

CALMAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

Edition #26

Friday, April 10 / 2026

Message from the Principal

A Huge Thank You to Our PTA!



I want to give a special shout-out in this week's newsletter to our incredible Calmar Elementary School PTA. This dedicated parent group has organized numerous fundraisers throughout the school year, working tirelessly to strengthen our facilities and playground for the benefit of all our children.

At their meeting on Tuesday, April 7th, the PTA officially approved the purchase of two new gaga ball pits—an amazing investment of approximately \$17,000! They expect to receive the materials in a few weeks, and we are hopeful to have everything set up and ready for the students to enjoy sometime in May before the school year ends.

I am so proud and delighted that we have such a phenomenal PTA, as well as a community that so generously supports their fundraising efforts. Please join me in sending a massive thank you to our PTA!

Sincerely,

Stan Travnik
Principal

Important CES Dates + Reminders

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APRIL 2026				1	2	3	4	18	17	<div style="font-size: 0.8em;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">✗ April 1 - 3 Spring Break (Schools Closed)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">✗ April 3 - Good Friday (No Students)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">✗ April 6 - Easter Monday (Schools Closed)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> April 7 - School Resumes</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> April 24 - PD Day (No Students)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> Diploma Exam</div> </div>
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MAY 2026						1	2	20	19	<div style="font-size: 0.8em;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> May 15 - PD Day (No Students)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">✗ May 18 - Victoria Day (Schools Closed)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> Provincial Achievement Tests (PAT)</div> </div>
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JUNE 2026		1	2	3	4	5	6	20	18	<div style="font-size: 0.8em;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> June 21 - National Indigenous Peoples Day</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> June 24 - Last School Day with Diploma Exam</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> June 25 & 26- Teacher Workday (No Students)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> Diploma Exam & PAT Administrative Window</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> Diploma Exam</div> </div>
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Event	Date / Time	Other + Extra Information
CYBK assemblies		Monday, April 13th - Period 4 - 10:25 AM (after recess) Monday, May 11th - Period 4 Monday, June 15th - Period 4
Celebration of the Arts	Thurs April 16th	5:30 pm -7:00 pm throughout the school
Jersey/Sports Day	Wed May 6th	Wear your sports wear, including jerseys, colours, etc...
Beach/Hawaiian Day	Wed June 3rd	Wear your tropical clothing to school today

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Sign your family up here....-

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COA4EAF82AA4FAC70-63343153-calmar>

Want to make a difference at our school? We've got an easy way to help! Join us on April 18th at 10:00 AM at the Calmar Elementary parking lot as we team up to collect bottles around town. We'll split into groups of 4-5, so we're looking for:

 Trucks & trailers (message me if you have either)

 Kids & parents ready to help

The more people we have, the faster we can get it done!

All funds raised will go toward building GaGa Ball courts for our school—something the kids will enjoy for years to come!

Come out, lend a hand, and be part of something great for our school community!



CALMAR ELEMENTARY
BOTTLE DRIVE
Calmar Elementary

APRIL 18TH | STARTING AT 10:00 AM

All proceeds will go to build a GaGa Ball court for the school playground!

DOOR-TO-DOOR PICKUP!

We will be coming door-to-door collecting bottles.

Not going to be home?

- Please leave your bagged bottles by your front door
- Clearly label them with "Calmar Elementary"

Your recyclables make a difference!
Thank you for supporting our school! ♥

PTA Welcomes the Milk Program to Calmar Elementary!

Milk Program
Coming to Calmar Elementary!

Parents — you asked, and we heard you!

We're excited to introduce a Milk Program at Calmar Elementary!

Running May & June - Starting End of April!

HOT LUNCH DAYS!

Program Details:

- Every Friday & Every 2nd Monday
- Only on Hot Lunch Days

Milk Options:

- White or Chocolate
- Just \$1 Each

Sign up through the Hot Lunch Program!

Questions? Email us at calmar.pta@gmail.com

We can't wait to get this started and see the kids enjoy it! ♥


Parents — you asked, and we heard you! We're excited to introduce a Milk Program at Calmar Elementary. This will run through May and June, with a start at the end of April (be sure to check the Hot Lunch schedule for exact dates).

Program Details:

- Runs every Friday and every second Monday
- Available only on Hot Lunch days for now, might change to every day next year

Milk Options:

- 2 % White or Chocolate
- Just \$1 each

 Interested? Sign up through the Hot Lunch Program!

Questions or concerns? Reach us anytime at calmar.pta@gmail.com

We can't wait to get this started and see the kids enjoy it!

CALMAR PTA FUNDRAISER

*Mother's Day
Market*

MAY 2ND 2026

10 AM TO 4 PM

CALMAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

5402 50 ST


CALMAR, AB T0C 0V0


Fill Your Freezer Fundraiser


Stock up for camping season and easy summer meals! We've got bacon, meats, and plenty of kid-friendly options your whole family will love. Important - Please Read First:

To support your child, you must click "Join our Fundraiser" on link below and create an account under your child's name. This ensures all orders are credited directly to them.

