

June 9, 2025

Weekly Reminders

To all the dads, stepdads, grandpas, and father figures in our school community, we wish you a very Happy Father's Day!



Wishing you a day filled with love, laughter, and God's blessings!

Friday, June 13th

K-Gr. 8: No School

Gr. 9-12: Regular classes
(no yellow bus service)



Looking for information on...

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- Our Hot Lunch Program? If you are, please click [HERE](#).
- Submitting a field trip permission form, please click [HERE](#).
- Ordering your child's 2025-2026 school supplies through School Start, please click [HERE](#).
- Our Gr. 6-12 June Exam Calendar, please click [HERE](#).
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- Gr. 12 Graduation Information, please click [HERE](#).



A Heartfelt Thank You to Mrs. J. Koyina and Our Wonderful Hot Lunch Volunteers!

We want to give a big shoutout to Mrs. J. Koyina for doing an amazing job coordinating our lunch program this year. Thank you for making our hot lunch program run smoothly and efficiently! Both students and staff look forward to these tasty lunches as a great way to kick off the school week.

Thank you to our wonderful parents who volunteer their time each week to help distribute these delicious meals. Know that you're appreciated and you are valued members of our school community. Your dedication and generosity are the backbone of this program, and the program couldn't run without you. Thank you!



Thank You

Our Gateway Market, Pancake Breakfast, Penny Carnival & Fundraiser was a BIG SUCCESS!

Thanks so much for blessing and supporting Gateway Christian School!

- A HUGE thank you to our School Council and Gateway Society for Christian Education for hosting the delicious pancake breakfast, exciting silent auction, fun family carnival, & Gateway Market! Your efforts truly brought our school community together in such a fantastic way.
- Thank you to everyone who cheerfully set-up, cooked, served and cleaned up at the pancake breakfast.
- Thank you to parents, high school students & staff who set up & ran the fun penny carnival games. We wouldn't have been able to host the event without the support of people like you! Thank you!
- Thank you to the over 20 vendors who participated in our market and those who donated to our silent auction. Your participation helped make our event a great success. Your contribution to our community is greatly appreciated, and we hope that you had a successful day.
- Thank you to Mrs. Burnett & 3K students who with servant hands and hearts made beautiful cards to sell at the market. The cards were beautiful!
- A huge thank you to all who joined us at the event and donated to our fundraiser! We were thrilled to see so many familiar faces and new friends coming together for a great cause. Your generosity is deeply appreciated!

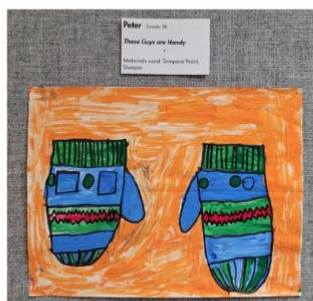
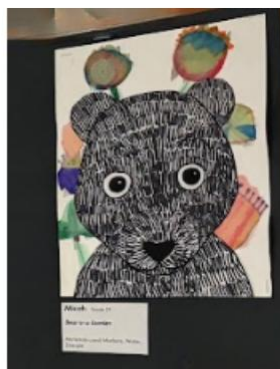
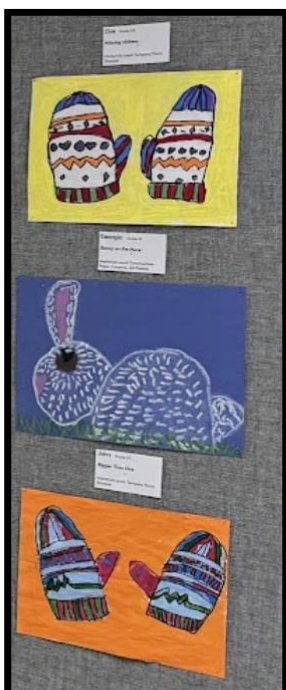
Thank You



Thank You for an Amazing Art Show - Tiny Hands, Beautiful Creations!

We want to give a big thank you to Mrs. Suzanne Burnett, our amazing K-Gr. 3 art teacher, and her talented students for putting together an incredible art show at the Gateway Market on Saturday. The creativity and skill on display were truly impressive. Each piece was carefully chosen and positioned to spark the imagination of everyone who saw it.

