



Friday May 14, 2021

Dear FSE Families,

Thank you for your continued support as we move into our second week of online learning, for our **in school learners**. Online learners will continue their online programming. Our in school learners will be online **Monday May 10** and **return to in school Tuesday May 25**. In school learners will be online from **8:30 a.m. to 3:05 p.m.** Please have your student log into Brightspace for their classroom daily schedule. The morning will begin with large, then small, group instruction, with a focus on literacy. The afternoon will focus on numeracy beginning with large group instruction and moving to small groups. Lunch will be approximately **11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** For more information, please review the **Return to Online Learning email** from Elk Island Public Schools.

Dress as your favorite person from history day was such fun! We had students dress up as Cleopatra, Malala Yousafzai, Abraham Lincoln, a plague doctor, the Grim Reaper, and many more!!! Thank you all for participating.

REMINDER: Schools closed Friday May 21 and Monday May 24, 2021 for School closure and Statutory Holiday.

FSE Spirit Days and Upcoming Events

May 21: School Closure Day (all schools closed)

May 24: Victoria Day (all schools closed)

May 28: Wacky Hair Day

June 2: 2:00 p.m. Dismissal – Staff Meeting Day

June 11: APP Day...represent your favourite app...

June 25: Saying Farewell to our Grade 6 Students

Fill the Bus - Family Hampers Available

Student Transportation is going to have their bus drivers try to stuff a small bus with items for children and families in need in early June. Possible stuff-a-bus items include: new clothing, non-perishable food items, new school supplies, new/ slightly used toys, games, etc.

If you would like to participate in receiving donations from their stuff-a-bus, please email or phone the school by May 18th.

The Community of Fort Saskatchewan and Area

The Josephburg Agricultural Society is hosting softball and t-ball for children. Check this [LINK](#) for more information.

Strathcona County Events and Opportunities

Mayor's Walk/Run:

Grades 4 and 5 classes are invited to register for this year's Mayor's Walk/Run, May 3-21. To sign up:

1. Register your class for the 2021 Mayor's Walk/Run by emailing [Jennifer Wilson](#) with how many grades 4 or 5 students you have.
2. Between May 3-21, take your class outdoors to complete a 1km walk or run around your school yard or area. Enjoy the fresh air and physical activity! Watch this [video](#) to kick you off and get you excited!
3. Let us know you did it! By May 26, email [Jennifer Wilson](#) and be entered in a draw for one of five gift cards to Canadian Tire. We'll be adding up all the kilometres that you MOVED to see how far we can MOVE together as one community!

Mindful Kids:

Do you ever feel big emotions like anger, frustration or worry? Do you ever feel hyper or silly? We all do. Find out what's happening and learn some fun techniques to calm your body and mind at the children and parents/caregivers sessions for grades 1-3. May 3, 10 and 17; 5-5:30 p.m. To [Register](#) click on the register link.

Virtual Gallery@501 Exhibits:

Did you know you can visit [Gallery@501](#) virtually? The current exhibition is [Walking Gently: Spirit Stories and the 13 Moons](#). The artists are [Gary Sutton](#) and [Leah Dorion](#), two Métis artists from Alberta and Saskatchewan, respectively. Their work is colourful and full of storytelling and symbolism.

Caregiver Education Sessions: May

Alberta Health Services, in collaboration with The Mental Health Foundation, offers free online programming for parents and caregivers of children and youth. Upcoming Caregiver Education Sessions, Lunch & Learn Webinars and SEEDS Drop-In Groups are outlined in the [May Caregiver Education Team Newsletter](#). One upcoming session of note is Junior High Jitters—geared for students starting Grade 7 this fall—on May 27.

AHS Addiction & Mental Health School Newsletter: May edition

The [May edition of the AHS Addiction & Mental Health School Newsletter](#) is now available. It focuses on ways to Move your Mood, and this month features additional resources in honour of **Mental Health Week, May 3-9**. In addition, AHS is extending an invitation for families to participate in the Move Your Mood June Family Challenge. [Registration](#) opens **May 1**.

Yours in Learning,

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