

County Council votes on creating Municipal Planning Commission

Town of Edson gets by Dana McArthur

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Anders and Danika Linde pose proudly with their almost finished sensory bottle at this month's Dadurday. On January 21 kids and their father figures could come out and enjoy the free event at the Kinsmen Shack (see page 4). photo Niki Luymes

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accustomed to.

Standard practice has been that Administration (as Development Authority) makes the decision on Development Permit applications, with unique or contentious development proposals coming before County Council.

Some residents have requested a change to the current process for the more unique and/or contentious development proposals that are applied for. Creating a MPC and populating this commission with elected officials is one method to address this matter.

Creating a MPC has been discussed at previous Governance and Priorities Committee meetings and the bylaw underwent several draft revisions. First and second readings of the bylaw were passed at the January 10 Council meeting.

During the January 24 Council meeting, Councillor Shawn Berry made the motion to give third reading to Bylaw 23.22.

Councillor Brigitte Lemieux said, "It's my position that creating an MPC is simply [adding] another layer of bureaucracy with very little gain. Therefore I will not be supporting this motion."

Councillor David Russell said, "While I echo Councillor Lemieux's sentiments on this, it's become apparent that the majority of Council supports trying out a Municipal Planning Commission, so I think we need to move ahead."

Mayor Wade Williams said, "We have heard a lot from the residents and I feel that by passing this it gives them another layer to bring their concerns to, prior to some of these decisions being made for rezoning. For those reasons I would support this."

Council then passed third reading for Bylaw 23.22. Council also passed a motion to appoint Councillor Soroka, Councillor Giezen, Councillor Lowe, Councillor Mitchell and Councillor Groat as members of the Yellowhead County Municipal Planning Commission.

County Council Highlights: Jan 24

Heritage Plan Adopted by Council – The Heritage Advisory Board Strategic Plan 2022-2025 updates the goals that have guided the County's Heritage Program over the last decade. The new 2022-2025 plan added cemeteries and the Tipple Park Museum as additional goals within the Heritage Program Strategic Plan.

Parks & Rec Plan Adopted by Council – The Parks & Recreation Strategic Plan 2022-2025 identified four recreation-based priorities that make the foundation of the Plan. These priorities focus on parks and other recreation-based facilities, providing opportunities for recreation based activities, the development and maintenance of County trails, and the delivery of recreational services to County residents.

Bylaw 20.22 – Council gave third reading of Bylaw 20.22 for a property in NW 32-53-17-W5M to be redistricted from Rural District (RD) to Country Residential District (CRD) and Protection District (PD). This will allow for a subdivision of the property



Yellowhead County Council gave third reading to the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) Bylaw 23.22 during their January 24 meeting.

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to create two new country residential parcels. A Public Hearing was held for Bylaw 20.22 on January 10, 2023.

Agricultural Services Appeal Committee Appointments – Yellowhead County Council appointed three Members-at-Large (Jack Williams, Mandy Ford, Len Soukeroff), one Council Member (Patrick Soroka) and one alternate Council Member (Brigitte Lemieux) to the Agricultural Services Appeal Committee.

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Sensory bottle fun at Dadurday

by Niki Luymes

It was another fun day for kids and their father figures at this month's Dadurday event. The event took place on January 21 at the Kinsmen Shack in Kinsmen Park from 11am to 1pm.

This month's activity was creating sensory bottles. Sensory bottles are sealed containers containing colourful objects suspended in liquid that can be played with without making a mess.

At the event, kids could pick and choose what to add to their bottles. Orbies, beads, and confetti were just some of the options available. Then, with help from their father figures, they added food colouring, filled the jar with liquid, and sealed it up. The final result was a colourful toy, and a few hours of community and family fun.

There were also other little games and activities on hand, such as colouring pages for kids to enjoy during the waiting moments. A free deli lunch was also provided for those who wanted. While this month's Dadurday was a little quieter than usual, those who came out were still able to make the most of the free event.

