

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

March 6 - March 13, 2023

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Amazing Things Happening at HHE.

This Week at Heritage Hills:

Monday, March 6

- Ms. K in the School
- Minecraft Challenge Grade 4-5 English Students Rm 219 12:02 p.m.
- Week Two of Carnaval begins
- Grade 4-6 Ukulele Club 12:02 p.m.
- SHINE Club 10:06 a.m.

Tuesday, March 7

- Ms. K in the School
- Grade 5 & 6 Girls Basketball Club at Lunch Recess
- Minecraft Challenge Grade 6 Students Art Rm 12:02 p.m.
- Minecraft Challenge Grade 4-6 FI Students Rm 234 12:02 p.m.
- Gr.1 & 2 Reading Club 2:06 p.m.

Wednesday, March 8

- Grade 5 & 6 Boys Basketball Club at Lunch Recess
- Comic Club for Grade 4s at 10:06 a.m.
- Minecraft Challenge Grade 4-5 English Students Rm 219 12:02 p.m.
- Hot Lunch K-6
 - *requests for hot lunch pickup/changes must be done by 10:00 a.m. and only through email to hebotlunch@gmail.com
- La tire sur la neige/Maple Syrup Pull
- **School Council** and **FAHHE** meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 9

• Hot Lunch - Kindergarten only

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- Dress like a lumberjack (or wear red or something with Canada on it)
- Minecraft Challenge Grade 6 Students Art Rm 12:02 p.m.
- Minecraft Challenge Grade 4-6 FI Students Rm 234 12:02 p.m.

Friday, March 10

- Carnaval Closing Activity in gym for French Immersion students 2:00 p.m.
- Chess Club at 12:02 p.m.
- Grade 2-3 Ukulele Club 12:02 p.m.

Monday, March 13

- Ms. K in the school.
- Grade 4-6 Ukulele Club 12:02 p.m.
- Minecraft Design Challenge Grade 4-5 English Students Art Rm 12:02 p.m.
- SHINE Club 10:06 a.m.
- Week of Inspirational Math

Principal:

Hope you enjoyed a great weekend. When you look at the calendar for <u>This Week at Heritage Hills</u>, you will notice we are moving into week two of Carnaval. We have a number of activities planned for our students. There are many volunteers coming into our school this week for a variety of activities including Carnaval. Heritage Hills would like to thank you for your time and support. We are always looking for volunteers for a variety of activities. If you would like to volunteer and are not sure how to get involved please contact the school.

Have your say! EIPS' 2023 Annual Feedback Survey is now open until March 23. Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) wants to hear from you. Make sure to complete the 2023 EiPS Annual Feedback Survey: For parents and caregivers.

Every year, EIPS conducts the feedback survey to gauge its progress toward meeting the goals and priorities outlined in its <u>Four-Year Education Plan</u>. Families are asked a series of questions about their experiences with EIPS and the school their child attends, the overall performance of the Division, the quality of education being provided to students and areas for improvement. The survey input helps the Division develop new strategies to better serve students and the wider community.

<u>Visit EIPS.CA to take the survey: March 1-23</u>

You can also review Heritage <u>Hills Elementary School Education Plan</u> as well as our <u>Mid-Point Review</u> that highlights some of the things that have already happened at HHE this school year.

Assurance Survey

Measuring Success: Complete this year's Alberta Education Assurance Survey

Once again, Alberta Education is surveying teachers, students and families through its annual Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) Survey. The survey acts as an annual check-up on the province's education system. Every year, Alberta Education conducts the survey to gather information about the quality of education provided by Alberta schools and school authorities. The survey looks at various measures such as education quality, citizenship, family involvement, engagement levels, school climate and student wellness.

The AEA survey is sent to

- · Small schools (fewer than 120 students in grades 4-12)—based on jurisdiction requests for more reportable survey data at the school level, the survey is expanded to include all students in grades 4 and above and their parents and guardians.
- · Large schools (120 or more students in grades 4-12)—only students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and their parents and guardians are included in the survey. These grades are considered to be a reasonably representative sample of students.

Throughout February, Grade 4 students at Heritage Hills Elementary are completing the survey online at the school. Student participation is voluntary and completely anonymous. Students are assigned a random username and password to ensure survey responses aren't linked to any individual student. The survey doesn't take long to complete and is done within the school day during regular class time.

