



Principal's Message:

Hello Families,

Our school goal has been set and this year at Langham Elementary we will continue to focus our attention on improving our reading skills and love of reading!

Here is our goal:

All students at Langham Elementary School will show individual growth in their reading abilities as they gain a love of reading through effective reading instruction and goal setting.

Stay tuned for details on plans for different reading activities and events to enhance this goal. The first event was our SCC reading challenge that came home this week. We were excited to offer this at-home opportunity for our families. We hope you had a chance to participate. Please return your completed challenge by **Monday the 24th** to be entered for a chance to win some prizes.

Our first set of Progress Conferences will be held November 7th and 8th. This is a new practice for us to have our conferences before progress reports go out. This change will allow us to focus the meeting on sharing academic successes and goal setting and then see how this is progressing in the progress reports that go out on Dec. 2nd. Please have your child attend the interviews on the 7th and 8th! Having your child present allows them to take responsibility for their learning success and to set personal goals. Parents and teachers are then able to support these goals. We look forward to seeing you during these conferences. **We have brought the Book Fair back and it will be open in the library during this time as well.**

Enjoy the Fall – thanks for all you do to grow the love of learning in your children,
Laura Prefontaine

Important Dates to Remember

Nov. 1	Picture Retakes – 9:00 AM at LES
Nov. 7	No Classes for Kindergarten A class
Nov. 7	Conferences for Kindergarten (all day)
Nov. 7&8	Conferences (K-Gr.5 -> 3:30-7:30 PM)
Nov. 8	Remembrance Day Program
Nov. 9	No Classes (Prep./P.D.)
Nov. 10	NO SCHOOL - Division Holiday
Nov. 11	NO SCHOOL - Remembrance Day
Nov. 17	SCC Meeting 6:30 PM
Nov. 23	Earth Rangers Virtual Presentation 1PM
Nov. 25	No Classes – Day in Lieu
Dec. 2	Progress Reports sent home

Before School

Students may be at the school **not before 8:35 in the morning** as there is *no adult supervision on the playground before this time.* Upon arrival at school, student should go to their respective meeting areas.

After School Pick-Up Times

Bus students are dismissed at 3:07. If your child will not be on the bus, they will be dismissed with the town students at 3:12. We realize that there are times when students must be picked up earlier so please *make prior arrangements with your child's classroom teacher* for these instances. Town students will be dismissed from their meeting areas. **If picking up your child, please observe the bus parking areas as well as the wheelchair parking zone. Parking spots are available in front of the rink as well as on the other side streets around the school.** Thank you for your understanding!

PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Retakes will be taken on Monday, November 1st at 9:00 AM at Langham Elementary School.

Communication During the School Day

We understand and appreciate parents communicating with their classroom teachers through SeeSaw and email. During the school day however, staff are busy working with our students and are not always able to check their messages. **IF PLANS CHANGE DURING THE DAY, PLEASE:**

- 1) Call the office (306-283-4455) or
- 2) Email the school (langhamelem@spiritsd.ca)

This will ensure the message gets to your child and their teacher.

If your child is also a bus student, please also notify your bus driver of any changes.

Supply Recovery Fees

LES again used the bulk purchase of school supplies for stocking classrooms this fall to help ease your back-to-school preparations. Fees are payable immediately. Cheques should be made payable to Langham Elementary. Sibling fees may be combined in one payment. Thank you.

2022-23 Supply Recovery Fees

Kindergarten	\$18
Grades 1-5	\$37

School Community Council Meeting

The next SCC meeting will be held on Nov. 17th at 6:30 PM at Langham Elementary in the library/staff room.

2022-2023 Bell Schedule

8:35 Students arrive - go to meeting spots
 8:43 Warning Bell for classes to begin
 8:46 Classes begin
 10:25 Recess
 12:05 Lunch
 2:08 Recess
 3:07 Dismissal for bus students
 3:12 Dismissal for town students

PET-FREE Zone

For the safety of our students and staff, please keep all pets off school property including the front area where the busses load. Pets are not to be on school property as per bylaw of the Town of Langham.



