



HERITAGE HILLS

ELEMENTARY

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

April 29 - May 3, 2024

This Week at Heritage Hills:

Monday, April 29

- Virtual Author Visit - Ruth Ohi
- Running Club practice - 12:02 p.m.

Tuesday, April 30

- Ms. K in the school
- Grade 6 Immunizations
- Running Club - 7:30 a.m. - meet on the field
- Chess Club Tournament - lunch recess - Final day
- Grade 5 boys badminton @ lunch recess
- Strathcona Library card applications due

Wednesday, May 1

- Early Out
- Skipping Club - 10:06 a.m. - Bring your skipping rope
- Ms. K in the school

Thursday, May 2

- Elks Mascot visit in the am
- Earth Rangers Presentation - Whole school @ 2:20pm
- Grade 6 boys badminton @ lunch recess

Friday, May 3

- Professional Development Day - School Closed For Students

Monday, May 6

- [Mental Health Week - A Call to be Kind](#)
- Running Club practice 12:02 p.m.
- Bus Driver Appreciation Day

Principal:

This week we will be moving into the month of May. These last few months of the school year always seem to go by so fast. This will be a shorter week for students as Wednesday will be early dismissal for our May staff meeting and Friday is a staff professional development day and the school will be closed for students.

Please remember that May 8th will be our next school council meeting. At this meeting we will hold elections for the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested in holding any of these positions please join us on May 8 at 6:30 p.m. in our Learning Commons.

French Immersion Families:

On Wednesday, April 24 in celebration and recognition of the importance of Journee nationale de l'immersion (National Day of French Immersion) we wore blue and white and had many French Immersion classes and teachers visit English classes to share insights and teach about the French language.

Canadian Children's Book Week:

Heritage Hills Elementary was selected as a school to host the author [Ruth Ohi](#) virtually during Canadian Children's Book Week. We are so excited to welcome her and learn more about her illustrating and writing process.

Counsellor:

Park Family Counselling has shared a free, downloadable [Workbook for Families](#) that addresses key topics important to healthy family functioning. Additionally they suggest the following books, "Hold Me Tight" -by Sue Johnson, "How to Talk so Kids will Listen & Listen so Kids will Talk" – by Adele Faber, "Get Out of Your Mind & Into Your Life" – by Steven Hayes, "Nonviolent Communication" – by Marshall Rosenberg, "Mind Over Mood" – by Dennis Greenberger, and "Where to Draw the Line"- by Anne Katherine

The [9th Annual Kaleo Collective Mother's Day Event](#) is coming Saturday, May 11 from 10 am to 3 pm at West Edmonton Mall. Kids from *single-mom homes* will have the chance to say "I love you" with a gift. Each family *who registers in advance* will receive a custom bouquet for mom, a small child-chosen gift and a hand-made card.

Dragonfly Support Group, is a monthly group for parents whose children face mental health challenges. This group is a safe and supportive place for parents and caregivers to, share challenges and concerns, learn and grow as a caregiver, and access supports from those who are facing similar struggles. To register, please call 780-992-6267.

No Such Thing As A Bad Kid, is a presentation aimed to help parents understand what's behind children's behaviors and learn how to support children with emotional and behavioral challenges. The presentation is free, in person and at the [Strathcona County Family and Community Services](#), Thursday May 2nd from 6:30 to 8pm. [Registration](#) in advance is required.

Calming Spaces, is a program for parents/caregivers to attend with their children who are between the ages of 5 to 8 years. The first half of the session will involve children and their parents engaging in activities and the second half of the session will be for a larger group activity. The program is at [Strathcona County Community Centre in Rooms 3 and 4](#), on Wednesday May 8th, from 5:30 to 6:30pm. [Registration](#) in advance is required.

Confident Kids, is a program for children in Grades 1 to 3 - May 9, 16, 23 & 30. The program aims to work with children to develop their confidence and social emotional skills while they interact with peers in a safe and encouraging environment. The first half of the session will involve children and their parents engaging in activities and the second half of the session will be for a larger group activity. The program is at [Strathcona County Family and Community Services](#), from 5:30 to 6:30pm. [Registration](#) in advance is required.

Yearbook Sales:

Don't forget to order your 2023-2024 yearbook on your PowerSchool. There is a soft and hard cover option. The purchase of a yearbook is not required but is a great way to capture the memories of the 2023-2024 year at Heritage Hills Elementary.



Coyote Store:

Last chance this coming week to get your HHE items ordered. [The Coyote Store](#) will be closing on Tuesday, April 30th. Remember to get your orders in.

Before and After School Supervision:

Please be advised that supervision of students does not commence until 8:10 a.m. each morning. Students arriving before this time are unsupervised. As well, there is no playground supervision after the dismissal bell rings.

Library Card Application:

Library card applications were sent home a few weeks ago. If you would like a free library card from the Strathcona County Library please sign and return form by April 30, 2024.

Save The Dates:

Save the date for these upcoming events:

BOGO Book Fair - May 21 - May 23, 2024

Art Show - May 22, 2024

Kindergarten Information Night - May 23, 2024 - 6-7p.m.

Sports Day - May 31. Rain-out day - June 25.

Lunch on the Land - June 21, 2024 - 12:02 - 1:02 p.m.

Year End Assembly - June 26, 2024 - 9a.m.

Volunteers Needed:

Sports Day will be taking place on Friday, May 31st. Division 2 students will be participating from 9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Division 1 will go through the stations from 1:10 p.m. - 3:05 p.m. We are in need of parent volunteers to run stations as classes rotate through them. Please fill out [this form](#) if you are available to assist on that day.