Dadurdays are organized and run by Edson Family and Community Support Services (FCSS). These special events are created as a chance for local father figures to get out with their kids while also connecting with other dads in the community. The goal of Dadurdays are, "To get the community together, so it's a chance for Dads to meet other Dads, and kids to meet other kids," said Emma Fairbank, Community Development Coordinator with Edson FCSS.

Dadurday activities are specifically planned in such a way that parents don't have to worry about prep or supplies. They can just come out and enjoy their time together. Next month's Dadurday is already planned, so keep an eye out for details on that as they emerge.



This Month's Dadurday on January 21 allowed kids and their father figures to create sensory bottles. There was a plethora of items to add to the bottles. photo Niki Luymes

EVENT REMINDER

February 10:

Valentines Family Dance 6-8pm Evansburg Legion Registration is required by February 3rd call 780-325-3782



NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS in the Estate of Frank Glen Taylor, also known as Frank Taylor, who died on January 13, 2023

If you have a claim against this estate, you must file your claim by March 6, 2023, with

Shari L. Boisvert, Boisvert Law Group P.O. Box 6568 Edson, AB T7E 1T9

and provide details of your claim.

If you do not file by the date above, the estate property can lawfully be distributed without regard to any claim you may have.



This month's 'Ladies Night Out' sponsored by the Town of Edson was all about renewing and refreshing mind and body. Ladies gathered at the Kinsmen Shack from 7pm to 9pm to enjoy a luxurious foot soak, while learning different techniques for centering and mental healing. photo Niki Luymes

Edson and District "Supporting Quality Health Care Close to Home"

Want to learn how the Community Care Foundation is impacting health delivery in Edson? Want to help diversify delivery of Health Care in Edson? Please come to our

Annual General Meeting

February 21, 2023

7:00pm at the Health Care Centre Conference Room #1

HRH BTC program going strong with great fundraising ideas

(HRH) Holy Redeemer is known for having excellent academic and extracurricular programs that offer a wide range of opportunities for their students. One particular program of importance to HRH is the Beyond the Classroom Program.

"The Beyond the Classroom (BTC) Program focuses on a life skills curriculum," says Principal Betty Churchill. "Our Lifeskills Facilitator, Dede Poulin, includes as many educational opportunities as possible for the students in our group to learn by doing. And I'm happy to say that everyday they are learning new skills in order to be successful later in life."

The BTC class has a number of objectives that see students learn the basics of budgeting, currency, cooking, developing community relationships, and planning. To do this, Poulin and the students raise money through different fundraising endeavours.

"Tied to this is the way we also help to install important attitudes such as pride, personal growth, problem solving, resiliency, and self-esteem," says Poulin.

A few fundraising ideas that students have worked on in recent years include the school coffee cart, selling dog biscuits, and selling firestarter kits. This year, these ideas have had some modifications to make them more practical for our group of five enthusiastic students versus last year's group of nine.

This year, the Coffee Cart is now the Coffee Concession. The students work out of the foyer concession on Wednesdays at lunch, serving hot drinks and selling baked goods to the staff and students, with items costing \$1.50 each.

The Dog Biscuit Fundraiser has been adjusted to include "do-ityourself" kits at a lower price and are announcing availability rather than taking orders to maintain a calm and realistic production line. The biscuits will also be sold during the Coffee Concession as well.

"We are planning on making the firestarter kits again this spring," says Poulin. "We are also excited to be introducing a few new ideas this year too that will show up after the Spring Break, so stay tuned!" All fundraisers will be advertised on the HRH social media pages.

The funds raised from these programs are used for a variety of items to enrich learning. "We have invested in quite a few items to support social skill development and our foods program," says Poulin. "We have restocked with resources like games, books, and supplies that meet the needs of our current group."

The students also engage in community experiences such as eating out, going to the library, as well as swimming and bowling. "Each of our kiddos is very unique and we are very lucky to be able to provide quite a bit of customized programming," adds Poulin. "This spring we're hoping to be able to visit some farms and have some class field trips."

