

CALEDONIA PARK SCHOOL

Monthly newsletter for CPS Vikings Families



VICE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE TO PARENTS

Mrs. Engler - kim.engler@blackgold.ca

Hello Caledonia Park families!

We were fortunate for the beautiful weather that continued at the beginning of January. Unfortunately, all good things end and winter is bound to happen in Alberta; and it sure did! With the frigid temperatures, students were kept safe and warm inside the school, which also means indoor recess! We had 11 consecutive indoor recesses before the cold snap ended. Teachers and students were so excited to go back outside to run, play, and burn off some energy! Thankfully it is like second spring outside again, we can all hope that second winter isn't as extreme.

February is going to fly by! We have long weekends to enjoy and the school is busy with Basketball, Floor Hockey, Assemblies, Guest Speakers, Ski Trips, Field Trips, Hot Lunches, Popcorn Days, Bake Sale days, and the biggest day of all, Valentine's Day. Being new to the school last year I was unprepared for the excitement Valentine's Day brings in an elementary school! This year I realize that it is a school celebration to rival Halloween and I will be better prepared for the excitement. Early in the month, we have the pleasure of welcoming Spencer Beach. On February 7th, he will be presenting to our grade 5-9 students with a message about fire safety, burn awareness, and bullying.

I will use the rest of this message to extend a huge thank you to all of the parent council members and volunteers in our school. They are a group that works tirelessly to ensure that our school and our students have the most amazing experience possible. Meeting to plan events, spending time reshelving books in the library, going on field trips, running the delicious hot lunches, organizing the mountain of baked goods for the bake sales, and showing up extra early on popcorn day to pop and package hundreds of bags of popcorn; Those are just a fraction of the things that they are involved in and only a snippet of the things that they do to bring joy to us at the school. There isn't a thank you big enough for all you do.

Until next month, enjoy the unexpected spring temperatures and time with each other.

CALEDONIA PARK

School

What's Up This Month

Feb 2 - Gr. 7 Q2 Ends
Feb 5 - Gr. 7 Q3 Begins
Feb 6 - Gr. 3 Bake Sale
Feb 7 - Gr. 5-9 Guest Speaker
Feb 8 & 9 - Teacher Convention
Feb 14 - Valentine's Day
Feb 16 - Gr. 6 Rabbit Hill Trip
Feb 19 - Family Day
Feb 26 - March 1 - Book Fair
Feb 28 - Pink Shirt Day



BGSD Board

The Board Highlights are a summary of our Board of Trustee meetings to communicate pertinent information to our staff, school councils, parents, students and stakeholders.

You can view the Board Highlights at <https://www.blackgold.ca/about-bgsd/board/board-highlights/> or you check out full agenda and meeting minutes at <https://blackgold.civicweb.net/Portal/Default.aspx>

Volunteers needed

We are looking for 1 or 2 volunteers to assist in the Library.

If you are interested - please contact Mrs. Wurban at bonnie.wurban@blackgold.ca

Reminders!!!

Please check your PowerSchool account for any outstanding fees throughout the year!

Prompt Payment is greatly appreciated as these fees cover the teacher's purchases for classroom enhancements.

Grade 5 – 6

Rabbit Hill Ski Trip Updates

Important Information:

Due to weather – we rescheduled the field trip information for the Grade 5 and 6 Rabbit Hill Ski Trips. Updated forms have been posted to PowerSchool for students to register for the new dates.

Please have registration forms completed as soon as possible by logging into your PowerSchool Account.

Fees are due in full for students to attend.

Event Dates & Form Due Dates:

- Grade 5** – Depart on March 1st.
 - Fees & Forms due Feb, 23rd
- Grade 6** – Depart on Feb. 16th.
 - Fees & Forms due Feb. 7th

If your student will not be attending the ski trip and will be staying home, please advise the school so we can adjust your student's attendance.





SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING THIS MONTH



**Monday, Feb 26-
Friday, Mar 1**



Each class will visit the
book fair during their
library class.



