



May 26, 2023



WESTBORO ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

May 29: Grade 2 Boats and Buoyancy in school field trip

May 30: Class Pictures for the entire school in the morning

May 31: Red Shirt Day

June 1: Strathcona Wilderness Centre Grades 4/5L, 5R, 5/6L, 6R 8:50 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.

June 2: Kindergarten day in lieu of June 9

June 2: Fun in the Sun

June 2: PLACE and STEPS Swimming 12:20 p.m.

June 3: Logos bottle drive

June 4: Deadline to order June hot lunch

FUN IN THE SUN INFORMATION

Our "Fun in the Sun" day is coming up next week! This is always an enjoyable day with the students and we are looking forward to all the events!

What do you need to know?

- **FOOD** - We are thrilled to be able to offer all our Westboro Warriors a hot dog lunch as part of our "Fun in the Sun" day on June 2nd. Each student will be provided 1 hot dog (all-beef not guaranteed), 1 juice box, and 1 bag of chips (assorted flavours). If you feel that your child(ren) will need more than this, please supplement with additional food/snacks on that day. A huge thank-you to our Westboro Parent Group for funding this lunch!
- **WATER** - Please send your child with a water bottle that can be refilled as needed throughout the day.
- **DRESS** - Students should dress to be outside most of the day. If you feel your child will need sunscreen or bug spray, please apply it before they come to school and send it with them to reapply later in the day as needed. We strongly recommend your child(ren) wear a hat and dress in layers if it is cooler in the morning.
- **VOLUNTEERS** - If you are volunteering on this day, please check your email for additional details. Any specific questions can be directed to shawna.resalat@eips.ca

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Sincerely,
"Fun in the Sun" committee

JUNE HOT LUNCH

Online ordering for Hot Lunch is now open!!

We are excited to offer Panago Pizza Friday, June 9th! And Nitzas Pasta on Friday, June 23rd!
Ordering for this menu runs from Tuesday, May 23rd till Sunday, June 4th at Midnight!

No late orders will be accepted.

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 the student(s) name in your etransfer (example - memo line, notes, etc...). 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.

All unpaid orders will be cancelled!!!

Don't forget to select..."able to assist as a volunteer on this hot lunch day" if you are interested in volunteering. Volunteers will receive a \$1.00 credit towards future Hot Lunch purchases. Thank you for your support!!!

Please go to <http://westboro.hotlunches.net> to place your orders. If you have any questions email us at westborohotlunch@gmail.com. Or contact Allison Usher at (780)907-1130.

Westboro Hot Lunch Committee

LOGOS BOTTLE DRIVE FUNDRAISER

Saturday, June 3, 2023

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Brentwood Elementary (parking lot) 28 Heron Road

ATTENTION KINDERGARTEN PARENTS!

In order for our Kindergarten class be able to participate in our Fun in the Sun day this year, we need to make a change in our June schedule. Students **WILL ATTEND ON FRIDAY, JUNE 2**, which is when Fun in the Sun day is happening. There will be **NO KINDERGARTEN ON FRIDAY, JUNE 9**. Transportation has been advised and will provide bussing if your child takes the bus to accommodate the switch.

RED SHIRT DAY

[Red Shirt Day](#) takes place on May 31—the Wednesday of National AccessAbility Week. Red Shirt Day is when people across Canada come together and wear red in schools, workplaces and spaces everywhere to create a visible display of solidarity and show their support for persons and families who are living with disabilities. Staff and students are encouraged to wear red in support of accessibility and inclusion on this day and start a conversation about ability.

CAREGIVER SERIES: MAY AND JUNE 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 autism, strategies for test anxiety and transitioning to teenage years. The list of [May and June 2023 sessions](#) is now available.

TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS

Westboro Elementary has once again partnered with the United Way for the [2023-24 Tools for School](#) campaign. Annually, Tools for School provides backpacks and school supplies to students in Kindergarten through Grade 12 whose families have limited resources. If you're a parent or know a parent who needs access to the program, contact the school directly. Staff will discretely provide the backpack to the child at the beginning of the 2023-24 school year.

Alternatively, if you'd like to donate to the program, you can pick up a few extra supplies when you're out shopping for back to school in August. Drop-off boxes are located at the EIPS Central Services office, all [Staples locations](#) and various businesses in the community. Any supplies donated within the community are invested back into the region.

For more information about Tools for School, contact Westboro Elementary at 780-467-7751 or call EIPS Central Services at 780-464-3477.