Langham Elementary will be holding a Remembrance Day Service on Nov. 8th at 10:45 AM.

Due to space, this will be for LES staff and students only.



Poppy Campaign

Every year, the Saskatoon Poppy Campaign provides Langham Elementary School students with a poppy to wear on Remembrance Day. This campaign helps support veterans and their families, nursing homes, student bursaries, cadets, and hospitals. Thank you to those that send a donation to contribute towards this cause.

Parental Concerns: A Protocol to Follow

Effective communication between the classroom teacher and the parent is the foundation of a great partnership. If a parent has a question or a concern, the first contact should be the child's classroom teacher. If the concern is not addressed at the classroom level, the parent should contact the principal to discuss the problem. If the concern is not addressed at the school level, then please contact the Superintendent of Schools for Langham Elementary who is Peggy Mattila-Bains (683-2835)

**Come to our Book Fair,
Where Adventure Awaits!**

Scholastic Book Fair will be coming to Langham Elementary on

November 7th and 8th!!

Nov. 7th - 12:45-7:30 PM.

Nov 8th - 9 AM-12; 12:45-7:30 PM

Progress Conferences – Grades 1-5

Progress Conferences will be held in person November 7th and 8th from 3:30-7:30 PM at Langham Elementary. **Please contact Sheila at 306-283-4455 or email sheila.wiens-neufeld@spiritsd.ca to book your time.**

Each conference is given a 15-minute time slot. Interviews are for the student, their parent(s), and teacher to discuss goals and progress.
Monday, Nov. 7th - 3:30-7:30 PM
Tuesday, Nov. 8th – 3:30-7:30 PM

Kindergarten Conferences

Mrs. Turgeon will be available for conferences with students and their parent(s):

Monday, Nov. 7th – 9:00AM-2:30PM
Monday, Nov. 7th - 3:30-7:30 PM
Tuesday, Nov. 8th – 3:30-7:30 PM

Please contact Sheila at (306) 283-4455 or sheila.wiens-neufeld@spiritsd.ca to book your time.



DID YOU KNOW ...

All Langham Elementary events and activities are added to the calendar on Edsby... check it out.

HELP WANTED:

Plans have started to bring back our annual CHRISTMAS BANQUET for LES students and staff and we need some help.



Volunteers would be needed for:

Tuesday, Dec. 20th around 6 PM

– to cut potatoes, cut buns, cut pickles, make dessert, set up tables

Wednesday, Dec. 21st for the morning and lunch time

– to prepare and cook food (ham, potatoes, frozen vegetables)

-serving the food

-clean up

IF YOU ARE WILLING and able to help on either of these days (or even part of these days), please call Sheila at (306) 283-4455 or email sheila.wiens-neufeld@spiritsd.ca . We need volunteers to make this event happen again!!

We will also be asking for food donations closer to the event. Stay tuned for details on that.

**LANGHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Remember to check our updated website at

www.spiritsd.ca/les

Reporting Student Progress – Term I

On December 2nd, you will receive your student’s first Progress Report of the school year. You will notice a NEW progress report being utilized this school year with new codes to report academic achievement and another coding system to report behaviours.

PRAIRIE SPIRIT SCHOOL DIVISION

Grade 1-9 PSSD Academic Achievement Scale Parent-Student Version

Term	Code	Student Friendly Language
Evidence of Mastery	MA	I can transfer what I’ve learned to new situations or use a higher level of thinking.
Evidence of Proficiency	PR	I understand what we are learning.
Evidence of Approaching Proficiency	AP	I understand the majority of what we are learning.
Evidence of Beginning Knowledge	BE	I remember and/or understand some of what we are learning.

Missing Evidence	ME	I have not yet provided evidence on what we are learning.
Not Reported	NR	I was not asked for evidence of this.

