



# École Deer Meadow School

## Chinook's Edge School Division

April 7 - 11, 2025

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### Parent Council Meeting - April 10th @ 7:00pm

Our next parent council meeting will take place on Thursday, April 10th, at 7:00pm in the Deer Meadow library. All parents/guardians are welcome to attend to stay informed and add their input. An online option is available for those who are unable to join in person:

[meet.google.com/miv-kojy-zfa](https://meet.google.com/miv-kojy-zfa)

**Allan Whitehead,**  
**Principal**

### **Coming Up at a Glance**

- Apr 7: Green Shirt Day
- Apr 11: Booster Juice Hot Lunch
- Apr 15: Term 3 Academies start
- Apr 17: Panago Hot Lunch
- Apr 18: No School
- Apr 21-25: Spring Break (no school)
- May 2: No School
- May 15: Spell-A-Thon
- May 16: No School
- May 19: No School, Victoria Day

*Please check your student's account for any newly added school fees and please monitor your Online Fee Payment Account for any fees that may be added throughout the year.*

**Thank you!**

### Deer Meadow School Survey

Just a reminder to fill in the Parent Survey to help us create the best quality of education as possible for your student.

Click [HERE](#) to fill out the survey

### **Athletics News**

#### **Badminton for Grade 7-8s**

All Badminton Schedules are available at:

[www.deermeadow.ca/sports](http://www.deermeadow.ca/sports)

Drop-in for grade 7-8 Monday  
3:15-4:30

Practice for the badminton team  
Tues 5-6:16, Wed 3:15-4:30 and  
Thursday 5-6:15

**Have any sports pics you want to share? Send them to us!**

Contact Mrs. Clattenburg at EDMS for information.