[United Way Tools for School Requests: Family Orders](#)

REMINDER: 2022-23 SCHOOL FEES

School fees for the 2022-23 school year are posted on the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). All fees are due within 30 days of being posted. Throughout the year, fees are often added to cover the costs for various activities, such as field trips, extracurricular activities, and late, damaged or lost textbooks.

To access your fee information, simply log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal and go to “Student Fees.” There you can view fees and pay them online using a credit card. Make sure to monitor your child’s account on an ongoing basis.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines, visit eips.ca/schools/fees. And, if you have questions, think there is an error or need help creating a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, contact your child’s school directly before the summer break.

NOTE: Pursuant to [Board Policy 23: School Fees](#) and [Administrative Procedure 505: School and Administrative Fees](#), EIPS will forward any unpaid 2022-23 fee amounts to a collection agency. To prevent this from happening, remember to pay your fees before Aug. 31, 2023

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION: 2023-24 REGISTRATION

Planning to use Student Transportation in the 2023-24 school year? If so, make sure your child is registered so Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) can plan routes and send your child a bus pass before the first day of school.

All students who indicated needing transportation services through the returning student or new student registration processes are now registered. Those families have also received tentative route schedules and invoices—fees are due June 30, 2023.

For those students who didn’t indicate needing transportation services during the registration process and want to now register, simply fill out this [registration form](#).

For more information about EIPS Student Transportation, visit www.eips.ca/transportation.

NOTE: Families can pay fees online using the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). To pay in-person, visit the [EIPS Student Transportation building](#) during its office hours—Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on school days and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on non-school days.

LITTLE ELK ISLAND ADVENTURE: REGISTRATION

Elk Island Public Schools is once again planning to run the Little Elk Island Adventure, a fun and informative program for first-time school bus riders.

Annually, Student Transportation offers the Little Elk Island Adventure to new riders and their parents. The program's aim: To help introduce families to busing so they feel comfortable and at ease before even starting school. Through a series of activities, riders learn about school bus safety, danger zones, tips on boarding and how to sit properly on the bus. After that, both the children and parents hop on the bus to practice what they've learned by venturing out on a short ride.

The Little Elk Island Adventure is for first-time school bus riders entering the 2023-24 school year. The tentative session dates and times are as follows:

| Location | Date* | Time* |
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| EIPS Central Services | August 14 | 5 p.m. |
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| EIPS Central Services | August 15 | 5 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 15 | 6:30 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 17 | 5 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 17 | 6:30 p.m. |
| EIPS Central Services | August 18 | 5 p.m. |

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* Special Education session for PALS and Project Unit Funding students only.

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| SouthPointe School | August 21 | 5 p.m. |
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** SouthPointe School locations are for students attending schools in Fort Saskatchewan.

EIPS Central Services is located at 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park
SouthPointe School is located at 11 SouthPointe Blvd., Fort Saskatchewan

[Register Now](#)

Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

More information about busing for kindergarten children is available at:
eips.ca/transportation/kindergarten-busing-faq.



Junior High Journey

Support transitioning into grade 7

Like you, your teenager experiences stress from significant life changes like transitioning from elementary to junior high school. Learn strategies to support your teenage at a FREE workshop for parents and caregivers.

FOR: All parents, caregivers & families

COST: FREE

WHEN: Tuesday, June 6, 2023
6 p.m to 7 p.m.

WHERE: Online
Register at strathcona.ca/frn or call **780-464-4044**

For more information, visit strathcona.ca/frn

 STRATHCONA
COUNTY

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK 2022/23!

