



# HERITAGE HILLS ELEMENTARY

## Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

November 29 - December 6, 2021

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[Christmas Bureau Gift Card Donation Drive Continues](#)  
[HHE Fitness Challenge Continues](#)

### This Week at Heritage Hills:

#### Monday, November 29

- Ukulele - Grade 5 & 6 - 12:02 p.m.

#### Tuesday, November 30

- Running Club at Lunch for 4M, 4J, 4/5G, 6Z

#### Wednesday, December 1

- Theme Day: Wear a shirt with a Quote/Slogan Day
- Ukulele - Grade 4 - 12:32 p.m.
- Virtual Earth Rangers Presentation - afternoon
- Early Dismissal

#### Thursday, December 2

- Running Club at Lunch for 5M, 5C, 5/6B and 6C
- School Council - 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Please read message below if attending)

#### Friday, December 3

- Ukulele - Grade 2 & 3 - 12:32 p.m.

#### Monday, December 6

- Canada Learning Code Week
- Hour of Code Week
- Computer Science Week
- Ukulele - Grade 5 & 6 - 12:02 p.m.

## Principal's Message:

Hope you enjoyed the last weekend of November. The good weather is still holding out for us. Report Cards were sent out on Friday evening sharing all of the work and learning our students have put in this year already. Just a reminder on Thursday this week we have School Council from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Looking forward to seeing you there.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call us at (780) 467-7447 or email us at [General.HHE@eips.ca](mailto:General.HHE@eips.ca)

## Amazing Things Happen at HHE:

We are in our final few days of November and starting December. The past few months have flown by and we are so happy with the many opportunities to promote safe and caring schools, citizenship, lifelong learning and parental involvement. Thank you for your continued support. Here are a few highlights from November:

- Remembrance Day Ceremony
- Postcards for Peace
- School Council and FAHHE meetings.
- Bottle Drive fundraiser for future playground equipment
- Purdy's chocolate fundraiser
- HHE School Wear Theme Day
- Ukulele Club
- Running Club
- Morning announcers
- #onebooktogether contest - winners will be notified this week
- [Fitness Challenge](#)
- [Bully Awareness Week](#)
- [Rock Your Mocs](#)
- [Metis Week](#)
- [Christmas Bureau](#)

## School Council:

We are excited to offer School Council meetings once again in person for the upcoming School Council meeting on December 2 in the Learning Commons (6:30 - 8:00 pm). However, in order to maintain physical distancing and follow all Covid Guidelines - we only have 10 spots available for parents wishing to join us in person at school. [Sign up is on a first come, first serve basis](#). We have reserved one spot for our Council Chair Kelly Annelly. Proof of vaccination is required. The meeting will also be available virtually.

Here is the link if you wish to join virtually:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

## Survey:

We would appreciate your feedback through this [survey](#) to help us learn more about parent involvement and student support.

Looking for ways to engage more with Heritage Hills Elementary? Check out this wonderful [resource](#) from EIPS.

## School Counsellor:

My name is Tanya Krekoski and I am the counsellor at Heritage Hills Elementary School. I have been working with EIPS for 15 years starting off as a classroom teacher then moved into a counselling role 6 years ago after obtaining my Masters in Educational Psychology. Some of the services I provide for the school include: working one on one with students to provide mental health support, problem solving skills and general emotional guidance. I work collaboratively with teachers to help with academic and behavioural support and assessments, and fostering positive classroom environments. I also have strong relationships with community organizations and am happy to bridge those connections to families needing extra support. Half of my time is spent at Heritage Hills (Tuesday, Friday and alternating Wednesdays) and the other half is at Woodbridge Farms Elementary. With that being said I am always available via email [tanya.krekoski@eips.ca](mailto:tanya.krekoski@eips.ca) if you would like to connect.

## Christmas Concert:

As you know, we will not be having a concert this year. However, Dr. Boyer will be recording each class performing a Christmas song over these next two weeks. The video will then be posted on Brightspace. As classes become ready to be recorded, a short message will be posted on Brightspace indicating the day that this will be happening for your child.

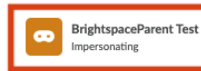
## Brightspace:

Our classroom teachers use Brightspace to communicate weekly with you about what is happening in the classroom, as well as to post assignments, and important information. If you have not already done so, here are the [instructions](#) for logging into Brightspace.

