

### January 2025

Dear ÉWES Families,

I hope the new year finds you and your loved ones rested and well and able to reflect on a happy and healthy 2024.

Although we are not even half way through our school year, returning back to our school family in January always feels like somewhat of a new beginning and we welcome the opportunity to continue some of the great learning and relationships that we have made so far this year, and at the same time, welcome a fresh start and a chance to reset keeping our focus on our goals, our personal and collective successes and most importantly, in taking care of one another as members of our school community.

This holiday season, we lost one of our Vice Principals, Nicole Lacoursiere to a courageous battle with cancer. We miss her so much and our thoughts and hearts are with her family at this time. She touched the lives of so many throughout her life in her community, through education, in the dance, hockey, and lake communities and beyond and her bright smile and contagious energy will never be forgotten.

As we come back to school this new year, we look forward to many exciting things in the classroom and as a school. We will approach each day living life to the fullest, taking care of one another and remembering our motto at ÉWES, "I Learn, I Matter, I Belong".

Take care everyone, Yours in Learning,

Mrs. Olson - Principal

Mrs. Lockinger – Vice -Principal





### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

January 6

Classes Resume

January 6

Kindergarten 2025-2026 Registration Opens

January 10

Ribbon Skirt Day (Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> School was on Break)

January 13

SRC Cozy & Comfort Spirit

Day

January 16

Subway Healthy Hunger

January 23

SRC Blast from the Past
Spirit Day

January 27

Family Literacy Day in Saskatchewan

January 27

SCC Meeting 6pm

January 29

Pizza Hut Healthy Hunger

January 31

Teacher Prep
No classes for students





# SRC JANUARY SPIRIT DAYS



Cozy Comfort Day: Snuggle Up in Style!

Monday, January 13th

Throwback Thursday: Dress in a favorite throwback style outfit / blast from the past!

Thursday, January 23rd



Every year, National Ribbon Skirt Day is on January 4th.

As a school, we will honour this day on Friday, January 10th.

Staff and students are encouraged to wear their ribbon skirts, ribbon shirts and/or any items of clothing or jewelry that help them feel proud -be it through their culture or their identity.

For some, this might mean a Ribbon Skirt, but for others, it might be a favourite colour, a necklace or a set of earrings from a relative, a braid, a Métis Sash, a head-covering or a shirt representing the colours of the flag from their family's country of origin.

## Family Literacy Day – January 27<sup>th,</sup> 2025







This year's theme is <u>Learn to Be Green</u>, <u>Together! / Apprendre à être vert</u>, ensemble!

### **Details:**

https://saskliteracy.ca/familyliteracyday/



















THE ÉWES DEBATE CLUB WILL START ITS SECOND CYCLE THIS WEEK WITH THREE MEETINGS IN JANUARY (9TH, 23RD, AND 30TH) AND THREE IN FEBRUARY (6TH, 13TH, AND 27TH). NEW MEMBERS IN GRADES 5 TO 8 ARE STILL WELCOME TO JOIN BUT MUST COMMIT TO COMING TO ALL SIX MEETINGS. EACH MONTH, WE WILL PREPARE FOR A DEBATE ROUND WHERE TEAMS CALLED "SIDE PROPOSITION" AND "SIDE OPPOSITION" WILL CHALLENGE EACH OTHER WITH CONVINCING ARGUMENTS, QUESTIONS CALLED "POINTS OF INFORMATION" (POIS), AND CLASH. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT DEBATE AND PERSUASIVE SPEAKING IN SASKATCHEWAN, VISIT WWW.SASKDEBATE.CA.







# Stitch & Yarn Grades 4 - 7 Club

THE STITCH AND YARN CLUB IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THEIR NEWEST PROJECT TO BEGIN ON JAN 14TH: A BEAUTIFUL VALENTINE'S DAY MOBILE! STUDENTS WILL PUT THEIR CREATIVITY AND SKILL TO WORK, CRAFTING HANDMADE DECORATIONS THAT WILL FILL THE SCHOOL WITH LOVE AND CHEER. TO BRING THIS PROJECT TO LIFE, WE ARE IN NEED OF DONATIONS! IF YOU HAVE ANY EXTRA FELT, EMBROIDERY FLOSS, NEEDLES, OR STUFFING, PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING THESE SUPPLIES. DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE FRONT DOORS OF THE SCHOOL IN THE BLUE BIN. YOUR GENEROSITY WILL HELP OUR TALENTED STUDENTS CRAFT SOMETHING TRULY SPECIAL FOR THE SCHOOL TO ENJOY. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE ARTS!

# ÉWES INDOOR RELAY RUN CLUB

We are excited to offer the opportunity for students to be apart of indoor track once again this winter! We have approximately 40 students signed up in grades 4-7 ready to begin training or our TWO events: The K of C Games on Jan 23rd and 24th and the PR Relays on Feb 12. Both events take place at the Saskatoon Field House after school. Our training times are Wednesday after school from 2:45-3:45 (all students) and on Thursdays at lunch (grade 5/6/7 12:00-12:20) and grade 4 (12:22-12:42). It is important that athletes attend practices or let a coach know if they are not able to attend. More details about the specific race times will be posted to our Edsby run club group as they become available. Please ensure your family is connected to our group. If your child is still interested in being apart of the run club, please contact Mrs. Wruck ASAP.

Good luck to all our athletes!

Your coaches ~ Mrs. Wruck and Mrs. Mulligan



# A Message from Our School Community Council...

#### Welcome 2025!

We hope everyone had a fun and relaxing winter break. The SCC has some exciting things planned as we start a new year to engage our ÉWES Families!

The SCC would like to extend their sympathies to the family and friends of Nicole Lacoursiere, previously Vice Principal at ÉWES. She was a bright light and will be deeply missed.



# 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 2024-2025 school year. **Proceeds will be going toward the school enhancement fundraising initiatives.** 

Healthy Hunger Lunch ordering is offered to all staff and students from K-Grade 7. Please note however, that for kindergarten classes, Healthy Hunger will alternate between Kindergarten A and B Days. <u>Please only order for kindergarten students on their attending day – double check your calendars!</u>

### Schedule:

January 16th - Subway - Kindergarten B & Grades 1-7. (Newly Added)

January 29<sup>th</sup> - <u>Pizza Hut</u> - Kindergarten A & Grades 1-7. (Newly Added)

February 13th- Quiznos - Kindergarten B & Grades 1-7. (Newly Added)

February 26th- Taco Time - Kindergarten A & Grades 1-7. (Newly Added)



If you already have an account, please proceed to the Healthy Hunger website (<a href="www.healthyhunger.ca">www.healthyhunger.ca</a>) 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 (more dates 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 <a href="wes@spiritsd.ca">wes@spiritsd.ca</a>. 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>









It is with deep sadness that we write to share with you the passing of one of our beloved ÉWES family/staff members, Nicole Lacoursiere (Vice Principal) who, after a courageous battle with cancer, passed away over the holidays.

Nicole was an integral member of our school community for the past 6 years. She will be greatly missed by students, staff, and families who had the privilege to work and learn alongside her.

Our thoughts and condolences are with Nicole's family during this difficult time.

Please know that we are here to support our students and staff during this difficult time. Our counseling team will be available to speak with any students who may need emotional support, and we encourage you to reach out if you feel your child may need additional resources.

Our thoughts are with Nicole's family, and we ask that you keep them in your hearts during this challenging time. Thank you for your understanding and support.

You will always be remembered!