# Green Shirt Day is Monday April 7!

Wear a Green Shirt to help promote  
**Organ Donation!**





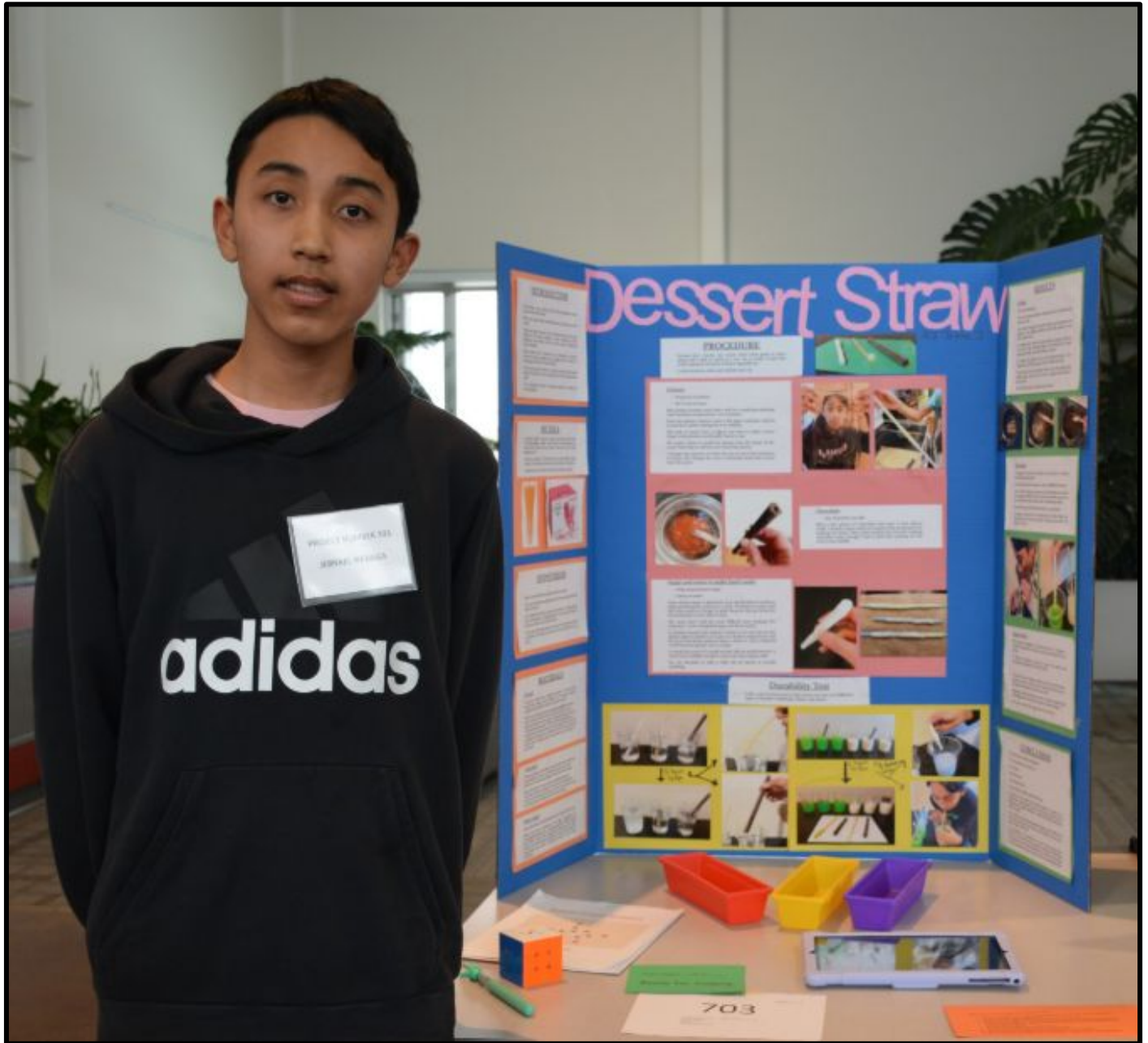
# EDMS Choir is going to PROVINCIALS



After a successful event with the Kiwanis Music Festival, our very own EDMS Choir is heading to the Alberta Choir Provincials in Edmonton.

Great job and GOOD LUCK!!

# Science Fair 2025



Jebna Ikenaga, a Grade 7 student, received a special award from the Discovery Wildlife Centre. Ikenaga's project is called "Dessert Straw"



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Millie Koch, a Grade 8 student, received a special award from the Discovery Wildlife Centre, for her project called “Crystal Clear”

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Alejandro Ikenaga, a Grade 6 student, received a silver medal and second runner up, in the Grade 5/6 category, for his project: “Edible Water Bottles”.

**Our Deer Meadow community is extremely proud of Alejandro, Jebnael and Millie for their achievements at the Provincial Science Fair!**



**Grade 6's** were treated to a visit from our local MLA and Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, **Mr. Nathan Cooper**, as well as the Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms, **Mr. Gareth Scott**. The students had the opportunity to learn more about these particular roles in Alberta's government as well as various other fun facts.

A highlight of their presentation was giving students an up close look at Alberta's Mace. As Mr. Cooper explained, this is quite a unique experience because the Mace has only ever been outside of the Legislature around twenty times in its history.







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## Spell-a-Thon Fundraiser 2025



Once again, E.D.M.S. has decided to have a Spell-a-Thon as their yearly, and only, fundraiser. The rationale behind this is as follows:

- ✓ Spelling is linked to the curriculum at all grade levels.
- ✓ 100% of the money raised will be kept in the school.
- ✓ There will be no issues with product delivery or distribution.

Each grade will be given a list of curriculum-related words to study. These words will not be studied at length at school; they must be learned at home. Students will be encouraged to collect pledges from their family. **We will only be accepting pledges online.** Pledges can be made in a lump sum, or can be pledged based on the number of words spelled correctly on their test. If a receipt is required a pledge sheet must be completed with Name, Full Address & Amount Pledged and returned to the office. Receipts will only be issued for amounts over \$20.00.

For every \$5.00 in pledges a student collects, he/she will be given a ticket to be entered into a variety of prize draws. So, the more money a student raises, the more chances they will have at winning some AMAZING prizes.

### Timeline of Events:

Wednesday, March 26th - Word lists go home.

Wednesday, April 30th - All students will take their Spell-a-Thon tests.

**Monday, May 13th - All pledges will be due online or in person**

Thursday, May 15th - Spell-a-Thon Celebration - Grade level Spelling Bee and prize draws.

### How Can Parents and Guardians Help?

- ✓ Help your son or daughter practice their spelling words until they are confident in their skills. (Check out Spelling City Website letter)
- ✓ Assist your child (if necessary) in collecting pledges from family and friends. This is our major fundraiser for the year.
- ✓ Donate prizes for our final wrap up event. We will accept any prizes, big or small, geared to students in grades 5-8. Prizes may be dropped off at the office.
- ✓ To make things easier this year, we are asking that you have your child collect pledges and then you can go to our website and enter all the pledges online in one lump sum ('Quicklinks' - Online Payments tab). **If you have more than one student, please enter the pledges separately.**

**Thank you for your help with this year's fundraiser.  
We look forward to it being a huge success!**



# ~ UNDERCOVER SPIRIT WEEK ~

Last week the staff at EDMS participated in an underground spirit week. We participated in themed dress-up days without the students knowledge, to stir up mystery and excitement amongst the student population.