This show really highlighted the hard work and artistic talent of both the teacher and the students. Great job Kinders - Gr. 3 students! The creativity and details in the artwork were truly outstanding.



Grad parents:

Please join us for our GRAD WALK!

At the end of the month, we say goodbye to an amazing group of Gr. 12 graduates!

We invite our Gr. 12 parents to our annual

**GRAD WALK
MONDAY, JUNE 23RD
AT 2:15 P.M.**

Students, staff, and parents will line our hallways as our graduates take one last walk down the halls of Gateway Christian School.

Join us as we cheer, high five, hug, and celebrate each grad!

**GR. 6 BAND,
GR. 7/8 BAND
AND DRAMA 6
PERFORMANCES**

**11 JUNE WEDNESDAY
9:40 - 10:16 A.M.
IN THE MAIN GYM**

Our young musicians & drama students have been working diligently and are excited to showcase their talents. This event is a wonderful opportunity to see the progress your children have made throughout the year. Please join us in celebrating the achievements and hard work of our Grade 6-8 musicians & Term 3 Gr. 6 drama students.



Order your 2024-2025 Yearbook today!

A yearbook is a **KEEPSAKE** your son/daughter will treasure for a lifetime! It's a colorful mosaic of laughter, friendships, and milestones.

A yearbook is not just a book—it's a celebration of life's chapters - a cherished memento that will, in the years to come, invite your son or daughter to fondly revisit and relive their school days!

Yearbook includes:

- Hardcover that stands the test of time with high-gloss lamination.
- All-colour pages that vibrantly capture your child's memories throughout the school year.
- Durable Smyth-sewn binding that keeps the yearbook intact through wear & tear.

Order your yearbook today at ybpay.ca

Yearbook ID Code: 9231525

Cost: \$30.00 ea.

(Cheques payable to RDPSPD-GCS)

If you'd like a hardcopy of the order form sent home, please contact the office.

YEARBOOK

WORSHIP

**Upcoming Worship Times &
Parent Prayer Times**

**on Wednesday, June 11 & 18
Prayer Time: 8:45 - 9:35 a.m.
Worship 9:40 a.m.**

- June 11 - Gr. 5-8 students: Middle School bands & Gr. 6 Drama students performing.
- June 18 - K-Gr. 8 students: Middle School guitar option leading in singing.

June is a very busy month...

with field trips, final exams and special activities.

Please join us in lifting up in prayer, our staff, students and bus drivers.

We pray for protection and guidance as we finish the school year.

Field Trips –

We have several exciting field trips planned for the month of June. Each trip offers unique adventures and experiences for your son/daughter. For more information on your child's field trip, please click the document below.



- [Tuesday/Thursday kindergarten class to Bower Ponds – June 10th](#)
- [Gr. 1 trip to Sunnybrook Farm Museum – June 12th](#)
- [Gr. 2 trip to Ellis Bird Farm – June 24th](#)
- [Gr. 3 trip to Dinos Centre – June 20th](#)
- [Gr. 6 trip to Legislative Buildings in Edmonton – June 19th](#)
- [Gr. 7 trip to Royal Tyrrell Museum – June 25th](#)

We are TEAMING up for K-8 FIELD DAY ON Tuesday, June 17th

We are looking forward to a fun-filled Field Day. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help make this a great day for all our students. We appreciate the help!

Kindergarten to Grade 8

- Morning: All students from kindergarten to Gr. 8 will participate in a variety of fun field day activities.

Kindergarten to Grade 5

- Afternoon: Students in Kindergarten to Gr. 5 will continue enjoying field day events.

Grades 6 to 8

- Afternoon: Students in Grades 6 to 8 will compete in track and field events at the Lindsay Thurber track.

Please note that students are required to bring:

- A lunch (a bigger lunch or extra snacks). With a full day of activities, students will be very hungry.
- Weather-appropriate clothes and footwear (hats, jackets, etc.)
- Optional: water bottle .

Should you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please email Mrs. Mottus-Landry at cathy.mottus-landry@rdpsd.ab.ca or call the school office (403-346-5795). Thank you!

Field Day Team Colours

Students & teachers are encouraged to deck out in their team colours for Field Day. This is a great opportunity for us to come together and show our team spirit.