Cash, Debit & Credit
Cards are accepted

Watch for ✨
book fair
flyers coming
home the
week of
February 20.



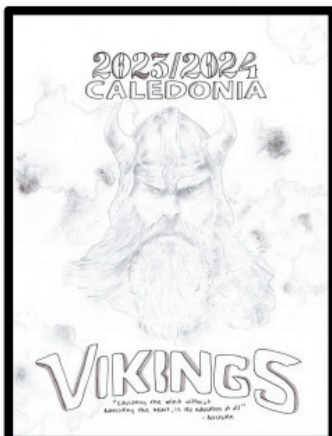
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helps our whole school. All
purchases earn Scholastic Dollars
that can be redeemed for books and
educational resources for our
school's classrooms and library.



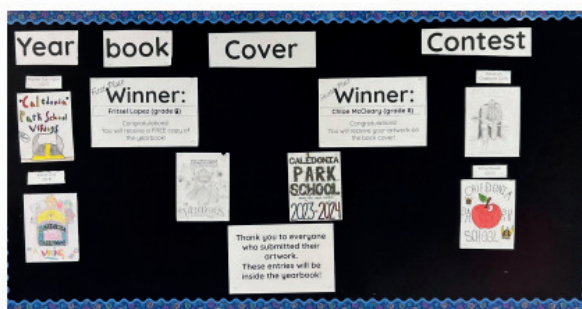
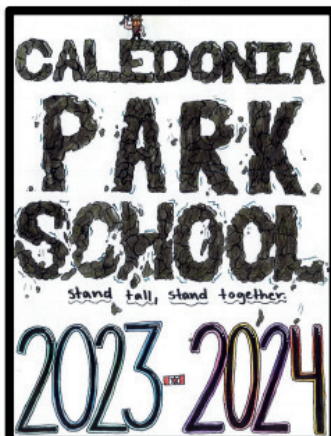
For a preview of books and related
book trailers, please go to

[scholastic.ca/bookairs/resources/videos](https://www.scholastic.ca/bookairs/resources/videos)

Congratulations to this year's
YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST winners:
 Fritsel Lopez (8-3) & Chloe McCleary (8-3)



Fritsel will
 have her
 artwork on
 the front
 cover and
 receive a
FREE
 yearbook!
 Chloe's
 masterpiece
 will grace
 the back
 cover!



The following entries will also be posted inside the yearbook:
 Aarav Das (gr.4) ~ Sophie Garrington (gr.5) ~ Savannah Chaborek
 (gr.9) ~ Katie Dowler (gr. 5)

Thank you for all the great submissions, and please try again next year!



CALEDONIA PARK SCHOOL

2023-2024 YEARBOOK

Yearbooks are \$25 each and are available for order through
 your PowerSchool Parent Portal.

Books will be delivered to the school in October and
 distributed to students. Students moving to another Black
 Gold School will have orders delivered through our inter-
 office courier.

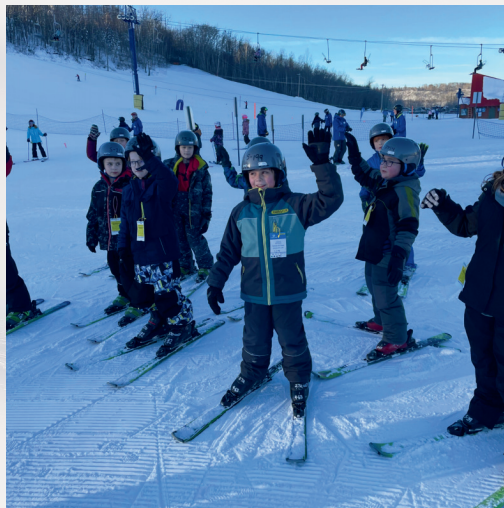
Order deadline: MAY 28th



Order
 Now



Grade 4 students enjoyed the most beautiful day at Rabbit Hill on Friday, January 26th



SCHOOL NEWS



ECS TOQUE DAY



Friday, January 12th - Mrs. Golinsky's Kindergarten class had a "Toque Day" which was fitting since it was a cool -45C outside!!!

