April 21, 2024



Weekly Newsletter

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

April 22: Oilers Day! April 22: Earth Day April 23: World Book Day April 22-25: Earth Day Shoe Drive April 24: Book club meets at lunch recess in the Literacy Room April 25: Popcorn Sale (Payment due April 24) April 25: Christian Club April 26: Games club meets at lunch recess in the Math/Art Room April 26: Hot Lunch – Jugo Juice

FAMILY DANCE

Family Dance is fast approaching on May 10, 2024 and the Parent's Society is asking families to help with donations for our raffle baskets. There will be bins set up starting on Monday, April 22 at the office where you can drop off your donated items.

<u>Themes and suggested items are:</u>

Fun in the Sun

• sidewalk chalk, balls, water balloons, skipping ropes, bubbles

Movie Night

• family movie passes, microwave popcorn, candy, chocolate bars

Family Game Night

• new board games, chips, candy, drink mixes

Clowning Around

• face paints (new), magic tricks, whoopie cushions, clown noses

Any and all donations are greatly appreciated!

OILERS DAY!

To support the Edmonton Oilers during playoffs, we invite students to wear their favourite Oilers gear or blue and orange clothing to school on **Monday, April 22!** This is a fun way to show our team spirit at school! Go Oilers!!

STUDENT TEACHER MS. MCDONALL

Westboro thanks Miss. McDonall, our U of A student teacher who is just finishing up her practicum with us. Miss. McDonall has contributed so much during her time with us both in Grade 1 and Kindergarten, and she was here early mornings helping out with the Track Team also! She has benefited from learning from all of our amazing staff and working with many Westboro students during her time with us. We wish you all the best in your ongoing studies!

POPCORN PALOOZA

Our grade 6 students are hosting another popcorn fundraiser to raise funds for their year-end celebration. They will be preparing and selling bags of popcorn to Westboro students. The next sale is scheduled for **Thursday, April 25.** This delightful treat can be purchased for **\$2 per bag**. It is important to note that there will be a limit of **ONE** bag per student to ensure fairness. Please bring your payment to your teacher!

To gain an accurate count and determine the required quantity for the sale, students interested in purchasing popcorn must bring their payment to school on **Wednesday**, **April 24**. Please be aware that only orders accompanied by payment will be accepted, and we cannot accept late orders.







EARTH DAY SHOE DRIVE

Shoes are a difficult to recycle and are most often sent to the landfill—until now! Strathcona County works with <u>Soles4Souls</u> to collect old shoes and keep them out of the landfill. Soles4Souls distributes donated shoes to those who need them most. If the shoes cannot be reused, they are sent for refurbishing by small businesses in developing economies.

Bring your old shoes to the school office during the week of April 22 - 26 and for every pair you bring in, you will receive an entry form to fill out to win a prize!

Please tie or bind shoes together with elastics.

