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Newsletter

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Fri Nov 28 /2025

Message from the Principal

1) Christmas Concerts - both concerts are on the same day this year.

- Tue Dec 16th/2025
 - Afternoon concert - 1:30 - 2:30 (doors open at 1:10)
 - Evening concert - 6:00 - 7:00 (doors open at 5:40)
- Both concerts will have all K-6 students in attendance.
- Limited Seating Reminder
 - As our gym capacity is limited, we kindly ask families to be mindful of the number of guests attending. If your schedule allows, please consider attending the afternoon concert, as it typically has more available space.



Thank you for your understanding and support. We look forward to celebrating with you!

2) Parent Teacher Interviews (Wed Dec 3 + Thurs Dec 4th)

- Information on booking your appointments is attached to this newsletter. Please ensure you book in advance and are on time.
- If you need more time or cannot make the dates and times that are available, please work out an alternative time with your child's teacher.



3) BIG THANK YOU to Leduc Co-op + Calmar & District Agricultural Society for donating \$1250 each for our breakfast/nutrition program.

- Food insecurity is a big issue in [Alberta](#).
- At our school, we have seen a big increase in students who have been accessing the breakfast program, classroom snacks and coming down to the office for food at lunch.



Stan Travnik

Principal, Calmar Elementary School

Important Dates + Reminders

Event	Date / Time	Other + Extra Information
Instructional Day update	Mon Dec 1	Classes in session (No longer a PD Day as originally scheduled)
BLAST	Wed Dec 3rd	Literacy "BLASTS" weekly program starts for all grades 1, 2, and 3 students
Curling	Dec. 2nd, 3rd & 4th	5HW and 4M will be going curling at the Calmar Curling rink. Students must dress for the weather as they walk. (Division 2 students only)
School Council & PTA Meeting	Tues Dec 2	School Council 3:30 followed by PTA at 4:30 at CES - Or join us online - link will be shared on Tue Dec 2
Growing Smiles Fundraiser	Thurs Dec 4	Pick up date for Growing Smiles Fundraiser
Parent Teacher Interviews	Wed Dec 3 Thurs Dec 4	Originally scheduled for November, it was pushed back due to the strike - please book an interview time
PTA Christmas Market	Sat Dec 6	PTA fundraiser
Christmas Concerts	Tue Dec 16	Afternoon Concert 1:30 - 2:30 Evening Concert 6:00 - 7:00 Doors open 20 minutes before each performance

Library Updates:

- **We will not be having a Purdy's Christmas fundraiser this year**, however, we hope to have one in the spring for Easter as well as the following year for Christmas.
- **Our Scholastic book fair** will be held at the beginning of June. Look for more information to come in May.



Please come and pick up your Growing Smiles orders.

- **Thursday December 4th**
- **Between 3:00-4:30pm**
- All orders must be picked up, so please make arrangements with a friend if you are unable to get here. Thank you again for all your support with this fundraiser!



Thank you!

Calmar PTA

**Fall Parent Teacher Interviews are being held on
Wednesday, December 3rd, and Thursday, December 4th.**

We ask that all parents book an interview to meet with their child's teacher.

School Appointments – Parent Instructions (5 easy steps)

1. **Go to our school appointments web site** for our school [-ces.schoolappointments.com](https://ces.schoolappointments.com)
2. **Register for an account by clicking the "REGISTER" menu tab** and filling in the on-line form. Choose a user id and password for yourself and then click the "Register Now" button.

3. **Add your children into the system** by clicking the "Add a Student" button.



Click the "Insert New" button to add more children.

4. **Click the "date" icon beside each child's name** to schedule appointments.

Select the staff you wish to book appointments with and the "View Calendars" button. Use the "Ctrl" or "Command" key to select multiple staff to view at the same time.

5. **Click on available time slots** to book your appointments to make your bookings.

HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE

December Hot Lunch Dates

- **Monday, Dec 1:** HOT DOGS
Cut-off Date: Nov 23 @ 9:00 PM
- **Friday, Dec 5:** MCDONALD'S
Cut-off Date: Nov 27 @ 9:00 PM
- **Friday, Dec 12:** COMBINED CATERING
Cut-off Date: Dec 4 @ 9:00 PM
- **Monday, Dec 15:** HOT DOGS
Cut-off Date: Dec 7 @ 9:00 PM
- **Friday, Dec 19:** EDO JAPAN
Cut-off Date: Dec 11 @ 9:00 PM



January Hot Lunch Dates

- **Monday, Jan 5:** HOT DOGS
Cut-off Date: Dec 28 @ 9:00 PM
- **Friday, Jan 9:** CHEVRON
Cut-off Date: Jan 1 @ 9:00 PM
- **Friday, Jan 16:** DAIRY QUEEN
Cut-off Date: Jan 8 @ 9:00 PM
- **Monday, Jan 19:** HOT DOGS
Cut-off Date: Jan 11 @ 9:00 PM
- **Friday, Jan 23:** COMBINED CATERING
Cut-off Date: Jan 15 @ 9:00 PM



For any questions or concerns, feel free to email calmar.pta@gmail.com

Christmas Market at Calmar Elementary


Come join our Christmas Market at Calmar Elementary School for our PTA Fundraiser!
It's the most wonderful time of the year and right in time for Christmas! 🎄

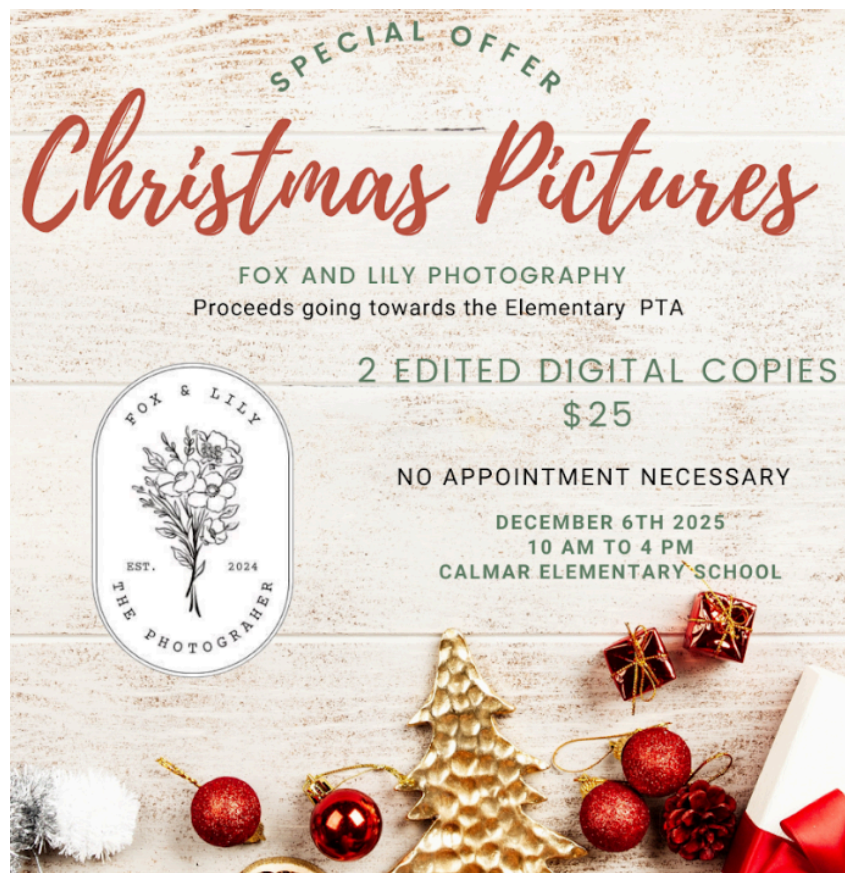
Come join 30+ vendors right before Christmas for all of your shopping needs! Plus, get your Christmas Mini Photos done with the family or just the kids. 2 edited pictures for \$25.00

The complete list of vendors will be posted before the market on our Facebook Page 🧑🏻‍🎄 🧑🏻‍🎄
<https://www.facebook.com/share/1A3xfQE9s3/>

 **Dec 6th 2025**

 **10am - 4pm**

 **Calmar Elementary School**





CALMAR PUBLIC LIBRARY, 4705 50 AVENUE
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19 @ 5 - 7:30PM
NERF THE HALLS

SPACE IS LIMITED!
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!