<https://calmarelementaryschool.myteamfund.ca/>

 Fundraiser ends:
Thursday, April 23rd at
11:00 PM MDT

 Pick-up: Date and time
TBD @ Calmar Elementary
School

All proceeds support the Calmar Elementary PTA as we fundraise for new permanent GaGa Ball courts—one of the kids' favorite activities! Any additional funds will go toward year-end events 

Once your account is set up, family and friends can easily place orders in support of your child.

Prefer paper orders? After creating your child's account, go to "My Orders" and select "Download Order Form" for a personalized form.

Thank you for supporting our school! 





CEES



YEARBOOK

ORDERS

2025/2026

\$15

ORDER ON YOUR CHILD'S
POWERSCHOOL ACCOUNT!

DELIVERY DATE TBD

Calmar Elementary School

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION IS UNDERWAY FOR 2026-27

www.blackgold.ca/kindergarten



Kindergarten Registration Begins

CES runs a HALF-DAY / EVERYDAY Kindergarten Program

- ★ We are planning for a morning (AM) class.
- ★ If the AM class fills up, we add a second class for the afternoon
 - Note: Some AM students would have to move to the PM class
- ★ *There is an error in the online registration package*
 - *It still has the old M/W and T/Thursday options (which we no longer have).*

[Click Here for More Information](#)



Early Intervention Pre-Kindergarten - Registration Open!

The EI Pre-K program is designed for preschoolers who may face challenges such as following directions, communication issues, anxiety, or developmental delays. Early intervention is crucial for fostering academic, social, and emotional growth. This program begins accepting children as young as 2 years and 8 months. Students who are English as an Additional Language students may also qualify if they turn 4 before January 1, 2027.

Start the intake process here:

[EI-PreK Information](#)



As part of our Education Week events, Calmar Elementary School is excited to invite you to our annual ... **"CES Celebration of the Arts"!**

We were blown away by the incredible attendance last year and are looking forward to another highly successful, dazzling night. It is a fantastic opportunity for our community to come together and celebrate the creativity of our students. To go along with our theme of "Text in Art," we will also have a free book exchange. You can contribute old children's books and/or take a few new-to-you books to enjoy!

Event Details:

- Date: **Thursday, April 16th**
- Time: **5:30 PM - 7:00 PM**

(perfect for an after-dinner outing!)

Join us for an amazing evening—we look forward to celebrating with you!

CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS

"TEXT IN ART"

JOIN US FOR AN INTERACTIVE FINE ARTS EXPERIENCE. THE HALLS WILL BE FILLED WITH STUDENT WORK, AND THE GYM WILL BE FILLED WITH HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES.

Thursday, April 16, 2026
5:30pm - 7:00pm

We will also have a free book exchange. You can swap out some of your old books or simply take some new reads home with you! Family-friendly books only, please!



Thorsby Early Childhood Resource Fair

Calling all parents with children 0 to 6 years of age!

Our Early Childhood Resource Fair offers a FREE fun-filled morning that includes a petting zoo, activities, snacks, and door prizes! There will be resource tables from various community agencies and lots of developmental information and activities for children 0 to 6 years old.

- ▶ **Date:** Monday, Apr. 27, 2026
- ▶ **Time:** 10 a.m. to noon
- ▶ **Location:** Arctic Spa Recreation Complex, 4901 48 Ave., Thorsby
- ▶ **Register:** none needed!



Primary Care
Alberta



Free Online Pediatric [Webinars](#):

What is AdaptAbilities?

JUNE 29 - AUGUST 21

AdaptAbilities summer camps create amazing possibilities for a non-stop summer of fun! We nurture belonging, exploration, and fun, while providing a safe camp experience.

Our summer programs are designed for children, youth, and young adults with disabilities such as:

- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Down Syndrome
- Autism
- Anxiety Disorder
- Cerebral Palsy
- Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD)
- Tourette's Syndrome
- Other Needs



ADAPTABILITIES
MEANINGFUL DISABILITY PROGRAMS

HEARTS IN ACTION
SUMMER CAMP

Summer Pledge

We believe in movement:
All activities are hands on, this is not school! HIA is a place to go outside, get messy, work in a group, ask questions, be safe, and have fun!

We believe in exploration:
We support campers in their curiosity to learn through new experiences in the community.

We believe in purposeful activities:
Whether we are using games, videos, slideshows, field trips, all of our activities have a purpose.



CALMAR MINOR SOCCER

PLAY. LEARN.
GROW.
TOGETHER.



