

ECOLE CAMILLE J. LEROUGE

WEEKLY VOYAGEUR NEWS - OCT 9-13



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

October 9

Happy Thanksgiving! No school!

October 12

Gr 4 Bible Celebration at 2pm

October 13

8:10am - First Friday Coffee

UPCOMING EVENTS AT CAMILLE:

October 16 - School Council Meeting

October 26 - Picture Retake Day

October 27 - Teacher PD - No school for students

2023 READ-A-THON

The 2023 Read-A-Thon is our ONLY school wide fundraiser at ECJL. It runs from Sept 27-Oct 13th. We are incredibly grateful to you for helping your children generate funds on behalf of School Council to assist in extra activities, field trips and presentations within the school. This fundraiser will kick off at the end of the month. The following information has been sent home and has been included here should you need it.

[2023 ECJL Read-A-Thon Donation Tracking Sheet](#)

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[2023 Read-A-Thon Parent Letter](#)

FALL PICTURE RETAKE DAY IS COMING!

Retake Day is Thursday, October 26.

SCHOOL FEES

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.

All fees were due by **September 30th**. First notices will be coming out soon.

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

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THERAPY DOG

There will be a Therapy Dog in our school providing students with social and emotional support. Therapy dogs are trained and certified to work with groups of people in a community setting and will be visiting Camille twice monthly, effective October 16, 2023.

This Therapy Dog, Zoe, will have a distinctive harness, saddlebag, vest or bandanna and will always be on a leash. These dogs have stable temperaments and friendly, easy-going personalities and are highly trained and recognized by an accredited Canadian training facility. Zoe will always be accompanied by her handler, Mme Maureen Miller, a certified therapy dog handler and a retired French immersion teacher.

Because Therapy Dogs are encouraged to interact with a variety of people while on duty, it makes them ideal for school settings. The use of a Therapy Dog is a strategy that is recognized to help improve many psychological conditions such as anxiety and depression, increase social skills, develop self-regulation skills, decrease stress levels, improve mood, promote greater self-esteem and encourage positive interactions.

We anticipate the Therapy Dog, Zoe, to be a benefit to the student's learning and their social and emotional development and we look forward to this new addition to our school community.

VOYAGEUR ATHLETIC PROGRAM

Camille Athletics are in full swing with X-Country running and volleyball.

CWAJHAAs - Cross Country Running

The top three qualifiers in each grade and gender ran at Centennial Park in Innisfail on

Thursday, October 5th in Innisfail. A big congratulations to:

1st Overall: Sam H, Isabelle B, Kaitlyn A & Luc C

2nd Overall: Dallas L

3rd Overall: Muna N, Ava V, Atlas W, Chibueze N

4th Overall: Raeann A

5th Overall: Darius G, Darius K

6th Overall: Nate D

7th Overall: Coen H

8th Overall: Hazel B

9th Overall: Alayna S

10th Overall: Carmen S

Volleyball

Jr Volleyball Teams have started and play games Tuesdays and Thursdays. Our Sr Teams continue to play Mondays and Wednesdays. Come out and support your Voyageurs.

Our Sr Girls Volleyball Team competed at their first tournament in Delburne. Congratulations for winning GOLD!!!

Sr Boys will be competing in Lacombe October 6&7 and both teams will be playing in the Lindsay Thurber Tournament the following weekend.

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

INFORMATION ITEMS

- [ACFA French Lessons for Adults](#)
- [Alberta Ballet at your YMCA](#)
- [Coats 4 Kids Program](#)
- [Connect Parenting - Oct 10-Dec 12](#)
- [Girls in Aviation](#)
- [Jr Curling League](#)
- [Sledge Hockey.](#)
- [Teen Skate](#)
- [Pond Hockey.](#)
- [Tobacco Quit Core](#)

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. 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2023/24

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

