



October 14, 2022



WESTBORO ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

October 18: Online Booking for Student Parent Teacher Conferences Opens

October 19: Parent Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

October 19: School Picture Retakes - Entire School

October 20: School Picture Retakes - Kindergarten

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Please see the agenda for the upcoming School Council meeting.

[Westboro School Council Agenda October 19, 2022](#)

[Westboro Parent's Group Agenda October 19, 2022](#)

Please see the meeting minutes from the School Council meeting held on September 21, 2022.

[Westboro School Council Meeting Minutes September 21, 2022](#)

[Westboro Parent's Group Meeting Minutes September 21, 2022](#)

Light refreshments as well as coffee and tea will be offered at the meeting. There will also be a gift card draw at the end of the meeting for those who attended in person.

PICTURE RETAKES

School picture retakes will take place on **Wednesday, October 19** for the entire school and **Thursday, October 20** for Kindergarten.

PARENT STUDENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Grades 1-6 Student Parent Teacher Interviews will take place on:

Wednesday October 26 and Thursday, October 27, 2022 (4 -7 p.m.)

Kindergarten Interviews will take place on:

Tuesday, October 25 (4-6:30 p.m.) and Thursday, October 27 (4-7 p.m.)

(Booking opens Tuesday, October 18 at 8:30 a.m. and close on Tuesday, October 25 at 3:30 p.m.)

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

Go to <https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/code> and follow these simple instruction.

1. Enter code: **udpwe**
2. Enter your details.
3. Select the teachers you wish to see.
4. 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.

CAREGIVER SERIES: OCTOBER SESSIONS

Alberta Health Services offers free online programming for parents and caregivers of children and youth. Sessions are offered through Zoom. Upcoming topics include understanding anxiety, supporting children and adolescents with ADHD and parenting in the 21st century. The list of [October 2022 sessions](#) is now available.

STRATHCONA COUNTY CHILD AND YOUTH COALITION: OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

[The October 2022 Strathcona County Child and Youth Coalition newsletter](#) is now available.
[Learn more](#)

BIKES AND SCOOTERS

A reminder to make sure that your students are locking up their bikes and scooters everyday to ensure that they are safe while at school!

HOTLUNCH 2022-2023

Westboro Elementary School Hot Lunch Welcomes You to our Online Website! Registration & ordering is now open!!!
Here's How: Go to [Hot Lunches - Westboro Elementary](#).

Click the "**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**" button to sign up.

Our school access code is **WBHL**;

Enter your name, email address and phone number

Enter a user id that you will use for access to the hot lunch application;

Enter a password and then enter it again to verify that it is correct.

****If you had a credit on file at the end of last year, that credit will show up on your 2022-2023 account providing you use the same email and/or phone number to register.**

Once registered, you will be logged into the website.

Important Note: You need to know your child's teacher assignment before you can continue. Please add your students by clicking on the "**STUDENTS**" button below or the "**PROFILE**" menu tab in order to proceed. Once your students have been added to the system you will be able to place lunch orders immediately by clicking the "Order" button below each child's name. IT'S THAT EASY!

But I registered last year, do I register again?

Yes! It is illegal for our program to have accounts for families with children who no longer attend our school. For those of you who have forgotten your user name/password from last year, don't fret, you get to start all over again. It is easier and more efficient to delete all accounts and start fresh. This process will occur every new school year. (Please see notes on Credits before you re-register)

Not participating in hot lunch? We encourage you to register even if your child does not participate so that you are able to receive emails about our hot lunch program, fundraisers, and special treat days that we hold throughout the year.

Is there a Cost to me?

Yes, the cost to participate in our hot lunch program is a one time annual \$1.00 per child fee for the entire school year. This fee will automatically be added to each student's account upon the placement of their first lunch order.

How do I Pay?

When entering your hot lunch orders, enter ALL your children's orders for ALL of the lunch order dates. Once you have entered ALL the hot lunch orders for ALL of your children then make one payment.

We will only be accepting e-transfer to the following email address: westboropg2022@gmail.com

When submitting your payment, you will need to generate a question with an answer in order for us to accept your payment.

