



# École Deer Meadow School

## Chinook's Edge School Division

**April 28 - May 1, 2025**

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### Spring Break Has Arrived!

As we wrap up a busy and successful stretch of the school year, Spring Break is now upon us, and the school is officially closed for the week. Classes will resume on **Monday, April 28th**.

We know how hard our students and staff have been working, and this break offers a well-deserved opportunity to rest, recharge, and spend meaningful time with family and friends. Whether you're staying close to home or heading out on an adventure, we hope you're able to enjoy some fresh air, sunshine, and the signs of spring starting to bloom.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We are so grateful for the strong sense of community that makes our school such a special place.

Wishing you and your family a safe, relaxing, and joyful Spring Break!

**Allan Whitehead,**  
**Principal**

### Teens and Tech Blog Post

You may have recently heard about or watched the Netflix series *Adolescence*. The Screenagers Blog recently published a great post about their takeaways from the series and a relevant "Parenting Move" for each.

To read the article "Screenagers: What Parents Can Learn from Netflix's *Adolescence* About Teens and Tech", copy and paste the link below to check it out:

[t.ly/yHBrq](https://t.ly/yHBrq)

### Coming Up at a Glance

May 1: Prairie Donair Hot Lunch  
May 2: No School  
May 9: Boston Pizza Hot Lunch  
May 15: Spell-A-Thon  
May 15: Mad Greek Hot Lunch  
May 16: No School  
May 19: No School, Victoria Day  
May 23: Booster Juice Hot Lunch  
May 29: Term 3 Academies End  
May 30: Panago Pizza Hot Lunch

### Athletics News

[www.deermeadow.ca/sports](http://www.deermeadow.ca/sports)

**Track and Field** for Grade 7 & 8's  
will be starting April 29th

"Try its" (come and try the different events out) will be  
April 29, 30, May 1, 4, and 5th.

Tryouts for events will start  
May 7, 8, 12, 13.

For those who make the team, the  
first meet will be May 22 in Sundre.

Contact Mrs. Clattenburg at  
EDMS for information.

*Please check your student's  
account for any newly added  
school fees and please monitor  
your Online Fee Payment  
Account for any fees that may be  
added throughout the year.*  
**Thank you!**

# ATTENTION

Due to registration changes,  
the Learn to Play Football camp  
will be **rescheduled** to a day camp  
this summer.



Thank you to the families who  
are currently registered. You will  
receive an email informing you of  
the change of date.

Interested in registering for summer? Email: [kweisbrodt@cesd73.ca](mailto:kweisbrodt@cesd73.ca)





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## Spell-a-Thon Fundraiser 2025



Once again, E.D.M.S. has decided to have a Spell-a-Thon as their yearly, and only, fundraiser. The rationale behind this is as follows:

- ✓ Spelling is linked to the curriculum at all grade levels.
- ✓ 100% of the money raised will be kept in the school.
- ✓ There will be no issues with product delivery or distribution.

Each grade will be given a list of curriculum-related words to study. These words will not be studied at length at school; they must be learned at home. Students will be encouraged to collect pledges from their family. **We will only be accepting pledges online.** Pledges can be made in a lump sum, or can be pledged based on the number of words spelled correctly on their test. If a receipt is required a pledge sheet must be completed with Name, Full Address & Amount Pledged and returned to the office. Receipts will only be issued for amounts over \$20.00.

For every \$5.00 in pledges a student collects, he/she will be given a ticket to be entered into a variety of prize draws. So, the more money a student raises, the more chances they will have at winning some AMAZING prizes.

### Timeline of Events:

Wednesday, March 26th - Word lists go home.

Wednesday, April 30th - All students will take their Spell-a-Thon tests.

**Monday, May 13th - All pledges will be due online or in person**

Thursday, May 15th - Spell-a-Thon Celebration - Grade level Spelling Bee and prize draws.

