

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

February 13 - February 20, 2023 Twitter Account: openitageHills

This Week at Heritage Hills:

Monday, February 13

- Grade 4-6 Ukulele Club 12:02 p.m.
- Minecraft Design Challenge Grade 4-5 English Students Art Rm 12:02 p.m.
- Ms. K. is in the school.

Tuesday, February 14

- Valentines Day wear pink, red, and or purple
- Grade 5 & 6 Girls Basketball Club at Lunch Recess
- Minecraft Design Challenge Grade 6 Students Art Rm 12:02 p.m.
- Minecraft Design Challenge Grade 4-6 FI Students Rm 234 12:02 p.m.
- Ms. K is in the school

Wednesday, February 15

- Ms. K. is in the school.
- Grade 5 & 6 Boys Basketball Club at Lunch Recess
- Comic Club for Grade 4s at 10:06 a.m.
- Minecraft Design Challenge Grade 4-5 English Students Rm 219 12:02 p.m.
- Parent-Teacher Interviews 4 8 pm
- Cheryl Devin Métis stories and large floor map in gym 4 8 pm

Thursday, February 16

• Parent-Teacher Interviews - 4 - 8 pm

Friday, February 17

Random Acts of Kindness Day

Tuesday, February 21

- Ms. K is in the School
- Minecraft Design Challenge Grade 6 Students Art Rm 12:02 p.m. 📦
- Minecraft Design Challenge Grade 4-6 FI Students Rm 234 12:02 p.m. 📦

Principal:

As we are now in mid February there are a number of administrative activities under way. If you have not already registered your child(ren) for the 2023 - 2024 school year please do as soon as you can. The more accurate our enrollment information is for the next school year the effectively we can build our classes. This week is Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews and we are once again looking forward to seeing you.

Mid-Point Review Survey

As a staff we regularly review our <u>School Education Plan</u>. We are at the mid-point in the school year, we would like to receive some feedback on some areas we have highlighted for areas of growth. Please take a moment to complete this quick <u>survey</u>.

French Immersion - District Engagement Survey:

On February 8th EIPS held a French Immersion Public Consultation Meeting for all French Immersion and interested parents. The Division is consulting school families to explore ways to enhance French Immersion programming, address enrolment pressures and increase retention at the junior high and senior high levels.

If you couldn't make the meeting, that's OK. You can still submit input by completing the online survey. The survey is anonymous and takes about five to 10 minutes to complete. The survey closes on February 21, 2023

<u>Take the Survey Now!</u> The survey is also available at <u>eips.ca</u>

To help provide feedback, below are some background documents:

Frequently Asked Questions: French Immersion Public Engagement

<u>PowerPoint Presentation: French Immersion engagement Feb. 7, 2023</u>

What We Heard Report: French Immersion Engagement No. 1

For more information, or to subscribe for updates, visit *eips.ca*.

Once all the input is submitted, Western Management Consultants, the contracted public consultation company, will use the feedback gathered from the session and

survey to help the Division develop possible solutions and inform the next public engagement session.

In June 2023, EIPS will present the Board of Trustees with a report about the French Immersion engagement efforts. Any Board-approved changes will take effect in the 2024-25 school year at the earliest. Before making a decision, the EIPS Board will review all relevant data and the feedback gathered through the engagement efforts. As always, EIPS will keep school families updated as the process progresses.

Lost and found items:

Our lost and found is getting full once again. We will have tables set up this week so students can look through during the day as well as during interviews. At the end of the week we will donate all items that are not claimed.

Counsellor:

Grade 6 parents, mark your calendars

F.R. Haythorne (FRH) Principal and Counsellor Visit to HHE on April 4th or 5th. Junior High Jitters Program hosted by Strathcona County April 13th or 14th FRH Open House April 18 from 5:30-6:30

I am available for parent teacher interviews on the evening of February 15th.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Interviews are scheduled this week on Wednesday, February 15 and Thursday, February 16. These will be *in person* for a 10 minute conference. Teachers try their best to stay on schedule. They will often set up a timer. The booking site will close on Tuesday at noon: https://schoolinterviews.ca/code/6wvgp

Indigenous Peoples Atlas of Canada:

A special presentation will be happening in the gym on the evening of Wednesday, Feb 15 in conjunction with parent-teacher interviews. Cheryl Devin, one of our First Nations, Métis and Inuit consultants, will be offering a drop-in presentation. The large Indigenous Peoples Atlas of Canada will be set up in the gym and Cheryl will be available to help you explore, answer questions and also share insights about Métis culture and history. Families are invited to drop into the gym before or after their interview appointments.

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.

Kindergarten Registration is Now Open!

Is your child turning five on or before Dec. 31, 2023? If so, it's now time to register for kindergarten. To register, simply complete the online registration form at eips.ca/kindergarten.

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 www.heritagehillselementary.ca/kindergarten

School Apparel:

The school store will be closing on Feb 15.

Yearbook 2022-23 School Year:

Our student yearbook team met with our Lifetouch rep this week and have begun the plan for our 2022-2023 yearbook.



Sales for the yearbook have begun and can be purchased by logging into your PowerSchool Parent Portal. Payment is required at the time of ordering.

Yearbook options:

Hard Cover \$27.00 Soft Cover \$22.00

The yearbook is an **optional** purchase.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

School Council and FAHHE Updates:

New Ongoing Fundraiser - Tru Earth



We are excited to add Tru Earth as an ongoing fundraiser. All orders will be shipped directly to your home for free on orders over \$50. Simply click on our link to shop and 20% of each sale goes back to FAHHE. **tru-earth.siv.io/FAHHE**

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:

Stay tuned for March Dates!!

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: March 8, 2023 @ School Council @ 6:30pm and FAHHE @ 7:45pm following school council.

School Council January 11th minutes found <u>here</u>. FAHHE January 11th minutes found <u>here</u>.

Enjoy a great week everyone!!!

"Where there is love there is life."