

October 2022

Dear ÉWES Families,

What an incredible first month of school we have had together- and we are not slowing down!! In classrooms, routines and relationships are being established so that students can learn together. Staff work hard to foster safe, welcoming classroom environments that encourage risk-taking, hard work and differentiation for all our students to be their best. Out and about, the halls and schoolyard are truly "a-buzz"- with field trips, assemblies, clubs and sports; giving all of us a chance to participate in all that the school and community has to offer!!

It has also been lovely to get to know more and more ÉWES families already this year through opportunities like the Meet the Staff BBQ, volunteers helping out around the school, to informal visits during pick up and drop off...it is all so great as we grow our school family. We are really looking forward to "shaking-a-leg" with you at the upcoming ÉWES Family Halloween Dance at the end of the month. The School Community Council (SCC) and Student Representative Council (SRC) will be sending out details soon, but please, mark your calendars for the 27th and bring your dancin' shoes!!

Amidst this busy month, it is not lost on us, all that you do at home as partners in education. Thank you for continuing to learn along with us as we adopt and navigate the new Edsby platform. We know that it is much more than a pathway to do attendance and are working to develop our skills to use it as a tool to communicate both as a school in the "news river" and in classrooms through messaging and learning stories. Thank you for your patience, and for ensuring your contact information is always up to date so that we can keep in continuous communication to best support one another as we all support our little learners. We would also like to extend a thank you to families for their care in pick up and drop off (school zones, crosswalks, loops, parking areas, etc.) each day. With over 600 little students walking and biking before and after school, it is so important that we all drive slowly, safely and park in the designated areas, so our children make it to and from school safe each day. We can't thank you enough!

This month, we look forward to welcoming families in for Grade 1-5 Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences. Although we know that our school families have very busy lives, we are hoping for 100% attendance for these valuable conversations to build relationships between home and school, and to support learning and goal setting in each grade level.

As we approach Thanksgiving, we are reminded of how grateful we are for the gift to learn together at ÉWES. We hope that you and your family enjoy a safe and happy long weekend together.

Yours in Learning,

Danielle Olson (Principal) & Nicole Lacoursiere (Vice Principal)



DATES TO REMEMBER

October 6 Wear Green for Rider Pride Spirit Day **October 6** Subway Healthy Hunger Lunch **October 7**

Teacher Prep/PD No Classes

October 10 Happy Thanksgiving! No School

> October 17 SCC Meeting

October 18 - 20 **Book Fair Week**

October 18 & 20 Grades 1-5 Student Conferences

October 19th **Boston Pizza Healthy Hunger** Lunch

October 21

Day In Lieu – No School October 27

SCC – Halloween Family Dance

October 28

Photo Retakes/ Morning Only If your child will not be attendance and needs retakes, please call the school to arrange a time to

come. **October 31** Happy Halloween



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Student-Parent Teacher Conferences Grades 1-5

École Warman Elementary School will be hosting in-person conferences for students, families, and teachers this school year.

Who? All families, students, and teachers at ÉWES

What? Meet to support student learning as a home/school team

Where? Meetings are being held in student classrooms. (in-person)

How? Use the link on the attached instruction sheet to sign up for your interview time.

When? 3:00-6:30p.m. Tuesday, October 18th and 3:00-6:30p.m. Thursday, October 20th

Why? We know that maintaining **ongoing communication** and **relationships** between the *home* and *school* are of utmost importance in supporting student learning. In our conference, students get a chance to bring their family and teacher(s) together to <u>meet, set goals</u> and <u>discuss next steps</u> in learning in a supportive manner.

Note: We would like to <u>ensure that every student/family attends</u> an in-person conference. If there is a reason you are unable to attend a conference on one of the two days provided, please connect with your classroom teacher to schedule an alternate connect.



ÉWES School Clothing



Students and Staff are proudly wearing their ÉWES school clothing. Thank you to all the families who have ordered apparel. Our online store will stay open all year for families to shop at their convenience. Use the link to see the store options.

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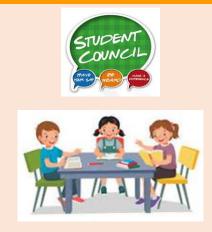
The Book Fair is Coming on October 18th and 20th

The book fair will be open from 3:00-6:30 p.m. on October 18th and 20th to allow families to shop for books during their conference time.



