

January 2022

Dear School Families,

Brrrrrr!!!! What a first week back!! It was good to see everyone back this new year, once we all thawed out from being popsicles out there. We were so grateful this week for everyone digging deep and persevering to get here, clear the snow, bundle up and make our first week back together special. We had a great time catching up and are right back “in the groove” together again. This week, we have had student guests at announcements teaching us all about Ribbon Skirt Day on Tuesday, joining us to explain what makes them feel special (traditional clothing, special handmade necklaces from family members, jerseys from their teams, medals and so on), on Wednesday, telling us what they were thankful for on “Thankful Thursday” and on Friday we get to dance and sing our way into school with our “Feel Good Friday music”!! This month, we will continue to delve deeper into our school goals with a focus on growth in literacy for all students. We are also continuing our path in reconciliation as well as initiatives for mental health and wellness to help bring us together, increase our understanding and have a lot of fun too. We can’t wait to hang our newest student-led painting in our foyer done in partnership with a local artist and share in an initiative for students and staff called “the caring tree” to share our collective voice and celebrate greatness.

Have a wonderful month everyone and stay warm!!

Yours in Learning,
Mrs. Olson (Principal) and Mrs. Lacoursiere (Vice Principal)



DATES TO REMEMBER

January 4
Classes Resume

January 14
SRC Spirit Day
Dress Like Your Teacher Day!

January 27
Family Literacy Day

January 28
SRC Spirit Day
Bring Anything But A Backpack Day

January 31
Prep /PD
No classes for students

February 8 & 10
Gr. 1- 5 Conferences

Covid Rapid Tests

Families requesting rapid test kits (5/box) can contact their child’s teacher and if/when able, they will send it home in your child’s backpack for you as soon as they are able.



Registering for 2022/2023 Kindergarten

Registration is open for 2022/2023 Kindergarten at Warman Public Schools (Prairie Spirit School Division) to children born in 2017.

Please use the following link to read more information about the registration process this year.

[Welcome-to-Kindergarten-in-Warman – Registration Information](#)

The Caring Tree

Our Mental Health Literacy Team continues to create opportunities to notice, share and celebrate moments of care and connection in our school and on our playground. We will be taking time this month to show others that we care, and as a school, taking time to remember and acknowledge caring moments by posting them on our Caring Tree Bulletin board and periodically sharing them on announcements.



Hello soon to be Willow readers!

The Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice Awards is excited to be celebrating their 20th Anniversary promoting Canadian literature to the children and youth of Saskatchewan and Canada. This is a contest supporting up and coming authors throughout Saskatchewan and Canada. The Willow Board will take hundreds of candidates and narrow it down to 10 books per category.

The categories are:

- The Shinning Willow (young to grade 3) (read 5 or more)
- Diamond Willow (Grades 4-6) (read 4 or more)
- Snow Willow (Grades 7 and up) (read 3 or more)

Children and youth can vote for their favourite book in any category in which they have read (or had read to them) the minimum number of books required. All of the books can be found in our lovely school library.

Wintry weather and short days make this a wonderful opportunity to curl up by yourself or as a family with some interesting, exciting, and fun books written by our Saskatchewan and Canadian authors and you can be part of voting for the winner!

National Ribbon Skirt Day



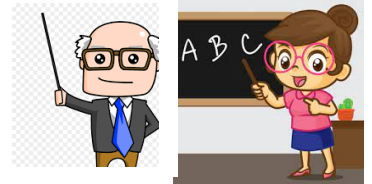
Honouring National Ribbon Skirt Day 2022 at É.W.E.S.
Students wore ribbons and learned about the significance of this day, together.

Today we wore things that made us proud of who we are.
What a wonderful day of sharing and learning more about one another!

SRC EVENTS

January 14

Dress like your teacher Day!



January 28

Anything but a back pack day...use your imagination!