**Monday:** Monochrome Monday

**Tuesday:** Texas Tuesday Yeehaw!

**Wednesday:** No Walk Wednesday (Teachers had the zoomies)

**Thursday:** Three shoe Thursday- Mix & Match shoes!

**Friday:** Flannel Friday!!





## **FLY THE FLAG FUNDRAISER**

### **Show your Canadian Spirit and your Support for the Rotary Club of Olds fundraising efforts!**

Subscriptions to the 3rd annual Rotary Club of Olds Canadian Flag fundraiser opens March 27th

Show your Canadian and Community Spirit by joining in the celebration of Canada, and at the same time,  
raise funds for local community and international charitable projects supported  
by the **Rotary Club of Olds**.

This year the **185th Olds Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron** will be assisting and earning a portion of the proceeds.

Purchasing a ticket for \$75 will give you a 3' x 5' Canadian Flag installed on your front lawn from

**May 12th to July 5, 2025**

Rotarians and Cadets will come to install the flag at least a week before the May Long weekend and return after Canada Day to collect them.

Order your flag early!

**Thank you for supporting the Rotary Club of Olds  
and  
185th Olds Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron**





# Information About Measles

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## Parents, Guardians, School Staff and Volunteers

Measles cases are increasing globally, with numerous countries and travel destinations reporting outbreaks including the United States, Europe and Canada. So far in 2025, Canada has seen a significant increase in measles cases and a number of jurisdictions have reported measles outbreaks. Cases of measles have been reported in New Brunswick, Ontario, Quebec, British Columbia, Manitoba and most recently, Alberta.

There are no confirmed measles cases at your school at this time; however, it is important that parents are aware of the risk and are supported by Alberta Health Services (AHS) Public Health.

## Measles Illness

Measles is very contagious and is easily spread through the air. Some people who get measles can have serious health problems. In rare cases, measles can lead to death.

Measles is a viral illness. Symptoms include fever, cough, runny nose, red eyes, and a blotchy rash. Symptoms usually start 8-12 days after exposure but can take as long as 21 days to appear.

Measles may cause complications including ear infections, pneumonia, seizures, or inflammation of the brain. Complications are more common among children under five years and people who are pregnant or immunocompromised.

A person with measles symptoms should stay home, avoid contact with others, and call Health Link at 811 before visiting any healthcare facility or any healthcare provider.

## Protection against Measles

The best protection against measles is to get immunized. Measles vaccines are highly effective.

In order to be adequately protected against measles, individuals born in or after 1970 need two documented doses of measles-containing vaccine.

In Alberta, measles-containing vaccines are available free of charge for eligible individuals. The routine childhood immunization program includes two doses of measles containing vaccine.

For more information about measles-containing vaccines please go to [ahs.ca/immunize](https://ahs.ca/immunize) or talk to your/your child's healthcare provider. Parents and guardians can check that their child has received two doses of measles vaccine by calling Health Link at 811 or by contacting their local public health or community health center [[ahs.ca/info/page17791.aspx](https://ahs.ca/info/page17791.aspx)]. Individuals who are 14 years of age and older can check their immunization record at [myhealth.alberta.ca/myhealthrecords](https://myhealth.alberta.ca/myhealthrecords).

## Measles Case Response

If measles is confirmed at your school, Public Health will immediately begin working with the school to keep everyone safe and reduce the risk of measles spreading.

To reduce transmission of measles, provincial Public Health guidelines require those with infection and their contacts who are not immune to measles to stay at home and away from others until the risk of spreading the disease is over.

Further, we encourage you to keep children home when showing any signs of illness. **Two doses of measles vaccine given before a school measles exposure provides protection against measles and avoids possible exclusion.**

## Next Steps

If your child is not immunized, or you are unsure about you or your child's immunization status, please call Health Link at 811.