Note: An asterisk (*) applied to any of the levels above indicates that students are working on outcomes outside of the grade level.

PSSD Assessment

Understanding Behaviour Score Terms

In PSSD, behaviour marks are scored using frequency terms. The following terms are used across all grade levels when scoring learning behaviours:

Consistently	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely	Insufficient Evidence
<i>is synonymous with:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Almost always • Unchanging over time 	<i>is synonymous with:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Majority of the time or in most cases • Happens often, but not consistently 	<i>is synonymous with:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Happens occasionally • Not most of the time, nor a rare event 	<i>is synonymous with:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occurs seldomly or in very few instances • Does not occur often 	<i>is synonymous with:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inadequate • Not observed enough to decide

Reminder: Behaviours are scored on characteristics that are observable.

Please NOTE:

- ELA and Math will report as in the past - by strand. (This is a continuation of existing practice.)
- All other subjects will report an overall score per subject. (This is a change from past practice.)
- Comments will ONLY be included for ELA, Math, and one other general comment box.

“anything a student does, says or creates is evidence of learning:

- Damien Cooper

X-Country

Another awesome Cross-Country season has wrapped up for the year. We were so excited to have this opportunity in our school this year. We had 20 eager, hardworking, wonderful, student athletes participate this year. The team competed in three meets throughout the season. The first was held right here just outside of Langham, at River Ridge. We then travelled to Biggar for another challenging course in their valley fairgrounds. Lastly, our finale to the season, was the district meet that we hosted back at River Ridge. We are very proud of the students for all their hard work and perseverance. Our athletes competed in fields of up to nearly 100 runners and gave it their all. We had personal bests and impressive finishes to be proud of this year. A big thank you to all of our parents, community members, high school students, and staff who volunteered their time to make this season a success. We could not have done it without you!



This year's team members were:

Grade 4

Summer H., Liva D., Adriana T., Halle G., Hannah G., Paige J., Ryan L., Bricksen A., Con M., Jase F., Tanner G., Jonah L., Dexter N., and Alistair T.

Grade 5

Thomas R., Anna N., Natalie H., Hayden K., Nick N., and Paizley J.

Congratulations to all these runners for pushing their limits this year!

Mrs. Sutherland and Mr. Dunville

Children's Vision Month

October is Children's Vision Month, and there's never been a better time to schedule that next eye exam for your kids! Did you know that annual eye exams are covered by Saskatchewan Health for children under the age of 18?

Help make sure your children have the best vision health possible for school and beyond!

Visit optometrists.sk.ca to find an optometrist near you and book your child's next eye exam today.

SCC Update

The SCC has resumed meeting and is looking forward to a wonderful school year! Some highlights from our September meeting:

OPPORTUNITY: We are looking for a Hot Meal Coordinator to join our SCC. If you have daytime availability to volunteer at the school on our Hot Lunch Days, please let Laura Prefontaine know!

Highlights:

- Student enrolment is at an all-time high
- Relationship Building focus – resumption of school assemblies, dance party in the gym, care partner reading program, class field trip to River Ridge Trails, and the Terry Fox Walk – Students raised over \$5000!

Upcoming:

- Halloween is Monday October 31st
- Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences in November
- Holiday Banquet – planning continues

Next Meeting date is Nov. 17th, 2022, at 6:30pm – All are welcome to attend ☺



Saskatchewan
Health Authority



The Health Bus will be resuming services Tuesday, Oct.4, 2022.

Where? In front of St. Paul's Hospital Main Entrance.

When? 1-4:30 PM, 7 days a week.

Who? Anyone who does not have a primary care provider. Especially those heading to the ED for non-emergent issues.

Why? To try to avert non-emergent issues from ED.

What? Non-urgent services for:

- Muscle aches/pains
- Ear infections
- Sore throats
- Birth control & Pregnancy testing
- STI testing & treatment
- Prescription ordering/renewals
- Removal of stitches
- Wound care & skin conditions
- Counselling
- Chronic Disease Management
- Education