	Team Colour
1H & 5M	Orange
1 M & 5V	Pink
1/2W & 6B	Light blue
2A & 6D	Black
2P & 6K	White or polka dots
3K & 7W	Brown
3W & 7E	Green
4L & 7P	Grey
4T & 8V	Purple
4V & 8S	Yellow
5F & 8R	Red
KL	Navy

We are looking forward to a fantastic Field Day!



Last Monday, Mrs. Capton's kindergarten class enjoyed a fun outdoor teddy bear picnic! As you can see from the smiles on their faces, they had a blast... even the teddy bears seemed to be grinning from ear to ear!



Celebrating Our Unique Buddy Program - A Heartwarming Tradition

One of the unique and cherished aspects of our K-12 school is our buddy program. This initiative fosters meaningful connections across different age groups, creating lasting memories and friendships.

Recently, our Gr. 12 students had their final buddy session with their kindergarten buddies. During this special time, students worked with shapes making tangram pictures. After creating the pictures, the Gr. 12 students spontaneously picked up books and began reading to their younger buddies. This touching moment truly warmed Mrs. Capton's heart, showing the connections and bonds that were made and the sense of community that defines our school.





Letting their LIGHT shine:
students leading in WORSHIP!

A big thank you to our awesome Grade 2 students and their teachers for leading worship on Wednesday. Our Grade 4 students made it extra special with their beautiful recorder performances. You all did a great job!

Thank you to all our parents for coming out and supporting our students; your presence and encouragement mean so much to your children and our students & staff.



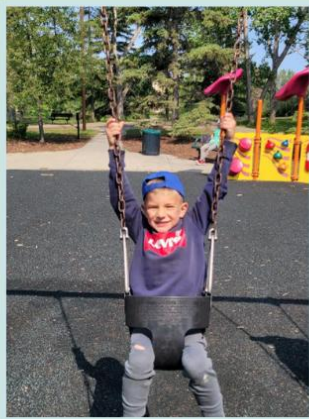
Mrs. Capton's kinders had a great time at Bower Ponds last Monday, where they explored God's creation through a scavenger hunt, playing at the park, creating maps, and participating in exciting activities like flower relay races, sack races, and bookmark making. The little explorers participated in a pond study, played with bubbles, and expressed their creativity with chalk - it was a GREAT day!



Mrs. Lodewyk's Monday/ Wednesday kindergarten class also had an awesome time on their trip to Bower Ponds on Wednesday! The sun was shining, and it was the perfect day to soak up the beauty of God's creation and make some amazing memories together.

The little explorers had a pond study, created vibrant drawings on the pavement. And who doesn't love bubbles? The air was filled with laughter as they chased and popped bubbles! On a thrilling five senses walk, the students experienced their surroundings in a whole new way. Every moment was a new discovery!

It was a great day filled with the perfect blend of learning, creativity, and fun, allowing the kindergarteners to connect with each other and the beautiful world around them.



Exploring the many middle school options!

Our middle school students have the opportunity to try a variety of options that allow them to explore their interests and gifts. Check out these two Term 3 options!

Mr. Erickson's Gr. 7/8 Aerospace Class -

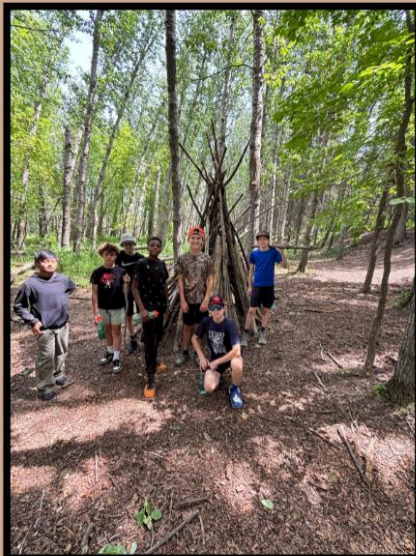
Students have the opportunity to learn about, design, build, and test various types of rockets, planes, gliders, and launchers. The class recently had a blast launching model rockets!



Ms. Byers' Gr. 6 Outdoor Ed Class -

The Gr. 6 Outdoor Ed students had so much fun during their recent Outdoor Ed project! They embarked on an exciting adventure to build a tree hut, using teamwork and creativity to transform fallen branches into a cozy hideaway.

Great TEAMWORK!



