

FORT SASKATCHEWAN

ELEMENTARY

Dear FSE Families.

Our heartfelt thanks go out to our school community for supporting our FSE Food Bank Drive! We collected 68 lbs. of food last week! Way to go Elements!

Watch for Thin Ice

Remember, be aware of thin ice this time of year. Depending on changing temperatures, ice can form and melt to varying degrees on outdoor bodies of water. Try to remind your child about the dangers of thin ice, obey all posted signs, take proper care and remain a safe distance from the ice.

For more information about ice safety, visit the Canadian Red Cross.

Did you know?

The colour of ice may be an indication of its strength. Clear blue ice is the strongest. White opaque is half as strong as blue ice. And grey ice is unsafe—greyness indicates the presence of water.

School Council & Parent Society

Thursday, March 9 at 5:30 p.m. is our next School Council and Parent Society meeting at our school! We will also be offering a virtual hybrid of this meeting for those who are unable to attend in person. All parents/guardians welcome!

We will be offering a hybrid meeting at our March meeting so if you are unable to attend in person, please feel free to join us virtually using the following Google Meet link: https://meet.google.com/dqc-rfhf-gzc. All participants will be required to identify themselves.

Hot Lunch!

The Winter/Spring 2023 Hot Lunch program is now open for the following dates:

- Friday Mar. 17 Boston Pizza (cut off to order is Thursday Mar. 9)
- Friday Apr. 21 Ken's Catering (cut off to order is Thursday Apr. 13)
- Friday May 26 Prime Time Donair (cut off to order is Thursday May 18)
- Friday June 9 Perry's 2 For 1 Pizza (cut off to order is Thursday June 1)

Yearbook Pre-orders Ready!

We are happy to announce the FSE 2022/2023 Yearbook is currently under construction, and we are now able to accept pre-orders.

To pre-order your copy, please log into your <u>Parent PowerSchool Portal</u> and add the "Optional Yearbook Fee". The cost is \$20 and once payment is received, your student's copy will be reserved and sent home once they arrive on site (May 2023).

School Spirit Wear Is Now Available

Order your Fort Saskatchewan Elementary school spirit wear and 10% of your purchase will be donated to our Parent Society to support our school community!

Order here: https://fse.entripyshops.com/

There are four days left for you to complete the returning student registration: February 1-28

Elk Island Public Schools' (EIPS) returning student registration process is now open. All returning students must complete the online Returning Student Registration Form to confirm their enrolment in a school for the upcoming 2023-24 school year. Additionally, students who want to attend a non-designated school need to make that request through the returning student registration process—acceptance is based on available space. All returning EIPS students are required to complete the form by Feb. 28, 2023.

To access the Returning Student Registration Form, simply log in to the <u>PowerSchool Parent Portal</u>.

If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you do need to set one up. For help see: <u>Create a PowerSchool Parent Portal account</u>

For more information contact the school directly at 780-998-7771.

RELATED INFORMATION:

Returning Student Registration Process Frequently Asked Questions EIPS School Boundary Maps
Closed Boundaries 2023-24
Find my designated school
Applying to a non-designated school

Caregiver Education Team Newsletter February 2023

Alberta Health Services offers free online programming for parents and caregivers of children and youth. These free sessions are using the Zoom platform.

For more information, visit <u>cyfcaregivereducation.ca/home</u> and click on the latest newsletter link at the bottom of the page.

Your Child's Mental Health

Create a routine and set clear boundaries at home. Uncertainty about day-to-day schedules can lead to a lot of stress or anxiety in a child's life. Creating a general routine at home can provide some relief and peace for your child, whether it's a schedule for daily meals or a weekly movie night. Having clear boundaries is also important for your child to know what is expected of them at home and can minimize feelings of frustration from both parent and child.

Tips to Help Your Child Enjoy Reading

Discuss books with your children. Show interest. Make it a discussion, not an interrogation. Share some of your favourite books and reading experiences with them.

Looking forward to February...

February 28 ~ Returning student registration closes

Looking forward to March...

March 1 ~ Early Dismissal ~ Wear Yellow Day to represent the element of air!

March 3 ~ Professional Learning Day! No school for students

March 9 ~ School Council/Parent Society Meeting @ 5:30 p.m. All

parents/guardians welcome!

March 17 ~ Hot Lunch! Term 2 Report Card Published!

March 23 ~ Crazy Hair Day!

March 24 to April 2 ~ Spring Break! No school! Classes resume April 3.

Fortunately, the weather forecast seems to be looking up and we are in for some milder weather this weekend and into next week! I hope everyone has a wonderful weekend!

Kindly, Shelby Labrecque, M. Ed. Principal Fort Saskatchewan Elementary School