



HERITAGE HILLS ELEMENTARY

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

November 13 - November 20, 2023

This Week at Heritage Hills:

Metis Week

Bully Awareness Week

Monday, November 13

- First Day Back to School After Fall Break
- Senior Ukulele
- Ms K in the School
- Bear Tracks pick up 3:45 - 6 pm



Tuesday, November 14

- Chess Club at lunch recess
- Ms K in the School
- Grade 5 Volleyball - Gym at lunch recess

Wednesday, November 15

- Rock Your Mocs Day
- School Council at 6:30 in Learning Commons

Thursday, November 16

- Blanket Exercise for Parents - School Gym - 6:30 - 8 pm
- Grade 6 Volleyball - Gym at lunch recess

Friday, November 17

- Grade Three Ukulele
- Wear Odd Socks Day

Monday, November 20

- Ms K in the School
- Senior Ukulele



Principal:

I hope you were able to enjoy a wonderful fall break. We have had some amazing fall weather and it looks like it is going to continue for a while. We have a six week stretch until our next break.

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported our Remembrance Day Ceremony at HHE. Many members of our school community have family and friends who have served or who are serving today in our military and it can be an emotional time for all of us. I appreciate all the work that was put into the service and the day. It was a result of a lot of work by a variety of people. It was also a great learning opportunity for our students. We have created a slide show presentation on the screens in our front open area. It displays photos of family and friends who have served or who are serving today. We would like to continue to add to this collection as we prepare for next year's service. If you have any pictures, names or other information you would like us to share on this growing display please send them to Stacey.carruthers@eips.ca.

Counsellor:

Bullying Awareness Week - Nov 13-17

Classes will discuss how you know if a behavior is rude, mean or bullying? We will discuss what to do if you see bullying or are being bullied and we will "Catch Coyotes Being Kind". Staff will be looking for HHE Coyotes going above and beyond and being kind, thoughtful and helpful.

Friday, students are invited to **wear odd socks** to celebrate being unique and recognize the importance of celebrating differences.

Visit these links to learn more and to find resources.

[Media Smarts](#)

[Alberta Government](#)

[Kid's Help Phone](#)

[Resources for families](#)

[RCMP](#)



First Nations, Métis and Inuit



Classes will be highlighting aspects of Métis culture and history throughout the week. Students are welcome to wear moccasins to school on Wednesday as part of **Rock Your Mocs** day.

As part of Métis Week, parents are invited to join us for a **Blanket Exercise** Thursday evening. This event always leads to new learning and rich conversations. This is an adults only event from 6:30 - 8 pm at HHE Gym - RSVP [here](#).

HHE Athletics

Athletics [schedule](#) for the year.

Inclement Weather

With the winter season almost 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, email, SMS, alerts posted on eips.ca 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 eips.ca 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.

Chess Club

Chess Club has started up again this year, and we have a very excited group of between 40-50 students that come out every Tuesday lunch recess to play. Our club includes beginners and those that have already been playing for a few years. We are fortunate to have Mr. Richard, from Linking Generations helping Ms. Wert run the club this year.

The Linking Generations Volunteer Grandparent Program was created in 2019 in response to a lack of opportunities for young and old to relate in an increasingly age-segregated society. Under this program, Senior volunteers can volunteer within a school environment - grade 1-8 in different schools in the county of Sherwood Park. Senior volunteers Grandparents share skills, knowledge & experience, all while providing a valuable community service.

For further information on this wonderful program, please visit the Linking Generations Website at www.linkinggenerations.ca or call Debbie Sinclair, Executive Director Linking Generations, at 780-995-9533.

School Council and FAHHE News:



Beartracks pickup will be Monday, November 13th from 3:45pm-6:00pm in the bus loop at school. If you can't pick up during this time, please email fahhe.president@gmail.com to make alternate arrangements.



We are excited to offer the Purdys Chocolate fundraiser again this year. Unfortunately, they did not send us catalogs this year, but it can be viewed online [here](#). Follow the link below to join our campaign (Campaign # 69787) <https://fundraising.purdys.com/join.aspx/1767324-109720>

Order deadline November 25th, pick up December 9th. Contact Dalyce at dmzuk@hotmail.com for any questions.



FundScrip gift card fundraiser coming soon! We've had a lot of requests for gift cards, so we will be offering this in time for Christmas. Orders will be due at the end of November and returned around the first week of December. For an idea of what stores are available you can check out the order form [here](#).

Stores include: Real Canadian Superstore, Sobeys, Safeway, Esso, Shell, McDonald's, Starbucks, Tim Hortons, Mark's, Old Navy, Mastermind Toys, Dollarama, Walmart, Indigo and Canadian Tire to name a few.

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:

SUBWAY

Thursday, November 16th – Kinder B (Order deadline Nov 11)

Friday, November 17th – Kinder A and Grade 1-6 (Order deadline Nov 12)

IHOP

Thursday, November 23rd - Kinder B (Order deadline Nov 18)

Friday November 24th – Kinder A and Grade 1-6 (Order deadline Nov 19)

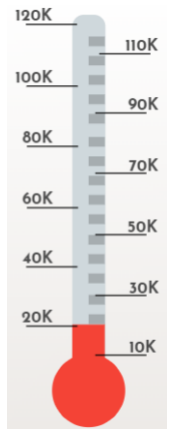
**** Please note:** if your child is absent and you would like to pick up their order you MUST email hhehotlunch@gmail.com BEFORE 10:00am and it will be available AFTER 1:00pm at the office. Please do not come earlier as it disrupts the distribution to the classes.

Fundraising Focus

Our fundraising focus for the 2023-2024 school year is the completion of our outdoor play space. We currently have about \$20,000 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!

Thank you to Highfire Energy Services and Complete Care Restoration for your generous donations towards our play space project.



Ongoing Fundraisers



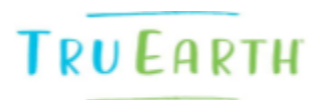
Order online through Mabel's Labels and choose support a fundraiser, then a portion of your purchase will go back to FAHHE.



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.



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.sjv.io/FAHHE

Next Meeting: November 15th @ 7:45pm following the school council meeting.

FAHHE Agenda can be found [here](#).

School Council Agenda can be found [here](#).

Enjoy a great week everyone

“You cannot do kindness too soon, for you never know when it will be too late.”

— Ralph Waldo Emerson