

June 2019

As we write this message for the June newsletter on the final day of May it is an odd feeling to think that in four short weeks another school year will have come to an end. This year has been full of students discovering, exploring, understanding and working hard with their learning. Even though we are near the end of the school year, the learning continues. Many people think of schools as a place where students go to learn. This is true, but at Warman Elementary we celebrate that our school is a place where adults are also learning and growing. This month we would like to extend a big bouquet of thanks and celebration to our teaching staff for their efforts to document and share their learning this year with colleagues in our school and with our school division through our school division's *Learning for Life* framework for improvement.

June is always a busy time in the school year and as we look ahead on our school calendar the month seems full of school track days (the week of June 3-7), field trips, and year end activities. We will be holding our annual Family Picnic Day on Friday, June 21 over the noon hour and would love to see you join us and your child to enjoy a picnic lunch. Weather permitting, we will hold the picnic outdoors, so make plans to bring a blanket/seating and lunch to school for your family. If the weather does not cooperate we will eat inside. While you are here, please take a moment to check the Lost & Found tables near the front of the school to see if any of your children's belongings are there. There are MANY items that need to be claimed before the end of June when we donate these leftover items to charity.

A year filled with countless creative and varied learning experiences that students have been afforded this year comes from the efforts and energy of our dedicated staff. We would like to acknowledge and thank the Warman Elementary staff for their investment in your child's learning growth! As well, a sincere thank you to our Bus Drivers for seeing students safely transported to and from our school throughout the school year. Thank you to our custodial staff for your care with helping keep our school clean and safe for student learning! We would also like to thank you, parents and guardians, for your support and partnership with the school as we work together to help your children learn and grow. In particular, we acknowledge the leadership of our School Community Council and the perspective and commitment they provide to continuing to make WES a great place to be. To all, we wish you a safe and fun summer and look forward to seeing you in the 2019/2020 school year.

Admín Team, Greg Tebay & Orlando Pauls



DATES TO REMEMBER

June 3

Deadline for PreK Applications

June 3

Grade 1 Track & Field Subway lunch for Grade 1

June 4

Grade 2 Track and Field Subway Lunch Grade 2

June 4

Kindergarten Orientation 9:30a.m-10:30a.m 1:00p.m – 2:00p.m

June 5

Grade 4 Track and Field Subway Lunch Grade 4 & KA

June 6

Grade 3 Track and Field Subway Lunch Grade 3 & KB

June 7

Grade 5 Track and Field Subway Lunch Grade 5

June 10

Spray Park Kindergarten – AM

June 11

Kindergarten Spray Park - AM

June 12

Grade 4 Spray Park

June 13

Grade 1 Spray Park – AM Grade 3 Spray Park – PM

June 14

Grade 5 Visit to WCMS

June 19

Grade 5 Pike Lake Grade 3 Bowling AM Grade 3 Spray Park PM Grade 4 Batoche Kindergarten Farm Visit

June 20

Kindergarten Farm Visit

June 21

Hat & Sunglasses Day! Family Picnic - noon

June 25

Kindergarten Progress Reports Jumbo Freezie Sale \$1.00

June 26

Kindergarten Progress Reports Grade 1-5 Learning Summaries Last Day of School



Family Picnic June 21 @ 12:00

Parents / Guardians, siblings, family members are invited to join their student at W.E.S for a picnic style lunch outside on the school grounds (weather permitting).

*If the weather does not cooperate everyone is invited to find a space inside.



SRC FUN!

June 21st - Hat and Sunglasses Day!



June 25th - Jumbo Freezie Sale \$1

Proceeds going towards the purchase of a school mascot



If your child will be 5 years old by December 31, 2019 (born in 2014), it's time to start thinking about Kindergarten! Kindergarten registrations for the 2019/20 school year are now being accepted. Please contact the school to register your Kindergarten-aged child. We will be holding a Kindergarten Orientation on June 4th for registered families.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



8:35 a.m.: First Bell 8:40 a.m.: Classes Begin 10:15 a.m.: RECESS

10:30 a.m.: Classes Resume

12:00 p.m.: LUNCH

12:25 p.m.: LUNCH RECESS 12:45 p.m.: Classes Resume

2:52 p.m.: Dismissal



Milk is available for purchase at a cost of \$1.00 / milk or a milk punch card can be purchased for \$20.00 from the office.

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Cell Phones and Devices

Please do not send your child (ren) to school with personal devices such as cell phones, ipods, ipads etc. There may be times when a teacher will ask students to bring a device for an educational purpose but you will receive notice from a teacher in advance. If emergencies arise, parents can always get in touch with their child (ren) by phoning the office.

Exterior Doors

For safety reasons, all exterior doors are locked throughout the day except for the morning and over recess and noon hour. The main entrance of the school is always open.

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Extended Absences

If your child will be away from school (medical, vacation, etc) please connect with your child's teacher and the office in advance.



All un-used milk cards can be sent back to school with your child in the fall and used for the new school year.



Please stop by our lost and found and re-claim your child's belongings. Lost items such as jewelry, car keys, bike locks, eye glasses etc. are located in the office.



