



March 18, 2022



WESTBORO ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Mar 21:** Online bookings for Student Parent Teacher Interviews close at 3:00 p.m.
- Mar 21:** World Down Syndrome Day - **Wear your fun and/or mismatched socks to school!**
- Mar 22:** Student/Parent/Teacher Interviews 4-7 p.m.
- Mar 23:** Student/Parent/Teacher Interviews 4-7 p.m.
- Mar 23:** Chapel 1:00 p.m.
- Mar 24:** Crazy Hair Day!
- Mar 25:** No school for Day-in-lieu: Parent Teacher Interviews

CHAPEL

Class 6L will be hosting our March Chapel on Wednesday, March 23 at 1:00 p.m.

All are invited to attend over Google Meets using the following code:

<https://meet.google.com/jjj-eonn-srv>

Please note: You must have a gmail address to join in.

COVID-19

With the lifting of restrictions, the provincial isolation requirements for those who test positive for COVID-19 or experience COVID-19 symptoms **remain unchanged** (see, [COVID-19 Alberta Health Daily Check List](#)).

Stay home when sick: Anyone who feels unwell or has symptoms of respiratory illness should stay home (see, [Stay-at-Home Guide: For families](#))

When reporting a student's absence, **a reason is necessary**. If your child is ill, **we will need to know what the symptoms of the illness are** as part of the COVID-19 screening requirement. Thank you.

WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) , March 21, is a global awareness day which has been officially observed by the United Nations since 2012.

The date for WDSD being the 21st day of the 3rd month, was selected to signify the uniqueness of the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome.

[#WorldDownSyndromeDay](#)

The [#LotsOfSocks](#) campaign exists to raise awareness about Down syndrome. #LotsOfSocks help us to get people talking on World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD), celebrated each year on March 21.

All you need to do is choose some socks that are going to get noticed - they might be mismatched socks or your most colourful socks, whatever takes your fancy! If someone asks you about your socks you can tell them, *"I'm wearing them to raise awareness of Down syndrome"*.

Get yourself informed so you can tell them about [Down syndrome](#).

VIRTUAL STUDENT PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

March 22 and 23, 2022 (4 - 7 p.m.)

Bookings opened on **Monday, March 14** and close on **Monday, March 21 at 3:00 p.m.**

Now you can book school interviews for the times that suit your family.

Go to www.schoolinterviews.ca and follow these simple instructions.

Simply enter the code: **w9kpx** or use the QR Code below



1. Enter your details.
2. Select the teachers you wish to see.
3. Select the appointment times that suit your family best.

When you click **FINISH**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately - **check your junk mail folder**.

LITTLE CASEARS PIZZA KIT FUNDRAISER PRIZE WINNERS

Congratulations to the Westboro Warriors for a fabulous job selling pizza kits! Thanks to your hard work we raised \$3250 which will get us a new scooter rack and a new book bin for the library! We met our goal so we will be having our Crazy Hair Day on March 24!!

Now for the winners! Our top sellers in each class received a gift card from either Circle K or McDonald's!

STEPS and PLACE

Top Seller - Caitlyn
New book - Sage
Swag - Bo

KL

Top Seller - Harlan
New book - Landon
Swag - Heidi

KR

Top seller - Jaxon
New book - Savannah
Swag - Emmett

1L

Top Seller - Willa
New book - Quinn
Swag - Emelyn

1R

Top Seller - Devon
New book - Andres
Swag - Camila

2L

Top Seller - Aubree
New book - Tegan
Swag - Amelia

2R

Top Seller - Dayton
New book - Sloane
Swag - Hayden

3L

Top Seller - Maisie
New book - Keenan
Swag - Logan

3R

Top Seller - Laysen
New book - Mya
Swag - Ashton

4L

Top Seller - Avelyn
New book - Cohen
Swag - Shane

4R

Top Seller - Kort
New book - Addison
No swag winner

5L

Top Seller - Raymond
New book - Jazz
Swag - Koston

5R

Top Seller - Jordan
New book - Brelynn
Swag - Gavin

6L

Top Seller - Berg
New book - Liam
Swag - Morgan

Our family winner of a \$20 gift card to McDonald's goes to Landon in KL and Aubrey in 2L.

Lunch with Mrs. Prouse and Mr. Lastiwka goes to Tenley 1R, Melissa 2L, Jayce 2R, and Bennett 2R.