Congratulations to Hudson Lehman, a Grade 10 student, for his outstanding achievement! Hudson clinched the gold medal in the Men's Singles category at the CASAA (Central Alberta Schools Athletic Association) Tennis Tournament, which took place on June 3rd.



Community News ...



Red Deer Public Schools has partnered with Westerner Park to offer discounted tickets for families who wish to attend this year's Westerner Days happening July 16 - 20, 2025.

Discounts on Single Day Tickets & Ride-All-Day (RAD) Passes

Promo Code: RDPS-GRP

Scan or Click to purchase your tickets



READY TO HIT THE ICE?

Registration is now open for the upcoming season with Red Deer RUSH Ringette! Whether you're a returning player or new to the sport, now is the perfect time to get involved!

Join us for "RUST BUSTERS", our annual camp in August. It's a fun, affordable, low pressure way to learn the basics or brush up on your skills.

Sign up today and be part of the action this season!

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Optimist Junior Golf Tournament

The Optimist Clubs of Central Alberta invite you to compete in an 18-hole

"Pre-Qualifying Tournament"

NOON, July 7, 2025

Boys and Girls, Ages 10 - 18

at the

Lakewood Golf Resort

1231 Twp Rd 391, Red Deer County, AB T4P 0P8

The tournament requires contestants to walk the course using pull golf carts if they desire. It will be governed by RCGA Rules.

Registration Fee: \$75

Includes: Green Fees, Sleeve of Golf Balls, Bucket of Range Balls, Hot Dog, Pop, and Bag of Chips

Register by phoning the Lakewood Golf Pro Shop at 403-887-2477

Registration Deadline July 4, 2025

Boy & Girl Age Divisions

Boys Age Divisions: 10-11, 12-13, 14-15, 16-18

Girls Age Divisions: 10-12, 13-14, 15-18

Winners of each Age Division with qualifying scores advance without additional fees to the Alberta Montana Saskatchewan & Northern Wyoming Optimist District Jr. Golf Championships at the Lakewood Golf Resort in Sylvan Lake on August 11, 2025. Contestants can register into the AMSNW District Championships without playing in the Pre-Qualifying Tournament.



For additional information contact:

Scott Bergdahl, 403-887-2477, Lakewood Golf Resort

Les Trevor, optimistclubofreddeer@gmail.com, Red Deer Optimist Club

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This week's reminders ...

Monday, June 9th

- Burger Boy Hot Lunch (for those who ordered).
- Middle School Leadership Mtg. @ lunch recess in Mrs. Dalstra's classroom – 148.

Tuesday, June 10th

- Tuesday/Thursday kinders to Bower Ponds from 9:40 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
- English 10-1/10-2 Part A Final Exam in class allotted time – 2 days.
- English 20-1/20-2 Part A Final Exam in class allotted time – 2 days.

Wednesday, June 11th

- Parent Prayer Time 8:45 – 9:35 a.m. in the school den. Parents/Guardians warmly invited.
- Gr.5-8 Worship @ 9:40 a.m. in the main gym. Middle School bands & Gr. 6 drama students performing. Parents/Guardians warmly invited.
- English 10-1/10-2 Part A Final Exam in class allotted time – 2 days.
- English 20-1/20-2 Part A Final Exam in class allotted time – 2 days.

Thursday, June 12th

- Social 30-1 Part A Diploma Exam from 9 a.m. – noon.
- Social 30-2 Part A Diploma Exam from 9 – 11:30 a.m.
- Gr. 1's to Sunnybrook Farm & Kin Canyon from 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Kinder Father's Day Celebration from 6 – 7 p.m. at the school.

Friday, June 13th

- K-Gr. 8: No School (Staff Learning Day)
- Gr. 9-12 students: last day of regular classes – (No Reach Day)
- No yellow bus service today.
- Math 9 PAT Part A Exam from 9 – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, June 15th

- **Happy Father's Day!**

Monday, June 16th

- K-Gr. 8 students: Booster Juice Hot Lunch (for those who ordered).
- Middle School Leadership Mtg. @ lunch recess in Mrs. Dalstra's classroom – 148.
- English 10-1/10-2 Part B Final Exam from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- English 20-1/20-2 Part B Final Exam from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call the office. We'd be happy to help!

Cathy