

# Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

January 9 - January 16, 2023

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## This Week at Heritage Hills:

#### Monday, January 9

- Ms. K. the Counsellor is at the school
- Grade 4-6 Ukulele Club

#### Tuesday, January 10

• Ms. K. the Counsellor is at the school

#### Wednesday, January 11

- Hot Lunch Booster Juice Kinder A
- Comic Club Grade 4s 12:02 p.m.
- <u>School Council</u> & <u>FAHHE</u> Meeting 6:30 pm Learning Commons
- Yearbook committee meeting (Gr5&6 students) 12:02p.m

#### **Thursday, January 12**

• A great day for teaching and learning.

#### Friday, January 13

- Theme Day: Hat Day
- Hot Lunch Booster Juice Kinder B & Grades 1-6
- Chess Club 12:02 p.m.
- Grade 2-3 Ukulele Club
- Lockdown drill am

#### **Monday, January 16**

• STAR Testing window opens for Grades 1-6. Literacy and Math.

## **Principal:**

Our first week of school for 2023 was a short week but it was great to see and be working with our students again. We are looking forward to a great second half of

the school year. The Heritage Hills Staff look forward to working together with you to maximize the learning of all our students.

## **Learning Commons:**

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Winter Reading Challenge. Don't forget you have until January 10 to submit to Ms. Wells-Taylor. Here is a fun activity you might want to try at home. Check out our Virtual StickTogether Board.

## **Math Games Night - Parents:**

HHE will be hosting a Math Game Evening for parents. During this evening, parents will learn and play fun numeracy games to bring home to their families. See the flyer for more information. RSVP (please let me know how many adults plan to attend) by January 19, 2023 to erin.clarke@eips.ca.



## Heritage Hills Elementary



Come spend an evening playing a variety of math games for Kindergarten to Grade 6! Each registered family will receive a packet of math games to play along with the presenter, and manipulatives will be supplied for use during the session (these manipulatives will be made available for purchase). Bring your best energy! Prizes are awarded for participation!

Benefits for Kids:

A fun way to review and strengthen basic math skills

Children who are secure in their math skills will grow in self-esteem and have greater success in school.

Benefits for Parents:

A motivating, simple and economical homework support that reinforces concepts taught in school.

Your presenter will provide you with strategies, tips and tricks to help your child with math fluency.

Games Reinforce:

Problem Solving Basic Facts: +, −, x, ÷ ♠ Place Value

WHEN:

Thursday, January 26th, 2023

6:00 - 7:30 PM

WHERE:

Heritage Hills Elementary Gym

RSVP To:

erin.clarke@eips.ca

By:

Jan 19th, 2023

Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks p. 1-866-342-3386 p. 780-440-6284 f. 780-440-1619 info@boxcarsandoneeyedjacks.com



#### **Counsellor:**

Resources available through Alberta Health Services', Parent Information Series. The Parent Information Series is designed to answer frequently asked questions and give parents factual information that may help prevent children from using drugs, help them make healthy lifestyle choices and support them in making changes in their lives. January 2023 topics include;

- How Can I Help My Young Child to Be More Confident?
- How to Listen Actively to Your Children
- How Can I Teach My Young Child to Deal With Peer Pressure?
- How Can I Help My Young Child Learn To Get Along With Others?
- If You're a Parent, You're a Role Model: How To Teach Your Children by Example

Parents often ask what they can do with their children to help enhance their understanding of the world. Volunteering is a meaningful way to mentor and share experiences.

<u>Volunteer Strathcona</u> offers opportunities for children and parents to volunteer in the community.

## **Returning Student Registration for 2023-24**

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will once again conduct an online returning student registration process to confirm student registrations for the 2023-24 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 2023-24 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 2023-24 returning student registration takes place Feb. 1-28, 2023.

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, 2023. **Create a PowerSchool Parent Portal account** 

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

## **School Fees 2023-2024:**

Dear Heritage Hills School Families,

Under Alberta Education's School Fee Regulation, schools must consult with parents prior to setting school fees for the upcoming school year.

Our next school council meeting will be taking place on January 11, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. During that time, I'll be sharing information about our current fee structure,

posing specific questions about priorities, and asking you to provide your feedback as we plan for the 2023-24 school year.

While many of these activities and services enhance students' educational experience, we want to ensure these fees aren't cost prohibitive for families. Specifically, we will be asking for input on the following:

- Optional courses and associated fees
- Noon hour supervision
- Field trips and associated fees
- Extracurricular activities
- Non-curricular travel
- Non-curricular goods and services (for example, student union and yearbooks)

I understand not all families will be available to attend the meeting but it's still important we get as much input from the school community as possible. Therefore, please utilise the following google form.

Following the meeting, materials will be shared on our website **www.heritagehillselementary.ca** for your review.

School administration will use feedback provided to help determine fees for 2023-24, which will then be shared at the March school council meeting, posted to our website and shared via link through email.

I look forward to hearing from you on January 11.

Sincerely,

Bill Schlacht, Principal

### **School Council and FAHHE Updates:**

Are you curious where our fundraising money goes? We fund things like cultural events or on site field trips that wouldn't otherwise be possible. We find creative ways to thank our teachers. Most of our funds, though, go towards school "asks" which could include anything from physical equipment (recess bins, indoor recess activities etc.) to Chromebooks and learning resources. Any annual surplus gets rolled over into our ongoing playground completion project.



The Senior Ukulele Ensemble will be performing at the February 24th Oil Kings game. We have tickets available for \$22 each.

Link to order form can be found HERE. Orders due by February 8th, 2023.

#### Casino

We have been allotted a casino for June 28 and 29th in Camrose. The shifts run from 3:00pm-12:00am. We need 5 volunteers per evening. If you are interested in helping out, please sign up HERE.

#### **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 hhehotlunch@gmail.com.

\*\* Please note: if your child is absent and you would like to pick up their order you MUST email hhehotlunch@gmail.com BEFORE 10:00am and it will be available AFTER 1:00pm at the office. Please do not come earlier as it disrupts the distribution to the classes.

#### **Upcoming Hot Lunch:**

**BOOSTER JUICE** 

Wednesday, January 11th – Kinder A (Ordering closed) Friday, January 13th – Kinder B and Grade 1-6 (Ordering closed)

#### **SUBWAY**

Thursday, January 19th – Kinder B (Ordering closes Jan 14th) Friday, January 20th – Kinder A and Grade 1-6 (Ordering closes Jan 15th) Order online at www.HealthyHunger.ca

#### **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.

Next Meeting: January 11, 2023 @ 7:45pm following school council.

Meeting package can be found here.

Minutes from the November 16th meeting can be found here.

## Enjoy a great week everyone

"Opportunities don't happen. You create them."

--Chris Grosser