January 27, 2023





IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

January 30: Professional Learning Day - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
January 31: Chapel 1:00 p.m.
February 1: Early Dismissal: Students will be dismissed at 2:12 p.m.
February 1: Returning Student Registration for 2023-24 opens at 9 a.m.

CHAPEL

Chapel will take place on Wednesday, January 31 at 1:00 p.m. in our school gymnasium. We are excited to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Bouwers to Chapel this month to share a little bit about their trip to Israel. Students will get to see pictures and make a connection to some of the places they've read about in their Bible (i.e. the Sea of Galilee, the valley where David and Goliath fought their battle, and more!). It will be a wonderful Chapel for families and other invited guests to attend. We hope to see you there!

With registration coming up in February and the Elk Island Logos Society working hard to get information about Logos out to our community, we ask you to please devote some time in the upcoming weeks to pray for this program.

Faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ~ Hebrews 11:1 (NIV) Elk Island Logos Society

LOGOS RETURNING STUDENT AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

As you're aware, the Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) <u>returning student registration</u> and <u>kindergarten registration</u> processes for the 2023-24 school year open at **9 a.m. on Feb. 1, 2023**.

If you'd like your child to continue in the Logos Program next year—or if you have a new student starting school next year who you'd like to register in the Logos Program—be sure to select the Logos school you'd like them to attend when you complete the applicable new or returning student registration form.

It's important the Division has the best sense of expected numbers for the coming year so the Board can make an informed decision about the future of the Logos program based on these numbers. As such, it's important for families to choose the Logos Program during the applicable registration process—if that's your first choice rather than picking a different school or program because you're unsure what will happen.

If Logos Program registrations increase significantly, administration will recommend the Board keep the elementary program unchanged at both Brentwood Elementary and Westboro Elementary. If registrations stay relatively flat, administration will recommend the Board consolidate the elementary program at Brentwood Elementary, starting in 2023-24. If this happens, you'll have an opportunity to confirm or change the school and program you want your child to attend for the upcoming school year.

To provide administration and the Board with the best information possible:

It's important all current Logos families complete their Returning Student Registration forms by Feb. 28, 2023.
If you have new students starting school next year and wish to register them in the Logos Program—or if you know other new families in the community interested in the Logos Program—the Division recommends completing the applicable New Student Registration form by Feb. 28, 2023, as well. This will ensure the number of new registrations received by that time can also be considered as part of the Board's decision in March.

More information is available in the <u>Logos Christian Program Frequently Asked Questions</u>. If you have any questions about new or returning student registration, contact your child's school directly.

Sincerely, Elk Island Public Schools

WESTBORO SCHOOL FEE PARENT SURVEY 2023/24

We are seeking your input into our school fees for next year. Please click on the link below to participate in the survey.

<u>Please fill out the survey here.</u>

DOWNLOAD THE SCHOOLMESSENGER APP

Westboro Elementary and the Division use the SchoolMessenger platform to communicate with families through both phone and email. Be sure to add <u>communications@eips.ca</u> and <u>general.wbo@eips.ca</u> to your safe sender list to avoid having important messages funneled into your junk mail folder.

The easiest way to stay connected is to download the SchoolMessenger app. Get the latest updates from both the Division and your child's school direct to your mobile device and enable push notifications to never miss a message. Families can also check back on past messages—for up to 30 days—directly in the app rather than searching to find an old message buried in their inbox. Download the SchoolMessenger app from the <u>App Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u> today.

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH NEWSLETTER

The February edition of the Alberta Health Services Addiction and Mental Health Newsletter focuses on kindness. <u>Newsletter</u>

Themes include:

- What is kindness?
- Kindness is teachable and contagious
- <u>Self-kindness</u>
- Tips to help your family nurture kindness





Community Adult Learning & Literacy Society Fort Saskatchewan & Strathcona County

MATH HOMEWORK SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

Tears at the kitchen table from you AND your kid? You're pretty sure you used to be able to do this?

OUR INSTRUCTOR WILL WALK PARENTS THROUGH K-6 MATH HOMEWORK ONLINE

WEDNESDAYS 7:30-8:30 PM

CALL/TEXT 780-667-8441 FOR ZOOM LINK

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Strathcona County Information

BUDGETING WORKSHOP

Learn practical tips for saving money at our **FREE Budgeting Workshop** presented by Family and Community Services and Money Mentors.

When: Thursday, Feb. 2, 7 to 8 p.m.

Where: Family and Community Services Strathcona County Community Centre, 401 Festival Lane Call 780-464-4044 or visit the link below to register for this program:

https://www.strathcona.ca/.../parents.../parentsupport

COUNSELLING

When you're ready to talk, we're here. To access affordable counselling services call 780-464-4044 or visit Family and Community Services on the 2nd floor of the Community Centre. <u>https://www.strathcona.ca/.../well-being-and.../counselling/</u>

CONNECT PARENT

Connect Parent is a **FREE** 8-week program for parents and caregivers of children and youth ages 10 to 17 years.

Through discussion and activities, participants will develop practical skills to identify, understand and respond to the needs of their teen in a way that provides structure and safety while building a positive parent-teen relationship.

DATE/TIME: Starts Thursday, February 2, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

WHERE: Family and Community Services – 2nd floor of the Community Centre at 401 Festival Lane Register here: <u>https://www.strathcona.ca/.../family-resource-network/...</u>

Find more parenting supports and programs here:

https://www.strathcona.ca/.../family-resource-network/

ART TRAVELS

Gallery@501 is bringing travelling art classes to Ardrossan Recreation Complex for kids ages 6 – 12 years.

Check out these two upcoming classes. \$20/child, all supplies included.

Art Travels: Fabric Art

Sat, Feb 25 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Art Travels: Explore Pastels

Sat, Mar 25 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Register today on RecOnline.

https://reconline.strathcona.ca/STRATHCONA/public/Category/browse/SEARCHX904? dosearch=true&CourseTypes=06dcab47-ec8d-464d-8ae2-f8ab62d88c66&SearchText=