

Congratulations to our Sr Girls who won SECOND at CWAJHAA's this weekend! The girls had a terrific season; winning tournaments in Delburne, Leslieville, and at Lindsay Thurber. Congratulations, girls!

All volleyball players, please wash and return your jerseys to your coaches and we will return your deposit.

### **Basketball News**

We are in search of junior and senior girls basketball coaches - M. Capicio and M. Swensrude will be running tryouts. If your child makes the team and you are interested in helping out with this, or know of someone that is, please contact M. Capicio at [logan.capicio@rdcrs.ca](mailto:logan.capicio@rdcrs.ca).

Jr boys basketball tryouts are Nov 27 & 28 at 3:30 pm.

Jr girls basketball tryouts are Nov 29 & 30 at 3:30 pm.

Please arrange for pickup right at 5 pm.

Please be sure to refer to our Gym Calendar on our website for practice/game times and days.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- [Canada Home Stay](#) - International students needing a home away from home

- [Mini Handball Camp](#) - Nov 9 & 10

## **Bus Lanes/Parent Parking**

Parent/Visitor parking is located in the North-East parking lot. The north lot is for staff ONLY. Please do not park or drop off in the staff parking lot or bus lanes in the south parking lot!

## **Bus Status App**

Bus Status has a new App, just in time for the new school year! Ensure you download the new App from the App Store or Google Play Store and select your preferences before September 29 to continue to receive notifications.

The new App has improved speed and reliability. It will look and function the same as the current Bus Status app.

The Bus Status app currently installed on your phone will not update automatically to the new version of the app. You must go to the App Store or Google Play to download the new app to receive notifications after September 29.

Don't know how to download the app? Step-by-Step Instructions can be found [here](#)!

## **Cafeteria News**

Our cafeteria is open for breakfast and at lunch time. Through this venue, a hot lunch program, for all students, is available.

Our school offers online ordering for the cafeteria. Families need to re-register if returning from last year. All credits from last year are saved. Be sure to use the same email address to register as last year and the credits will automatically be applied to your account. And new families can register online. The link for cafeteria online ordering is: [camille.hotlunches.net](http://camille.hotlunches.net). Access Code = ECJL

## **Red Deer Child Care**

Did you know that Red Deer Child Care offers a quality Out of School Care Program for your child right here at Camille J. Lerouge School? The program is subsidy eligible and fees include care on PD days as well as Christmas, winter and spring breaks. Our educators are inspired by a curriculum that views children as strong, capable, and resourceful learners. Everyday experiences are used as the main source for curriculum meaning making. For more information, please contact Jessie at: 403-347-7973 x113 or [jcollings@reddeerchildcare.ca](mailto:jcollings@reddeerchildcare.ca).

## **Upcoming Events for 2023/24**

Please see the [attached](#) for this year's school events.

## **Weather**

With the wet and cold weather, we remind our students to dress for the weather. All students will be outside for all recess breaks unless it is pouring out or the weather is colder than -25 degrees with the wind chill, according to Environment Canada.



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