

January 7, 2020



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Receipts Due Jan. 28

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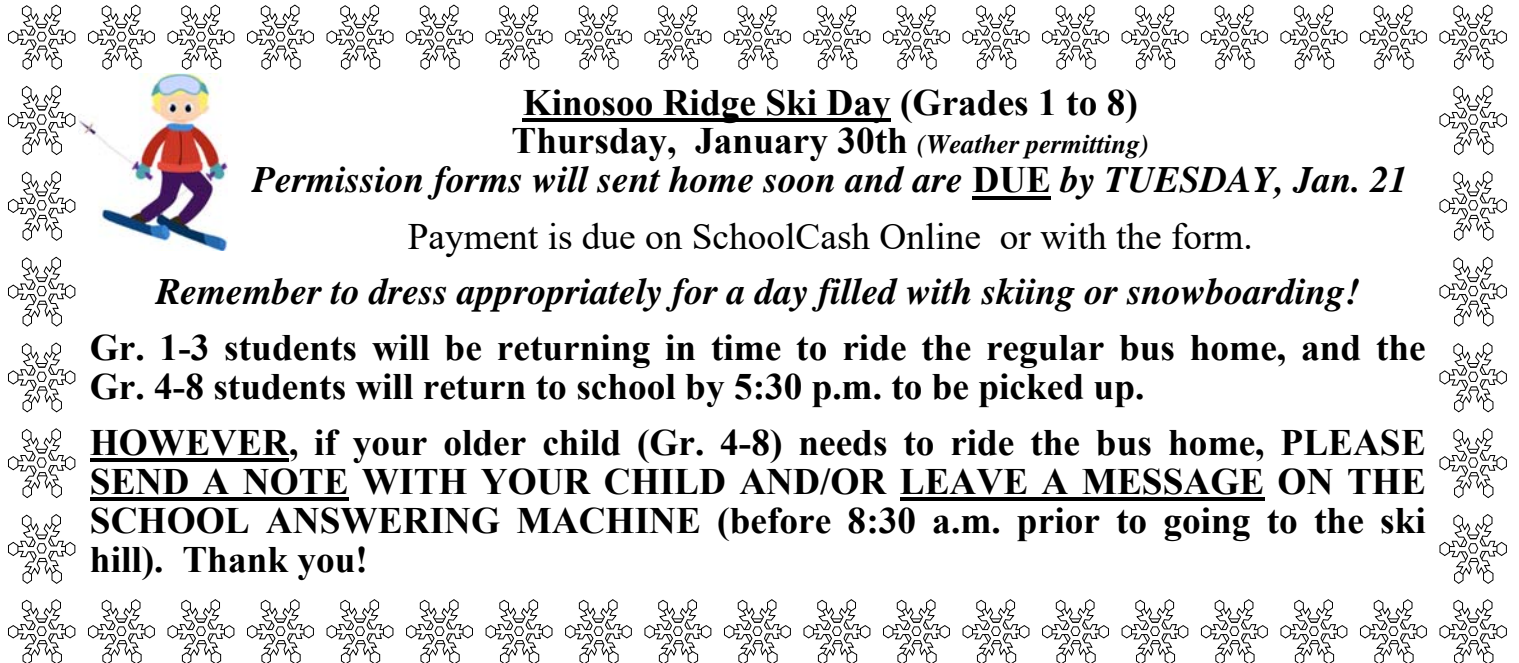
Please submit your original receipts (dated Sept. 1 - Dec. 31, 2019) from any Northern Alberta **Boston Pizza** to Iron River School so that we can earn 5% cash back! Thanks!



Appreciate a Dragon Day Thu., Jan. 16

Appreciate a Dragon Day was started in 2004 by Donita K. Paul (author of *DragonSpell*). We encourage students to:

- ⇒ tell a fellow Dragon what they appreciate about them
- ⇒ Read a book about a Dragon (earn some AR points at the same time!)
- ⇒ Wear IRS Dragon clothing or school colours.



Kinsoo Ridge Ski Day (Grades 1 to 8)

Thursday, January 30th (Weather permitting)

Permission forms will sent home soon and are **DUE** by **TUESDAY, Jan. 21**

Payment is due on SchoolCash Online or with the form.

