

Kate Andrews Newsletter

October 2023

Truth and Reconciliation

Indigenous Success Newsletter

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I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and a good start to the new school year!

I know that September is a busy time of finding your stride and getting into new routines, so I wanted to share some resources to help talk about Truth & Reconciliation in the classroom as Orange Shirt Day approaches. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Next month I would like to highlight some of the school events and efforts towards Truth & Reconciliation so please send me any photos and updates that you would like highlighted!

Kylie Fineday - Indigenous Success Coordinator
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Classroom Learning Opportunities

ARPDC is offering a series of live-streamed programs featuring elders and knowledge keepers from across the various treaty areas of Alberta. Teachers and their classes are invited to join either a single session or the full week of programs. Links to the recordings of the programs will also be made available for registrants to watch at a later time.

Honouring Orange Shirt Day 2023 Schedule

Monday September 25 10:30am	Tuesday September 26 1:00pm	Wednesday September 27 9:00am	Thursday September 28 1:00pm	Friday September 29 8:00am
Dance	Sport	Music	Visual arts	Storytelling/Literature
Featuring PowWow and Juggling	Featuring Indian Relay Races and Lacrosse	Featuring Drumming and Inuit Throat singing	Featuring Ribbon Skirts and Painting	Featuring The Legacy of Residential Schools and why we need to continue conversations in Alberta.

Register your class <https://source.arpdc.ca>



The National Centre for Truth & Reconciliation is providing a series of free virtual education programs for grades K-12. These will include both live and pre-recorded learning sessions along such themes as: cultural learning, survivor stories, Residential School history, youth empowerment, and how to take action to promote reconciliation.

Note: there is a 1-hour time difference as the NCTR is based in Manitoba

Link for more information and to register your classroom: <https://nctr.ca/education/coming-soon-truth-and-reconciliation-week-2023/free-virtual-educational-program-for-grades-1-12/>



Join us for a special Live Lesson: Calls to Action

This Calls to Action Live Lessons series, appropriate for Grades 3-8, consists of four weekly lessons from September 26th to October 17th, each addressing specific calls to action from the Truth & Reconciliation Commission. Themes include: child welfare, education, health, and justice. This is a great opportunity to commit to Truth & Reconciliation beyond the month of September.

Register here: <https://edwinvisit.as.me/CallsToAction>

Lethbridge Schools Run for Reconciliation

Creative Writing Club

Creative Writing Club:
Monday's in Room 104
3:40-4:30pm

ELA 10,20,30-1 Tutorial
Wednesday's in Room 104
Miss Gurski
3:40-4:30pm



Important Dates to Remember!

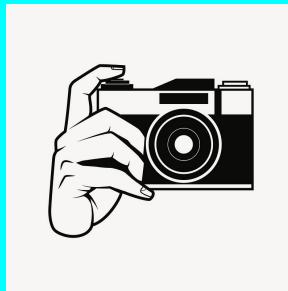
No School - Thanksgiving
October 9th



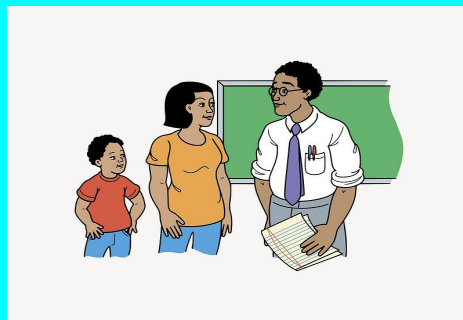
No School -PD DAY-
October 20th



Picture Retake Day:
October 27th



Parent Teacher
Conferences will be held in
the Gym:
October 26th



Principal's Announcement



This may seem a little delayed, but welcome back! It has been an exciting start to the year. I would like to start by thanking the students, staff and families for making me feel so welcome. It is amazing how many of you I already know from my Jennie Emery days.

This is going to be a crazy, exciting year for us. Not only do we get to celebrate the final year of this great school and its history, but we also have the daunting task of getting the new school ready to begin its own journey as part of the Coaldale community. In the newsletter each month I will try and add a little update about where we are regarding the new school.

Ms. Alexander and I had the opportunity to tour earlier last week. The walls are up and the construction is really coming together. I can hardly wait for all of you to see it.

Here at school, Volleyball is in full swing. Please follow our webpage to see where everyone is playing. Drama auditions are also starting. It is time for all those actors to show off their skills.

Parent/Teacher Conferences are on October 26th, 4-5pm & 6-8pm. Please mark this in your calendars! Having said that, every day is a good day to see how your child is doing. If you ever have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or me.

Have a wonderful October!

Mr. Uyesugi

KAHS Band Students - Kernels Fundraiser



As part of our fundraising, Kate Andrews Band Students will again be selling **KERNELS POPCORN** this semester. Each bag will be sold for **\$2.65** and in return students will earn \$1.15 per bag for fundraising. The popcorn is offered in 11 delicious flavors: White Cheddar, Butter Salt, Salt & Vinegar, Dill Pickle, Air Caramel, Creamy Caramel, Say Cheese, Ketchup, Jalapeno Jack, Thai Sweet Chili, and Cheesy Dill.

All orders need to be turned into Mr. Godin **NO LATER** than Thursday October 19th (checks made out to Kate Andrews High School) and the popcorn will be ready to pick up from KAHS on Friday October 27th. Help support the band kids and buy some delicious popcorn!

