

# STORM NEWS

Warman Community Middle School

May 2018

With the Easter break in early April, it seems as though our last newsletter was just distributed, but with the change in seasons and our entry into the last months of the school year, there is lots of timely information to share with our community. Warmer temperatures and playground/field conditions quickly drying up has seen students flocking outside at recess breaks. Everyone has had enough of this winter. From extracurricular

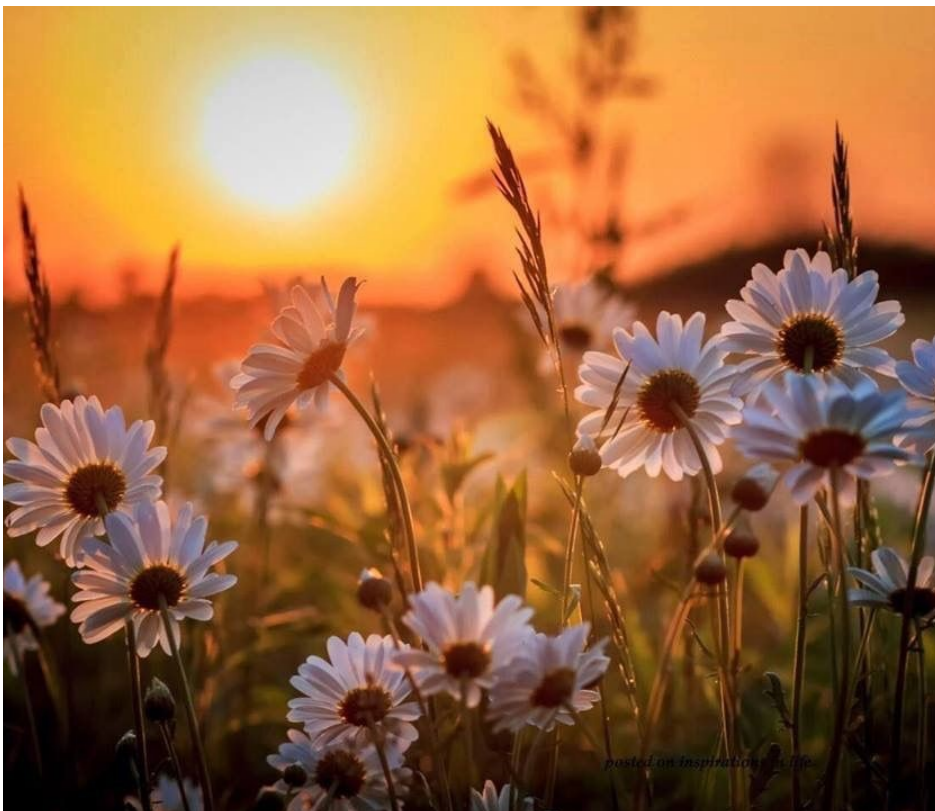
news, our School Community Council's Spring Elections and AGM, and other important information and dates related to the end of this school year and in preparations for the 2018/2019 school year are contained within this edition, so please take a look inside.

**Your Admin Team**

do  
THE RIGHT  
THING...  
EVEN WHEN  
no one  
IS LOOKING.

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## SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD DATES

Track and Field season is upon us. Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

Grade 7/8 Conference Meet (Griffiths) - May 17

Grade 7/8 District Meet (Griffiths) - May 25

Grade 5 School Meet Day – June 1

Grade 6 School Meet Day – June 8



## GRADE 7 & 8 SOCCER TEAMS

An informational meeting was recently held for interested Grade 7 & 8 students for the purpose of organizing boys' and girls' soccer teams.

As we know there are a large number of students expressing interest, the soccer season is short, and students are committed to a variety of activities in the spring, we are taking a participatory approach to encourage students to be active and include as many as possible in a soccer

tournament scheduled for June 14<sup>th</sup>.

At the meeting, students were informed:

**Those interested in participating on June 14<sup>th</sup> should be going out at recess and regularly playing soccer with peers. Balls are available in classrooms.**

**Three practices will be held on Monday, May 7, Tuesday, May 22, and Monday, June 4 at noon break. Students need to**

**make preparations to be in attendance on those three noon hours.**

**Students will need a pair of good running shoes (turf cleats preferred), shin pads, and shorts/sweatpants to participate in the tournament.**



## DATE CHANGE TO SCC SPRING ELECTION/AGM



Please note the date change of the School Community Council's Spring Election and Annual Gen-

eral Meeting from May 10<sup>th</sup> to May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## FALL REGISTRATION

If your child will **NOT** be attending WCMS this fall, please let us know by calling 306-683-3000 or emailing WCMS at [wcms@spiritsd.ca](mailto:wcms@spiritsd.ca). This would be much appreciated and helpful in assessing our enrollment and class list development for next year.

