

FORT SASKATCHEWAN

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Dear FSE Families,

It was so exciting to see our families who came out to the Welcome Back BBQ/Meet the Staff event yesterday! We are very much looking forward to having more school community events throughout the year!

Our school photos for Ms. Wilson's ECS class are being taken on Wednesday, September 21. Ms. Thompson's ECS class and grades 1 to 6 will have their pictures taken on Thursday, September 22. Information about ordering photos will be coming home on picture day.

School Council & Parent Society Want to support our Christmas concert fundraiser? Our Parent Society has started the first fundraiser of the year! Have a look at the **Dieleman** catalogue that came home last week and place your order by **October 11**! Alternatively, you can drop a donation in the Parent Society mailbox located in our main office. Misplaced your catalogue? Let us know and we can send another one home! **Thank you so much for your support!**

I am looking forward to seeing families at our first **AGM** for School Council and Parent Society happening at the school on **Monday**, **September 26** @ **5:30 p.m.**

October Save the date! Elk Island Public Schools invites you to our Community Engagement Night at Fort Saskatchewan High School on Thursday, October 6 from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Please join us for a hamburger or hot dog, followed by an informative tradeshow style tour and information sessions showcasing the many resources our schools and community have to offer our children and families. <u>Please register your family here by Friday, September 16th</u> to ensure that we have sufficient food for everyone. I heard a rumor that there may be a face painter and a balloon animal artist there! Hope to see you! Our annual **Terry Fox Run** will be held on **Friday**, **September 23**, **2022**. Should you wish to donate a 'Toonie for Terry' please send in cash to your child's teacher by September 23 or you can donate online using this <u>link</u>.

Alberta Health Services is proud to offer <u>FREE online programming</u> to caregivers of school-age children and youth, as well as adults in the community who want to learn more about addiction and mental health topics.

Sessions are offered online through the Zoom conferencing application. For more information, visit <u>www.cyfcaregivereducation.ca</u>.

Pay School fees online! School fee information for the 2022-23 school year has been posted on the <u>PowerSchool Parent Portal</u>. All fees are due within 30 days of being posted. To access your fee information, simply log in to the <u>PowerSchool</u> <u>Parent Portal</u> and go to "Student Fees." There you can view your fees and pay online using a credit card.

Don't forget to 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 certain school activities such as field trips, class projects, athletic-team fees and more. Additionally, junior high and senior high fees can change as courses are added and deleted.

If you're unable to pay your school fees, you can apply to have certain <u>fees</u> <u>waived</u> by submitting an <u>Application for a Waiver of Fees</u>. The application deadline is Dec. 15, 2022.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines visit <u>eips.ca</u>. Alternatively, contact our business manager, Ms. Jones, in our school office at 780-998-7771.

Update your PowerSchool information The EIPS Correction and Verification Form is now available online through your PowerSchool Parent Portal. Use the form to access and update your child's records information—including address, parent and guardian information, emergency contacts and medical information. Reviewing the form and submitting updates ensures the school has the most up-to-date information regarding your child.

When reviewing the form, pay close attention to all listed phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact information. Also, if you recently moved, now is the time to ensure the Division has your updated address. Throughout the year, the Division and school uses the listed information to communicate with families about important information, including updates, the latest news and events.

Review and update the EIPS Correction and Verification Form by Sept. 22, 2022.

For more information about the PowerSchool Correction and Verification Form, contact the school office at 780-998-7771.

Looking ahead in September...

September 21 ~ School Photos for Ms. Wilson's ECS class and grades 1 to 6 September 22 ~ School Photos for Ms. Thompson's ECS class September 22 ~ Correction & Verification Forms Due! September 23 ~ Terry Fox Run September 23 ~ Hot Lunch! September 26 ~ 5:30 p.m. School Council & Parent Society Meeting ~ All parents/guardians welcome! September 26 ~ 9 a.m. gr.1 to 6 School Bus Evacuation Drill/ 9:30 a.m. Ms. Wilson's ECS class Bus Orientation September 27 ~ 9:30 a.m. Ms. Thompson's ECS class Bus Orientation September 29 ~ Wear orange in recognition of Orange Shirt Day! September 30 ~ No School ~ Orange Shirt Day & Canada's National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Looking ahead in October...

October 3 to 7 ~ Read In Week October 5 ~ Early Dismissal October 6 ~ Community Engagement Night October 7 ~ No School ~ Professional Learning Day October 10 ~ No School ~ Happy Thanksgiving! October 11 ~ Last day to order from the Dieleman catalogue to raise money for our Christmas concert October 19 ~ 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences October 20 ~ 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences October 20 ~ 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences October 25 ~ ECS-B picture retakes if needed October 26 ~ ECS-A and grade 1 to 6 picture retakes if needed October 28 ~ Grade 6 students' immunization (parent consent required) October 28 ~ Family Dance

As always, if you have any questions, please email me directly at <u>shelby.labrecque@eips.ca</u> or call 780-998-7771, during regular business hours.

As we move into the fall season, I hope everyone finds time this weekend to enjoy the moderate temperatures outside with family and friends. Sincerely, Shelby Labrecque, M. Ed. Principal Fort Saskatchewan Elementary School