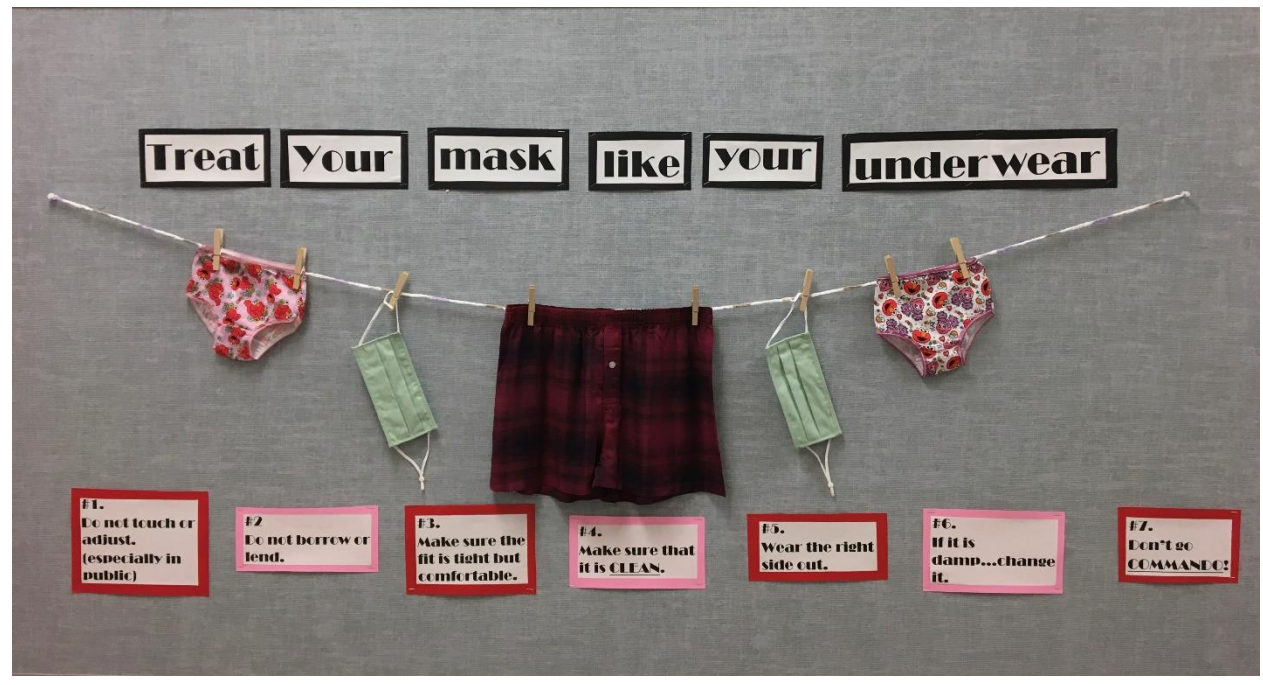




October 2020 Newsletter

Chestermere Community Learning Centre

The first month of school has flown by so fast! All the students and staff at CLC have adjusted to all the changes at school with positivity and flexibility. Thanks for your ongoing support.



We honored **Orange Shirt Day** on Wednesday September 30th. By wearing an orange shirt, we are commemorating the residential school experience and the survivors. We reaffirmed our commitment to the healing and reconciliation process with the First Nations. We are dedicated to anti-racism and anti-bullying at the Community Learning Centre. We must remember the past to make a better future!



Last school year we had a monthly draw for an **Attendance basket**. We will carry on this tradition for the 2020-2021 school year. We understand that students may be choosing to work from home. Therefore, we will have your teachers enter your name for the draw, if you have been completing work and staying engaged online. You will be notified if you are the **WINNER!**

We are still working with the **Community Therapy Dogs**. However, we are limiting visitors to the school at this time, we will not resume our weekly onsite visits from our friends until it is safe to do so. Two staff members at the Chestermere Learning Centre who have dogs being trained by the Community Therapy Dogs Society will bring their dogs on campus from time to time. Please let us know if you have any issues, concerns or allergies. There will be a sign on the entrance to notify everyone if there is a dog in the building. For more information got to <https://www.ctds.ca/> or contact Rebecca Dalakoudis the Outreach Worker.

World Mental Health Day is observed on **October 10th** every year, with the overall objective of raising awareness of mental health issues around the world and mobilizing efforts in support of mental health. The Day provides an opportunity for everyone working on mental health issues to talk about their work, and what more needs to be done to make mental health care a reality for people worldwide.

We are all living through a time in history when our mental health will certainly be challenged. Please **STAY CONNECTED** to the school. Reach out to your teachers, as well as Angela Dillon, Guidance Counsellor and Rebecca Dalakoudis, Outreach worker.

If you need to speak to someone urgently, The Crisis Line: 403-266-4357 *For 24-hour counselling, please call the Kids Help Phone at 1-800-668-6868 *For local Mental Health and Addictions services please call 1-877-652-4700

Campus is closed on Monday October 12th to spend Thanksgiving with your family. We will celebrate and be **Thankful together at school on October 13th** with a special treat!



Halloween celebrations will look a bit differently this year as we cannot gather in a big group. Rest assured you can still wear your costume and there will be some fun activities (lots of CANDY!) at school on **October 29th**. We know all the teachers will be dressed to impress!



Dates to remember this month:

October 9th-Professional Learning Day- Campus closed

October 10th-World Mental Health Day

October 12th-Thanksgiving-Campus closed

October 13th- Thanksgiving Celebration on campus

October 29th- Wear your Halloween Costume to school