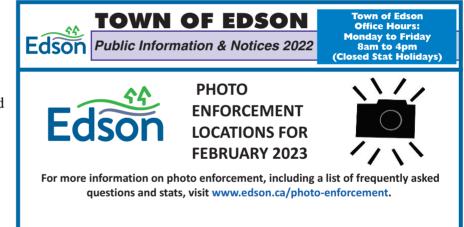
Needless to say, the Edson community has offered so much support for the program and the BTC group sends out a huge thank you to everyone for purchasing and donating items. "We know there's so much need, and we're all stretched kind of thin these days," says Poulin. "And that just makes everything we receive that much more special!"

If you are interested in purchasing dog biscuits, or learning more about how you can support the BTC program, please contact Poulin at HRH.

If you would like more information on this article please feel free to contact the school at 780-723-7437 or holyredeemerhigh.ca. Feel free to visit our social media pages. *-submitted*



The Holy Redeemer Beyond the Classroom Program is in full swing. Five enthusiastic students are "learning by doing", and they help to organize a number of special fundraising opportunities that teach the students important life skills in order for them to be successful later in life. One such opportunity is selling Dog Biscuits. Here, grade 7 BTC student Ali Kazakoff works with her sister and pet dog to make some dog biscuits. And the word is...the dogs love them! submitted



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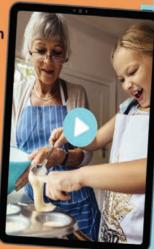


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- Law

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Any person who is deemed to be affected by the issuance of any one of these permits may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Authority **by 4:00 p.m., on the 21st day after the date of issue as published on the Town's website.** On Permitted Uses, grounds for appeal must relate only to interpretation, variance, or relaxation of Land Use Bylaw 2070. On Discretionary Uses, all aspects of the proposed development may be challenged upon appeal. Written notice of appeal, accompanied by the appeal fee as established by Town Council, must be filed through the Office of the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board at Box 6300, Edson, AB T7E 1T7. **Direct Control District Approvals cannot be appealed.**





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increase, from your utility bills

to refilling your gas tank or

The federal carbon tax is

increasing to 14 cents per litre of

gas beginning April 1, 2023. The

carbon tax will cost the average

household between \$402 and

\$847 in 2023, even after the

Parliamentary Budget Officer.

Adding to that, the federal

second carbon tax through fuel

regulations on July 1, 2023. The

second carbon tax will increase

the price of gas by up to 13

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These two carbon taxes could

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about 0.02 degrees Celsius to average world temperatures by 2100. Canada is simply not a big player in this global problem.

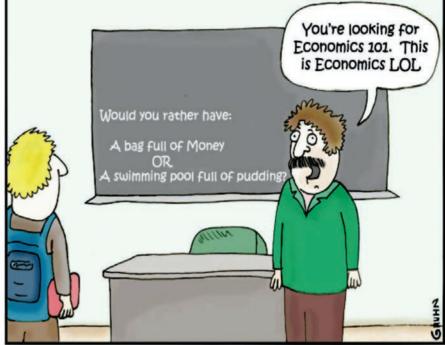
Yes, we need to do our share to fight climate change. But there are no viable, affordable options to heat Alberta homes and get to work, particularly in rural areas. And federal rebates simply do not begin to resolve the cost of inflation that this tax causes.

To make matters worse, due to federal payroll tax hikes anyone making \$40,000 or more in 2023 will pay higher federal incomebased taxes than they did in 2022.

Adding insult to injury, alcohol taxes will increase by 6.3% on April 1, 2023. Taxes already account for about half of the price of beer, 65% of the price of wine, and more than three quarters of the price of spirits.

It seems odd that while the federal government claims to be helping fight inflation, they are sticking Canadians with higher and higher bills.