Library News

The last day for students to sign out library materials is June 7th. We would like all library materials to be returned to the library by June 14th

BLUE BAGS

Please wash, dry and return your child's blue bag to school June 20th. This bag will be reused by your child for the following school year.



Prairie Spirit School Division Bus Garage News

The Prairie Spirit School Division-bus garage is moving to an automation process for informing families of school bus information for next year.



MyStop is a multipurpose application (phone app) that will not only allow you to view your child's school bus on route, it also allows notifications either automatically (your bus is running on time) or notices can be pushed (your route is cancelled today) to individual routes or division wide within seconds.

Next year the Bus Garage will no longer make phone calls to parents/families to advise of bus issues but instead, be using the MyStop phone app for notifying families of bus route conditions.

MyStop is free to use for all smart phones & android phones. Simply go to the App Store, search for "mystop" and download the app. It is available to download now. Once completed, you will need to contact your school for your log-in and password credentials. Once you have entered these, you are logged in permanently. Whenever you click on the MyStop icon on your phone, you will be logged in and able to view your bus location.

Remember to "allow push notification" when asked, when downloading the app. This will allow the push notification communication to pop up on your phone when the bus garage sends information.

Our bus information web page (<u>www.spiritsd.ca</u>) and information hot line (306-683-2805) will continue to be operational.

Bussing Department: 8th Street East Extension, Saskatoon SK Phone: 306-374-2496, Fax: 306-374-2862

LEARNING SUMMARIES

The year-end Learning Summaries will be handed out to students on Wednesday, June 26 which is the last day of classes. If a student is absent on that day parents/guardian are welcome to come and pick up report cards until Friday noon. After this time, any remaining reports cards will be mailed out and no longer available at the school for pickup. If a student is not in attendance on the Wednesday and nobody is able to pick the report card up at the office you will have to wait to receive it in the mail as **teachers will not be handing them out earlier.**

Registrations and Withdrawals of Students

As the school year comes to a close and over the summer there are sometimes changes to families moving to and from our community. Please assist us in smooth planning for next fall by communicating and plans to register or withdraw students by contacting the school office and your child's homeroom teacher.

We are proud of the strong school culture and the learning communities that have been developed at both Warman Elementary School and Traditions Elementary School. Our elementary schools in Warman benefit from predictable, balanced and stable student enrolments. Please note that moving your child from one public elementary school in Warman to the other requires the approval of our Learning Superintendent, Mr. Kim Beaulieu (306-683-2840). A request of this nature will be considered when there are special circumstances. Thank you!

Healthy Eating Ideas for Year-End Parties

The end of the school year is a time to celebrate the success of students and enjoy the start of the summer season. Take this opportunity to offer tasty, nutritious foods in the classroom and at school celebrations. Some choices are:

Prepare Sandwiches

- Choose 100% whole-grain bread
- Use lean, unprocessed meats
- Include vegetables like lettuce, tomato, red and green peppers, sprouts and cucumbers
- · Select cheese with less than 20% fat
- Choose low or reduced fat sauces and limit the amount you use to 1 or 2 teaspoons per serving

Have an outdoor barbecue

- Use 100% whole grain buns
- Choose lean or extra-lean hamburgers with less than 480 mg of sodium per serving
- Serve grilled chicken breasts on buns as an alternative to hotdogs
- Dress up the burgers with lettuce, tomato and other vegetables

Healthy beverages

- Have lots of water available
- Low-fat milk or soy-alternatives are good choices
- Choose 100% fruit and vegetable juices with no added sugar or sweetener
- Smoothies made with fruit, milk and yogurt

Vegetables and frui

- Raw vegetable and fruit platters with low-fat & lowsugar dips are favourites
- Frozen fruit skewers make great alternatives to popsicles

Other healthy snack foods

- Dried fruit with no added sugar
- Reduced-fat cheese pieces
- Whole-grain pitas with tzatziki sauce, hummus or spreads made with pureed peas, bean, lentils or vegetables such as red peppers
- Individual yogurt cups frozen with a popsicle stick
- Healthy granola bars
- Low fat, low salt popcorn

Resources

Healthy foods for my school – the standards outlined by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health to ensure you are providing the best nutrition to your students.

http://publications.gov.sk.ca/documents/13/10635 6-Healthy-foods-for-my-school-nutrition-standardsfor-saskatchewan-schools.PDF



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West Nile Virus -Reducing the Risk

- West Nile Virus (WNv) is a virus that can cause disease in people, birds, and horses.
- WNv is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito which is most active in July, August and early September.

What are the signs and symptoms

- Most people infected with WNv have no symptoms or have very mild disease which causes flu-like symptoms.
- Rarely, WNv causes severe disease such as meningitis or encephalitis.
- Symptoms can begin 2 to 14 days after the bite of an infected mosquito.

- Reduce mosquito populations by:
 Draining any standing water (such as old tires, wading pools, eaves troughs). Empty and clean bird baths weekly.
- Aerating ornamental ponds and stocking fish that eat mosquito larvae.
- Covering rain barrels with screens, mesh size should be less than 1.5 mm.
- Keeping grass cut short.
- Keeping swimming pool covers free of stagnant water.