WINTER FUN DAY

Division 1 and Division 2 are scheduled for a WINTER FUN DAY on March 22nd!! We are looking for Parent Volunteers to help run outdoor stations throughout the day.

For more information - please contact the appropriate Division contact below:

Division 1 (AM) please email hannah.wozniak@blackgold.ca

Division 2 (PM) please email lindsey.shephard@blackgold.ca



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to our Elementary Girls Basketball team for placing second in the Black Gold Girls Elementary Basketball Tournament in Devon!

JANUARY 2024

CAUGHT YOU BEING KIND!

Congratulations, Vikings!

School staff and students have recognized these individuals for sharing their social and emotional skills with our school community. Thank you for sharing kindness with Caledonia Park School, Vikings!

Division One

Sophia Carignan

Logan Lepine

Jett McClements

Oaklyn Ellsworth

Audrey Morgan

Darwish Qureshi

Freya McNeil

Jameson Oracheski

Declan Schaffer

Erich Cunanan

Dylan Baker

Lucas Knull

Jaxton Van Laar

Kallista Sudeyko

Harper Bauer

Amelia Gibson

Oliver Norgaard

Sheza Ali

Max Golinsky

Lennon Altizer

Theo Gall

Jaxon Liebrecht

Sienna Assaly

Mackenzie MacDonald

Rory Heathers

Aurora Carnegie

Lily Caouette

Sage Jordens-Harrah

Noah Larson

Harper Lynn

Liam Heath

Kensington Wierenga

Liam Comeau

Oaklan Mitchell

Cameron Ziegler

Alexa Archer

Brooklyn Treptau

Eli Fox

Jaxon Harnack

Kaylee Cook

Bryden Tompkins

Sophia White

Esme Keeping

Maisie Murnaghan

Amelia Hammel

Cooper Watson

Bentley McKinney

Ainsley Byers

Brooklyn Valaire

Justice Beitz

Kinley Varrence

Kyleigh Hart

Kyren Manuck

Harrison Chisholm-

Thompson

Jack Jansen

Staff

Mrs. Castellon

Mr. Martel



What is Caught You Being Kind?

This year, Caledonia Park School is continuing to focus on supporting our students' social and emotional development through our **Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)** program.

Each month, school staff and students nominate members of our school community who we see sharing their social and emotional skills with others. The nominees in Divisions One and Two are celebrated monthly. Division Three nominees will be celebrated at the end of each term.

In January and June, Caledonia Park School will celebrate all nominees with a random prize draw!

JANUARY 2024 PRIZE DRAW

CAUGHT YOU BEING KIND!

Congratulations, Vikings!

The following students, who were nominated for Caught You Being Kind! between October-January, won prizes during our January 25, 2024 assembly!

GRAND PRIZE WINNERS

Division 1 Winners

Squishmallow - Super Stitch

Erich Cunanaw

Squishmallow - Swimming

Emily Oh

Camera

Kaston Rimbaud

Division 2 Winners

Lego Set - Minecraft

Hayden Stack-Antonation

Lego Set - Watering Can

Carsha Zolinski

Lego Set - Pirate Island

Jaxon Harnack

MCDONALD'S GIFT CARDS

Navy Coates

Daxton Donovan

Elias Mosquito-Roy

Sophia Carignan

Lincoln Scott

Trajan Shoemaker

Sawyer Black

Ryker Chartrand

Audrey Morgan

Oliver Norgaard

Leah Dockrill

Myla Engelland

Max Henault

Landon Bilodeau

Abreeza Shah

Hayley Spaans

Brooklyn Treptau

Mason Riddel

Harrison Chisholm-Thompson

Amelia Hamme



SEMESTER 1 PRIZE DRAW!