In addition you can have weekly notifications sent to you to see what has been added in the past week. Follow the photos below to see Step 1 - Step 3.



Click on name



MichaelJackson TEST

### MichaelJackson's Work To Do

#### Overdue 3

- Test assignment  
Due Sep 16 • Sandbox 2021-2022
- Example Quiz - Requires Responsus ...  
Due Sep 28 • Sandbox 2021-2022
- Test Assignment - Populating Grades  
Due Oct 15 • Sandbox 2021-2022

#### November 22 - December 5 1

- Sample  
Due Nov 29 • Sandbox 2021-2022

[View all work](#)

### Recent Grades 0

Example Assignment 100 %  
Sandbox 2021-2022

[View all grades](#)

### Portfolio Items



Collected 9/1/2021 10:50 AM

[View all portfolio items](#)

### Latest Posts



Sydney Munsterman posted to Sandbox 2021-2022  
Message • Sep 1, 2021 10:27 AM

Welcome to class! I am so excited to be your teacher! Attached to this post is our first class newsletter of the year. Please remind your adults to login to Brightspace so they can read about all the amazing things going on in our class 😊



BrightspaceParent Test  
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**Notifications**

Account Settings

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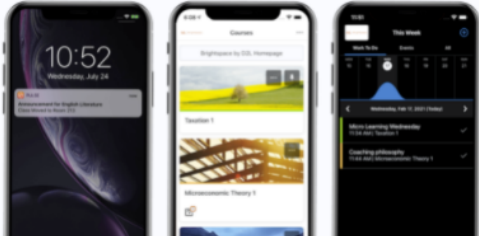
## Notifications

Control how you receive notifications about activity in your courses. You can receive a periodic summary of activity, or receive instant notifications as things happen.

**The Pulse App: Stay Up-to-date on the Go!**

Pulse helps you stay connected and on track with your Brightspace courses!



## Contact Methods

Email Address

[Change your email settings](#)

**Weekly Overview for my Children**

Send me a weekly summary of my child's activity.

Yes, email me a summary

**Click the toggle box and then “save” to receive a weekly summary**

## Yearbook:

As mentioned in last week's weekly, we have experienced issues with the yearbooks on behalf of the company. If you have any questions/concerns please email Ms. Carruthers, at [stacey.carruthers@eips.ca](mailto:stacey.carruthers@eips.ca).

## First Nations, Metis and Inuit Education:

Have you checked out [EIPS' website](#) highlighting the amazing First Nations, Metis and Inuit Education that is happening around our district.

## Volunteers:

We value parent volunteers and are very grateful for all the help they provide for our school. Please remember if you are volunteering at Heritage Hills you will be required to fill out a [Confidentiality Undertaking and Declaration for Volunteers form](#) in accordance with [Administrative Procedure 490](#).

When volunteers arrive at school, please sign in, sanitize and have proof of vaccination ready.

## Christmas Bureau:

Heritage Hills Elementary is excited to participate in the [Christmas Bureau](#) Gift Card Donation program again this year.

## Student Masks:

We are experiencing a number of students who do not have enough masks to make it through the school day. Please send 3 masks to school with your child for every school day (1 to wear and 2 spare). With colder weather, masks often feel wet after an outdoor recess and students will often ask to change their mask.

## Education Station Fundraiser:

Dear Fundraising Participants: We are excited to offer you this great opportunity to support your School while you shop locally for quality educational toys, games and a lot more. With the Holiday season in mind, Education Station is partnering with your School/Organization and inviting your families and friends to shop with this custom link

<https://educationstation.ca/catalogue/ranges/holiday-fundraiser-2021/> which will take you to a specially curated list of products for children ages 1-12, . You can also shop anywhere on the Education Station website, between Nov. 1, 2021- Dec. 7, 2021 . (some exceptions apply)

Just enter this code **HERHILL** in the fundraising code field at the checkout, on the final page, right before you hit Place Order, and Education Station will donate 15% of your purchase directly to your School/Organization.

It's that easy! At check-out you can choose the free in-store/curbside pickup options for either location or have your item shipped/delivered to your house for 10% (min \$10).

Please feel free to share this link and the fundraising code **HERHILL** with family and friends.

Other guidelines to note

1. The Fundraising code can be used to purchase any item in the link as well as other items on our website.

Note: some items are exempt from this promotion including...-sale/clearance items, furniture, carpets and other large items.