Kids aged 8-13 are invited to join us after-hours at the library for an epic night packed with NERF Gun games and battles in the stacks!



TO REGISTER: 780-985-3472 OR CIRCULATION@CALMARPUBLICLIBRARY.CA



**Welcome to
Winter Wonderland**

Calmar Public Library, 4705 50 Avenue
December 3 @ 5:00 - 7:30pm

Help the Calmar Public Library decorate our Christmas tree—and yours!
We will have a variety of craft supplies available to make ornaments!
Enjoy refreshments while visiting with friends and neighbours.

This is a drop-in program open to all ages.

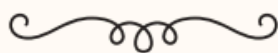




ARCTIC SPAS REC COMPLEX

CHRISTMAS

After school program



DEC 3RD : 3-4:30PM : \$5. AGE 7+

A sugary wonderland is about to appear at the Arctic Spas Rec Complex. Join us for a magical after-school session where you can build your very own dream gingerbread house.

All participants gingerbread houses will be entered into the gingerbread house competition taking place on December 5th. for Thorsby's Christmas Spirit event. Prizes will be awarded.

****Register today, drop-in spaces are limited.**

4901-48Ave Thorsby AB

thorsby.ca/recreation

780-789-4041





Re: Christmas Elves Program

The Calmar Christmas Elves Program would like to extend a Challenge to Calmar Elementary School: Donate non-perishable food items/ toiletry items and receive points. The classroom with most points wins a FREE pizza party from Calmar FCSS!

If you decide to take this tremendous challenge on, it starts Wednesday November 12, 2025, and ends on Friday December 5, 2025. All items will be collected throughout the challenge. Any donations that are collected after December 5th will be accepted but not put towards the challenge. Teachers will be responsible for tracking points, after the challenge is completed, the school will notify FCSS of the winning class.

I have attached a chart for the point system below. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time. 780.985.3604 – ext. 233 or mleibel@calmar.ca

5 POINTS	4 POINTS	3 POINTS	2 POINTS	1 POINT
RICE (STANDARD BAG)	CANNED VEGGIES	SPREADS & CONDIMENTS	PASTA	ALL OTHER ITEMS
TOILET PAPER	CANNED MEAT	CEREAL & OATS	PERSONAL CARE ITEMS	
		PASTA SAUCES	GRANOLA BARS & SNACK ITEMS	

Frosty believes in you. Go sleigh this challenge!!

Thanks,

Mikayla Leibel
Calmar FCSS



FREE Kids Métis Jigging Lessons

Do you have kids that would like to learn how to Métis jig in the Devon, Leduc County, Parkland County, or Edmonton areas (and beyond) for free?

Instructor – Savannah Hamelin

Location – Riverview Middle School Gym – 165 Athabasca Ave, Devon, Alberta – Use the side door by the staff parking lot

Day & Time – 7:30 pm Thursday Nights Prior to Christmas – November 20 & 27, December 11 & 18. Will Resume in 2026

Who – Kids under 18 (do not have to belong to the MNA/OMG)

Guaranteed fun, good exercise, and a chance to win prizes!

Please bring non-marking indoor shoes or clean moccasins

Waivers must be filled out at devon.recdesk.com or in person by parent or guardian prior to participating. Food & drink not allowed in the gym (except water bottles). **Questions?** Contact Krissy Bird at kbush@aviangenetics.com

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