

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

October 16 - October 23, 2023

This Week at Heritage Hills:

Monday, October 16

- Ms K in the School
- Senior Ukulele

Tuesday, October 17

- Ms K in the School in the morning
- Chess Club at lunch recess

Wednesday, October 18

- Ms K in the school
- Confetti Sweet Cookie Delivery ECS

Thursday, October 19

Friday, October 20

- Grade Three Ukulele
- Fire Drill
- Confetti Sweets Cookie Delivery K-6

Monday, October 23

- Ms K in the School
- Senior Ukulele

Principal:

Hope you are able to enjoy some of this great October Fall weather we are experiencing this year. Thank you for your attendance at our Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews this week. It was so nice to see you and I

enjoyed the conversations we engaged in during the evenings. If you have any follow up questions or concerns please email your classroom teacher.

Lost And Found:

Our lost and found box has been overflowing. We have had it out in the foyer for our students to go and look for personal items and we also had it on display for Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews. On Tuesday, October 17, we will pack it up and donate what is left. Lost & Found Pictures

Counsellor:

Fort Saskatchewan's FCSS along with Saffron present <u>Cyberworld</u> on October 17th, What Happens when Youth Press Send? A presentation for parents and caregivers on practicing Internet safety with youths and responding to online child sexual exploitation.

Topics Covered: safe screen time tips, safety tips for different platforms (YouTube and Google), social media safety tips and terms and conditions (TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat), online gaming safety tips, Discord, live streaming, pornography, sexting, communication, helpful tools, online child sexual exploitation and its forms [content warning provided], online grooming techniques, peer sexual exploitation, signs of online child sexual exploitation, tips for intervention

You must pre-register for the session on October 17, 2023, from 6:30 – 8:30pm, in-person at the Scotiabank Room, Dow Centennial Centre in Fort Saskatchewan

Strathcona County's, FCSS is offering a online session is for parents and caregivers who may be concerned about their child's development and feel overwhelmed navigating how to get extra support for their child at home or in their school. *This information is helpful to teachers and school staff.*

In this session, representatives from CASA, Glenrose Pediatric Services, Robin Hood Association, and Family and Community Services will help parents and caregivers understand how to access local resources and services available to them.

Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and interact with the speakers.

You must pre-register for the session on October 26, 2023 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

Pay School Fees Online!

School fee information for the 2023-24 school year is now posted on the PowerSchool Parent Portal. All fees are due within 30 days of being posted. To access your fee information, simply log in to the **PowerSchool Parent Portal** and go to "Student Fees." There you can view your fees and pay them online.

Don't forget to also log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal regularly throughout the year. Fees are often added to your child's account to cover the cost of various school activities such as field trips, class projects, extracurricular activities fees and more.

If circumstances exist where you're unable to pay your fees, you can apply to have certain <u>fees waived</u> by submitting an <u>Application for a Waiver of Fees</u>. The application deadline is Dec. 15, 2023.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines, visit www.eips.ca/schools/fees and https://www.heritagehillselementary.ca/about/fees. Alternatively, contact Amanda Trach at HHE at 780-467-7447.

Alberta Education - Parent Focus Group

On October 30, Alberta Education will host a focus group to collect insight from parents about updates to the old <u>My Child's Learning: A Parent Resource website</u> into a brand new space hosted on <u>new.LearnAlberta.ca</u>. The focus group will meet from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Zoom. The Alberta School Councils Association has been asked to identify 10-12 parents from metro, urban and rural school divisions, representing students from kindergarten to Grade 12 to participate in this focus group. If you are interested, please fill out this <u>application form</u>.

From Alexa to Algorithms: Parenting in the era of Al:

Join the University of Alberta and Amii for an engaging 45-minute online webinar designed to boost Al literacy for parents of kids of all ages, from kindergarten to graduate students. The session will focus on global citizenship, online safety, and education and career guidance.



Don't miss this fun and informative opportunity to empower your parenting in the age of AI, ensuring your kids thrive in tomorrow's tech-driven world.

Event Details:

Date: Nov. 2, 2023 Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 p.m.

Location: Virtual REGISTER NOW

School Photos are now available for viewing!

Thank you for your patience, the photography company has resolved the issue in their lab, and your child's photo proof is now available to view. You must have their ASN (Alberta Student Number) in order to view. http://my.lifetouch.ca. If you are still experiencing difficulty, please reach out to Customer Support at 1-866-457-8212. Your child's ASN can be found on the Parent PowerSchool Portal, or you can contact the school office at 780-467-7447.

School Council and FAHHE News:



Last week to get your orders in. If you need the order form it can be found here.

\$30/16 kg pail
Deadline: Monday, October 23rd at 4:00pm
Delivery to the school middle of November



Purdys chocolate fundraiser coming soon!

Halloween Dance

Friday, October 27th from 6:30-8:30pm join in the fun for our 2nd annual Halloween Family Dance. Free admission (food bank donations accepted), parent attendance required with all children. There will be a pizza, treats and drinks cash only concession. Come dressed in your costume, there will be prizes for best family costume, best adult costume and best kids costume. Volunteers needed for concession, please sign up **here.**

Treat Day

Our next treat day will be a chips treat day on November 1st/3rd. Orders are due Wednesday, October 25th. Watch for order forms coming home or print your own here.

Hot Lunch

All lunches must be ordered through healthy hunger at www.healthyhunger.ca, all families must create an account and register their children.

Any questions or concerns, please email Jaclyn at hhehotlunch@gmail.com

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 hhehotlunch@gmail.com.

Upcoming Hot Lunch:

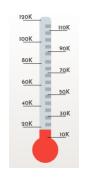
COBS

Thursday, October 26th - Kinder B (Ordering closes Oct 21st)
Friday, October 27th - Kinder A and Grade 1-6 (Ordering closes Oct 22nd)

N.B.If your child is away on Hot Lunch Day, and you want to pick up their lunch, you must contact hhehotlunch@gmail.com before 10:00 on that day in order to pick it up in the school office after 1:00 p.m. Any left-over lunches will either be given to another student, or if feasible, frozen for forgotten lunches on future dates.

Fundraising Focus

Our fundraising focus for the 2023-2024 school year is the completion of our outdoor play space. We currently have about \$17,000 raised to go towards this project. We are hoping to reach a goal of at least \$120,000. To help reach this goal we will be applying for a provincial matching grant in the spring so every dollar we raise until then counts!



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 FAHME



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



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

Next Meeting: November 15th @ 7:45pm following the school council meeting. FAHHE September 13th minutes can be found here. School Council September 13th minutes can be found here.

Enjoy a Great Week Everyone

"Reading should not be presented to children as a chore, a duty. It should be offered as a gift."

- Kate DiCamillo