You can also learn more from [myhealthalberta.ca](https://myhealthalberta.ca) about measles, who is at risk, and how it spreads, including:

- immunization: [myhealth.alberta.ca/topic/immunization/pages/measles.aspx](https://myhealth.alberta.ca/topic/immunization/pages/measles.aspx)
- frequently asked questions: [myhealth.alberta.ca/topic/immunization/documents/measles-faq.pdf](https://myhealth.alberta.ca/topic/immunization/documents/measles-faq.pdf)
- text "measles" to 88111 for information by text message.

Thank you for your support.



ARE YOU THINKING OF FOSTERING?  
MCMAN NEEDS FOSTER PARENTS!  
CONTACT JACKI @ 403-227-5580



every child  
IS ONE CARING  
ADULT AWAY FROM BEING A  
SUCCESS STORY.

## Sign Up for OAFA 2025 Football!

The wait is over! Registration opens MONDAY, March 10th for OAFA 2025, and we want YOU to join the team!

All equipment is provided! Except for cleats, mouth guards and girdles (we do have girdles available for purchase)

Huskies Pee Wee (Ages 10-12)

(9-year-olds: Red shirts, practice only, no games)

Bulldogs Bantam (Ages 13-15)

(Grade 9 and under)

Early Bird Registration

March 10 - April 14 | \$425

Regular Registration

April 15 - | \$475

Don't miss out on the chance to be part of an incredible season!  
Sign up early and save!

<https://app.teamlinkt.com/register/go/oafa/94305>



*Come and  
join the fun!*

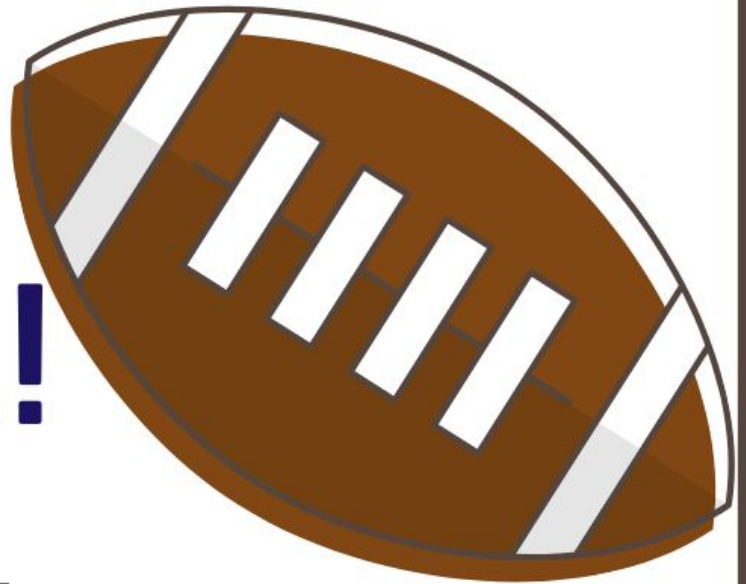




# LEARN TO PLAY FOOTBALL!

COME JOIN MS.W FROM THE YES  
PROGRAM, THE OHS SPARTANS & THE  
OAFB BANTAM BULLDOGS FOR 3 DAYS OF  
FUN & FOOTBALL!!

MORE INFO?: [KWEISBRODT@CESD73.CA](mailto:kweisbrodt@cesd73.ca)



NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!  
LETS HAVE SOME FUN AND MAKE SOME  
NEW FRIENDS!!

**APRIL 22-24th**

**GR.3-5: 9am-10:30am**

**Gr.6-8: 11am-1pm**



**CHINOOK'S EDGE  
SCHOOL DIVISION**

2025  
Season  
Registration  
Open!



Olds Amateur Football consists of two teams. Oafa is a non-profit sports association committed to bringing a safe and fun football program to Olds & Area.

\*We provide all equipment & gear to play except the following: Cleats, mouth guard and girdle. (We do have girdles that can be purchased).

Olds Bantam  
Bulldogs

Kids ages  
13-15

All Experience  
Levels Welcome

Olds Peewee  
Huskies

Kids ages  
9-12

All Experience  
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*\*9 yr olds - red shirts, only practice no games*

Conditioning & Skills Camps  
held end of May & July  
\*FREE for registered Players



Registration open until  
June 30th

FACEBOOK: Olds Huskies & Bulldogs Football  
Email: [oldsfootballinfo@gmail.com](mailto:oldsfootballinfo@gmail.com)

More info for  
Registration:



2025 Season - Aug - Nov  
Players & Coaches & Refs  
Welcome!