Grade 5 Soccer Club:

The Grade 5 Soccer Club has been busy. They have been meeting to practice, game play and develop some basic skills. On Friday, September 23rd two mixed teams attended the Wild West tournament in Dalmeny. Our soccer kids played great and had a lot of fun. The team will be wrapping up their season with one final tournament on October 6th in Osler. We wish them the best of luck; we are so proud of you!



Grade Five SRC:

The Grade Five SRC is up and running! We have a talented group of student leaders who will be helping to plan, organize, and run events in our school. We know that their efforts will make École Warman Elementary School an even better place to be! Remind your child to check out the SRC bulletin board to find out who is on the SRC, and to learn about upcoming activities and spirit days. We are looking forward to a great year!



Running Club:

We are all so proud of our Cross Country and Step-Up runners! They trained hard to prepare and represented our school both in Langham at the Cross-Country meet and in Saskatoon at the Step-Up fun run. At the Langham cross-country meet we had 9 ÉWES athletes finish in the top 10 of their age division, and 1 first place.

The Cameco Step Up fun run was just that...**FUN!** The energy at the event was so positive and encouraging and every athlete crossed the finish line with a smile on their face! We are so happy to have so many students interested in running. A final Cross-Country meet will take place on October 5th in Langham. Stay tuned for more running opportunities for students in the new year.

[~] Mrs. Wruck and Mrs. Mulligan



Terry Fox Marathon of Hope Reflections

During the month of September, students had the opportunity to learn about Terry Fox and the courage he displayed through his Marathon of Hope. Thank you to all the ÉWES families who donated to the Terry Fox Foundation and to the students who participated in our school walk. Each contribution to cancer research helps to make a difference in the lives of many. Our school was able to raise \$1,839.95 for the Terry Fox Foundation – Thanks again!

Halloween at ÉWES

SCC Pumpkin Carving Contest

All students are eligible to participate in the pumpkin carving contest. Students are welcome to bring their carved pumpkins from home on October 27th to display and be judged by our "local pumpkin carving experts". They will be sent home on Friday October 28th.

SCC Family Halloween Dance

The ÉWES SCC is hosting a Family Halloween Dance at the school on October 27th. Our SRC will be running a treats canteen during this evening as well to help raise money for the ÉWES Playground Project. More details will come out about this event soon – mark your calendars!

<u>October 31st – Halloween Day</u>

Students are welcome to dress up on October 31st for school. If students do not have a costume or wish not to wear a costume, they are welcome to wear orange and black to participate in the day. No toy or costume weapons of any type will be permitted at school (knives, guns, swords, spears, etc.). Also, no gory or scary costumes, makeup, or accessories, we have a lot of very small children at our school and do not want to scare any of them. If families wish to send treats to be shared in the classroom, they are welcome to do so; however please remember we are a nut-free school.



ÉWES Emergency Response Procedures & Fire Prevention Week



Students and staff have begun practicing fire and evacuation drills. We started by simply listening to the fire bell sound, which had classrooms talking and practicing what to do. Over the next few weeks, we will practice our evacuation drills as a whole school. This will blend wonderfully with <u>Fire Prevention Week</u> taking place on October 9-15th.

It is the 100th Anniversary of Fire Prevention week!

On <u>Wednesday October 12th from 5:30-8pm the</u> <u>Warman Fire Hall will be hosting an open house and</u> <u>free BBQ</u>. Free food, giveaways, tours and even a bouncy castle. Kids can have the opportunity to try squirting water from a real fire hose!

Education Week

This year Education Week is October 16th-22nd. The theme is "*Reaching for Tomorrow, Celebrating Today.*" Students will be participating in discussions about their future plans and goals throughout the week. Reaching for Tomorrow, Celebrating Today

> Education Week October 16 to 22, 2022

Célébrons le présent, Préparons l'avenir

Semaine de l'éducation du 16 au 22 octobre 2022

A Message from your ÉWES SCC ...

Who is ready to step into October's beautiful colors? The SCC is looking for one more member to complete their family this year! We hold monthly meetings and actively participate in the school and community to bring awareness (and fun) to the events. Please send an email to wes@spiritsd.ca if you are interested in joining the SCC. Come bring your energy and support for student learning success; jump into an action-oriented effort through community support!