During our school assemblies held on January 25, 2024, we recognized all Vikings who were nominated for Caught You Being Kind! during the months of October 2023 - January 2024 with a **RANDOM PRIZE DRAW!**

We used the Wheel of Names to **randomly** draw winners for the following prizes:

- 2 Jumbo Squishmallows
- 1 Kid Camera
- 3 Lego Set
- 20 \$15 Gift Cards to McDonalds



Students were presented with their Caught You Being Kind awards during our January Assembly. Congratulations everyone!



JANUARY 18TH SPORTS FAN DAY TURNED INTO A FULL FLEDGED OILERS FAN DAY!!





GRADE 3/4 BOYS **FLOOR HOCKEY TEAM**

ROSTER

Jaxson Bauer
Reid Burton
Beckett Chisholm
Rhett Dowler
James Drummond
Tucker Garagan
Niall O'Brien Buckley
Austin Osborne
Kesler Peters
Strad Reinders
Maddox Taphorn
Hunter Treptau

GRADE 3/4 GIRLS **FLOOR HOCKEY TEAM**

ROSTER

Ellie Altizer
Sienna Assaly
Emrie Fedosoff
Olivia Miller
Ayla Smedsrud
Serenity Spring
Isabelle St. Denis
Alex Stepanick
Lauren Stepanick
Kenleigh Van Laar
Kensington Wierenga
Keanna Williams

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS FOR MAKING THE TEAM!

Note: All Grade 3/4 Boys practices will be held at 11:50pm on the following dates. Students are reminded to bring a lunch!

- Friday, February 2nd
- Monday, February 5th
- Tuesday, February 6th
- Tuesday, February 13th
- Thursday, February 15th
- Thursday, February 22nd
- Friday, February 23rd
- Thursday, February 29th

Note: All Grade 3/4 Girls practices are scheduled as follows. Students are reminded to bring a lunch for all afternoon practices!

- Tuesday, February 6th - 7:30 AM
- Wednesday, February 7th - 11:50 AM
- Tuesday, February 13th - 7:30 AM
- Wednesday, February 14th - 11:50 AM
- Tuesday, February 20th - 7:30 AM
- Wednesday, February 21st - 11:50 AM
- Tuesday, February 27th - 7:30 AM
- Wednesday, February 28th - 11:50 AM



BAKE SALE POPCORN DAY

Bake Sale Rules

- Items will be priced at \$0.50 each
- Drop off items in the morning to the office after 8am.
- Each student to provide 1 or 2 dozen items
- Must be in individual portions, but items do not need to be individually wrapped.
- Containers must include students full name and homeroom.
- Cardboard/Foils will be thrown away unless otherwise noted.
- Baked or store bought items are welcome.
- Suggested items are: Cookies, Cupcakes, Muffins, Squares, Popcorn balls, puddings, jell-o, etc...
- Gluten Free items are welcome!
- Items are required to be PEANUT AND NUT FREE - NO EXCEPTIONS

Bake Sale Dates:

- February 6 - Grade 3 Classes
- March 6 - Grade 7 Classes
- April 3 - Grade 4 Classes
- May 1 - Grade 6 Classes
- June 5 - Grade 8 & Mrs. Johnson's ECS Classes

Popcorn Sale Dates Each bag - \$0.50

- March 21
- April 25
- May 23





IMPORTANT HOT LUNCH INFORMATION

**IF YOUR CHILD IS AWAY ON A LUNCH DAY, PLEASE COMMUNICATE TO
THE OFFICE BEFORE 10 AM WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CHOICES:**

- 1. HAVE THEIR LUNCH READY FOR PICKUP IN THE OFFICE AT 12 PM**
- 2. ALLOW THE STAFF TO GIVE THE LUNCH TO ANOTHER STUDENT IN
THE SCHOOL**

