

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

November 14 - November 21, 2022 Twitter Account: <u>@HeritageHills</u>

Important Dates This Week at Heritage Hills This Week at Heritage Hills:

Monday, November 14

- First Day Back After Fall Break
- Métis Week
- Bullying Awareness Week
- Ms. Kropp, School Counsellor at HHE
- Shine Club at 10:06 a.m.
- Grades 4 6 Ukulele 12:02 p.m.

Tuesday, November 15

• Rock Your Mocs Day

Wednesday, November 16

 School Council 6:30 pm, FAHHE 7:45 In Learning Commons <u>School Council Agenda and Minutes</u> <u>FAHHE Agenda and Minutes</u>

<u>Thursday, November 17</u>

- Grade 5/6 Volleyball at lunch recess. (See Volleyball below)
- Chess Club at 12:02 p.m.
- Hot Lunch Kinder B and Grades 1-6

Friday, November 18

- Hot Lunch Kinder A
- Wacky Hair Day
- Junior Ukulele Ensemble 12:02 p.m.
- Bear Tracks Pick Up 3:45 6:00 p.m.

Monday, November 21

• Grades 4 - 6 Ukulele 12:02 p.m.

Principal:

Hope you enjoyed a great fall break with your children and families. It was a cool week and we are definitely in winter mode now. Please have your children dress for the weather conditions as they will be outside for recess and some Physical Education Classes.

Test Alert Across Alberta:

There will be a cell phone test happening across the province at 1:55 p.m. on Wednesday.

Christmas Concert:

We are planning for our first ever Christmas Concert at Heritage Hills. Dr. Boyer is looking for a volunteer to be the piano accompanist for the Christmas concert. Requirements:

- Need to be available for daytime rehearsals.
- It would help to be an intermediate or better level player who can read music and play by ear.

Volleyball Teams:

There were no student cuts made by the coach after the first two days of tryouts. Students will continue to learn and practice skills in November.

Students will be invited to attend the <u>tournament</u> on December 2 and 3rd. Criteria for invites will be the same as <u>before</u>. If students are unable to attend, we ask that students inform us ASAP, so that the spot can be given to another student-athlete as spots are limited to 24 total, for both grades. The fee for the tournament is \$5.00/athlete. The school will not be providing transportation for the tournament.

Inclement Weather:

With the winter season here, we want to remind families to dress children appropriately for the weather when getting ready for school or the bus. The weather often changes unexpectedly throughout the day, so please select suitable outerwear and ensure your child is prepared for changing conditions.

If inclement weather conditions occur, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) advises families of any bus cancellations using various communications tools—automated-telephone messages, alerts posted on <u>www.eips.ca</u> and school websites, Twitter, Facebook, local radio stations, and notification through both the Bus Status and the Ride 360 apps. Morning bus cancellations are posted on <u>www.eips.ca</u> by 6:30 a.m. Decisions regarding bus cancellations are guided by EIPS administrative procedures that state, "school bus service may be suspended...when there is a forecast or current temperature of -40 C, including wind chill factor, in one or more regions." Other reasons for suspending or delaying school bus services include adverse weather and poor road conditions. When school bus services are suspended, schools remain open to students. EIPS believes families have the right and responsibility to make choices for their children based on their beliefs and perceptions of safety during times of inclement weather.

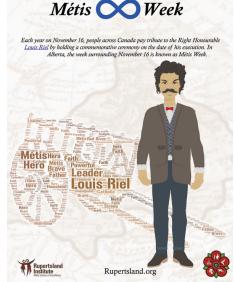
For more information, contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151.No

First Nations, Métis and Inuit:

Métis Week. Each year on November 16, people across Canada pay tribute to the Right Honourable Louis Riel by holding a commemorative ceremony on the date of his execution. In Alberta, the week surrounding November 16 is known as Métis Week.



On Tuesday, November 15, staff and students are invited to wear their moccasins on "**Rock Your Mocs**" day. This social media event invites Indigenous people to proudly wear their mocs as a way to reclaim their culture and identity. Until 1951, the



Canadian Indian Act restricted anyone wearing

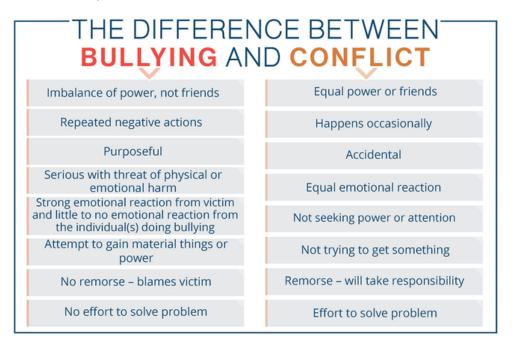
NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH | #ROCKYOURMOCS traditional dress. This is one small step in advancing

reconciliation. So whether you own moccasins or you simply want to appreciate others who are proudly wearing their mocs, we hope you'll appreciate this cultural celebration.

Bullying Awareness Week:

This week is a time to promote awareness and understanding of bullying and its impacts. Bullying is a relationship problem that involves a power imbalance, which is why it can be so challenging to overcome it by ourselves. Regardless of where bullying happens – in school, the office, at home or in the community – there are people and resources that can help.

At HHE this week, teachers will be talking to their classes about bullying awareness and sharing tips for how to manage these situations. There will be book displays and a few school-wide events happening. One of the key messages this week will be around what bullying is (and isn't) - <u>click here for more information</u>. Spring Independent School District created the table below to explain the difference between conflicts that arise from time to time and bullying. We invite HHE families to continue these important conversations at home.



School Council & FAHHE:

Next Meeting: November 16 @ 7:45pm following the school council meeting. Minutes from the September meeting can be found <u>here</u>.



Pick-up for Beartracks will be **Friday**, **November 18th from 3:45 pm - 6:00 pm** at the school. If you are unable to make this time, please email <u>fahhe.president@gmail.com</u> to make alternate arrangements.



Deadline to order Purdys Chocolates is November 20th.

What you'll need to order:
1. Go to our specific fundraising page for HHE:
<u>https://fundraising.purdys.com/1241756-97034</u>

- 2. OR: Use our campaign number: 31753
- 3. Click "Join Campaign"
- 4. Register
- 5. Shop, shop, shop away!

Thank you EVERYONE for your support. Even if you can't buy chocolates from us, it would mean the world if you could share our fundraiser link to everyone you know! Happy chocolating!

Hot Lunch

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

Upcoming Hot Lunch: Boston Pizza

Thursday, November 17th - Kinder B and Grade 1-6 (Ordering closes Nov 12th) Friday, November 18th – Kinder A (Ordering closes Nov 13th)

Jugo Juice

Wednesday, November 23rd – Kinder A (Ordering closes Nov 18th) Friday, November 25th – Kinder B and Grade 1-6 (Ordering closes Nov 20th) Order online at <u>www.HealthyHunger.ca</u>

COBS:

Thursday December 1st - Kinder B Friday December 2nd - Kinder A and Grades 1-6

WokBox:

Thursday December 15th - Kinder B Friday December 16th - Kinder A and Grades 1-6

Ongoing Fundraisers



Order online through Mabel's Labels and choose support a fundraiser, then a portion of your purchase will go back to FAHHE.



Stop by COBS on Wye Road and tell them you're from Heritage Hills Elementary and a portion of your purchase will go back to FAHHE.



Shop at Save-on-Foods on Wye Road, submit your receipts to the office and we will receive 5% back.

Enjoy a great week everyone!

"Winter forms our character and brings out our best." -Tom Allen