Remember to dress appropriately for a day filled with skiing or snowboarding!

Gr. 1-3 students will be returning in time to ride the regular bus home, and the Gr. 4-8 students will return to school by 5:30 p.m. to be picked up.

HOWEVER, if your older child (Gr. 4-8) needs to ride the bus home, **PLEASE SEND A NOTE WITH YOUR CHILD AND/OR LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE SCHOOL ANSWERING MACHINE** (before 8:30 a.m. prior to going to the ski hill). Thank you!

Pay Hot Lunch & Milk Orders Online at <https://nlsd.schoolcashionline.com> (or send a detailed note with payment)
School Cash Online **orders must be completed by 9:59 p.m.** on the due date



Chicken Bacon Ranch Wrap

- Orders DUE Wed., Jan. 15th
- Cost: \$5 each
- Hot Lunch Date Thu., January 23

Lasagna with garlic toast

- Orders DUE Wed., Jan. 29th
- Cost: \$5 each
- Hot Lunch Date Thu., February 6



Feb. Milk Order ~ DUE Mon., Jan. 27

White: \$19.20 or Chocolate: \$20.00

Mar. Milk Order ~ DUE Mon., Feb. 24

White: \$22.80 or Chocolate: \$23.75

Apr. Milk Order ~ DUE Tue., Mar. 24

White: \$19.20 or Chocolate: \$20.00

With enthusiasm and support we challenge learners to achieve their highest potential and develop into responsible and caring citizens.

- Mission Statement



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Principal: K. Draycott
Secretary: D. MacGillivray
Librarian: L. Procinsky (Tu & Th)

Websites:

Iron River School: <https://ironriverschool.ca>
Parent Portal: <https://powerschool.nlsd.ab.ca/public/>
School Cash Online: <https://nlsd.schoolcashionline.com>
N.L.P.S.: <https://www.nlpsab.ca>
Transportation: <https://nlpsab.ca/Transportation.php>
<https://www.facebook.com/Iron-River-School-518678098342885/>



January 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 NO SCHOOL - Winter Break	2 NO SCHOOL - Winter Break	3 NO SCHOOL - Winter Break	4 NO SCHOOL - Winter Break
5 NO SCHOOL - Winter Break	6 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm	7 Newsletter Day	8 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm	9 7/8 Basketball Game	10 School Spirit & Hat Day	11
12	13 5/6 Basketball Game (boys only) 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm	14 School Council / PAC Mtg. 6:30 pm	15 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm Hot Lunch Order Due 9:00 pm	16 7/8 Basketball Game Appreciate a Dragon Day  Breakfast Morning 8:20 am	17 NO SCHOOL - Family Friday	18
19	20 5/6 Basketball Game	21 Forms Due - Gr. 1-8 Ski Trip	22 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm	23 7/8 Basketball Game Hot Lunch Day 11:39 am	24 Assembly School Spirit & Hat Day	25
26	27 AR Term 1 Ends 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm Milk Order Due 9:00 pm	28 Boston Pizza Receipts Due (dated Sept 1 - Dec. 31, 2019)	29 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm Hot Lunch Order Due 9:00 pm	30 Kinosoo Ski Day (Gr. 1-8) 	31 NO SCHOOL for Iron River, Ardmore and Caslan students	

February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 5/6 Basketball Game AR Term 2 Starts 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm	4 Newsletter Day	5 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm	6 7/8 Basketball Game Hot Lunch Day 11:39 am	7 School Spirit & Hat Day	8
9	10 7/8 Basketball Game	11 School Council / PAC Mtg. 6:30 pm	12 NO SCHOOL - Teachers' Convention	13 NO SCHOOL - Teachers' Convention	14 Happy Valentine's Day  NO SCHOOL - Teachers' Convention	15
16	17 NO SCHOOL - Provincial Family Day	18	19 5/6 Basketball Game	20 7/8 Basketball Game	21 100th Day of School School Spirit & Hat Day Winter Picnic	22 7/8 Basketball Wards
23	24 5/6 Basketball Game Milk Order Due 9:00 pm	25	26 Pink Shirt Day 7/8 Basketball practice 3:30 pm	27 Breakfast Morning 8:20 am	28 Assembly School Spirit & Hat Day	29 7/8 Basketball Districts

Do you know that if you go to the school website calendar <https://ironriverschool.ca/about/calendar>, you can add the Iron River School Calendar to your Google Calendar, subscribe to the calendar or download it to iCal? You can even add individual items to iCal! Check it out!