**OR IN THE ABSENCE OF YOUR COMMUNICATION, THE LUNCH WILL BE
DISPERSED TO ENSURE NO FOOD WASTE.**

**** NO REFUNDS ARE ACCEPTED AFTER ORDERS ARE PLACED, EXCEPT WHEN IT IS A
SCHEDULING CONFLICT ON THE SCHOOLS' BEHALF****

FEB 2: BOSTON PIZZA- ORDER DEADLINE CLOSED

FEB 16: PANAGO- ORDER DEADLINE FEB 1

MARCH 1: DQ HOT DOGS - ORDER DEADLINE FEB 16

MARCH 15: BOSTON PIZZA- ORDER DEADLINE FEB 29

APRIL 5: MCDONALDS- ORDER DEADLINE MAR 21

APRIL 26: SUBWAY- ORDER DEADLINE APRIL 11

MAY 10: PANAGO- ORDER DEADLINE APRIL 25

MAY 24: BOSTON PIZZA- ORDER DEADLINE MAY 9

QUESTIONS: NBERGSMA2@HOTMAIL.COM



February



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Day 4	2 Day 5 LAST DAY OF Q2 Hot Lunch	3
4	5 Day 1 FIRST DAY OF Q3 Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30pm	6 Day 2 Grade 3 Bake Sale	7 Day 3	8 No School Teacher Convention	9 No School Teacher Convention	10
11	12 Day 4	13 Day 5	14 Day 1 Valentine's Day - Wear Red & White	15 Day 2	16 Day 3 Gr. 6 Ski Trip Hot Lunch	17
18	19 No School Family Day	20 Day 4	21 Day 5	22 Day 1	23 Day 2	24
25	26 Day 3	27 Day 4	28 Day 5 PINK SHIRT DAY	29 Day 1		



MARCH



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Day 2 Gr. 5 Ski Trip Hot Lunch	2
3	4 Day 3	5 Day 4	6 Day 5 Grade 7 Bake Sale	7 Day 1	8 Day 2	9
10	11 No School PD Day	12 Day 3	13 Day 4	14 Day 5	15 Day 1 Term 2 Ends WEAR GREEN FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY Hot Lunch	16
17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY 	18 Day 2 Term 3 Begins	19 Day 3	20 Day 4	21 Day 5 WORLD DOWNSYNDROME DAY Popcorn Sale	22 Day 1 Winter Fun Day	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Absence Reporting

GOOD ATTENDANCE PATTERNS ARE AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN A STUDENT'S OVERALL SUCCESS AT SCHOOL.

Report your child absent!!

- Call the school. *Please leave a detailed message after hours*
- Email the office - cps.studentabsence@blackgold.ca and advise the reason for absence (ie: Sick, appointment, vacation, etc...)

Did you know? Key facts about school attendance:

- If your child is 20 minutes late every day, he/she/they will have missed 12 days of instruction by the end of the school year.
- If your child misses only two days of school per month, he/she/they will have missed one month's worth of instruction by the end of the school year.
- Students who are absent 15 days of school each year will have lost one year of instruction by the end of Grade 12.
- Students who attend school regularly tend to be more engaged in their learning, feel more connected to the school and have better academic outcomes than students who miss a lot of school.

Families can support good attendance at school by:

- setting a regular bedtime and morning routine;
- getting clothes and backpacks ready the night before;
- encouraging a positive attitude about school;
- communicating regularly with your child's teacher;
- talking with your child about his/her school day;
- taking part in school events and activities to show your child that you value school and education;
- planning vacations and appointments around the school schedule whenever possible; and
- making sure your child goes to school unless he/she/they is truly sick.

We can help!!

Let your school know right away if there is a problem or concern. There are many ways we can work together to get attendance back on track or prevent an attendance problem from starting.

CALEDONIA PARK SCHOOL

STUDENT SIGN OUT FORM & RETURN PROCEDURES



IF YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO GO HOME EARLY (DUE TO ILLNESS OR OTHERWISE) OR ATTEND AN APPOINTMENT DURING SCHOOL HOURS, THE STUDENT SIGN-OUT FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE THEY ARE EXCUSED FROM THE BUILDING.

