

# CALMAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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**Newsletter**

**Edition #10**

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## **Message from the Principal**

Thank you to all families for sending students to school well-prepared for the winter weather. Boots, hats, mitts, snow pants, and warm jackets make a big difference as the cold settles in. Layering is also a great option, as it allows students to easily adjust to changing weather conditions throughout the day.

It's important that students are dressed for outdoor recess and for any unexpected situations that may arise—such as an emergency evacuation. I'm pleased to share that our recent evacuation drill at Calmar Elementary School was completed smoothly and successfully.

A quick reminder as well about our Calmar Christmas Elves Program. Each classroom has been challenged to collect donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries. Any donations are greatly appreciated and truly make a difference, especially as many families are feeling the impact of rising costs and inflation in recent years. Every item earns points, and the classroom with the highest total will win a pizza party generously sponsored by Calmar FCSS. Please refer to the attached flyer for details on which items earn bonus points in this year's challenge.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Warm regards,

**Stan Travnik**

Principal, Calmar Elementary School

## Important Dates + Reminders

Event	Date / Time	Other + Extra Information
CYBK Assembly	Mon Nov 24 @ 9:35am	Caught You Being Kind! assembly - affected parents will be contacted
Curling	Nov. 24th, 25th & 27th	6W, 5/6L, and 4P will be going curling at the Calmar Curling rink. Students must dress for the weather as they walk. (Division 2 students only)
Picture Day	Thurs Nov 27	For all classes
Instructional Day update	Mon Dec 1	Classes in session (Not A PD Day originally scheduled)
BLAST	Wed Dec 3rd	Extra Literacy Support "BLAST" weekly program starts for grades 1,2, and 3
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
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
PTA Christmas Market	Sat Dec 6	PTA fundraiser
<b>Christmas Concerts</b> 	<b>Tue Dec 16</b> 	<b>Afternoon Concert</b> 1:30 - 2:30 <b>Evening Concert</b> 6:00 - 7:00  Note, we are doing both performances <u>involving all students K-6</u> on the same day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One is in the afternoon</li> <li>- One is in the evening</li> </ul> More details will be announced shortly!

### 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.

**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](mailto:calmar.pta@gmail.com)



## 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](mailto: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



# GINGERBREAD House Contest

Join us in creating a gingerbread house masterpiece at home, and bring it to Christmas in the Park on Friday, November 28th to have it displayed and judged!!



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YOU ARE INVITED TO

# CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK

- SLEIGH RIDES
- SANTA PHOTOS
- LETTERS TO SANTA
- HOT CHOCOLATE & TREATS
- FESTIVE HOLIDAY MUSIC
- AND MORE !



**FREE  
EVENT**

**FRIDAY  
28  
NOVEMBER  
6PM - 8PM**



**WOODLAND  
PARK**



CALMAR ELEMENTARY'S  
PTA FUNDRAISER

# CHRISTMAS MARKET

DECEMBER 6TH 2025  
10 AM TO 4PM

Calmar Elementary School  
5402 50 St  
CALMAR ALBERTA



# ARCTIC SPAS REC COMPLEX

## Weekly After School Programs NOVEMBER 2025



Local recreation for families to participate in



**MONDAYS**  
*LEGO Club*

3-4:30pm  
Free  
Open to all ages,  
children under 7  
require supervision.



**TUESDAYS**  
*Shinny*

3-4:45pm  
Free  
Open to all ages,  
children under 7  
require supervision.



**WEDNESDAYS**  
*Beyond the Bell*

3-4:30pm  
\$2/participant  
Geared to children  
7-12 year old,  
children under 7  
require supervision.



**THURSDAYS**  
*Public Skate*

3-4:45pm  
Free  
Open to all ages,  
children under 7  
require supervision.



### More Information

#### THE DETAILS

- 780-789-4041
- 4901-48Ave. Thorsby AB
- [thorsby.ca/recreation](http://thorsby.ca/recreation)

*\*Children under 7 require supervision*

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