## BIKES, SCOOTERS, ETC...

With the warmer weather many students are choosing to ride bikes and such to and from school. The following will help everyone understand the routines and allow things to operate smoothly.

1. Bikes and scooters should be **locked up** in the bike racks upon arrival at school. Please do not lean



these against the school buildings or fences – we have plenty of bike racks.

2. Skateboards, long boards and roller blades should be small enough to fit inside of a student's locker for safe keeping during the day. Some of the large long boards will not fit inside of a locker, and if that is the case, we ask you not to bring those to school. We dis-

courage students from wearing Heelies (wheeled shoes) to school.

3. All of these items need to be stored promptly upon arrival at school. Students are not allowed to ride these on the playground/play area at recess breaks. Students should not loiter around bike racks at recess breaks.

## ARRIVAL TIME AT SCHOOL

With warmer temperatures and early sunrise we have some students arriving at school on the adjacent park areas very early in the mornings. A reminder that the school opens and supervision

of students starts at 8:20AM. Students and families are asked to plan for students' arrival between 8:20 and 8:35AM. Thank you for your cooperation.



## GRADE 6, 7 AND 8 BAND OR DRAMA/DANCE/MUSIC COMMITMENT FORMS

Information that was emailed home last month about our school's BAND and DRAMA/DANCE/MUSIC (DDM) programs



Hindusthani Classical Musical Instruments

was sent home in paper format on May 1<sup>st</sup> with all current Grade 5, 6, and 7 students along with a commitment form to one of these programs for the upcoming school year. All students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 MUST take one of these courses as part of the Arts Education Curriculum. The commitment form must be

signed by student and parents/guardian and returned to the homeroom teacher by May 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a parent information night on our BAND and DRAMA/DANCE/MUSIC programs held on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30PM for anyone needing more information before making a decision for next year.

## THANK YOU WARMAN PIZZA HUT



A bouquet of thanks to the Warman Pizza Hut who through their fundraising partnership with First Book Canada donated over 25

books to WCMS classroom libraries. Staff and students appreciate your support of our literacy initiatives.

## GRADE 8 SCHOOL FAREWELL PROGRAM

Grade 8 students, parents, and guardians – mark your calendars! WCMS will be hosting a farewell program for Grade 8 students and their parents/guardians on Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00PM.

Due to the size of the group and available space, this program is reserved for WCMS Grade 8 students and their parents/guardians. More detailed information on the program will be

forwarded to Grade 8 families in June.



## WEAPONS IN SCHOOLS REMINDER

A reminder to all stakeholders about Prairie Spirit School Division's expectations and procedures around weapons in schools. The procedure provides a consistent approach for all Prairie Spirit schools to follow to ensure the safety of students and staff.

The procedure states that students and adults must not possess or use real or replica weapons on school premises or at school-sponsored activities held off school premises. This also includes transportation on the school bus. **There are no exceptions to this procedure.**

Examples of weapons include, but are not limited to:

- hand guns
- rifles

- shot guns
- air rifles
- knives
- tasers
- laser pointers
- pepper spray
- multi-tools that include a blade
- any liquid, spray or powder capable of injuring, immobilizing or otherwise incapacitating any person
- daggers
- crossbows
- explosives
- tear gas
- mace

Under certain circumstances, the principal, in consultation with the school division, may give permission for an item in the school that could be considered to be a weapon (e.g., tools or equipment of Practical and Applied Arts or Phys. Ed.).

If other students are aware of a student in possession of a weapon, they should inform a staff member.

In-school administrators are authorized to take the necessary steps to remove weapons from the school. This will include following an established school safety protocol and contacting the police.

The safety of our students is our first priority. Our dedicated staff members work every day to ensure our students are learning in a safe and caring environment.

If you have any questions or if you would like to review the procedures document, please contact us at 306-683-3000.



## SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCILS—SPRING ELECTIONS

### School Community Councils – Spring Elections 2018

*A primary link between the home, community and school*

Our School Community Council (SCC) supports student learning success and well-being and encourages parent and community involvement in the school. Prairie Spirit School Division believes that involvement with SCCs is a rewarding and meaningful activity for parent and community members. If you would like to make a difference at our school, please consider running in the upcoming SCC election. Parents and members of the community are eligible to run for the local SCC.

Our School Community Council has FIVE positions open for members for two-year terms beginning fall, 2018. We have FOUR members who will be remaining for their second year for 2018/19.

**Our SCC election will be held: Thursday, May 3, 2018**  
**Warman Community Middle School Staff Room**  
**6:30pm**

*Please contact the school office for more information and for nomination forms.*

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**No School for  
Students  
May 18th & 21st**



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Children](#)

Find more family health info at:  
[www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca](http://www.saskatoonhealthregion.ca)  
(Search: school newsletter in-  
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**HEALTHY STUDENTS = BETTER LEARNERS**



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