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING QUESTION AND ANSWER FOR ALL E-TRANSFERS...

WHO IS OUR SCHOOL MASCOT?

ANSWER - Webster

Please document student(s) name in your subject memo line. Please ensure you submit your payment by the closing date for that month's ordering so that lunch orders can be processed on time. If not received, the orders will be deleted.

Does Hot Lunch need Volunteers?

Absolutely....Our Hot Lunch program is NOT possible without the help of volunteers. We need approximately 10 - 15 volunteers for each hot lunch. If you can assist us with any of the hot lunches, when you enter your child(s) orders please register under the volunteer signup.

Hot Lunch thanks you in advance for your patience and consideration as we start a brand new school year! If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to Allison Usher at westborohotlunch@gmail.com

ORDERING CLOSSES ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2022

GIVING BACK TO OUR COMMUNITY

We hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and were able to take some time to celebrate the many things you are thankful for. Here at Westboro we are thankful for our Westboro families and all our amazing Westboro Warriors! This month, we want to share our blessings by blessing others in our community. Our Logos program is leading our school in a special project for the Strathcona County Food Bank. Have you heard of a birthday bag? It is a new initiative that will provide children who are clients of the SFB to have supplies needed to celebrate a birthday.

How can you help?

We will be collecting supplies at the school until October 25th. They can be sent in with your children or dropped off at the table by the front office. You can send in individual items or put together an entire birthday bag as a family. The Strathcona County Food Bank is wanting for these to be uniform so please, even if you're tempted, stick to the list provided. Please also choose items as generic as possible as they will be used for different genders and ages.

Each bag should include:

- Generic Birthday Bag (the 9x13 size fits best on their shelves)
- Birthday plates
- Birthday napkins
- Birthday tablecloth
- Candles
- Balloons
- Cake mix
- Frosting
- Sprinkles **not picture here*
- Square cake pans
- Cupcake liners



You can use the picture as reference.

Let's work together to support this great cause! Students have not yet set a goal, but we will be providing updates as time passes. Any questions about this initiative can be directed to Mrs. Richard at courtney.richard@eips.ca.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK: OCTOBER 16-22

Schools throughout Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) are celebrating School Bus Safety Week October 16-22. The theme: 'Make the World Green, Ride Yellow,' which focuses on transportation choice and the environment. Throughout the week, various activities are planned, including information sessions, bus-safety lesson plans and bus-evacuation drills.

As part of School Bus Safety Week, Westboro Elementary reminds students and families all Division school buses are equipped with a bus-pass scanner, GPS technology, the Child Check-Mate system and surveillance equipment, which allows Student Transportation to better monitor and manage its more than 170 buses. Families and students also have access to the Traversa Ride 360 app, a mobile tool to help determine the location of a bus, projected arrival times and when a child is scanned onto a bus.

For more information visit [EIPS Student Transportation](#) or contact 780-417-8151.

A close-up photograph of a young boy with brown hair, smiling and looking towards the camera. He is wearing large, green over-ear headphones. The background is a soft, out-of-focus yellow.

CK Confident Kids Safety Courses

HOME ALONE ONLINE

Designed for kids age 9+ new to staying home alone.

