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### Principal's Message

Happy New Year! I hope that you enjoyed a healthy and happy holiday. The New Year is often a time to reflect and set goals for the year ahead. At Lakewood we are renewing our goal to provide all students with an education that inspires, challenges and supports them in being the best they can be. We continually strive to make our school community an inclusive space where each student has a sense of belonging and can explore their interests and talents.

Throughout the year, we offer opportunities for our students to try a variety of activities such as knitting, choir, ukulele, and sports. We also have an active student peer leadership group for our grade 4/5 students who are involved in a variety of school services including spirit days, assemblies, and helping at lunch and recess, These students are valuable members of our school community who learn leadership skills while making an important contribution. Thank you to our staff who step up to volunteer for these extracurricular options for our students.

On behalf of all the Lakewood staff, I wanted to send our gratitude and appreciation for the hard work of our students, and the support from the families behind them this school year so far! It has been such a pleasure seeing the students back in the classrooms alongside their teachers and peers, continuously developing their skills, and overcoming any challenge thrown their way; their resilience is truly commendable. Our Lakewood community continues to grow, and flourish and we can't wait to see what they accomplish during the rest of the school year.

#### Kindergarten Registration



Do you know someone with a child turning five by Dec. 31, 2023 and lives in our catchment? We are taking registrations, Look to our

website for registration forms and our new online registration link. This is also a time to register grades 1-5.

## Are you moving for our next school year?



It is also extremely important that we have an accurate count of

returning students to Lakewood for next year as soon as possible. If you are planning on moving sometime between now and the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year and will not be attending Lakewood next year, please call our office as soon as possible.

#### Lost and Found



Did you know that the lost and found is just inside the front door at the school?

Please check it for any student lost items.

#### Scent free

We are a scent free/aware workplace. Please refrain from sending your children to school with scented body products.

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#### Health Check



We are seeing an uptick in children being sent to school sick. It is very important that you keep your

child at home if they are sick. We have already had children come to school only to be sent home after being sick at school. If your child cannot pass the health check - do not send them to school. It is important to, as a family, create a plan for the inevitable day that your child is ill.

#### **Dates to Remember**

Feb. 6 – Non instructional day

Feb 7 -- PAC meeting

Feb 9 -- Grizzlies visit

Feb. 17 - Non-instructional day

Feb. 20 – Family Day