

#### February 2024

Dear ÉWES Families,

Here we are already in the month of February and looking forward to a month of growth and learning together!

It has been so much fun getting outside with the warm temperatures and the students have been commenting on how much fun they are having with their new playground equipment/recess bins sponsored by the ÉWES Fundraising Committee!! We have seen so many snow sculptures, art, and games out at recess time and not only do these things give our students joy in their day, but they also help them have successful and positive recesses with their peers- so great!!

This month, we continue with our School Goal, To Increase Sense of Belonging at School with a special area of focus around "I feel known and valued". We look forward to our upcoming button-making activity to unveil our motto of *"I learn, I matter, I belong/ J'apprends, Je compte, J'appartiens"* as well as a whole-school reading initiative to help honour and value cultural diversity at our school through literature.

We would like to thank everyone who joined us for our Dessert Potluck!! Coming together for the purpose of learning more about one another and celebrating with sweet treats to share from our own cultures and traditions with one another helps us as we continue our journey as a school family. What a great night!

We are also looking forward to our upcoming Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences this month. We cannot over-emphasize the importance of attending these important opportunities to connect home and school for student success and the chance to help them in meeting their personal goals as a team. Thank you for taking the time to attend!!

For anyone travelling over the February break, we wish you safe travels and for the rest of us back here in Saskatchewan and not on a hot beach-wishing you relaxing and warm winter days where the kids can play outside and enjoy the snow!!

Take good care ÉWES,

Yours in Learning, Danielle Olson (Principal) & Amanda Sproule (Interim Vice Principal)



#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**February** Indigenous Storytelling Month

February 1

Pre-K Registration Opens

February 5-9

French as a Second Language Week

Feb 5-7

SRC "Candy Gram" Presale

February 6 & 8

Grade 1-5 Learning Conferences

**February 6 & 8** Book Fair 3:00 - 6:30 pm

February 7

World Read Aloud Day

February 8

Healthy Hunger – Booster Juice

February 11-17 Staff Appreciation Week

> **February 12** SCC Meeting – 5pm

February 14 Valentine's Day SRC "Wear Valentine Colors" &

Candy Gram Delivery Day February 14

Grade 4-6 Track Relay Club Meet in Saskatoon (evening)

February 16 SRC "Dress Like 100-year-old on the 100<sup>th</sup> day of School"

February 19-23 Winter Break/ No School

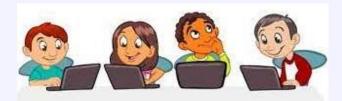
February 28

Healthy Hunger – Wok Box February 28 Let's Lift Each Other Up!

**Pink Shirt Day** 









### Student-Parent Teacher Conferences Grades 1-6

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 emailed instruction sheet to sign up for your interview time.

When? 3:00-6:30p.m. Tuesday, February 6th and 3:00-6:30p.m. Thursday, February 8th

**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.



Wear your **Pink Shirt on February 28<sup>th</sup>** to help raise awareness about bullying.





#### The Book Fair is Coming on February 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> The book fair will be open from 3:00-6:30 p.m. on

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### French Immersion At ÉWES

The Prairie Spirit Board of Education recently approved a plan to add Grade 7 French Immersion to

ÉWES for the 2024/25 school year and Grade 8 to the school for the 2025/26 school year.

These Board decisions support the Division's commitment to expand the

French Immersion program at École Warman Elementary School from Kindergarten to Grade 8.

## Indoor Relay Run Club

We are excited to offer the opportunity for students to be a part of indoor track once again this winter! We have approximately 45 students signed up in grades 4-6 who are currently training for the PR Elementary Relay Meet that will take place on February 14 at the Saskatoon Field House. Our training times are every Friday at lunch recess and Wednesdays after school from 2:45-3:45pm. More details about race times will be posted on our Edsby run club group as they become available so, please ensure your family is connected. Good luck to our athletes!

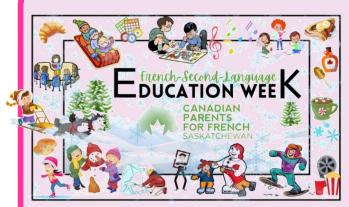
Your coaches Mrs. Wruck and Mrs. Mulligan





#### Indigenous Storytelling Month

February is Indigenous Storytelling Month in Saskatchewan. This special month is a reminder to us in our journey in Reconciliation to continue to take time to learn about and explore First Nations oral traditions, cultural teachings, and traditional stories. There are several storytelling events (virtual and in-person) offered to schools and families this month across Saskatchewan featuring storytellers and artists. Enjoy learning!!



#### French Second Language Week

This Year's Theme: A perfect time to celebrate the FSL community! Un moment parfait pour célébrer la communauté FLS!