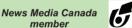




Edson RCMP Occurrences For the week of Dec Jan 16 to Jan 22, 2023

Suspicious persons and Assistance call both topped the list of Edson RCMP investigations at 11. Other investigations included: Abandoned Vehicles 1; Alarms/False Alarms 1; Animal Calls 2; Assault 1; Cause Disturbance 5; Fail to Comply with Conditions 3; False/Abandoned 911 Call 2; Family Orders and Agreements 0; Harassment/Criminal Harassment 0; Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle 1; Information File 0; Lost/Found Property 5; Mental Health Act 6; Mischief or Damage 4; Municipal Bylaws 0; Obstruct/Resist Peace Officer 1; Possess Stolen Property 2; Recovered Stolen Property 0; Sudden Death 0; Traffic collisions 6; Theft Complaints 6; Traffic Complaints 2; Traffic Violations 9; Trespassing 2; Unlawfully in Dwelling 3; and Wellbeing Checks 7.

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Edson gets a new grader; naming contest in May

The Town of Edson has added another important piece of equipment to assist in snow and ice removal, as well as gravel road maintenance in the summer months.

A new Komatsu grader has been added to the fleet and has already hits the streets! The new grader will allow crews to utilize both machines during snow events where possible, and act as a backup so we're not left without a grader if one has mechanical failure.

Council approved the purchase of a new grader in the 2023 budget after a thorough review of the Snow and Ice Control Policy last year and tying into their value of Service Excellence within Council's Strategic Plan. The total cost of the grader, with options and warranty, was just over \$450,000.

"Council is excited to see this new grader hit the streets as it will help keep our snow removal moving with less down time throughout the season. Improving snow removal has been a focus for Council and Administration in recent years and we're happy to see progress being



made. We are planning additional equipment enhancements to our fleet in 2024 as leases end on some of our current equipment." -Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara

Administration will continue to review the

Snow and Ice Control Policy to ensure it's adapting to the needs of the community. Watch for a grader naming contest coming

soon, which will coincide with National Public Works Weeks in May.



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2023 Contract Road Rehabilitation (Shoulder Pull)

Yellowhead County is accepting quotations from interested suppliers who can provide Road Rehabilitation Services (shoulder pull) for approximately 80 km of gravel road in 2023. Quotations shall be submitted based on the terms of reference.

Potential contractors can obtain a detailed information package commencing January 18, 2023 from the Alberta Purchasing Connection (http://www.purchasingconnection.ca) Quotation submissions must be received no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 1st, 2023. The quotations must be in a sealed envelope and clearly marked and addressed as follows:

All equipment hired by Yellowhead County **MUST** be registered annually by the deadline. Yellowhead County will select equipment that is the best suited for the work to be done

Yellowhead County 2716 – 1st Avenue Edson, Alberta T7E 1N9 2023 Contract Road Rehabilitation (Shoulder Pull)

Proposal submissions will also be accepted electronically at: rwallace@yhcounty.ca

This is a "Request for Quotations". Potential contractors are therefore advised that Yellowhead County reserves the right to:

- 1. Accept a quotation without negotiation.
- 2. Reject a quotation without negotiation.
- Reject a quotation from a bidder that has had a previous contract terminated by the County.

4. Negotiate changes in the financial or operational content of the successful quotation. Contractors are also advised that the rates, company name, and final rating will be made public when being presented to Council.

For further information regarding this request, please contact Rex Wallace, Assistant Manager, Infrastructure Services, at (780) 723-4800.

and provide the most cost effective level of service.

Deadline for Registration is April 1, 2023.



For more information or to register your equipment, call the Infrastructure Services Department at (780) 723-4800 or 1-800-665-6030.

Yellowhead County



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Network Analyst (on-site) LOCATION: Edson, AB COMPETITION NO. 23-018

Reporting to the Manager of Information Technology, the candidate will play a key role in managing the County IT infrastructure, servers, network, and radio systems. This position is responsible for but not limited to providing network support, server administration and application support.

