

Dear ÉWES Families,

It brings us such joy to get to write our June newsletter message to you!! June is always a month of celebration and reflection and memory making. This school year has been truly unique and we have grown as a school, as individuals and as a team making memories together and helping one another as we learn, together. I saw a quote the other day that really sums up how we, as educators feel at this time of year that said, *"One of the hardest things about being a teacher is that you make a little family and then you say goodbye. Every. Single. Year."* From our Teachers to our EAs, to our Caretakers to our Office Staff, we are all so proud of all our EWES students, staff and families for how we came together, navigated changes, embraced new opportunities, and committed to continuous learning throughout. Woohoo!!

Thank you, ÉWES families for your support this year. We hope that you all enjoy a beautiful, safe and sunny summer together as a family!

Take good care everyone,

Yours in Learning,
Danielle Olson (Principal)
Nicole Lacoursiere (Vice Principal)



<u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u>
June 2 Grades 1-2 Track Day
June 2 Booster Juice – Healthy Hunger
June 3 Grades 3-4 Track Day
June 3 Booster Juice – Healthy Hunger
June 6 Teacher PD/Prep - No Classes for Students
June 8 No School for Kindergarten Students
June 8 Alternative Date Track Day Grades 1-2 (only if June 2 rained out)
June 9 Alternative Date Track Day Grades 3-4 (only if June 3 rained out)
June 10 Grade 5 Track Day
June 10 Booster Juice Healthy Hunger
June 13 SCC Meeting
June 15 Alternative Date Track Day Grades 5 (only if June 10 rained out)
June 21 National Indigenous People's Day
June 23 Kindergarten B Class Celebration
June 24 Kindergarten A Class Celebration
June 24 EWES Family Picnic Day
June 24 SkyBoyz Drum & Dance Performance
June 24 Boston Pizza Healthy Hunger
June 28 Last Day of School – Progress Reports

Olivia and Ivan Inclusion Award



Every year at ÉWES, we celebrate inclusionary practices and, each spring, we have the Olivia and Ivan Inclusion Award to recognize those who create lasting change and measurable differences in those who have disabilities. For those that break the barriers, demonstrate inclusion, friendship, awareness, kindness, and advocacy. We would like to congratulate this year's nominees *Houston Hart*, *Xena Hodder* as well as this year's award recipient (name will be engraved on the plaque donated by Olivia and Ivan's family) *Piper Ratcliffe* for demonstrating inclusionary behaviors such as friendship, kindness and advocacy for students with exceptional needs. Their actions and behaviors have the potential to create a lasting change and these students seek to learn and demonstrate leadership in their knowledge of inclusionary practices. Congratulations!!

SPIRIT DAYS!



June 15th
Jersey Day



June 24th
Beach Day/Freezie Sale



Kindergarten "Meet and Greet"

This month, our upcoming French and English Kindergarten students will be attending a "Meet and Greet" session to get a chance to come with their family member, see the school, and meet the teachers. We look forward to getting to know our newest ÉWES students!!



Our Lost and Found items will be placed on display in the front lobby of the school during the Track Days and Family Picnic Day in June. Please feel free to come by and collect your child's belongings before summer vacation.

ALL ITEMS will be located on the table in the lobby If you do not see something you are missing, it is not in our lost and found.



RUNNING CLUB

We are wrapping up our distance challenge for our running club next week. We were thrilled to have over 115 interested grade 3 and 5 students work to complete either a 10km or a 21.1 km distance challenge by running either 1km or 2 km over lunch twice a week for the past 5 weeks. Throughout these runs they have realized how much further and faster they can now run and we love to hear the encouraging words they say to each other during each run. We hope you will all continue to run throughout the summer with your families! Make sure you attend our last run next Thursday June 2 for a special wrap up celebration!