Additionally, parents and guardians of students in these grades are also asked to take a survey online. Alberta Education will send families information about the survey directly. As with the student and teacher survey, it's anonymous and asks questions about your school experiences.

If you have a child in these grades, we encourage you to participate. **The survey deadline has been extended to March 17, 2023.**

Results from the AEA Survey are provided to Elk Island Public Schools each spring. The Division then uses the data to inform its four-year education plan, school education plans and strategies for continuous improvement. Each fall, the results are also shared with EIPS families and school communities in the Division's Annual Education Results Report.

RELATED INFORMATION

AEA Survey: Parent letter

AEA Survey: Methodology for rate calculation

Assurance and Accountability: Alberta's K-12 education system

Mindful March Challenges:

During the month of March over the school announcements, students will be given a Mindful March Challenge. These various challenges focus on intentions, awareness of body/feelings. Be sure to ask your child what the challenge was each day.

Week of Inspirational Math - March 13-17:

At Heritage Hills Elementary, we are very excited to be celebrating Week of Inspirational Math again this year. Already there are many wonderful activities planned including:

- Our FAHHE has a wonderful Math-Fact-A-Thon planned, watch for details coming home later this week.
- We are excited again to be doing the **Pi competition.** Students who are wanting to participate are encouraged to start practising the digits of Pi to see who can repeat the most digits- this year, signing the song will not be allowed- students must say the digits. Prizes will be awarded.
- EIPS has also arranged community members to virtually join classrooms each morning from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Athletics - Grade 5 & 6 Basketball:

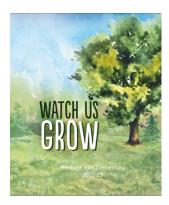
Students in grade 5 and 6 that have been going to the basketball club this year will find out if they have been invited to the 3-on-3 tournament at Bev Facey, March 11, Monday morning. Invites will be posted on the gymnasium entrance. There were many students that participated in the basketball club, but only a few spots per grade are available for the tournament. If students were not invited for this tournament, they are still encouraged to keep practising for future events. For those that did not get an invite this is a great opportunity for a family discussion about resilience. Thank you for your understanding and support of HHE Athletics!

Counsellor:

Here is a video geared to children and parents supporting conversations on, <u>Self regulation / Flipping Your Lid</u>

Check out HHE's celebration of Pink Shirt Day 2023, in The Sherwood Park News.

Yearbook 2022-23 School Year:



Our yearbook student team is very excited to present the 2022-2023 yearbook cover. There was a lot of deliberation amongst the team, but in the end students felt this represented the land around Heritage Hills and the land where coyotes live.

This is Heritage Hills third year in operation and we have grown and continue to grow as a community.

Thank you to everyone who has made a purchase. If you are wishing to make a purchase still, please do so in your Parent Portal. The yearbook is an **optional** purchase.

Yearbook options:

Hard Cover \$27.00 Soft Cover \$22.00

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

First Nations, Métis and Inuit

Jeremy Albert, our EIPS First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education Advisor, will be coming to visit HHE for two more afternoons to provide an Indigenous lesson about winter to all remaining classes on March 6 and March 7. Classes will meet in the library or outside, weather permitting.

Carnaval

HHE will be celebrating the second week of Carnaval. This week, students will be participating in hands-on stations in the school common area - throwing snowballs at Bonhomme, building an ice castle with tangram blocks, playing a Carnaval-themed snakes & ladders game, participating in a photo booth, participating in maple syrup pull (une tire à la neige), and playing Bingo. French Immersion students will be participating in a wrap-up activity in French on Friday. Bonhomme got delayed in a snowstorm last week, so he will make an appearance this week. Thank you to the parent volunteers who helped with decorations and are helping to run the stations. Joyeux carnaval!

School Council and FAHHE Updates:

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:

COBS

Thursday, March 16th Kinder B (Deadline to order March 11th) Friday, March 17th Kinder A and 1-6 (Deadline to order March 12th)

Ongoing Fundraisers



Order online through Mabel's Labels and choose support a fundraiser, then 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.



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.



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.

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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

"Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal."

- Henry Ford