** If we experience inclement weather, we will have a rainout day on Tuesday, June 25th.

Terry Fox T-Shirts

The Terry Fox Foundation has once again partnered with beloved Canadian actor Ryan Reynolds to launch its annual limited-edition Terry Fox Run shirt.

This year's shirt features the tagline **#NoMatterWhat**, celebrating Terry's unwavering determination, no matter the challenges or circumstances, when running his iconic Marathon of Hope in 1980. We are excited for the launch of this year's Terry Fox t-shirt!. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together and support our Terry Fox run in September. Sales of the t-shirts

provide support for cancer research and are added to our school's fundraising total.

We will be opening up sales for the t-shirt between April 26 to May 6, 2024. Ordering will be done online via your PowerSchool Parent Portal and there are several sizes available. Please ensure that you select the exact sizing as there will be no refunds issued. The cost for each t-shirt is \$20.00 for youth and \$25.00 for adults. T-Shirts will be received by the end of June.

The purchase of a t-shirt is optional.



School Supply List 2024-25:

It's that time of year again when we are looking at school supplies for the next school year. To make it easier for you and to provide consistency for all our students, school supply lists for each of our grades are listed below. You can order your child's school supplies through Write-On Stationary or purchase them on your own. Please see the information for each grade below.

[Heritage Hills Elementary - SHERWOOD PARK - Class/Grade Grade 1](#)

[Heritage Hills Elementary - SHERWOOD PARK - Class/Grade Grade 2](#)

[Heritage Hills Elementary - SHERWOOD PARK - Class/Grade Grade 3](#)

[Heritage Hills Elementary - SHERWOOD PARK - Class/Grade Grade 4](#)

[Heritage Hills Elementary - SHERWOOD PARK - Class/Grade Grade 5](#)

[Heritage Hills Elementary - SHERWOOD PARK - Class/Grade Grade 6](#)

[Heritage Hills Elementary - SHERWOOD PARK - Class/Grade Kindergarten](#)

<https://www.write-on.ca/shop/>

FOR ONLINE ORDERS:

- Go to www.write-on.ca
- Click on "PARENTS – Order Here"
- School Name: Heritage Hills Elementary - SHERWOOD PARK
- Choose your grade and place your order.
- Complete your order by clicking 'PLACE ORDER'
- You will receive an automatic email confirmation to confirm your order has been received
- We accept VISA, MC, AMEX, Visa Debit and Interac On-line.
- **Deadline to Order: August 1, 2024**

Run Wild:

Leading Edge Physiotherapy RunWild is a challenging, competitive, and fun event with races designed for every level of runner and walker. This event raises awareness for the Zebra Centre to help in providing supplies such as toys, clothing, toiletries and blankets as well as the important services to help kids feel safe, supported and strong!

The Sherwood Park run will be taking place on Sat, May 4/24 at the Greengrove Park in Glen Allen. More information about this race can be found on their [website](#) and students brought home information last week.

Inclement Weather:

We ask for your assistance in ensuring that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather each day. Dressing them according to the weather forecast will help them fully enjoy their time outside during recesses.

Parking:

We kindly ask that you please refrain from using the staff parking area for dropping off and picking up your children. This will ensure that our staff members have access to parking spaces throughout the day. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Complete your census online starting May 1, 2024

The 2024 municipal census begins May 1. Watch your mail in late April for your personalized PIN number. We strongly encourage residents to use the online platform for its efficiency, convenience, and security.

Starting May 13, our dedicated census workers will conduct door-to-door collection for households that have not yet participated, while the online option remains open throughout this period.

Visit Strathcona.ca/census for more information.

FAHHE Updates:

AGM

Save the date, Wednesday, May 8th is the AGMs for both School Council and FAHHE starting at 6:30pm.

School Council has the following positions available: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and COSC Representative, if you are interested or would like more information please contact hheschoolcouncilchair@gmail.com

FAHHE has the following positions available: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, if you are interested or would like more information please contact fahhe.president@gmail.com

Little Ceasar Pick Up

The Little Ceasar's pizza kits will be available for pick-up Wednesday, May 8th between 1-5:30pm at the school.

We need 2-3 volunteers to help between 12:30-5:30 if you're able to help please email Erin at e.thiessen@shaw.ca.

Edmonton Elks Tickets

We have partnered with the Edmonton Elks Football Club to be able to purchase tickets as a fundraiser. Using the link below, you can purchase tickets in select sections and either \$5 or \$12 will be returned as a profit to FAHHE. All tickets are delivered through Ticketmaster.

<https://fevo-enterprise.com/group/ElksticketFundd>

Hot Lunch

Upcoming Hot Lunch

COBS

Tuesday, May 14th – Kinder B (Order deadline May 9th)

Wednesday, May 15th - Kinder A and Grade 1-6 (Order deadline May 10th)

McDonalds

Thursday, May 23rd - Kinder B (Order deadline May 18th)

Friday, May 24th - Kinder A and Grade 1-6 (Order deadline May 19th)

Nitza's Pizza

Thursday, June 6th - Kinder B and Grade 1-6 (Order deadline June 1st)

Friday, June 7th - Kinder A (Order deadline June 2nd)

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.

** 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 playspace. We currently have about \$70,000 raised to go towards this project. We have reached this total with the support of our hot lunch and treat days, using our casino revenue from last year, as well as budgeted items that have had the cost covered by the school (Christmas concert, Carnaval activities and staff Christmas lunch to name a few). 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 either COBS in Sherwood Park 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. Simply click on our link to shop and 20% of each sale goes back to FAHHE.

tru-earth.sjv.io/FAHHE



<http://ecoc.sjv.io/FAHHE>

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 8th AGM for both School Council and FAHHE
FAHHE AGM Package can be found [here](#).

"May is the month of promise and the sweet beginnings of summer."

- Unknown