~ Mrs. Wruck, Mr. Flett, Mrs. Mulligan, Mme. Jarema

ÉWES TRACK DAY



June 2 – Grade 1/2 Track Day (Alt. Day if Rains June 8)
June 3 – Grade 3/4 Track Day (Alt. Day if Rains June 9)
June 10 – Grade 5 Track Day (Alt. Day if Rains June 15)
Regular School Days will be happening for our other grades during your child's Track Days so if you are planning to watch, please meet your student outside at their events.
All hotdogs that were pre-ordered will be delivered to classrooms at 12:00pm – unfortunately there will be no extra hotdogs available to purchase on track days. A concession (chips, candy bags, freezies etc.) will be open in the gym and items will be \$1 each. Thank you for your purchases during the track days in support of our playground project fundraiser.



National Indigenous Peoples Day June 21st

"This is a day for all Canadians to recognize and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. The Canadian Constitution recognizes these three groups as Aboriginal peoples, also known as Indigenous peoples. Although these groups share many similarities, they each have their own distinct heritage, language, cultural practices and spiritual beliefs."



In our continuous efforts to bring awareness to this important day, our Pre-K classrooms will be planting orange flowers in front of our school.

Jr. Sky Boyz Drum and Dance Group & ÉWES Family Picnic Day June 24th

The Jr. Sky Boyz Drum and Dance Group from Stobart School in PSSD will be joining us at 11:00 am on June 24th, just before our EWES Family Picnic, to share their gift of music, song and dance with our staff and students. Stobart Community School is working to promote Truth and Reconciliation through song and dance. The Sky Boyz Jr. drumming group, led by Mr. Peter Eagle and Dancers (Jingle, Fancy, Grass, Traditional) will join us on this special morning and share their gifts with us at ÉWES as we seek to learn. Family members attending the picnic at lunchtime are welcome to come early and join us for this special performance as well!! We will be gathering outside in the southeast field for the performance. Guests are welcome to gather around, on the outside of the circle once classes are seated.

Families that have pre-ordered lunch/pizza through Healthy Hunger will have their food items delivered to classrooms by 11:45am, at that time families will be able to go and pick up their lunch and child from their classroom and start the picnic by noon.

ÉWES Assemblies...



Mini Assembly #1

We can't even describe the feeling of gathering for our first mini assemblies last month, but it was awesome!! Getting the chance to re-learn (or for many of our young ones, just to learn and experience for the first time) what it looks like, and sounds like to come to a school assembly was so meaningful. Our little performers from grades 1-3 were beaming with pride and they felt honored in sharing their learning of the song Gitsagakomin (Blackfoot Song), the Red River Jig and the Rabbit Dance. We had a special performance by one of our Grade 1 students as well sharing his Grass Dancing. Upon reflection, we think the best part was that we were learning from one another.



ÉWES East
Playground
Project
Coming Spring
2023



Whole School Assembly #2

We had a chance to gather as a whole school and celebrate learning. Our choir sang for us and we had the chance to sing our school song, written by Mrs. Tempel, all together for the first time in years!! We also had some inspiring monologue presentations from some of our Grade 5 students and then got to participate in a whole school fun dance! Finally, to wrap it up, we heard a little about our Playground Project and took a whole school photo as it was "School Colours Day". It was so much fun!!



Hip Hop Hoop Dancer Assembly #3

World champion hoop dancer, Terrance Littlelent, collaborated with interdisciplinary artist's Chancz Perry and Jamie Walker to perform a cross-cultural fusion of First Nations Hoop Dance and North American Hip Hop for ÉWES students and staff to enjoy. A big thank you to the Organization of Saskatchewan Arts Councils (OSAC) School Touring program for organizing the tour and thank you to Saskatchewan Lotteries and SaskCulture for funding the program.

THANK YOU!



A huge thank you to the City of Warman and Warman Fire Rescue as well as ÉWES parent volunteers for organizing such a fun day for our little cyclists at ÉWES!! We learned how to stop, signal, obey traffic signs and to stay within the pilons. We had a ton of fun- Merci and Thank You!!



June is Pride Month

Staff and students are welcome to wear rainbow colours anytime during the week of June 6th -10th to recognize and support diversity of our staff and students.