**Sports
at
Iron
River School**

Sr. Basketball (Gr. 7/8 co-ed)

Practices are Monday & Wednesday after school (3:30-5:00pm) unless there is a game scheduled at IRS.

Sr. Basketball (Gr. 7/8 mixed) Games:

Game Day is Thursday unless indicated.

Jan. 9: IRS @ Ardmore

Jan. 16: EBL @ IRS

Jan. 23: IRS @ Dr. B 2

Jan. 30: IRS has a bye (no game)

Feb. 6: HEB 2 @ IRS

Feb. 10 (Mon.): Dr. B 1 @ IRS

Feb. 20: HEB 1 @ IRS

Feb. 22 (Sat.): Ward tournament @ IRS

Feb. 29 (Sat.): District tournament @ IRS

Jr. Basketball (Gr. 5/6 Girls & Gr. 5/6 Boys)

Practices are held during lunch recess and reading time. Listen to morning announcements for schedule for girls and boys teams.

Jr. Basketball Games: (Gr. 5/6 Girls & Gr. 5/6 Boys)

Game Day is Monday unless indicated.

Jan. 13: Girls have a bye (no game)

Boys - IRS @ Ardmore

Jan. 20: EBL @ IRS

Jan. 27: IRS @ Dr. B 2

Feb. 3: IRS @ Frog Lake

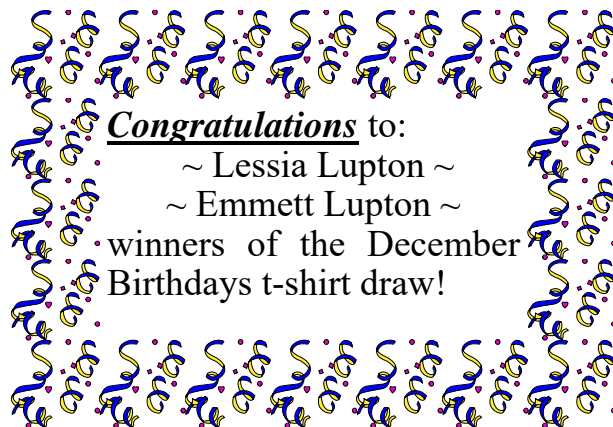
Feb. 19 (Wed.): HEB 2 @ IRS

Feb. 24: Dr. B 1 @ IRS

Mar. 2: HEB 1 @ IRS

Mar. 7: Final tournament in Cold Lake

Go Dragons!



Congratulations to:

~ Lessia Lupton ~

~ Emmett Lupton ~

winners of the December Birthdays t-shirt draw!

Pizza with the Principal

There were several Dragon scales with positive behaviours read during morning announcements last month. **Jaden Lantz & Jackson MacLellan** were the two lucky **December winners** whose scales were drawn during the December assembly to have "Pizza with the Principal"!

Congratulations to all the Dragons who continue to show positive behaviours.



Important Reminders for School Cash Online ...

- ♦ Do you have a School Cash Online account?
- ♦ Are you getting the email notifications when a new item is posted to School Cash Online?
- ♦ Are you getting the reminder emails before an item is due if you haven't already purchased that item?

If the answer to any of the above questions is "no", please do the following:

- ⇒ Setup a School Cash Online parent account at <https://nlsd.schoolcashionline.com>
- ⇒ Select the Checkbox to Receive Email Notifications
- ⇒ When & Where is this selected?
- 1) Upon School Cash Online Registration, parents are required to actively decide whether they wish to receive emails for new fees, and reminders, by selecting the notification checkbox.
- 2) Did not check it upon registration...what to do? Parents can revise their account information by logging into their School Cash Online account, select **My Account**, **Email Notifications**, select the checkbox.

Thank you for using this convenient and secure tool for all school payments!

Concession Open Daily at Lunch!

