



**HERITAGE HILLS**  
ELEMENTARY

# Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

February 7 - February 14, 2022

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## **This Week at Heritage Hills:**

**\*\*[Black History Month](#) - February and Forever: Celebrating Black History today and every day**

**\*\*Ukulele, Running Club and Volleyball on HOLD\*\***

### **Monday, February 7**

- Carnaval begins

### **Tuesday, February 8**

- [Kinder A Hot Lunch Order deadline](#)

### **Wednesday, February 9**

- Cornet d'érable for students
- Valentines due at school if wanting to be handed out for Monday's Valentine's Day fun.
- P/T/S Conferences [Link](#) opens for families at 4:00p.m.

### **Thursday, February 10**

- School Closure - Teacher's Convention
- [Kinder B and Grades 1-6 Hot Lunch Order deadline](#)

### **Friday, February 11**

- School Closure - Teacher's Convention

### **Monday, February 14**

- Valentine's day - Students encouraged to wear Red, White, Pink

## Principal's Message:

After very cold temperatures last week we are looking at warmer temperatures this week which finally means some outdoor recesses. Please make sure your child has the appropriate clothing for the weather. With Teachers' Convention taking place on Thursday and Friday we will have a very short week with our students, but we are excited for the start of Carnaval.

## 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 the current weather, masks often feel wet after an outdoor recess and students will often ask to change their mask.

Once again, thank you for all the support you give to Heritage Hills Elementary and our students. 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)

## Valentine's Day Celebrations:

The exchange of valentine cards and notes on Monday February 14th is permitted this year providing proper hand hygiene is followed. As an additional precaution, students are to bring their cards to the school **Wednesday, February 9** to allow for a quarantine period. (No School February 10 & 11 due to Teacher's Convention) Snacks if provided, are permitted providing they are individually packaged or served by a designated staff member and are eaten only during the lunch hour when masks can be removed.

## Heritage Hills Spirit Wear:

The [online store](#) will close February 24. Orders will be delivered to the school.

## Seniors and Youth Networking Communities (SYNC)

To spread some kindness and joy, we are inviting our Heritage Hills Community to join us and create Valentine's Day cards with messages to the Seniors in our community. You and your children can make a card- write a message, do a drawing, make a comic, create a little poem, or write a joke... be creative and 'BE YOU!' You can do anything! Students in all of the classes are also invited to make some cards at school as well. If you would like to participate, please complete your cards and send them to school with your child by Wednesday, February 9th. They will then be delivered to Seniors in our community.

## Caregiver Education Series:

Alberta Health Services is hosting a series of caregiver information sessions focused on ways to support students' mental health. The sessions are free and geared toward parents, caregivers, teachers and community members who want to learn more about challenges impacting children and adolescents. This year, session topics include anxiety, ADHD, depression, self-harm, technology, teens and teaching leadership skills, and more.

Visit [Caregiver Education for the Edmonton Zone](#) for more information and session dates.

## EIPS 2022-23 Division Calendar: Now available!

The official 2022-23 EIPS calendar is now available. The calendar includes important dates during the 2022-23 school year, such as school-closure days, breaks, the first and last day of classes, professional learning days, early dismissal days, plus more.

To view the 2022-23 calendar, visit [eips.ca](https://eips.ca).

Did you know you can sync the Division calendar to your personal calendar? You can. Simply, visit [www.eips.ca/calendar](https://www.eips.ca/calendar) and click on "subscribe to calendar." It's that easy.

## Parent - Teacher Conferences:

**Bookings open to parents at 4:00 pm Wednesday, February 9.**

Conferences are scheduled for the evening of February 16 & 17. When booking, you will have the option of a virtual meeting using Microsoft Teams or a phone call. Conferences must be kept to 10 minutes maximum. We appreciate your cooperation and courtesy.

### BOOKING LINK

<https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/code/gsy4t>

### BOOKING QR CODE



## School Fees Survey (2022-2023)

As discussed at the school council meeting, please find below a link to a survey regarding school fees for the 2022-2023 school year. We look forward to hearing your feedback.

<https://forms.gle/xcoNGs1owsw4hiUc8>

## Kindergarten Registration:

Is your child turning five on or before Dec. 31, 2022? If so, it's almost time to register for kindergarten. To register, simply complete the online registration form at [eips.ca/kindergarten](https://eips.ca/kindergarten) starting on February 1, 2022.

To help families prepare, Elk Island Public Schools has put together an online [EIPS Kindergarten Tool kit](#) to make the transition as smooth as possible. The kit includes information on registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, how to find your designated school, transportation and more.

Additional information regarding Heritage Hills Elementary's kindergarten program is available at [heritagehillselementary.ca](https://heritagehillselementary.ca).

## Carnaval:

Thank you for the planning time spent by the committee. We selected February 7 - 25 as our 3 weeks for Carnaval. We will have weekly slideshows with activities. Most activities are asynchronous and can be done at teacher discretion. We are going to add some treats "cornet de tire d'érable", a special hot lunch order (tortière and tarte au sucre) Feb. 16 & 18 and hot chocolate. Bonhomme will most certainly be making some guest appearances.

## FAHHE Update:

### Blaze Pizza Nights

For the month of March, Blaze pizza will be supporting the FAHHE by hosting a fundraiser each week where we receive 20% of the proceeds that evening when customers show our [flyer](#). You can print out the [flyer](#) or show it on your phone.

Works for online orders too!

Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

### Hot Lunch

Thanks to all your support of our hot lunches this year. We would love your feedback on hot lunches so far. Please complete the following [survey](#).

We have been approached about adding a universal hot lunch fund to assist families who maybe can't afford the special lunch at this time. We have added a donation item to the menu if you would like to donate to the fund. If you would like to access the fund, please email [hhehotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:hhehotlunch@gmail.com).

For February we will be having only 1 hot lunch. The hot lunch will be a taste of Québec as we offer tourtière and tarte au sucre during the Carnaval Festivities.

Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> – Kinder A (Order deadline Feb 8<sup>th</sup>)

Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup> – Kinder B and 1-6 (Order deadline Feb 10<sup>th</sup>)

**Returning families:** <https://munchalunch.com/login>

**New family registration:** <https://munchalunch.com/schools/heritagehills>

### **Playground Committee:**

We are so lucky to have been able to fundraise for an amazing playground at Heritage Hills when it opened. However, the building is not complete. There is a plan to add more equipment into the current playground on the back side where there is lots of open sand. We would like to create a playground committee who will work closely with the school and the county to fundraise and install the remaining equipment. Do you have a knack for writing? Do you love planning fundraisers? We are looking for individuals who can help apply for grants, seek sponsorships as well as plan some amazing fundraisers to make this playground complete. Please email [fahhe.president@gmail.com](mailto:fahhe.president@gmail.com) if you are interested or would like more information.

**Next Meeting: TBA in March, following the school council.**

**How we behave toward and around our children has much more influence on their character than if we only tell them about how they should or should not behave.**

**-Russell Kolts,**

**Enjoy a great week everyone!!!**