### How Can Parents and Guardians Help?

- ✓ Help your son or daughter practice their spelling words until they are confident in their skills. (Check out Spelling City Website letter)
- ✓ Assist your child (if necessary) in collecting pledges from family and friends. This is our major fundraiser for the year.
- ✓ Donate prizes for our final wrap up event. We will accept any prizes, big or small, geared to students in grades 5-8. Prizes may be dropped off at the office.
- ✓ To make things easier this year, we are asking that you have your child collect pledges and then you can go to our website and enter all the pledges online in one lump sum ('Quicklinks' - Online Payments tab). **If you have more than one student, please enter the pledges separately.**

**Thank you for your help with this year's fundraiser.  
We look forward to it being a huge success!**

# **Congratulations to our Grade 7 & 8 Badminton teams!**

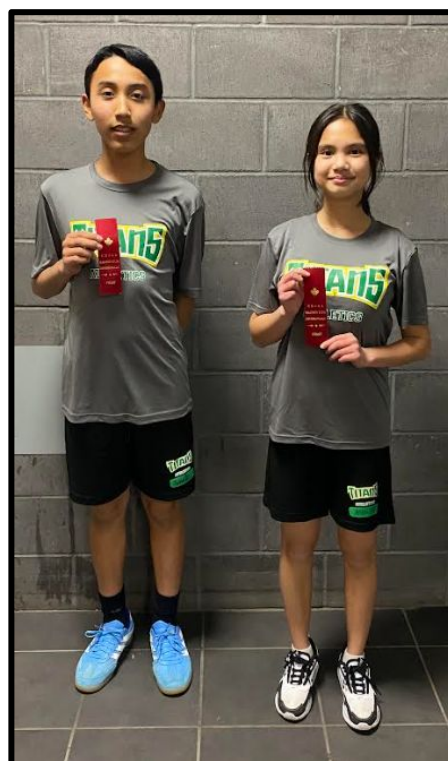
**Molly - First in Girls Singles**

**Aiden T - First in Boys Singles**

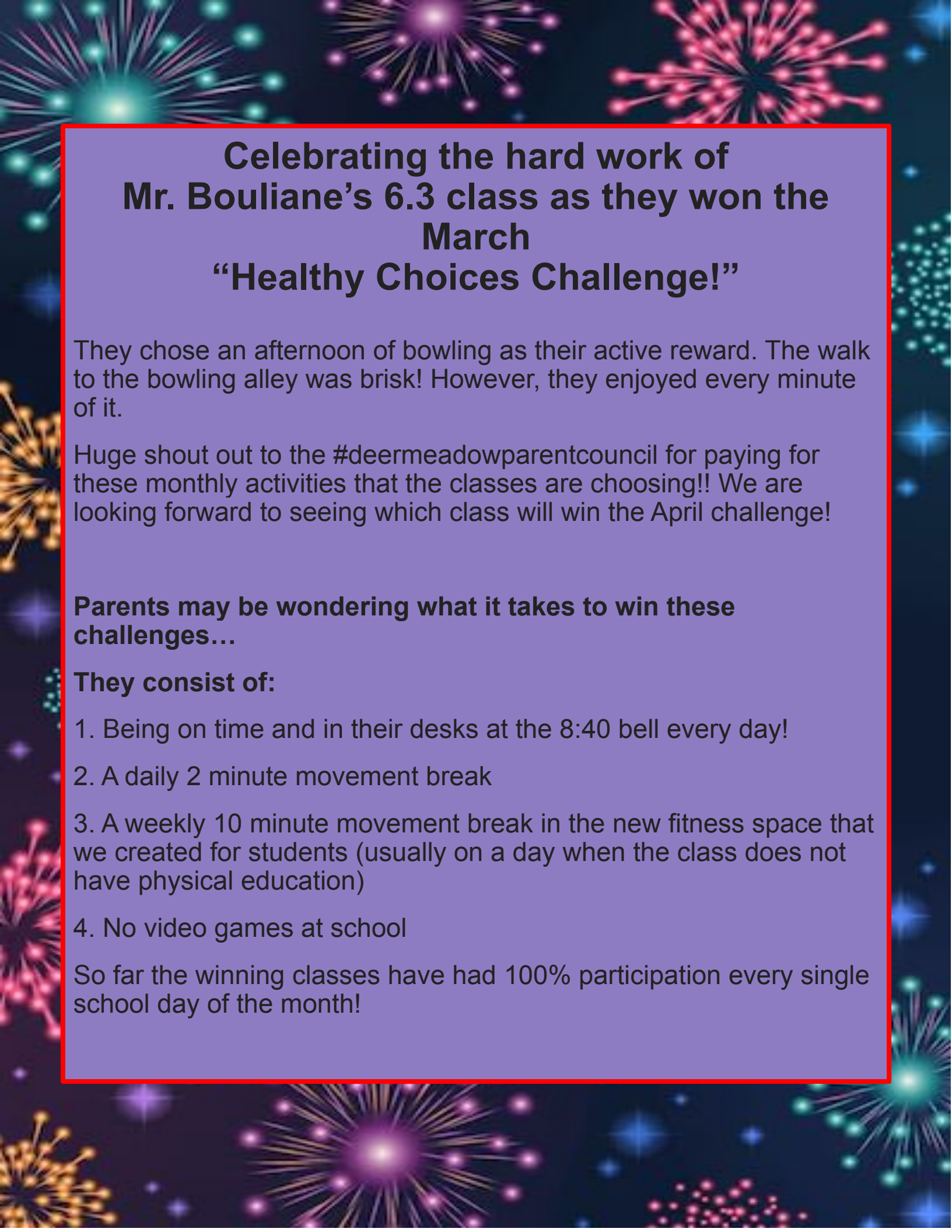
**Jameson and Mathew - First in Boys Doubles**