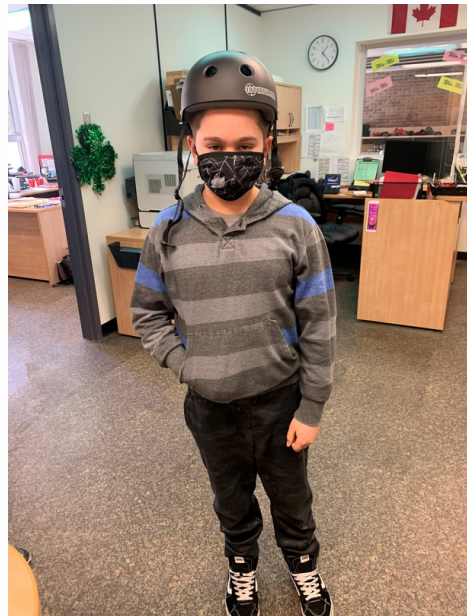
The school's top sellers:

#3 with a \$25 gift card to Chapters/Indigo goes to Briele KL!

#2 a new bike helmet from Mud Sweat and Gears goes to Braxton 4R!

#1 The school's top seller from 3R, the winner of the new scooter from Mud Sweat and Gears is Lincoln!

The pizza party with cookies from Confetti Sweets goes to class KL!



Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everyone who supported this fundraiser!

Parent/Caregiver Virtual Session

Foundations of Connection: How to Communicate with Your Youth

Hosted by Lakeland Ridge
Presented by Saffron Centre

Monday, March 21, 2022 6:00-7:30 pm

We would like to invite all EIPS
parents/caregivers to join us in learning
about elements of healthy relationships.

We will explore the use of language in
teaching children about boundaries and
consent. We will also discuss healthy habits
and how to recognize healthy or unhealthy
behaviours in others.



[Join us online at
our Teams Link](#)



Click Here!

MEASURING SUCCESS: COMPLETE THIS YEAR'S ALBERTA EDUCATION ASSURANCE SURVEY

Once again, Alberta Education is surveying teachers, students and families through its annual Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) Survey. The survey acts as an annual check-up on the province's education system. Every year, Alberta Education conducts the survey to gather information about the quality of education provided by Alberta schools and school authorities. The survey looks at various measures such as education quality, citizenship, family involvement, engagement levels, school climate and student wellness.

Throughout March, Grade 4 students and teachers at Westboro Elementary are completing the survey online at the school. Student participation is voluntary and completely anonymous. Students are assigned a random username and password to ensure survey responses aren't linked to any individual student. The survey doesn't take long to complete and is done within the school day during regular class time.

Additionally, parents and guardians of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 are also asked to take a survey, either online or by mail. Alberta Education will send families information about the survey directly. As with the student and teacher survey, it's anonymous and asks questions about your school experiences. If you have a child in grades 4, 7 or 10, we encourage you to participate. The survey deadline is March 25, 2022.

Results from the AEA Survey are provided to Elk Island Public Schools each spring. The Division then uses the data to inform its four-year education plan, school education plans and strategies for continuous improvement. Each fall, the results are also shared with EIPS families and school communities in the Division's Annual Education Results Report.

RELATED INFORMATION

[AEA Survey: Parent letter](#)

[AEA Survey: Methodology for rate calculation](#)

[Assurance and Accountability: Alberta's K-12 education system](#)

Strathcona County Information

COVID-19 UPDATE

For latest COVID-19 information click [here](#).

EVERYBODY GETS TO PLAY

[Everybody gets to play](#)™ is a program for eligible residents who have limited income. It provides no-cost drop-in recreational opportunities (Active Passes) and registered program opportunities at a reduced fee. This program aims to increase access to recreation services and create more affordable options.

To apply, please contact 780-464-4044 to speak with a Solutions Navigator.

NEWCOMER CONNECTOR

YOU'RE INVITED!

Newcomer Connector: Paint Night event on March 19th!

WHO: Families and Individuals new to Strathcona County (all ages welcome!)

WHAT: Painting and Lunch

WHERE: Child and Youth Community Centre (#3 Spruce Avenue in Sherwood Park)

WHEN: March 19 from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

HOW: Register by visiting our website <https://www.strathcona.ca/.../communi.../newcomer-connector/>

HOLDING CHILDREN CLOSE: TIPS FOR UNCERTAIN TIMES

The intensity and number of traumatic events happening in the world today can feel overwhelming and scary for children and youth. Feeling secure is essential to healthy growth and development, and kids always look to trusted adults for a sense of safety- especially during uncertain times. Check out the link [here](#).

FIX A LEAK WEEK

March 14 to 20 is Fix a Leak Week. Pick up a free leak detection tablet at various stores around Sherwood Park:

Canadian Tire on Wye, Home Depot, Lowe's, Peavey Mart, Fixtures, Faucets and Facts, Emco, Rona, Home Hardware

Find and fix leaks inside and outside your home to save valuable water and money all year long.

<https://www.strathcona.ca/.../how-to-detect-a-leak-in.../>