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A detailed position description can be found in the job posting online. The competition will remain open until **Friday, March 3rd, 2023.**

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Niton Students Pick Up New Skills at Annual Skills Exploration Day

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Niton Central School participated in the virtual Skills Exploration Day. Junior High Schools from all across the province participated in the event put on by Skills Alberta. The purpose of Skills Exploration Days is to:

Inspire Junior High students to identify inherent skills and interests.

Connect students' skills and interests to trade and technology careers through interactive, hands-on experiences that promote creativity, empathy, and exploration.

Promote trade and technology careers as a valuable and rewarding career choice.

This was the third year for Niton's Grade 7 to 9 students to participate, and for the first time, Grade 6 students were also able to participate. This year's challenge was based on creating a prototype that would deal with an aspect of sustainable food development. Students planned and designed their prototypes using a human-centered design process. On Skills Day, students built either work or model prototypes of their designs. They also had opportunities to try out other trades such as Carpentry, HVAC, Plumbing, Fashion Design, and



Niton Central School recently participated in the virtual Skills Exploration Day.

Electrical. Students i created a tabletop hydroponics system and plant propagation stands that will be used later in the year to learn about horticulture in their Career and Technology Fundamentals class. Students designed and build nine

prototypes/models: - an aeroplane that waters crops and plants seeds - an automatic cattle feeding system

- a system for preserving food with food-safe wax - an in-wall system for easy sorting of waste

- an automatic plant watering system that reused its water

- an automatic potato mashing and process-

ing system - an automatic composting system that grinds and spreads the

compost - a system for making compost stirring and dumping easier

- a cutting board that drained liquids and provided storage for food prep needs

In addition the event, Niton added in an inhouse competition for their students. Students competed and earned points for completing the trade-based skill challenges and votes from their peers. This year, two groups tied for the win; the Automatic plant watering system and the automatic cattle feeder.

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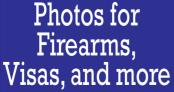
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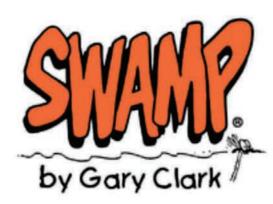
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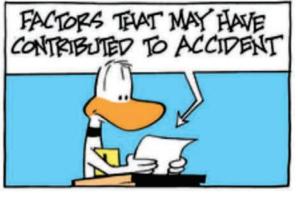
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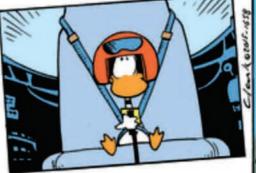






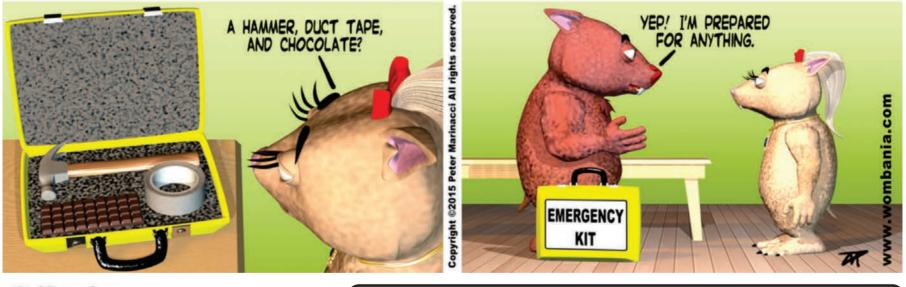


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he Weekly **ANCHOR** Earm & Field **News and Views**

Justice Minister responds to Federal confiscation program of firearms

Minister of Justice Tyler Shandro issued the following statement on the federal firearms confiscation program:

Minister Mendicino admitted that the federal government has still not figured out how to implement their firearms confiscation program.

"This admission comes shortly after the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police called on the federal government to not to use police services to confiscate firearms.

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"Now, media reports have drawn attention to a federal government memo that outlines Minister Mendicino's plans to confiscate firearms across Canada.

"The memo admits that efforts to find private sector companies to implement the federal firearms confiscation program failed this summer.