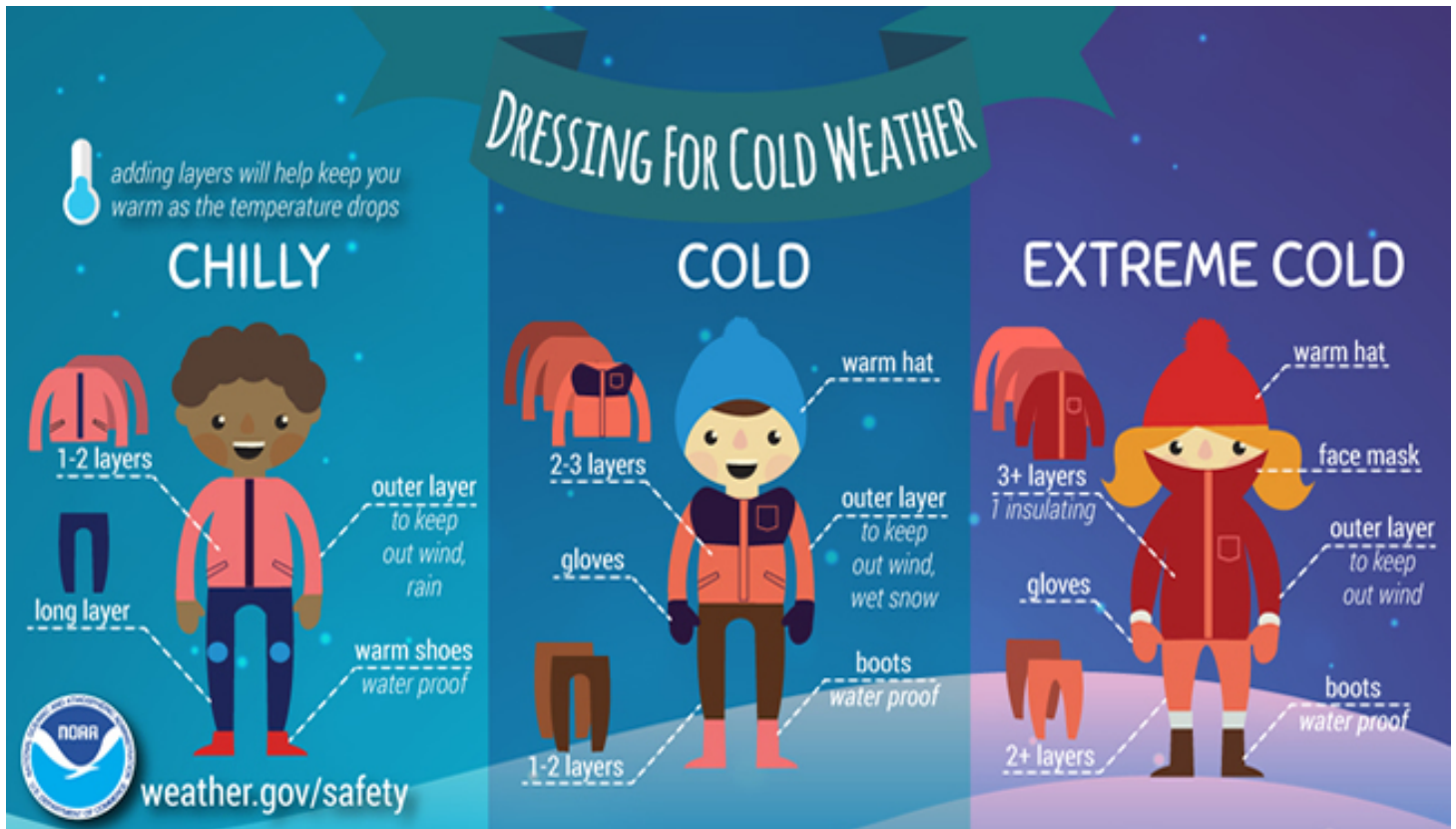
Family Literacy Day / Week

The Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed January 27, 2022, as Family Literacy Day and January 23 to 29, 2022, as Family Literacy Week in Saskatchewan. The week provides opportunities for communities, libraries, schools and other organizations to plan events that raise awareness about the importance of family literacy. Parents with literacy skills support children to acquire literacy skills, contributing to strong families and strong communities.

~ STAY TUNED FOR EVENTS HAPPENING THIS WEEK ~



We'd like to remind everyone that with the snow and cold temperatures comes the need to send your children to school prepared for the cold and snowy weather (even on days where we might be enjoying an indoor recess). In the event of an emergency evacuation your child will need to be dressed appropriately for the outdoors. Please ensure they come to school wearing a coat, hat, ski pants, mitts, and winter boots in extremely cold weather.



THANK YOU SCC!

A HUGE merci to our SCC fundraising sub-committee for the gifts each classroom received!! Every class got to open up a few presents early and found brand new board games to share for those cold indoor recess days! Thank you!