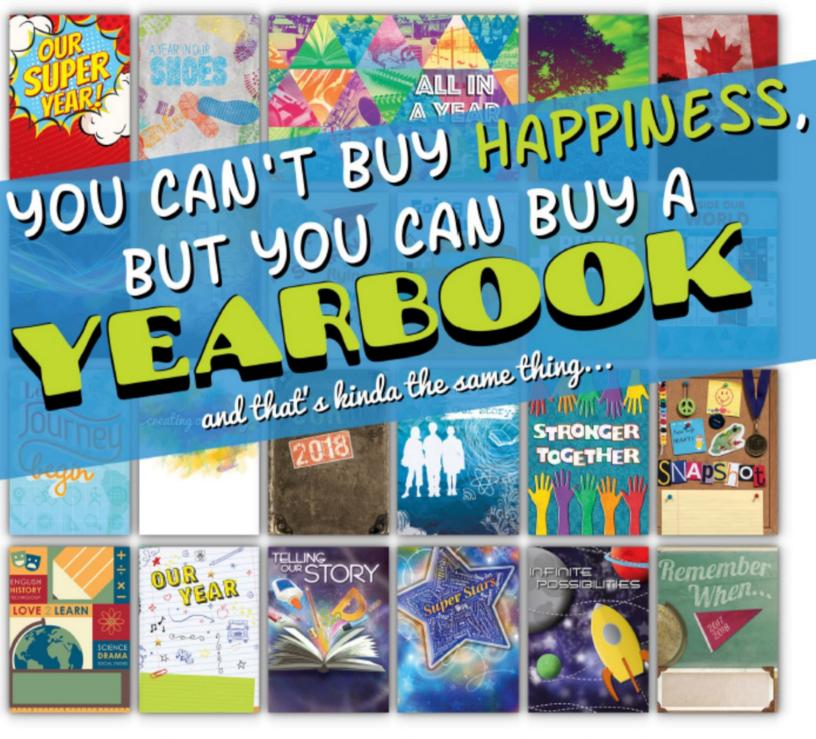




General Registration Information

- 1. Fee must accompany registration to confirm attendance.
- 2. E-Transfer to kenbriggs13@gmail.com (Please indicate SHERWOOD PARK VOLLEYBALL CAMP).
- E-mail confirmations will occur after receipt of the registration and fee.
- 4. There will be no refunds once the camps begins. Refunds will have the \$1.50 e-transfer charge subtracted.
- 5. Use the QR Code below for Camp Registration.
- 6. If you have any questions, please contact grant.melnyk@eips.ca

Register here



Westboro Yearbook - \$25.00



Scan the QR code or go to https://YBPay.lifetouch.ca

Yearbook ID Code 14397224

Orders due by June 14, 2024

RUN WILD RACE MAY 4, 2024

The Run Wild Team sponsored by Leading Edge Physiotherapy was out to our school this week to promote the upcoming race on May 4, 2024. Westboro families who are interested in participating are encouraged to register using the information above or on the pamphlet sent home.



COMPLETE YOUR CENSUS ONLINE STARTING MAY 1, 2024.

The 2024 municipal census begins May 1. Watch your mail in late April for your personalized PIN number. We strongly encourage residents to use the online platform for its efficiency, convenience, and security.

Starting May 13, our dedicated census workers will conduct door-to-door collection for households that have not yet participated, while the online option remains open throughout this period. Visit Strathcona.ca/census for more information.

GET READY FOR KINDERGARTEN

Do you have a child registered in kindergarten next year? If so, make sure to attend Westboro Elementary's upcoming Kindergarten Information Night on **Tuesday, May 7, 2024**. You'll get to:

- tour the school;
- meet the teachers;
- gain insight on play-based learning; and
- see what a typical day looks like.

Kindergarten Information Night 2024:

Date: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 Time: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Location: Westboro Elementary, 1078 Strathcona Drive, Sherwood Park

To make the transition to school as smooth as possible, Elk Island Public Schools has put together a toolkit for families. The kit includes information about registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, finding your designated school, transportation and more. Find it at: <u>Welcome to EIPS Kindergarten</u>.

Additional information about Westboro Elementary's kindergarten program is available on the school website. <u>www.westboroelementary.ca/about/kindergarten</u>

EIPS ANNUAL EDUCATION RESULTS REPORT

Every year, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) publishes an Annual Education Results Report, which outlines the Division's Four-Year Education Plan, opportunities for growth and how it's supporting students to achieve the best possible outcomes. Read through this year's <u>EIPS Annual Education</u> <u>Results Report 2022–23</u> and discover how EIPS fosters learning environments for all students to learn, grow and thrive—and why it matters.

April Spotlight: enhancing public education through effective engagement •<u>Rules of Engagement</u>: Using a collaborative approach to improve student achievement and success •<u>Driving change</u>: Strengthening public education through Board advocacy

RELATED INFORMATION <u>EIPS Four-Year Education Plan: 2022-26</u> <u>EIPS Three-Year Capital Plan: 2024-27</u>

Strathcona County Information

JUNIOR HIGH JOURNEY - FOR PARENTS/CAREGIVER WITH CHILDREN ENTERING JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Transitioning from elementary to junior high school is exciting and can be stressful. Learn strategies to support your teenager at this free workshop for parents and caregivers of youth transitioning from grade 6 to 7. **When:** Wednesday, May 29, 2024, 6 -7 p.m.

Location: Online

Cost: Free

Contact Information: For more Information email: <u>FamilyResourceNetwork@strathcona.ca</u> <u>Sign Up Here</u>

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Family Resource Network offers FREE in-person, virtual of phone parenting support for caregivers of children (0-18 years old).

Anyone in Strathcona county can access this resource.

Call 780-464-4044 or email familyandcommunity@strathcona.ca to get connected today. https://storagecdn.strathcona.ca/.../cfw329-frn_program...

FREE SPRING PROGRAMS

Our FREE Spring programs are starting this week! Check out our guide to decide what works for you! Click here: <u>https://storagecdn.strathcona.ca/.../cfw329-frn_program...</u>

SPRING/SUMMER CONNECTIONS GUIDE

The Spring/Summer Connections Guide is out now and we want to hear from you! Until June 21, share your feedback and help enhance our community's one-stop-shop resource for services, supports and educational programs.

Take the survey and be entered into a draw to win one of three \$50 grocery store gift cards! Check out the new guide and take the survey: <u>https://ow.ly/x9Ja50RgFHy</u>