



HERITAGE HILLS
ELEMENTARY

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

February 14 - February 21, 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 14

- Valentine's Day - Students encouraged to wear Red/White/Pink
- [Have a Heart Day](#)

Tuesday, February 15

- A great day for Teaching and Learning

Wednesday, February 16

- Repas de tortiere et tarte au sucre (Hot Lunch) - (ECS A only)
- Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, February 17

- Parent Teacher Conferences

Friday, February 18

- Repas de tortiere et tarte au sucre (Hot Lunch) -(ECS B and grades 1 - 6)

Monday, February 21

- Family Day - School Closed

Tuesday, February 22

- Ultimate Twosday - Students are encouraged to celebrate with ties, tutus or dress like a twin.

Wednesday, February 23

- **Pink Shirt Day** - Students are encouraged to wear Pink

Principal's Message:

Hope you enjoyed the great weather last week. It is amazing how much snow has melted. Last Thursday and Friday teachers attended their yearly Teachers' Convention. It was a great opportunity for teachers to engage in professional learning. This week is Student-Parent-Teacher conferences. Our teachers are excited for the conversations they will have with you. Be sure to sign up for your interview time.

Staffing Update:

Congratulations to Mrs Krekoski as she is now a full time Special Needs Consultant with EIPS. We wish Mrs Krekoski all the best in her new position. Michelle Kropp will be starting as our new School Counsellor at Heritage Hills Elementary on Monday. Please welcome Michelle to our school.

Congratulations to Mme Watson as she is now an EIPS French Immersion Consultant full time. Mme Spindler will move to a full time position in the French Immersion Grade three class. We will be making this transition over the next week. We wish both Mme Watshon and Mme Spindler all the best in their new roles.

Registration for the 2022-2023 School Year:

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is now underway. Returning student registration will end on February 28, 2022. We are now planning for the 2022-2023 school year and this includes staffing. The sooner you complete your returning registrations the sooner we can secure our staff for the next school year. Thank you for your support with our registration process.

Masks and Test Kits:

This week we are expecting our next shipment of testing kits and masks to arrive. We will be sending home test kits with our students. If you would also like to receive student masks please inform us at General.HHE@eips.ca that you would like masks sent home as well.

School Fees Survey:

Thank you for all the great feedback you have provided us in the [School Fee Survey](#). It is important to learn what you are thinking and would like for your children before we set our fees for the 2022-2023 school year. We will discuss this again at our March 9th School Council Meeting. Feel free to fill out the survey if you have not already done so.

School Council:

Our next School Council Meeting will be on March 9, 2022 at 6:30 pm. Our FAHHE Meeting,(fundraising meeting), will follow the School Council meeting.

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

Counselor:

My name is Michelle Kropp and I am excited to be joining the Heritage Hills' team. I bring with me over 25 years of experience working in education, mental health, and social work. I have taught and supported schools, students, families, and programs from preschool through to grade 12. I am passionate about working with parents, and my door is always open to students.

Parent - Teacher Conferences:

Bookings opened 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



Heritage Hills Spirit Wear:

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

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.

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 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.

Carnaval Update:

Week 1 was fantastic. Mme Bernard's class led a virtual assembly including the history and activities of Carnaval. Some other highlights:

- Cornet de tire d'érable - [Link to the YouTube clip](#) from Wednesday's presentation
- Sledding
- Snowshoeing
- Skating
- Broom ball
- Carnaval songs, dance and videos

We are still waiting to have our visit from Bonhomme. We hope to see him this week!

Missing Sign:

Our sandwich board "Staff Parking Only" sign went missing last Tuesday after school. Please let us know if you know of its whereabouts.

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 2nd

Monday, March 7th

Tuesday, March 15th

Thursday, March 24th

Hot Lunch

Thanks to all your support of our hot lunches this year.

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.

For March we will be having 2 hot lunches. Ordering for both lunches is now open.

Subway

Wednesday, March 9th – Kinder A (Order deadline March 2nd)

Friday, March 11 – Kinder B and 1-6 (Order deadline March 4th)

COBS

Wednesday, March 23rd – Kinder A (Order deadline March 16th)

Thursday, March 24th – Kinder B and 1-6 (Order deadline March 17th)

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 if you are interested or would like more information.

Next Meeting: March 9, 2022, following the school council meeting .

First Nations, Metis and Inuit:

There are many exciting upcoming events and resources available for February and March. Check out our page on the school [website](#)

Have a Heart Day 2022 - February 14

This year marks the 10th Anniversary of the Have a Heart Day initiative! Have a Heart Day is a child and youth-led reconciliation event that brings together caring Canadians to help ensure First Nations children have the opportunity to grow up safely at home, get a good education, be healthy, and be proud of who they are.

Enjoy a great week everyone!!!

“Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible.”

—The 14th Dalai Lama.