**Jebna and Alysa - First in Mixed Doubles**

**Taya - First in Girls Singles**







## **Celebrating the hard work of Mr. Bouliane's 6.3 class as they won the March "Healthy Choices Challenge!"**

They chose an afternoon of bowling as their active reward. The walk to the bowling alley was brisk! However, they enjoyed every minute of it.

Huge shout out to the #deermeadowparentcouncil for paying for these monthly activities that the classes are choosing!! We are looking forward to seeing which class will win the April challenge!

**Parents may be wondering what it takes to win these challenges...**

**They consist of:**

1. Being on time and in their desks at the 8:40 bell every day!
2. A daily 2 minute movement break
3. A weekly 10 minute movement break in the new fitness space that we created for students (usually on a day when the class does not have physical education)
4. No video games at school

So far the winning classes have had 100% participation every single school day of the month!







## **FLY THE FLAG FUNDRAISER**

**Show your Canadian Spirit  
and your Support for the Rotary Club of Olds  
fundraising efforts!**

Subscriptions to the 3rd annual Rotary Club of Olds Canadian Flag fundraiser opens March 27th

Show your Canadian and Community Spirit by joining in the celebration of Canada, and at the same time,  
raise funds for local community and international charitable projects supported  
by the **Rotary Club of Olds**.

This year the **185th Olds Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron** will be assisting and earning a portion of the proceeds.

Purchasing a ticket for \$75 will give you a 3' x 5' Canadian Flag installed on your front lawn from

**May 12th to July 5, 2025**

Rotarians and Cadets will come to install the flag at least a week before the May Long weekend and return after Canada Day to collect them.

Order your flag early!

**Thank you for supporting the Rotary Club of Olds  
and  
185th Olds Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron**



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every child  
IS ONE CARING  
ADULT AWAY FROM BEING A  
SUCCESS STORY.



# 2025 Season Registration Open!



Olds Amateur Football consists of two teams. OAFA is a non-profit sports association committed to bringing a safe and fun football program to Olds & Area.

