

February 9, 2022



WESTBORO ELEMENTARY Weekly Newsletter

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

February 10 and 11: No School - Teacher's Convention

February 15: Virtual Gathering of First Nations, Métis and Inuit Parents and Families 7:00 p.m. **February 16:** Parent Council Meeting 6:30 p.m. A link to the Google Meet will be emailed out

prior to the meeting. For more information please email <u>westboroparents@gmail.com</u>

THE WESTBORO WARRIOR'S WAY

This month we are focusing on Kindness. Students are taking part in ongoing class discussions in conjunction with Valentines' Day and Pink Shirt Day activities. Building healthy relationships is one of the best ways to create a safe and welcoming environment. As a culmination to this month's discussions, each student in the school will contribute to a display of positive messages and affirmations, which will be put together by Grade 6 leaders, outside of Mrs. Graziano's office.



Pink Shirt Day is on February 23

#BeKindAB #PinkShirtDay

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SCHOOL COUNCIL

The next School Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 16, at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will be held virtually and a link to the Google Meet will be emailed out prior to the meeting. For more information please email <u>westboroparents@gmail.com</u>.

For those wishing to join the book discussion of Drop the Worry Ball, chapter 2, please join the meeting link at 6:00 p.m.

Please see the agenda for the upcoming School Council meeting. Westboro School Council Agenda February 16, 2022

Please see the meeting minutes from the School Council meeting held on January 19, 2022. Westboro School Council Meeting Minutes January 19, 2022 DRAFT

PLACE 2 PENGUIN DIORAMAS

Mrs. Perrotta's PLACE class has been hard at work completing their penguin dioramas to finish off their penguin unit.

Thank you for displaying them for the whole school to enjoy! All of you did an amazing job!!



VIRTUAL GATHERING OF FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS AND INUIT PARENTS AND FAMILIES

The First Nations, Métis and Inuit education team is once again offering a series of virtual gatherings for EIPS families of First Nations, Métis or Inuit children. We look forward to continuing the conversation from last school year and welcoming new families to our virtual circle. These gatherings are an opportunity for First Nations, Métis and Inuit parents and guardians to come together to make connections, create a supportive environment for dialogue, share hopes and ideas for their children within the EIPS family and learn what's happening around the Division. We're grateful to Elder Wilson Bearhead for attending our virtual gatherings last school year and agreeing to open each of our gatherings again this year. It's truly an honour and a privilege to be guided by Elder Wilson, and we hold our relationship with him close to our hearts.

For more information or if you're interested in participating, reach out to the First Nations, Métis and Inuit education lead teacher at your child's school.



Community Connections Parent Night:

"Foundations of Connection"

Hosted by Sherwood Heights Junior High Presénted by community partners Saffron Centre & Strathcona County Family and Community Services

February 23, 2022 6:00-7:30 pm

We would like to invite all EIPS parents to join us to learn about elements of healthy relationships including boundaries and consent. We will explore the language you can use and how to develop healthy habits with your children. We'll also discuss how to teach your children about consent, conflict, and how to recognize healthy or unhealthy behaviours in others.

Join us online at our Teams Link Click Here!











Little Caesars[®]

WESTBORO ELEMENTARY LITTLE CAESARS **FUNDRAISER**

Make our world famous pizzas with your family in your own kitchen!

By popular demand we are kicking off a Little Caesars Fundraiser! Your co-workers. neighbours and family will enjoy purchasing a quality meal they can cook up right at home with their own favourite toppings! Plan ahead and have plenty of Pizza Kits on hand for game nights, busy activity evenings, sleepovers or birthday parties! As a reminder, if the Pizza Kits thaw once you can refreeze them for up to 3 months. Money raised to be used for a new scooter rack and a new book bin for the library! Please help reach our goal of 1000 kits sold.

How: Collect payment at the time you take orders. Cheques need to be made payable

to Westboro Parents Group. Fill out the top portion of your order form with your

name and your contact phone number.

When: Day 01/31/22 Sale start date.

> Day 02/22/22 Online ordering closes.

Day 02/25/22 Paper orders and payment due to your teacher.

Double check your totals.

Make sure paper forms are LEGIBLE. Late orders cannot be accepted.

Late orders are not eligible for top seller awards.

Delivery of Pizza Kits will take place. We will keep you Week of 03/14/22

informed when we know the exact day.

Where: Pickup will be here at school. We will not be responsible for any kits remaining

after 6:00pm, as we do not have storage space for them. Please make arrangements with us if you feel you will be later than 6 pm. Remember, if the

products thaw they can be refrozen once.