THIS FORM IS POSTED ON OUR SCHOOL WEB PAGE UNDER THE PARENTS TAB.

DIRECT LINK TO FORM: [STUDENT SIGN-OUT](#) 

THIS FORM CAN BE COMPLETED ONLINE THROUGH YOUR PERSONAL DEVICE, OR IN THE SCHOOL ON OUR PARENT COMPUTER. PLEASE BUZZ THE DOOR BELL FOR SCHOOL ENTRY.

STUDENTS RETURNING TO SCHOOL AFTER AN APPOINTMENT STUDENTS MUST CHECK-IN AT THE OFFICE BEFORE PROCEEDING TO THEIR CLASSROOM.



Miss V's On Main

February

CHARACTERS & CARTOONING

Learning facial expressions: We will spend some time learning about facial expressions including how animals and humans differ and how we can really bring life to the characters.

We will focus on applying expression to our drawings and practice creating different characters.

FACIAL FEATURES:

We talked about facial expressions last class, now we will talk about facial features such as pupils, the nose and the mouth, the placement etc. See how making changes can create a whole new character.

THE ROUGH DRAFT & THE FINAL DRAFT

The club members will have a chance to design a short comic of their own and demonstrate what they have learned in the previous classes.

AGES 4-9

Our ages 4-9 will mainly be focused on understanding the placement of facial features and the facial expressions. We will not focus so much on the designing of the comic as much as we will understand where things go and why. As most parents know when children this age draw characters they can be slightly less than proportionate.



AGES 10 AND UP

Our 10+ group is going to focus on dialing in on their critiquing of the facial expressions as well as the features. They will be spending a bit more time on the design of the characters as we want them to be able to apply skills they have previously obtained as well as their newly developed ones. We will have their comic show a clear short story.

OUR COMMUNITY

In the month of February, Miss V will have her main street inspired watercolor paintings displayed in the public library. We have also received the amazing opportunity to have the art club members work displayed through out the year. We will update you once we are committed to a month.

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Leduc Rotary

 Music Festival Association

48th Annual Music Festival

April 2-18, 2024

PIANO VOCAL INSTRUMENTAL CHOIR BAND SPEECH

Registration opens **Dec 1 - Jan 26, 2024**
 Late registration ends **Feb 2, 2024**