"With no private sector companies willing to participate, the memo outlines how the RCMP will first be deployed to Prince Edward Island (PEI), which has been deemed to be an easy 'low-risk' target.

"The federal government is treating PEI as a 'pilot' that will help them learn on the job as they implement their confiscation plan through trial and error.

"This 'program' is expected to cost a billion dollars or more and has supposedly been in the works for three years.

"Despite a mountain of money and years worth of lead time, Ottawa appears to be lost especially given their latest attack on hunting rifles and shotguns – at minimum, they should proactively extend the amnesty that is currently scheduled to end in October 2023.

"Such a decision, however, would involve showing Canadian firearms owners a measure of decency, something that Minister Mendicino and this federal government is seemingly incapable of."

Several cases of spoiling crops have already occurred this winter



"Stored crop is worth caring for," says Neil Blue, provincial crops market analyst with the Alberta government. "While lower than last year's prices, crop prices are still historically high, and worth protecting in storage."

After being placed into storage, grain and oilseeds will respire for a month or more, and this respiration can release moisture, which in turn can lead to spoilage. Dense crops like canola are particularly subject to storage problems, although all crops with moisture can spoil.

Most of Alberta had a very dry harvest with most of the crop combined at officially dry moisture levels. However, some of the harvest days were quite warm, and those warm crops placed into storage have a larger temperature differential compared to the winter temperatures. As the outside air becomes cold, the temperature of the outside of the crop mass in the bin cools first. This causes a temperature and moisture migration down the bin walls and then into the bottom centre of the grain mass.

The air then moves up through the

centre of the bin, picking up moisture along the way. As the warmer moisture-laden air encounters cooler grain near the top of the crop mass, heating can begin. That is why spoilage tends to occur near the top of the bin during the winter.

Canola harvested with either green canola or cereal seeds, or green plant material increases the risk of spoilage. Although canola for marketing purposes is considered dry at 10% moisture, safe longer-term storage moisture levels are below 8%. If it is binned at high temperatures, canola can even spoil at 6% moisture.

Aerating crops during the respiration period will reduce or eliminate the chance of spoilage. If aerating is not available, an alternative is to "turn" the canola by removing some canola from each bin, let it sit on a truck for a day or more, then return that canola to the bin. A recommended time to do this is when the outside temperatures are cold. Aerating and turning will help to even out the temperature of the stored crop and break up the natural temperature and moisture flow within the bin. -AgriNews



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January 19-February 21: YOGA in Marlboro Tuesdays 7:00-8:00PM please bring your own mat and water bottle. To register call 780-723-4800 or email ntarves@yhcounty.ca

January 19-February 23: Group Fitness Classes Thursdays 2-3pm Peers

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February 18: In recognition of Black History Month and in celebration of diverse history of Yellowhead County, you are invited to a film screening of the award-winning documentary We Are The Roots, 2:00pm pm at the Tipple Park Museum, for more info call 780-325-3782 or email msharman@yhcounty.ca February 23: In recognition of Black History Month and in celebration of diverse history of Yellowhead County, you are invited to a film screening of the award-winning documentary We Are The Roots. 6:00pm pm at the Wildwood Public Library, for more info call 780-325-3782 or email msharman@yhcounty.ca Every Thursday: Seniors Chair Yoga Free. 10-11am Leisure Centre Hospitality Room.





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February 10: Valentines Family Dance 6-8pm Evansburg Legion Registration is required by February 3rd call 780-325-3782.

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AHS: How to recognize bronchiolitis (RSV)

Alberta Health Services says that bronchiolitis is an infection caused by a virus that affects the lower part of the lungs. Bronchiolitis is common in babies, but it can happen in children up to age two years. Bronchiolitis makes the small airways that carry air to the lungs (bronchioles) swell and make more mucous. The bronchioles become narrow, which causes wheezing, lots of coughing, and trouble breathing.

What causes it?

The most common virus that causes bronchiolitis is RSV (respiratory syncytial virus). Your child can get an RSV infection more than once. In older children and adults, RSV causes a common cold rather than bronchiolitis.