\*We provide all equipment & gear to play except the following: Cleats, mouth guard and girdle. (We do have girdles that can be purchased).

Conditioning & Skills Camps  
held end of May & July  
\*FREE for registered Players



More info for  
Registration:



Olds Bantam  
Bulldogs

Kids ages  
13-15

All Experience  
Levels Welcome

Olds Peewee  
Huskies

Kids ages  
9-12

All Experience  
Levels Welcome

*\*9 yr olds - red shirts, only practice no games*

Registration open until  
June 30th

FACEBOOK: Olds Huskies & Bulldogs Football  
Email: oldsfootballinfo@gmail.com

2025 Season - Aug - Nov  
Players & Coaches & Refs  
Welcome!

# Information About Measles

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## Parents, Guardians, School Staff and Volunteers

Measles cases are increasing globally, with numerous countries and travel destinations reporting outbreaks including the United States, Europe and Canada. So far in 2025, Canada has seen a significant increase in measles cases and a number of jurisdictions have reported measles outbreaks. Cases of measles have been reported in New Brunswick, Ontario, Quebec, British Columbia, Manitoba and most recently, Alberta.

There are no confirmed measles cases at your school at this time; however, it is important that parents are aware of the risk and are supported by Alberta Health Services (AHS) Public Health.

## Measles Illness

Measles is very contagious and is easily spread through the air. Some people who get measles can have serious health problems. In rare cases, measles can lead to death.

Measles is a viral illness. Symptoms include fever, cough, runny nose, red eyes, and a blotchy rash. Symptoms usually start 8-12 days after exposure but can take as long as 21 days to appear.

Measles may cause complications including ear infections, pneumonia, seizures, or inflammation of the brain. Complications are more common among children under five years and people who are pregnant or immunocompromised.

A person with measles symptoms should stay home, avoid contact with others, and call Health Link at 811 before visiting any healthcare facility or any healthcare provider.

## Protection against Measles

The best protection against measles is to get immunized. Measles vaccines are highly effective.

In order to be adequately protected against measles, individuals born in or after 1970 need two documented doses of measles-containing vaccine.



In Alberta, measles-containing vaccines are available free of charge for eligible individuals. The routine childhood immunization program includes two doses of measles containing vaccine.

For more information about measles-containing vaccines please go to [ahs.ca/immunize](https://ahs.ca/immunize) or talk to your/your child's healthcare provider. Parents and guardians can check that their child has received two doses of measles vaccine by calling Health Link at 811 or by contacting their local public health or community health center [[ahs.ca/info/page17791.aspx](https://ahs.ca/info/page17791.aspx)]. Individuals who are 14 years of age and older can check their immunization record at [myhealth.alberta.ca/myhealthrecords](https://myhealth.alberta.ca/myhealthrecords).

## Measles Case Response

If measles is confirmed at your school, Public Health will immediately begin working with the school to keep everyone safe and reduce the risk of measles spreading.

To reduce transmission of measles, provincial Public Health guidelines require those with infection and their contacts who are not immune to measles to stay at home and away from others until the risk of spreading the disease is over.

Further, we encourage you to keep children home when showing any signs of illness. **Two doses of measles vaccine given before a school measles exposure provides protection against measles and avoids possible exclusion.**

## Next Steps

If your child is not immunized, or you are unsure about you or your child's immunization status, please call Health Link at 811.

You can also learn more from [myhealth.alberta.ca](https://myhealth.alberta.ca) about measles, who is at risk, and how it spreads, including:

- immunization: [myhealth.alberta.ca/topic/immunization/pages/measles.aspx](https://myhealth.alberta.ca/topic/immunization/pages/measles.aspx)
- frequently asked questions: [myhealth.alberta.ca/topic/immunization/documents/measles-faq.pdf](https://myhealth.alberta.ca/topic/immunization/documents/measles-faq.pdf)
- text "measles" to 88111 for information by text message.

Thank you for your support.