REGISTRATION
OPEN

UNTIL
APRIL 16TH



**VOLUNTEER COACHES
NEEDED!**



FOR



U5



U7



U11



U13

REGISTER AT



WWW.CALMARMINORSOCCER.CA



LEDUC *Cats* FOOTBALL

GIRLS TACKLE U16

SPRING FLAG U10-U18

FALL FLAG U9

U11-U16 **FALL TACKLE**



**REGISTRATION
CLOSES APRIL 15**



CATSFOTBALL.CA >>>

LEDUC & DISTRICT
MINOR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION



Helping children thrive with routines

Does your child struggle to complete everyday activities like getting ready for bed, shifting from playtime to another activity, or leaving the house? Do you want to create an environment that helps them build new skills and grow their independence?

If so, join this session to learn:

- why routines are good for your child and the whole family
- how to create routines
- ideas to handle common challenges

We will be joining AHS to offer this webinar intended for parents and caregivers who have children 1 to 10 years old. It's also suitable for parents and caregivers of children with developmental delays and autistic or neurodivergent children. Snacks will be provided.

- ▶ **Date:** Wednesday, Apr. 29, 2026
- ▶ **Time:** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Calmar Public Library, 4750 50 Ave., Calmar
- ▶ **Registration:** [Online, Leduc-County.com/helping-children-thrive](https://Leduc-County.com/helping-children-thrive) or email Loretta@Leduc-County.com



4TH ANNUAL

YOUTH WELLNESS SYMPOSIUM

24 APRIL
2026

EVENT RUNS

10:00 AM - 3:30 PM



**LEDUC
COUNTY**



SCAN THE QR
CODE TO
REGISTER



- Keynote speaker
- Tour of local youth organizations
- Resource booths
- Breakout sessions
- Swag, prizes, pizza & more!



Arctic Spas
Recreation Complex
4901-48 Ave Thorsby, AB

Babysitting Training Course

Ready to start your first job? The *Canada Safety Council Babysitters Training Course* gives you the skills and confidence to become a certified, responsible sitter.

April 15th & 16th, 4-6pm. April 17th 4-7pm.
Located at Arctic Spas Recreation Complex.



Canada Safety Council

The Canada Safety Council Babysitters Training Course is a **3 day program** designed to teach young people the skills and responsibility needed to safely care for children and run a successful babysitting business.



Child Care Essentials

Master the art of feeding, changing, and playtime to provide top-tier care for children and infants.



Safety & First Aid

How to safely navigate child care and prevent accidents.



Leadership Skills

Professionalism and how to manage a babysitting business.


Why Become Certified:

Get peace of mind with professional training and instruction to prepare youth for babysitting :

- Safe mealtime practices
- Time management and scheduling
- Introduction to basic first aid
- Healthy bedtime routines

Registration required, \$50/participant.
Open to youth ages 11yr+.

Contact Us :

 780-789-4041

 thorsby.ca/recreation

BYBA PD DAY BASKETBALL CAMP



April 24th, 2026

11U Boys
9 am - 12 pm

13U Boys
1230 pm - 330 pm

11U Girls
9 am - 12 pm

13U Girls
1230 pm - 330 pm

Buckets Basketball School

#105 2321 9 st, Nisku

\$60/player
Includes free t-shirt!



To Register, Scan the QR code
or visit byba.ca

11U Boys and Girls



13U Boys and Girls



CONJURING CREEK MUSIC SOCIETY

GUITAR WORKSHOP

LEARN TO PLAY GUITAR

BEGINNER - INTERMEDIATE



WITH:
**LOGAN
MILLS**

AGES 7 - ADULT

CALMAR
PROGRAM
CENTRE
4815 49 ST

APRIL 18TH
10AM - 2PM

\$79

<https://conjuringcreekmusic.ca/>

Email: info@conjuringcreekmusic.ca



SCAN OR VISIT
OUR WEBSITE AND
GET YOUR TICKET
NOW!

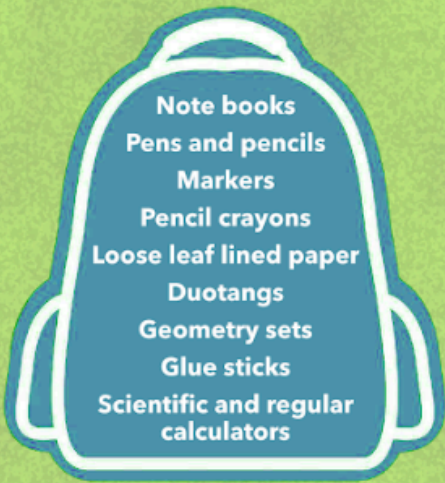
TOWN OF
CALMAR

Tools FOR School



HIGH NEED ITEMS

*Please ensure all supplies donated are new or unused



Tools for School provides backpacks filled with school supplies for students in Kindergarten through Grade 12 for families needing support

If your child needs a backpack, contact the Leduc & District Food Bank to register:

780-986-5333

Director@ldfb.ca

For donations, Leduc Food Bank collection boxes are located in local grocery stores:

staples 
Walmart 

or donate online: www.ldfb.ca