



HERITAGE HILLS
ELEMENTARY

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

April 4 - April 11, 2022

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This Week at Heritage Hills:

Monday, April 4

- Classes Resume
- Ukulele - 12:02 for Grades 5 and 6 students.

Tuesday, April 5

- Volleyball at Lunch for Grade 5 Students
- Volleyball for Grade 6 Students 3:20-4:20p.m

Wednesday, April 6

- Early Dismissal
- Grade 6 visits from F.R. Haythorne
- Ukulele - 12:30 from Grade 4 students
- [Last Day to order for Panago - Kinder A](#)

Thursday, April 7

- Volleyball for Grade 6 Students 3:20-4:20p.m
- [Last Day to Order for Panago - Kinder B and Grades 1-6](#)
- Hot Lunch - Purple Perogy Kinder B

Friday, April 8

- Ukulele - 12:20 Grades 2 & 3
- Hot Lunch - Purple Perogy - Kinder A and Grades 1-6

Monday, April 11

- **Ukulele - 12:02 for Grades 5 and 6 students.**

Principal's Message:

Hope you enjoyed a great Spring Break. It is nice to see the weather warming up and the snow melting. Soon our playground will be dry and our students will have more areas to play.

We would like to welcome Mme Nayfe Choucair to Heritage Hills Elementary School. She will be teaching French Immersion Grade Two as Mme Aasen is on leave. We wish Mme Choucair a warm welcome to our school.

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

Egg Cartons:

HHE classes are in need of egg cartons. If you have any clean ones in your recycle bin, you would like to donate to the school, could you please send them in with your child(ren).

School Fees:

Thank you to all the families who provided feedback regarding school fees for the 2022-2023 school year. We have decided not to increase any fees for the 2022-2023 school year. You can view the [current fee schedule here](#).

Toys at School:

We seem to have an increase of toys, stuffies, and Pokemon cards being brought to school. Please refrain from sending these items to school with your child. These items can cause distraction in the classroom as well as many of these items get lost.

Book Fair:

Thank you everyone for your support and help with our first ever book fair at HHE. We raised \$5590.72. As always this money goes to support the Learning Commons, classroom collections and other supplies within the school.

Caregiver Series: April Sessions

Alberta Health Services, in collaboration with The Mental Health Foundation, offers free online programming for parents and caregivers of children and youth. Sessions are offered through Zoom. Topics include structure and routines, building resiliency, mental health, anxiety, mindfulness, understanding depression, technology, body image, sleep and more. The list of [April 2022 sessions](#) is now available.

Holding Children Close: Tips for uncertain times

Strathcona County has pulled together a handful of resources that may be useful for parents and caregivers to support children and youth during tough times.

[Holding Children Close: Tips for uncertain times](#) includes resources for families, as well tips they can try out at home when having difficult conversations with their children about traumatic events that may be occurring at the local, national or international level.

Kindergarten Information Night 2022:

Date: May 26, 2022

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Heritage Hills Elementary

To make the transition to school as smooth as possible, Elk Island Public Schools has put together a toolkit for families. The kit includes information about registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, finding your designated school, transportation and more.

Find it at: [Welcome to EIPS Kindergarten](#).

Additional information about Heritage Hills Elementary's kindergarten program is available on the [school website](#).

Junior High Information Nights: Running April and May

Junior high schools across EIPS are hosting information nights for all Grade 6 students and their families—taking place in April and May. Make sure to attend to learn everything you need to know about the junior high programs at your child's school. Those who attend will also have a chance to:

- meet the teachers;
- tour the school and classrooms;
- learn about the upcoming curriculum; and
- ask questions.

For specific dates and times, see: [EIPS Junior High Information Sessions 2022](#)

National Volunteer Week

A big THANK YOU to EIPS Volunteers

National Volunteer Week takes place April 24-30. On behalf of the Board of Trustees at Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS), I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all EIPS volunteers and school families for your support over the last 24 months.

Collectively, we've had to react, shift and adapt throughout the various COVID-19 waves and changing public-health restrictions. Despite that, EIPS volunteers showed tremendous flexibility, commitment and creativity to ensure schools continue providing exceptional education and opportunities for all students.

So, thank you for your time, efforts and support. It's inspiring and making a difference in the lives of students. I encourage everyone to join in this year's National Volunteer Week by celebrating the hundreds of volunteers within EIPS and reflecting on the role of volunteers in our future.

Trina Boymook Chair, EIPS Board of Trustees

Volleyball:

Volleyball for grade 6 students, will start Tuesday April 5th and will run Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:20-4:20p.m. This will be for about 6 weeks.

Grade 5's will have volleyball at lunch on Tuesdays in the gym for the same date range.

Counsellor's Message:

I will be in the school Tuesday Morning and all day Wednesday this week. You can reach me by calling the school or emailing me at michelle.kropp@eips.ca

Strathcona County

<https://www.strathcona.ca/community-families/well-being-and-mental-health/>

<https://www.facebook.com/strathcona.familyresourcenetwork/>

Strathcona County Library

Brain Games
Kids Club

Wednesday, April 6, 2022 - 3:00pm

Starting April, 20 running until May 11 from 4pm to 6pm

First Nations, Metis and Inuit:

The [EIPS newsletter](#) has been updated. Within the newsletter you will notice that on June 13, EIPS Central Office will be raising the Treaty 6 and Metis Flag. We are working with staff and students to determine our flag raising after this date. If you have ideas for our flag raising, please contact Ms. Wells-Taylor

FAHHE Updates:

Little Caesars Pizza Kits Fundraiser – Coming Soon! Stay tuned for more information.

Hot Lunch

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

Did you know there is a universal hot lunch fund to assist families who maybe can't afford the special lunch at this time. If you would like to access the fund, please email hhehotlunch@gmail.com.

Upcoming Hot Lunch:

Purple Perogy

Thursday, April 7th – Kinder B (Ordering closed)

Friday, April 8th – Kinder A and 1-6 (Ordering closed)

Panago

Wednesday, April 13th – Kinder A (Ordering closes April 6th)

Thursday, April 14th – Kinder B and 1-6 (Ordering closes April 7th)

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

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

Playground Committee

We are still looking for a few more volunteers who would like to help on a playground committee that will work closely with the school and the county to fundraise and install the second phase of 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: May 11 @ 8:00pm following School Council.

Sweet April showers do spring May flowers.

-Thomas Tusser