We are excited to honour and celebrate FSL week again this year and look forward to many different activities for our school to learn more as a dual-track English and French Immersion School!! From morning announcements to trivia games, to visits to our local community partners who support us to some special activities throughout the week... we are excited to celebrate this year's theme!! On y va!!

#### École Warman Elementary School Healthy Hunger Information

Healthy Hunger is Back for the new year, please check the dates to ensure you have placed your orders for these

<u>new events!!</u> École Warman Elementary will once again be offering hot lunches through the Healthy Hunger program for the 2023-2024 school year. **Profits from Healthy Hunger help purchase school wide initiatives impacting all students**.

Healthy Hunger Lunch ordering is offered to all staff and students from K-Grade 6. Please note however, that for kindergarten classes, Healthy Hunger will alternate between Kindergarten A and B Days. <u>Please only</u> <u>order for kindergarten students on their attending day - double check your calendars!</u>

#### Schedule:

February 8<sup>th</sup> - <u>Booster Juice</u> - Kindergarten B & Grades 1-6. February 28<sup>th</sup> - <u>Wok Box</u> - Kindergarten A & Grades 1-6. April 6<sup>th</sup> - <u>Subway</u> - Kindergarten B & Grades 1-6. April 24<sup>th</sup> -<u>Taco Time</u> - Kindergarten A & Grades 1-6.



If you already have an account, please proceed to the Healthy Hunger website (www.healthyhunger.ca) and long 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 the school year.

**Please ensure that you select the city/town as Warman and the school as École Warman Elementary School**. Once you have a dded 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 <a href="https://healthyhunger.ca/privacy\_policy.php">https://healthyhunger.ca/privacy\_policy.php</a>





SRC February Events

Candy Gram Sale - Feb 5-7 (Delivery Feb. 14)

Wear Valentine's Day Colours - Feb. 14

Dress like a 100 year old -100th day of school Feb. 16

# ÉWES School Clothing

Students and Staff are very proudly wearing their 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 all the store options.

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ps.com/





## Registering for 2024/2025 Maternelle/Kindergarten

Registration is open for 2024/2025 Kindergarten at Warman Public Schools (Prairie Spirit School Division) to children born in 2019. Please register online using the following link:

Kindergarten Registration Form

École Warman Elementary offers both French and English Programs.

Don't Wait Register Your Student Now!

#### A message from your SCC...

The SCC had a fantastic night in sharing and connecting at our Family Dessert Potluck night! Everyone put on their stretchy pants and joined us for a night celebrating family tradition and discovered many new ones that possibly your family would like to adopt!

It was a fun evening of very delicious treats being shared!



Be sure to mark your calendars! February 11-17<sup>th</sup> is Teacher and Staff Appreciation week, such an important week! This year's theme is '*Shaping the Future Together*'. As we know the Teachers have been really living by this the last few months, and out in the cold the last couple weeks, proving just how important education and the future of education is to all students and families. Show your teacher and the staff some love in any way possible! A homemade card, a coffee or just a thank you goes a long way.

On behalf of the SCC we say a huge THANK YOU/MERCI to all the teachers and staff at ÉWES. You brighten the halls of the school and the lives of the students more than you could even know. We appreciate all of you and all the work and time you put into making everyone feel welcome and important.



Thank you/ Merci to our local RCMP for visiting ÉWES to help us in our learning about digital citizenship and safety online!





Thank you to all our ÉWES families for sending in your donations for Telemiracle 48. Our helping hands wall is filling up fast and we have started unlocking our fundraising levels/rewards.





## **ÉWES Information & Reminders**

#### **Bell Times:**

8:25 AM Welcome Bell 8:30 AM Morning Classes Begin 10:00 AM Recess (Staggered) 10:30 AM Recess (Staggered) 12:00-12:29 PM Lunch / Staggered 12:20-12:42 PM Lunch / Staggered 12:42 PM Classes Resume 2:42 PM Dismissal



\* Outside supervision begins at 8:15am, we ask for the safety of our students that they
 <u>do not arrive at school before this time.</u>

- Please do not park where the pylons are set up in our <u>parking loop</u>. We need to keep this area clear for student access.
- For the safety of everyone please make sure students and adults are crossing at the marked <u>crosswalks.</u>
- Drivers, please take extra caution when driving in front of the school and be aware that things will <u>slow down</u> during the beginning and end of school times.
- We ask that all parents obey the parking and drop off signs at the front of the school and in <u>our drop off lane</u>. The bylaw officer will be issuing tickets for those continuing to park in non-parking areas and stopping in bus lanes during marked hours.
- Dogs/animals are not permitted close to the entrances of the school for the safety and comfort of all our students/teachers as there are many students exiting the building who are not comfortable around pets. Families are welcome to meet their student closer to the field/back of the playground with their pet.