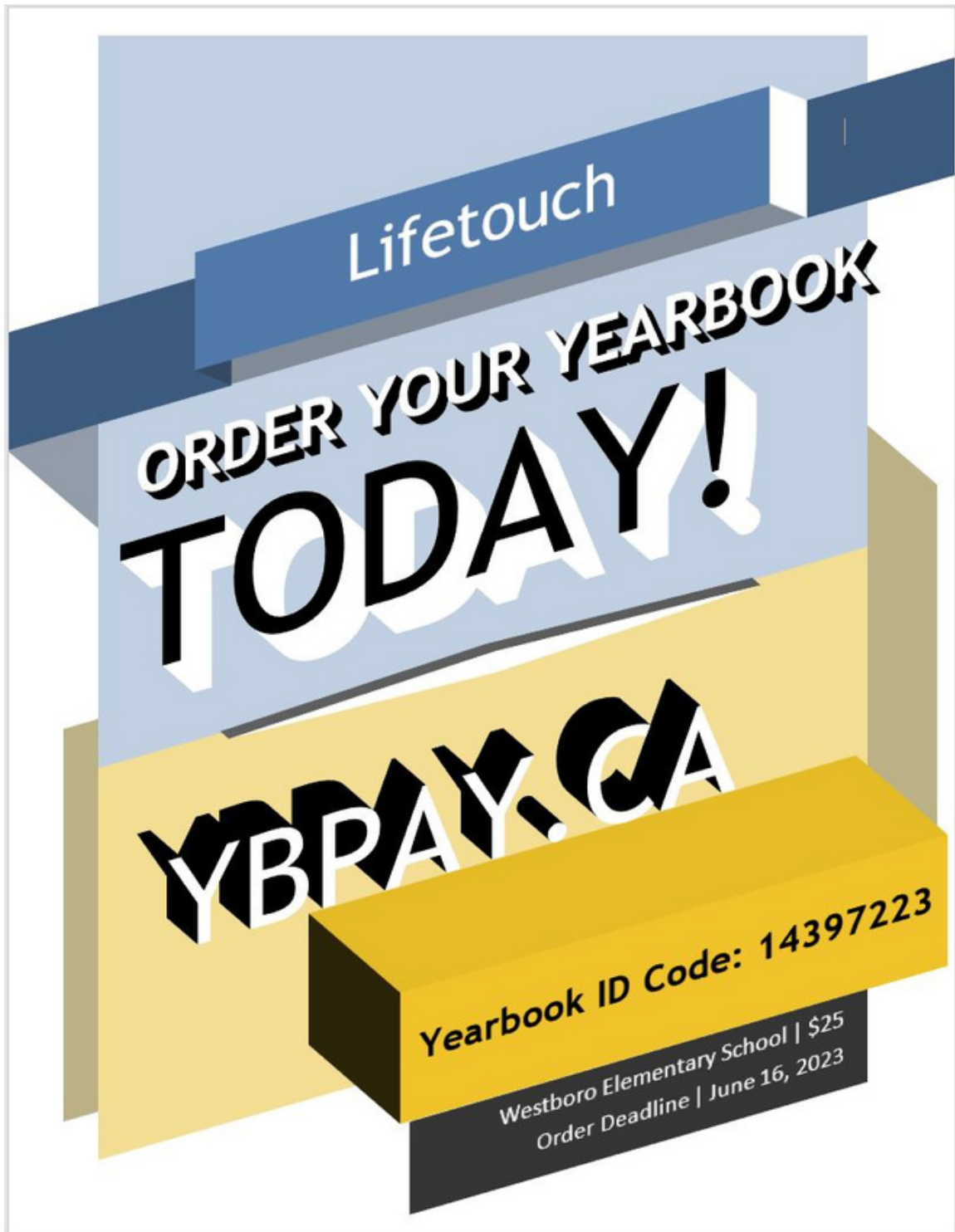
Go to www.ybpay.ca

Enter the Yearbook ID Code: 14397223

Cost: \$25

Order Deadline: June 16, 2023

Delivery will be to the school in September.



Strathcona County Information

RCMP MUSICAL RIDE

On May 23, 2023 the Royal Canadian Mounted Police marked it's 150th anniversary of service to the public and security of our country. In recognition of the 150-year milestone, Strathcona County is hosting two [RCMP Musical Rides](#) on June 15 and 17.

The musical ride consists of up to 28 riders, who are all police officers. The horses perform intricate formations and drills that require control, timing and coordination.

PAPA-PALOOZA!

Let's celebrate dads! Dads provide much needed support, connection, and care for their littles, and we want to shout it from the rooftops. Join us for outdoor games, bouncy castle, laughs, and hotdogs, as we gather to celebrate the importance of dads and male caregivers.

This event is for papas and children only - an opportunity for moms to take some time for themselves!

Saturday, June 10

12 - 2 p.m.

3 Spruce Ave

Register at <https://www.strathcona.ca/.../family-resource-network/>

FREE SUMMER PROGRAMS

Our summer Family Resource Network program schedule is now available! Connect with other parents and caregivers, learn new skills and support your child's healthy development.

These FREE summer programs include:

- Drop-in parented programs for infants aged 0 to 18 months
- Drop-in parented programs for kids 0 to 6 years old
- Registered programs for kids in grades 1 to 3 and grades 4 to 6
- Registered parenting skill-building sessions for a variety of age groups
- Special events for families and children of all ages

Check out the [calendar](#) to find fun and educational programming this summer!