The concession currently features*:

⇒ Subs (pizza or ham)	\$2.50
⇒ Pizza (pepperoni or cheese)	\$2.50
⇒ Frozen Dinner (asst.)	\$1.50
⇒ Burrito (hot, mild, bean & cheese)	\$1.50
⇒ Pizza Pop (asst.)	\$1.50
⇒ Tuna Kit	\$2.00
⇒ Beef Jerky	\$2.00
⇒ Fruit Cup (peaches or grapefruit)	\$2.00
⇒ Smoothie Bar (asst.)	\$2.00
⇒ Popcorn (white cheddar)	\$1.50
⇒ Veggie Chips or Straws	\$1.50
⇒ Pretzels	\$1.00
⇒ Trail Mix	\$1.00
⇒ Dad's Oatmeal Cookies (2pk)	\$0.75
⇒ Goldfish Crackers	\$0.75
⇒ Cheese String	\$0.75
⇒ Milk (white, chocolate)	\$1.50
⇒ Juice (apple, orange)	\$1.25
⇒ Spoon/Fork (free with conc. purchase)	\$0.05

*Subject to changes throughout the year

Prepaid concession tab

Convenient way to allow your child to buy items at the booth without having to send cash to school with your child. Available online only at

<https://nlsd.schoolcashionline.com>

Please remember to print the receipt for the booth!



Care to Learn
Preschool

Register NOW for
the second term which
starts February 3rd!

*Play-Based Learning for Children Ages
3 & 4!*

Classes are Mon. and Wed. 12:00-3:00 p.m.
Register online at nlpsab.ca/programs/early-learning/preschool

- Government childcare subsidy is available.



Find us on
Facebook



Like our
Facebook
page and

get more pictures, updates and reminders!

Sign Up for School Messenger with Northern Lights Public Schools

1 Download



The School Messenger App
is available in the App Store
or Google Play Store.

2 Sign Up



Click on Sign Up.
You MUST use the same
email you have shared
with your child's school.

3 Location

Make sure the location is set to
Canada. If you choose United States
your account will not link properly.



4 Sign Up

Click on Sign Up to complete the
creation of your account.



5 Verification

Check your email account for a
verification message. Don't see it?
Check your spam folder.

6 Menu



Log In and click on the three
lines in the top left-hand
corner. You should see
Messages, Attendance,
Preferences and Contacts.

7 Contacts

Click on Contacts. You should see a
list of all of your children. If one is
missing, please contact their school.



8 Thank You



978-338

You have successfully signed up
for a School Messenger
account! Don't forget
to text Y to 978-338
to receive text messages.

NOTICE

to
ALL USERS

of the
Community
Skating Rink

**DO NOT drive passed the
end of the west parking
lot** (that freezes the sewer
line!). If you need to drive close
to the rink, use the EAST
entrance by the centennial
hall. Thank you!

BOTTLES / CANS / GARBAGE

- Please help keep our school
yard clean
- Please use the garbage/
recycling containers that are
near the rink, or take all your
recycling & garbage with you
- Pick up after yourself and
help pick up after others.

*We appreciate your help
and cooperation*

Northern Lights Public Schools

4 Ways to Report an Absence

#1

School Messenger
App



- > Log in to the app
 - > Choose Attendance from the
drop down menu on the top
left-hand side of the screen
 - > Click on the Report an
Absence button (lower right)
 - > Follow the steps
- You will receive an email and/or
text confirming that the absence
has been reported.

#2

School Messenger
Online



- > Log in at go.schoolmessenger.ca
 - > Choose Attendance from the
drop down menu on the top
left-hand side of the screen
 - > Click on the Report an
Absence button (top right)
 - > Follow the steps
- You will receive an email and/or
text confirming that the absence
has been reported.

#3

Safe Arrival
Toll-Free Number



- > Dial 1-833-288-7008
 - > Enter a phone number that you
have provided to your child's
school
 - > Follow the prompts
 - > Don't hang up before you
get a confirmation number
- You will receive an email and/or
text confirming that the absence
has been reported.

#4

Call Your
Child's School



- > Call your child's school
 - > Talk to the admin assistant who
answers or leave a message
- If you have multiple children who
will be absent and they attend
different schools, you will need to
call each school separately.
- You will not receive a notification
that the absences have been
reported.