Open to performers of all ages from the
 City of Leduc & Leduc County

Register at: leducmusicfestival.ca




U16 & U19 FEMALE TACKLE FOOTBALL




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BULLDOGS BASKETBALL

PD Day Clinics

For Ages 8-12yrs Co-Ed
 3hr. On Court Training Sessions

Scheduled each PD Day for the
 2023/24 Black Gold School Division

**Build your skills, confidence
 & love for the game!**

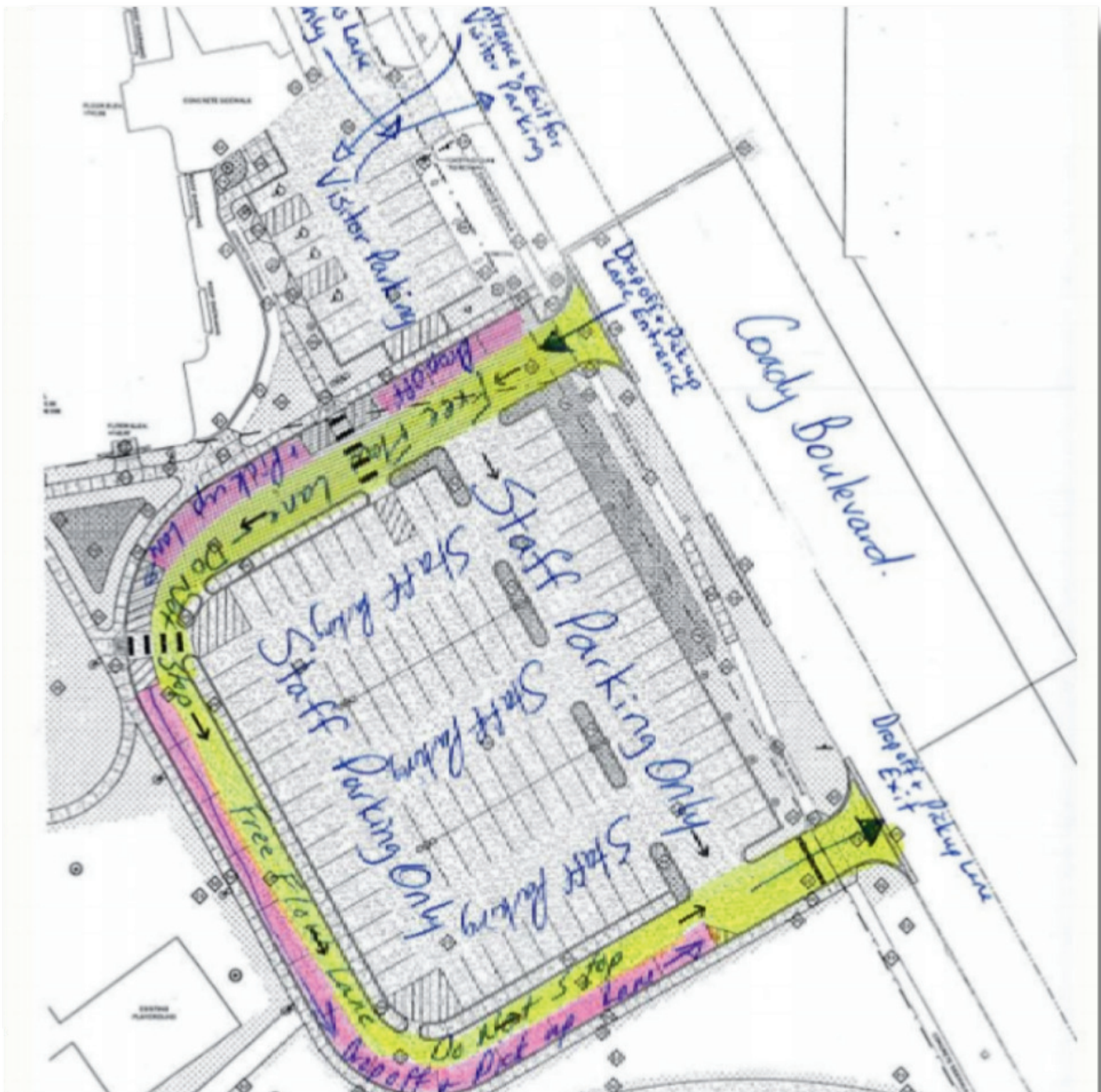
\$25.00/PLAYER

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PARKING LOT

Parents, please use the "Kiss & Go" lanes rather than the staff parking lot for morning & afternoon drop offs. All parking lots stalls have staff assignments and are essential to staff arriving to their positions on time.



SCHOOL SPIRIT DAYS

2023/2024

Caledonia Park School will be holding several "School Spirit Days" throughout the year. All dates are posted on our CPS Website Calendar and will be announced through our weekly updates. Please note the following dates and encourage your child to show their school spirit! **Dates could be subject to change**

February 14 - Valentine's Day - Wear Pink & Red

February 28 - Pink Shirt for Anti-Bullying

March 15 - Green for St. Patrick's Day

March 21 - #LotsofSocks for World Down Syndrome Day

April 2 - Wear Blue for Autism Awareness

April 18 - Viking Fan Day

May 1 - Hats ON for Mental Health

May 31 - Western Day for the Black Gold Rodeo

June 14 - ONE Colour Day! Wear only one colour