Prairie Spirit Learners feel accepted, confident + safe to engage in learning where individual diversity, ability, interests, backgrounds, cultures + life experiences are welcomed and valued.

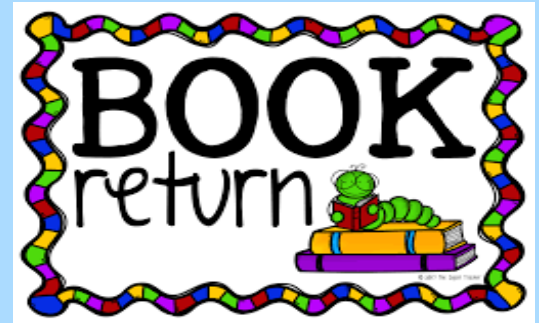
A note from your School Community Council...

Welcome to our new and returning SCC Members. We are looking forward to working together for the 2022-2023 school year.

- Erin Huber
- Codi Ens
- Jasmine Reddekopp
- Julia Halford
- Seerat Deck
- Amy Winik
- Laura Davies
- Jeannie Lade

Thank you and farewell to Russel Hoffman for his years of service and dedication to the ÉWES SCC. If you are interested in joining or helping out with the ÉWES School Community Council, please reach out to the school via email at wes@spiritsd.ca and we can help point you in the right direction of becoming a member.

We would like to say a big Thank You to our wonderful SCC members for helping to cook/serve hotdogs during our school track days this month.



Reminder to please return all library books to your classrooms by June 10th ~ Thank you/Merci!



Seesaw Reminders:

Before the end of June, if you would like to download or keep your child's learning portfolio, you can find information on this Seesaw link:
[How To Download Portfolio](#)

STAY SAFE!



June is a very busy and exciting time for our students and school, we would like to remind everyone to please slow down and be extra cautious while passing through our school zone. Thank you – Merci!



LEARNING SUMMARIES

The last day of student attendance is Tuesday, June 28th. Students will receive their final learning summary, homeroom teacher assignment and school supply list for next year on this day. In cases where a student is not planning to be in attendance on the final day of school, we encourage you to contact the homeroom teacher to plan for a friend/neighbor to bring the year-end documents home. Any unclaimed progress reports will be emailed home by the homeroom teacher on Wednesday, June 29.

Classroom Placements for 22/23

Each spring our school engages in an exhaustive process of creating class lists for the following school year.

Our goal is to place students in a setting that is most appropriate for each child individually and for the group; as a whole.

The final placement of a child is a school-based decision that is made using various criteria including:

- Academic needs
- Social needs and dynamics (individual and group)
- Students who require additional intensive/EA support
- Independence/dependence
- Student relationships

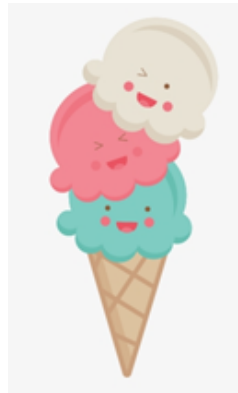
Due to the complexities of placing students in classes, decisions are considered complete and final at the end of June.

**Exception may be if there is significant changes to enrollment numbers over the summer. In the rare event that this may occur, the school office will contact your family in late August if your child will be directly affected. Students will be made aware of who their homeroom teacher is when they receive their June learning summary.*



Prairie Spirit
School
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2022/2023
Calendar

<https://www.spiritsd.ca/files/docs/2022-2023-School-Year-Calendar.pdf>



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COSTUME MAKER WANTED

Do you or someone you know sew in your spare time?

We are looking to update our Bonhomme Carnaval Costume for next winter and you would not believe how difficult it is to find one!! Our current costume was created by Mrs. Olson and grade 5 students years ago with papier-mâché but it is time for a little update 😊.

If you are able and interested, please email wes@spiritsd.ca with your contact information. We will then call you to discuss materials, costs and timeline for creating a new costume.

Thank you in advance!!