Coaldale Musical Arts Society -
Cupper's Coffee Blend!
Cupper's Coffee and Tea in



Lethbridge has created a special coffee blend called the "Ensemble Blend" especially for the Coaldale Musical Arts Society (CMAS) which helps support music projects and trips at both RI Baker and Kate Andrews. The blend is available for purchase at Cupper's Coffee for \$20 per 340g (3/4 lb) bag of which \$5 goes straight to the Society - simply ask the friendly staff at the store for the "CMAS Ensemble Blend," where one of the friendly staff will blend it up for you!

Graduation Photos in Drama Room: December 18th, 19th, 20th



TEA & TALK

OCT. 13TH

When? During TAP

Mental Health Foundation Pocket Change Donations: Bring pocket change to your TAP teacher between Oct 10th-13th.

Tea and Talk is a moment in our day to pause and take a mental break. It is a time to sit down and talk with your teachers and friends. Sip your tea (or hot chocolate!), play a game, talk openly with your friends about how you are feeling, and take a moment for yourself!

Information Verification / FOIPP / Technology Consent Forms

In September, Grade 10 - 12 students were given a package which included a *White Information Verification Form*, an *Orange Coloured Information Technology User Agreement/Permission Form* and a *Bright Yellow coloured Consents for Information Disclosure Form*. While most of these forms have been returned to the office, there are still some missing. If you still have the forms please complete them (must be completed by a parent /guardian) and return to office.

The Information Verification Form helps us to keep our contact information for student's families up to date and allows us to be able to complete government forms, such as requests from Canada Revenue Agency, when they ask for confirmation of where a student lived and who they lived with. Without consistent, proper documentation, we are not able to complete such requests.

The FOIPP and Information Technology Consents are also important so that we know what permissions students have in regards to Media & Information release and computer/internet access on School computers. Computer Access will be revoked for students who have not submitted a completed Information Technology Form, and students who have not submitted the completed Consents for Information Disclosure will not be included in pictures.

Students will not be able to access Palliser Technology without handing in the Information and Technology Consents Form. They will not have access to Wifi at KAHS until it is submitted.

**County of Lethbridge
Community Learning
Council**

Office phone: 403-345-6009
Phone/text/WhatsApp : 403-915-3145
Email: clcloffice@gmail.com
Website: communityclasses.ca
Visit: 2014 - 18 Street, Coaldale
(located in the Coaldale Library)

We can help adults with:

- computer, cell phone and social media questions
- class 7 drivers license prep
- resumes

Contact us, we are here to help!

**Adult English
Language Classes**

Coaldale Shaughnessy Picture Butte

Daytime classes in Coaldale and Shaughnessy offer free childcare for children 18 months to 6 years old while you attend class.

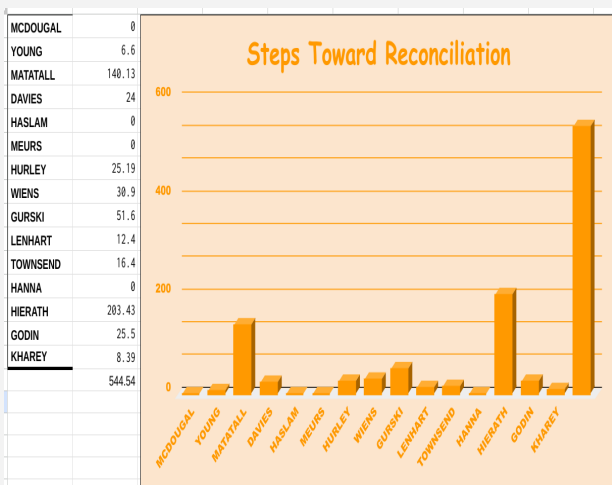
Kate Andrews Steps Towards Reconciliation

During the days of September 25th-28th staff and students participated in “KA Steps for Reconciliation”. It was an opportunity to reflect on the history and atrocities of residential schools in Canada, legacies of survivors, and the ‘Steps’ that we could take in the healing process to move towards a better future.

Kate Andrews staff and students walked a grand total of 545 KM!

Thank you!

Miss. Kennedy Gurski
English Teacher
Kate Andrews High School



Terry Fox Run

Total Toonies Raised for the Terry Fox Run was \$393.80!!! Good Job Everyone!



Kate Andrews High School Gear!!!

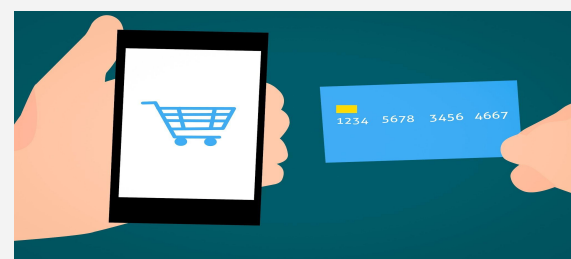
KA Gear is now available through:
[Kahsfall22.itemorder.colm/shop/sale/](https://kahsfall22.itemorder.colm.shop/sale/)

Check out our new store for the fall of 2023!!

Deadline to order is October 16th. Late orders will not be accepted.

This order is directly through Public Image Co., and the orders will be delivered to KAHS for distribution to students.

If you have any questions, please email: sales@publicimageco.ca



OCTOBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Student Council Meeting	3	4	5 Pizza	6	7
8	9 Thanksgiving No School	10 Student Council Meeting	11	12 Pizza	13	14
15	16 Student Council Meeting	17	18	19 Pizza	20 PD Day No School	21
22	23 Student Council Meeting	24	25 Pumpkin Carving at Lunch	26 Pizza	27	28
29	30 Student Council Meeting	31 Halloween Dress Up	1	2 Pizza	3	4