If you do not wish to use the paper forms you can order the Pizza Kits online:

Go to www.pizzakit.ca (Make sure you are on the Canadian website.) Click on products and then shop. Support our fundraiser by providing our Fundraiser ID# 404029 and pay with credit card. Your pizza kits will be delivered the same day

as our order!

Please feel free to call the school with any questions or email Questions:

WestboroParents@gmail.com

As always, thank you for your support and participation!

See back for awards!!



GOALS AND **AWARDS**

Our goal is to sell 1000 items! If every child sells 3 items we will reach our goal!

When we reach our goal the whole school will celebrate with a crazy hair day!

Every student that submits an order will go into a draw for spirit swag! Every class has a winner!

Sell 5 or more items - If you sell 5 or more items, your name will go into a draw for a brand new book of your choice from Scholastic! Every grade will have a winner!

Sell 10 or more items - Lunch with the Principal or Vice Principal! - Every seller that sells 10 or more items your name will go into a draw to have lunch with Mr. Lastikwa or Mrs Prouse! We will pick 4 winners!

Top Selling Class - The top selling classroom with the most participation (based on average # of kits sold per # of students in a class) will receive a Pizza Party!

Top Sellers - The top seller from each class will get to blindly choose one gift card from a basket! Gift cards will have a value from \$5 - \$25!





Top Seller in the School will win a brand new scooter donated by Mud Sweat and Gears Sherwood Park! 2nd Place will win a brand new helmet!

3rd Place will win a \$25 Gift Card to Chapters!

*prizes on display in the office!

^{**}Top seller awards are based on total items sold.

^{**}Late orders are not eligible for top seller awards.

^{**}Top seller awards may be prorated and adjusted if we do not reach our goal.

^{**}Additional prizes may be added.

COMPLETE THE RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION: FEBRUARY 1-28

Elk Island Public Schools' (EIPS) returning student registration process is now open. All returning students must complete the online Returning Student Registration Form to confirm their child's enrolment in a school for the upcoming 2022–23 school year. Additionally, students who want to attend a non-designated school need to make that request through the returning student registration process—acceptance is based on available space. All returning EIPS students are required to complete the form by Feb. 28, 2022.

To access the Returning Student Registration Form, simply log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you do need to set one up. For help see: Create a PowerSchool Parent Portal account.

For more information contact the school directly.

RELATED INFORMATION:

Returning Student Registration Process
Frequently Asked Questions
EIPS School Boundary Maps
Closed boundaries 2022-23
Find my designated school
Applying to a non-designated school

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Is your child turning five on or before Dec. 31, 2022? If so, it's now time to register for kindergarten. To register, simply complete the online registration form at eips.ca/kindergarten.

To help families prepare, Elk Island Public Schools has put together an online <u>EIPS Kindergarten</u> <u>Tool kit</u> to make the transition as smooth as possible. The kit includes information on registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, how to find your designated school, transportation and more.

Additional information regarding Westboro Elementary's kindergarten program is available at https://www.westboroelementary.ca/about/kindergarten.

Strathcona County Information

COVID-19 UPDATE

For latest COVID-19 information click here.

JOIN THE CHOOSE KIND MOVEMENT!

Everyone is invited to join the Choose Kind movement and support our community-driven social outcomes of safety, connectedness and inclusion. This year's Choose Kind initiative includes activities related to <u>Safer Internet Day</u>, <u>Random Acts of Kindness Day</u> and <u>Pink Shirt Day!</u> It's easy!

Between February 9-28, enter to win a Choose Kind wellness package, valued at \$100.00. More info here. Choose Kind Full Contest Rules

SNOW MUCH FUN

Join us at the Strathcona Wilderness Centre for an outdoor winter event that will provide fathers and male caregivers a chance to connect with their children in a fun and unique way. We will try new activities, enjoy nature, and connect around the fire.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2022, 11:30AM - 1:30PM

To register, visit https://www.strathcona.ca/.../family-resource-network/...

TRIPLE P PARENTING GROUP

The highly requested Triple P Group is back!

Struggling with your child's behaviour? Learn how to turn challenges into opportunities for success. This course is designed to address specific behaviour by developing a parenting plan for children 2 to 12 years.

Saturdays February 12, 26 and March 12 from 9AM – 12PM

Must attend all three sessions

To register, visit https://www.strathcona.ca/.../family-resource-network/...

NATURE NUTS POLAR EDITION

Nature Nuts is back! Are you ready for Polar Edition?

Are you looking for ways to explore the wonders of nature as a family? Enjoying the great outdoors promotes a connection to nature that provides endless opportunities to develop new skills and enhance development. Join us for an interactive outdoor experience filled with family fun!

Every Monday until March 24, from 10:30-11:30AM at Centennial Park

To register, visit https://www.strathcona.ca/.../family-resource-network/