2. The Fundraising code **HERHILL** MUST be present on the web order as an identifier so the School/Organization will get credit for the sale and rebate.

3. There will be a 'no return' policy on all items purchased with a Fundraising Code because the School/Organization will receive the 15% rebate.

4. The Fundraising Code will not be valid on our website after midnight Dec. 7, 2021.
5. Depending on the response of Schools/Organizations to this opportunity, items may sell out and be removed from the list or replaced with a new item as stock allows. Education Station will adjust items at their discretion and if an item is ordered that is out of stock they will contact you directly to see if you would like a substitution or removed from your order.
6. This is a website Fundraiser only and will not be valid for in-store shopping.
7. At check-out you can choose in store or curbside pick-up for either store location, or for a small charge you can have your order shipped directly to your home.

Don't Forget to enter the fundraising code **HERHILL** at the CHECKOUT to ensure our school /organization gets credit for your purchase.

At fundraising dollars earned will go to support our outdoor playground.

## Fee Waiver Application Deadline:

If circumstances exist where you're unable to pay school or transportation fees, you can apply to have [fees waived](#) by submitting an [Application for a Waiver of Fees](#). The application deadline is Dec. 15, 2021. If you're new to the Division, the deadline is the latter of Dec. 15, 2021, or 45 days after registration.

To access your fee information, simply log in to the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) and go to "Student Fees." There you can view your fees and pay them online using Visa or MasterCard. All fees are due within 30 days of being posted.

Don't forget to also log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal regularly throughout the year. Fees are often added to your child's account to cover the cost of various school activities such as field trips, class projects, extracurricular activities and more.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines, visit [www.eips.ca/schools/fees](http://www.eips.ca/schools/fees) and <https://www.heritagehillselementary.ca/about/fees>. Alternatively, contact Suzanne Cleet, Business Secretary at the main office at 780-467-7447.

## Learning Disruption Funding for Grades 2-3:

At the end of last school year, the Government of Alberta announced 2021-22 funding for school divisions to help address learning disruptions for grades 1 to 3 students caused by the pandemic. Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) has received \$791,840 in learning disruption funding to support students in grades 2 and 3, a portion of which has been allocated to Heritage Hills Elementary.

The funding will provide targeted programming for specific students identified as requiring additional support in literacy and numeracy. At Heritage Hills Elementary, grades 2 and 3 students participated in the Star Reading Assessment and the Numeracy Assessment Screener earlier this year to assess students' literacy and numeracy levels. Those below the 25th percentile were identified as needing additional supports and eligible for funding. The Government of Alberta learning disruption funding received—at a per-student funding rate of \$490—will support targeted intervention programming for these students.

If your child was identified as needing additional supports, you'll receive more information directly from the school. Intervention programming for identified students will begin in December.

If you have questions about the intervention programming, contact the school office at 780-467-7447.

## Returning Student Registration for 2022-2023

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will once again conduct an online returning student registration process to confirm student registrations for the 2022-23 school year. Families of all current students—with the exception of graduating Grade 12 students—must complete the process to confirm the school their child plans to attend in the 2022-23 school year or advise the Division of their plans not to return to EIPS. Additionally, students who want to attend a non-designated school need to make that request through the returning student registration process—acceptance is based on available space. The 2022-23 returning student registration takes place Feb. 1-28, 2022.

Access to the Returning Student Registration Form is provided through the PowerSchool Parent Portal. If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you need to set one up before Feb. 1, 2022. [Create a PowerSchool Parent Portal account](#)

For more information, contact the school office at 780-467-7447.

## Holiday Decor:

At HHE we are looking to add a few holiday decorations to our front entrance. If you have a large artificial tree with lights you are not using this holiday season that we could borrow - please contact the office.

## Absences, Lates, Appointments, Leaving for Lunch and Leaving Early:

If your child will be leaving to go home for lunch, leaving school early or absent for the day - please call and notify the office. An agenda note does not always make it to the office.



A call to the office ensures that everyone will know where your child is to be at all times. Please call us with this information at (780) 467-7447 or email at [General.HHE@eips.ca](mailto:General.HHE@eips.ca).

In the morning if your child is not walking in with their class, they must go through the front doors and check into the office before going to class. If you are dropping your child off, and the class is not outside, direct your child to the office.

**Enjoy a great week everyone!**

**“Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.”**

**— Chinese Proverb**