The SCC met in September to plan some exciting events for our students. We will be sponsoring a school performance for all the classrooms presented by Persephone Theatre's school tours in November. We also learned more and are excited about the Edsby platform as a method of communication, information and working to keep schoolhome connected and in ongoing communication. We are also in the throes of planning a Family Halloween Dance for our students and their families for the end of the month! Get your costumes out and mark your calendars for October 27th! More info is to come!!

Finally, the SCC would like to observe that the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation was on September 30th. We are proud to be a part of reconciliation efforts and recognize the importance of working toward Truth and Reconciliation as we reflection on the history and learn about moving forward as a school community.





ÉWES Playground Project

Did you know that ÉWES is installing a new playground structure on the in spring 2023?

ÉWES is in need of some community and school support to cover the costs of this new playground structure.

Are you interested in helping organize and coordinate these fundraising efforts?

A new ÉWES Playground Project Committee is being established to help fundraise the required costs for purchase and installation.

We require community and parent support to ensure that ÉWES students have this new incredible playground structure. If you would like to be involved in these organizing some fundraising efforts and coordinate events the ÉWES Playground Project Committee would love for you to join. We expect to have all fundraising and coordination wrapped up this spring, in time for installation.

Please connect with your child's teacher, or school staff to get involved. The project team will be connecting in mid-October to kick off the planning process and we would love to have you there!

Thanks,

ÉWES Playground Project Committee







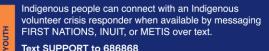
Substitute Caretakers Needed École Warman Elementary School

Contact the school for more information about this flexible opportunity: 306-933-2066 • wes@spiritsd.ca

Go to spiritsd.ca/careers for more information and to apply. All applications must be made through the Division's online application system.



Free 24/7 mental health support for youth and adults in crisis.



- Text SUPPORT to 686868
- Call 1-800-668-6868

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- Talk with other youth at KidsHelpPhone.ca/PeerToPeer
- Text SUPPORT to 741741
- Visit WellnessTogether.ca for mental health and substance use support.











<u>Thank you</u> to the **Stobart Community School JR Sky Boyz Drum & Dance Group** for sharing your gifts with our students and staff as we recognize and learn about National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

École Warman Elementary School Healthy Hunger Information

Healthy Hunger is Back!! École Warman Elementary will once again be offering hot lunches through the Healthy Hunger program for the 2022-2023 school year. **Proceeds will be going toward the school playground enhancement fundraising initiatives**.

Healthy Hunger Lunch ordering is offered to all staff and students from K-Grade 5. Please note however, that for kindergarten classes, Healthy Hunger will alternate between Kindergarten A and B Days. <u>Please</u> only order for kindergarten students on their attending day - double check your calendars!

Schedule:

October 6th- <u>Subway</u> - Kindergarten B & Grades 1-5.

October 19th- Boston Pizza - Kindergarten A & Grades 1-5.

November 3rd- <u>Smoke's Poutinerie</u> - Kindergarten B & Grades 1-5.

November 16th- <u>Pizza Hut</u> - Kindergarten A & Grades 1-5.

December 1st - <u>Booster Juice</u> - Kindergarten B & Grades 1-5.

December 21st - <u>Wendel Clark's</u> - Kindergarten A & Grades 1-5.

*We will add more dates to our second half of the school year later on.



If you already have an account, please proceed to the Healthy Hunger website (<u>www.healthyhunger.ca</u>) and log into your account. At the end of the school year Healthy Hunger always erases your child(ren) from your account so you will be prompted to add your child(ren) and which grade/teacher they are with for this school year. Please ensure that you select the city/town as Warman and the school as École Warman Elementary School. Once you have added your child(ren) you are then able to place your order. If you are new and have not created an account, please proceed to the Healthy Hunger website, and click the green Learn More button under Parents and then sign up for a free account.

 Once you are into your account you will notice that the hot lunch options/dates have been set up for the remainder of the school year (except June - more info will follow). If you would like to proceed and order all your lunches "available to date" you can. At any time you may log back into your account to make changes to your orders.

If you have any questions regarding the lunches, please contact the school at <u>wes@spiritsd.ca</u>. If you have questions or require technical help with the Healthy Hunger website, please call their helpline at 1-800-818-6260.

This option involves use of a third-party on-line scheduler. By using the service, you understand that Healthy Hunger is not affiliated with Ecole Warman Elementary School and that you are trusting Healthy Hunger with data you enter. Healthy Hunger's privacy policy can be found at https://healthyhunger.ca/privacy_policy.php