How is West Nile Virus prevented?

- Wear light coloured, loose-fitting clothes with long sleeves and pants when spending time outside.
- Make sure that window and door screens fit tightly and are free from holes.
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 Apply mosquito repellent that contains
 DEET or Picaridin 20% (lcaridin) based on
 age recommendations when you are
 outdoors, especially at peak biting periods
 such as dawn and dusk.

DEET Recommendations	
Age	Recommendation
0-6 months	Not recommended
6 months – 2 years	10% or less Limit use to once a day; avoid hands and face
2 – 12 years	10% or less ■ No more than 3 times per day, avoiding parts of the hands which may have contact with eyes or mouth
12 year and up	Up to 30%
Pregnant and nursing mothers	Consult physician

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Contact Us! 1-306-856-3142 <u>Highlighterhelpers@hotmail.com</u> Find us on Facebook

What is Highlighter Helpers?

Highlighter Helpers is a nonprofit organization based out of Outlook, SK.

The goal of this organization is to provide school supplies to families in need.

We know that the average family spends \$125 on school supplies every year, per child! This can put a lot of financial pressure on a family to find supplies.



Who can get help?

Any family across
Saskatchewan that feels like
they need help should apply.
We also are glad to hear
from representatives from
schools or other groups!



Why do we do this?

We know that for students to succeed, they need to have the proper supplies. If we can provide them with these supplies, we can remove a barrier to their future!

Do you need some help?

We are here to help any family in need! We do not require proof of income. If you have a child in school, and you need help to get them school supplies, contact us! It's that easy! All we need is your child's school supply list, and an address to mail them to. This information is kept strictly confidential. Then, we gather the supplies and

Post, or hand deliver them!

Need some help? Email us today!

ship them to you via Canada

What school Supplies do we offer?

- pencils
- notebooks
- headphones
- scrapbooks
- markers
- crayons
- duo tangs

- scissors
 - pencil cases
 - erasers
 - pens
 - rulers
 - white glue / glue sticks
 - Anything you ca think of
- *At this time we are unable to provide gym shoes







A THING OR TWO ABOUT OUR CREW...



Rhonda Scriven

Hi friends of Warman Elementary! This is my first year at Warman Elementary as a Special Education Resource Teacher. I have been a Special Education teacher for 17 years and moved to Warman 2 years ago. I am a mom of two boys who keep me busy playing hockey, ball hockey and lacrosse. During the summer you can find us at the lake wake surfing and fishing. I have had an exciting year at W.E.S this year. ©



Brandy White

Hi everyone! My name is Brandy White and I teach Grade 2. My husband and I moved to Warman about 10 years ago and I have been teaching at Warman Elementary since 2010. I have 3 little boys who are now all at school with me during the day and keep me very busy with sports and activities the rest of the time. In the summer we spend as much time at the camper, on the boat or sitting on a beach as possible. I love being outside, reading and traveling around seeing new things. I hope everyone has had a great school year and a relaxing summer ahead!

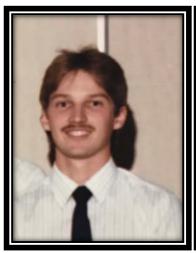


Michelle Wright

I have lived in Warman for 14 years with my husband Stuart, son (18) and daughter (11) who both attend school at W.E.S. We moved from the UK 14 years ago and immediately made Warman our home. I have been an EA for 5 years and this will be my second year at W.E.S.

Warman Elementary School would like to acknowledge and congratulate Orlando Pauls and Carol Demchuk-Kosolofski on their retirement. We're really going to miss you! Hope you enjoy every minute of your retirement. Best wishes!

Orlando Pauls







I began teaching in Warman in 1987. Yes, 32 years ago! I had never been in the town of Warman and was fortunate enough to land my first teaching job in grade 5/6 thanks to John Redekopp the principal of the school at that time. We were at the furthest north/west end of town in those days and vividly remember taking our students sledding on a hill just west of the school and playing survival games in the brush around the school. Little did I know that I would remain a part of the school up until today. I have felt very blessed to be a part of the community for so many years. I have enjoyed past students returning to the school as parents and reminiscing of days gone by. Just writing this I am starting to feel much older. As most of you know my time as a part of Warman Elementary School is coming to an end as I will be retiring at the end of this year. I am very excited and yet a little apprehensive. Being a part of this school community for so long has not only been what I do, but truly part of who I am. I am happy to say that I will always speak fondly of the many things we have accomplished each and every year. Both the successes and failures. Often, the best learning has come from failure. I do look forward to spending time with family and I do enjoy spending time in the awesome outdoors year round. My time at W.E.S. has been a highlight and yet it is time to move on and see what the next chapter brings. This I can say with confidence, Warman Elementary will continue to be a place that fosters a climate, Where Everyone Succeeds! A heartfelt thank-you to the students, staff, and parents. Cheers!

Carol Demchuk - Kosolofski



It has been great to spend the last few years of an interesting and varied career at Warman Elementary School. Thank you to the students, staff and parents of WES for being part of my journey!