



# Pike Lake School Newsletter



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Dear Pike Lake Families,

Congratulations on making through another Saskatchewan winter! I'm a fan of the mantra "there is no bad weather, only bad clothing," but I think it's safe to say that isn't entirely true. Some days (or weeks, or months) this winter were difficult to endure, either because of weather, illness, or for other reasons. At Pike Lake School, we spent the winter focusing on the basics of wellness, literacy, and numeracy. Our goals were to meet each student where they were at academically, provide lots of opportunities for outdoor activities, and to practice healthy emotion regulation skills. After speaking with many of you during progress conferences it sounds like we met our goal: the kids are enjoying school and showing growth in their learning. Now that the days are getting longer and the snow is receding, we can look forward to the last third of the school year and the fun learning it will bring!

Thank you to our community for donating to our humanitarian aid drive for Ukraine. Your response was amazing, we filled the computer lab with much need supplies, and our students got to see the community pull together to support people in need on the other side of the world. Thank you for modeling what it means to be caring and engaged global citizens. The supplies have been delivered to [Streams of Hope](#) and are on their way to Poland and Ukraine.

Brian Knowles  
Principal

**Dates to Remember:**

- Apr. 1** – No School  
- Day in Lieu
- Apr. 4** – No School  
- Teacher Prep/PD
- Apr. 2** – World Autism  
Awareness Day
- Apr.13** - Rocks and Rings
- Apr. 15-24** – School Break
- Apr. 25** – Classes Resume
- Apr. 29** – Earth Day Activities
- May 4** – "Growing Smiles"  
SCC Fundraiser Due

**Book Fair Extended!!**

The Scholastic Virtual Book Fair will be extended until Friday, April 1. Reminder that the SCC is supporting our school by purchasing a book for each student. Please send back the title of the book your child would like to have.

**Pike Lake School Community Council**



We are once again selling these **beautiful plants** to support our student learning goals of literacy and outdoor education. The fundraiser runs until May 2 with pick up on May 17. Please go to the following Website for more information for ordering:

<https://pikelake.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

**Student Absenteeism**

Just a reminder to please call or email the school or your child's teacher if they are absent from school.

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## Kindergarten Registration 2021-2022

We are presently working on next year's enrolment for Kindergarten. Children who are five years of age as of December 31, 2021 may be admitted to kindergarten.

PSSD Policy No. 403.2.a.

If you have a child or know of one that will be attending Pike Lake School in the fall of 2021, please send us their name, phone number, address and date of birth.

You may call Char Knackstedt @ 306-668-4808 or email at char.knackstedt@spiritsd.ca

### **April is Autism Awareness Month**

*Autism is a neuro-developmental disability that generally leads to differences in communication and social skills, unique patterns of thought and behavior, and divergent sensory experiences. It is a neurological difference that can present difficulties, but also advantages.*

*"Autism is about having a pure heart and being very sensitive. It is about finding a way to survive in an overwhelming, confusing world. It is about developing differently, in a different place and with different leaps."*

-Unkown



## Thank you!

\* With the warm weather, our weekly skating has come to an end. We want to again say a huge THANK YOU to Dennis Wells, Terry Grosz, Sue Hammer and Colebryn Jurgens for their tireless work on maintaining the outdoor rink. We are so lucky to have such dedicated volunteers in our community.

\* Thanks to the School Community Council for their support of sponsoring a book from the book fair for students to take home and enjoy with their family! Reading is not only important at school but in everyday life!

\* Thank you to all who supported the virtual book fair. Your investment in your reader helped our school to earn valuable rewards that can be redeemed for new books for our school and classroom libraries. Orders will be delivered to the school and then sent home with students.

\* Thank you to Delisle Arts Council who, with funding from Sask Lotteries, has supported our school with a donation of \$300 which is being used to purchase sidewalk paint to stencil our sidewalk areas outside.