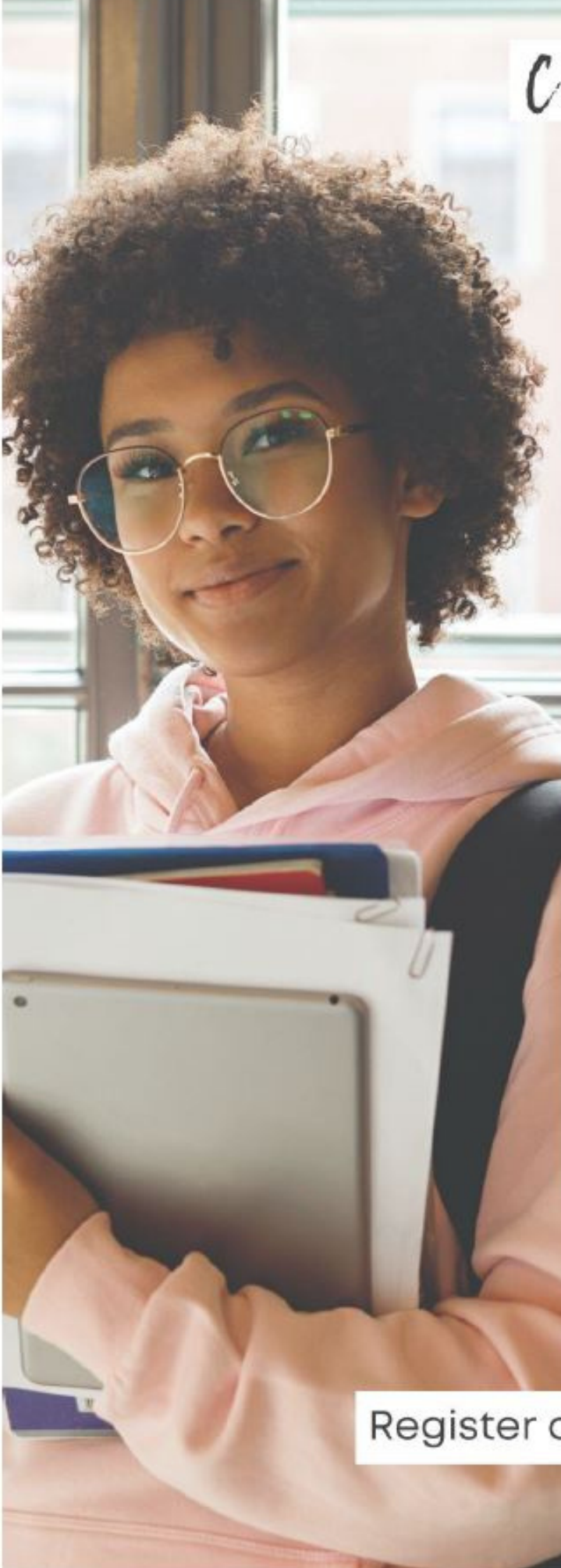
Think through unexpected situations, work through fears and handle emergencies.

- **Mon, Oct 24 & Wed, Oct 26:**
6:30-8:00pm (2 days)
- **Sat, Dec 3: 9-12pm**
- **Mon, Dec 5 & Mon, Dec 12:**
6:30-8:00pm (2 days)

Cost \$60

*In-Person options also available.

Register online: **cksafetycourses.com**



CK Confident Kids Safety Courses

BABYSITTER TRAINING

Open to kids age 12 (or turning 12 within 6 months)

Gain the skills needed to take care of others.

Learn to care for babies, handle behavior, structure activities and respond to emergencies.

Mon, Nov 7: 9-4pm


Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, Sh Pk

Thurs, Nov 10: 9-4pm

Heartland Alliance Church, Sh Pk

Cost - \$70

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Strathcona County Information

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Are you looking for a free activity to get your family out of the house? Come spend some quality time with your family as you connect with others in the community. There will be a light meal provided, exciting activities, and opportunities to learn about local resources. There is something for everyone!

WHEN: Monday October 17 and Monday November 21 from 5:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Antler Lake Community Hall (1A 52343 Range Road 211, Antler Lake)

FOR: All parents, caregivers & families

To register, visit www.strathcona.ca/families

CURLING 4 NEWCOMERS

Join our FREE newcomers (Refugees, Permanent Residents) curling program starting October 15 and ending with a Bonspiel on November 5.

Dates: October 15, 22 and 29 with games November 5 at the Sherwood Park Curling Club.

Time: 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Ages: 9-17

To sign up email: sarah.smith@a4hc.ca

STRATHCONA COUNTY BOOKMOBILE

Wave when you see our Bookmobile on the road in your community! We're proud to bring library programs and services to you at our scheduled stops and extra visits to preschools, seniors' facilities and community events. Our friendly staff will help you get the most out your visit and point you to more great library resources. [Click here to view the weekly schedule.](#)

Contact Information:

Phone: (780) 410-8615

Email: bookmobile@sclibrary.ca