What are the symptoms?

At first, your child may have common cold symptoms, including:

- Runny nose.
- Mild cough.
- Fever.
- Low energy.
- Eating less than normal.

About one to three days after cold symptoms start, the infection can cause bronchiolitis symptoms such as:

- A cough that's getting worse.
- Lots of coughing.
- Wheezing.
- Fast breathing.

• Indrawing (when the skin gets sucked in at the neck, collarbones, or between the ribs with each breath).

- Throwing up after coughing.
- Trouble feeding (breast or bottle), especially for babies younger than six months.
- Fewer wet diapers.

Bronchiolitis can be more serious in some children, especially if they:

• Were born early (premature, before 34 weeks).

- Are younger than 3 months.
- Have a history of asthma or lung problems.
- Have a history of heart problems.

Take your child to a doctor if they have any symptoms of bronchiolitis.

How is it diagnosed?

A doctor may diagnose bronchiolitis by asking your child's medical history and checking their symptoms. Your child probably won't need tests if they have typical bronchiolitis symptoms.

How is bronchiolitis treated?

Bronchiolitis happens the same way in most children. Symptoms tend to get worse until day four or five, and then they slowly get better. Most children feel better in one to two weeks. But some children have a cough that lasts a few weeks. If your child has bronchiolitis, you can usually take care of them at home. There is no medicine for bronchiolitis. Antibiotics do not to your pharmacist to find the right products for your child. Don't make your own saltwater solution at home.

• Clean your child's nose before feeds and bedtime, and as often as they need during the day.

• Eating and drinking:

• Encourage your child to drink fluids. Your child may not want to drink like they usually do but keep offering small amounts of fluids throughout the day so they stay hydrated (so their body has enough water).

• Babies younger than six months should continue to feed (breast or bottle) as usual. Keep track of how many wet diapers they make.

• Your child may not want to eat food when they're sick, and that's OK.

Fever and discomfort:

• You may give acetaminophen (such as Tylenol or Tempra) or ibuprofen (such as Advil or Motrin) to keep your child comfortable. Follow the directions on the package or the directions from your healthcare provider. • Do not give aspirin to anyone younger than 18 years because of the risk of Reye syndrome, a serious illness.

How can you prevent it?

Bronchiolitis spreads easily (it's very contagious) through close contact with someone who's sick and is coughing or sneezing around you. Touching toys or sharing food with someone who's sick can spread the virus. Children with bronchiolitis are contagious for almost a week after they first get sick. Keep your child at home if they're coughing a lot. To prevent bronchiolitis:

• If your child has bronchiolitis, keep them at home until they feel better.

• Keep a child with bronchiolitis away from young babies (under three months) as much as possible.

• Wash your hands often to stop the virus from spreading. Teach your child to wash their hands before and after eating, coughing, or sneezing.

• Don't smoke, use other tobacco products, or vape around your child. Second-hand smoke can put children at higher risk of infections.



work because bronchiolitis is caused by a virus. **Care at Home:** Coughing

Keep your child sitting or propped up instead of lying down, because it's easier to breathe in this position. A cool-mist humidifier in your child's room can help with their cough. Follow the directions for using the humidifier and keep it out of reach of children.

• Cough medicine isn't good for young children. Do not give cough medicine to children younger than six years.

- Stuffy nose:
- Clean out your child's nose to make breathing and feeding easier.

• Try saltwater nose sprays (such as Hydrasense) to help loosen mucous in the nose. Spray or drop salt water into each nostril. Then suck out the mucous with a nasal aspirator. Talk The Holy Redeemer Junior B Boys basketball team is off to a great start this year as they won their first tournament on January 21st. The team defeated opponents from Pine Grove (48-35), Drayton Valley (47-46), and Whitecourt (54-40) in the final game. "This young team certainly has a lot of natural skill," says Athletics Director Julie Rothwell. "They worked well as a team and I think they will continue to be very competitive throughout the rest of the season."

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