

# SCA Elementary Newsletter



Our Mission: To challenge students, through Christ-centered education, to know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord in order to pursue a life of godly character, personal and academic excellence, and service to others.



[www.scaelementary.ca](http://www.scaelementary.ca)

February 2022 Edition

## **RE-REGISTRATION FOR 2022-23**

Effective February 1st, all families returning to Strathcona Christian Academy (Grades 1-12) will need to complete two steps to confirm enrolment for 2022-2023:

1.) The first step is all returning students must complete the online Returning Student Registration Form to confirm their child's enrolment in a school for the upcoming 2022-23 school year. This form is available by logging in to the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) between February 1-28.

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 February 28, 2022.** If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you need to set one up before February 1, 2022.

2.) The second step is to complete the Society Fees process. All current families (including families with kindergarten siblings) will receive a DocuSign Package via email beginning March 1. If one or more of your children are not returning to SCA in September 2022, please decline the DocuSign invitation to sign, and email [jeaninne.elford@eips.ca](mailto:jeaninne.elford@eips.ca) to confirm your decision not to return.

## **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION BEGINS FEBRUARY 1, 2022!**

Is your child turning five on or before December 31, 2022? If so, it is now time to register for kindergarten.

To register, simply complete the online registration form at [www.eips.ca/kindergarten](http://www.eips.ca/kindergarten).

To help families prepare, Elk Island Public Schools has put together an online toolkit (available at [www.eips.ca/kindergarten](http://www.eips.ca/kindergarten)) to make the transition as smooth as possible. The kit includes information on registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, how to find your designated school, transportation and more.



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### Reminders:

**Wednesday, February 2 - Early Dismissal at 2:15 pm**

**Friday, February 4 - Jump Rope for Heart**

**Thursday & Friday, February 10 & 11 - NO SCHOOL - ATA Teacher's Convention**

**Wednesday, February 9 & 23 - Chip Day**

**Monday, February 14 - Red/Pink Day**

**Friday, February 18 - Basically Babies Collection Drive & Hot Lunch**

**Monday, February 21 - NO SCHOOL - Family Day**

## **NEWBORN BABY CARE DRIVE**

Basically Babies is a registered charity that is committed to supporting families in extreme need with newborns through the provision of a baby layette. On Friday, February 18, SCA Elementary is running a newborn baby care drive to support this cause. Basically Babies 'Layettes' are each assembled with a Baby Bible and have enough clothing to supply a needy newborn baby throughout his or her first year. The need for more layettes has been increasing.

New or gently used clothing up to 24 months as well as other items can be brought to school to help share God's love to these families in our community. Items specifically needed at this time are baby sleepers, girl's tights (for under dresses), receiving blankets, baby soap, baby lotion, baby shampoo, towels and SNOWSUITS!

The following items CANNOT BE ACCEPTED: baby powder, diapers, bottles, baby formula/food.

For a complete list of new or gently used items that Basically Babies accepts, please check out their website: [www.basicallybabies.org](http://www.basicallybabies.org)



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## **Munch-a-Lunch is Now Open!**



The **next hot lunch will be held on Friday, February 18, 2022** and we will have the option of enjoying Panago pizza. The Munch-a-Lunch site is open for ordering and will close at midnight on February 9.

**Link:** <http://www.munchalunch.com/schools/SCA/>

The **next Chip Days will be on February 9 & 23.** If you missed the prepay, feel free to send in a loonie with your child and they can still participate.

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### **The School Theme for 2021-2022...**

But the fruit of the Spirit is love,  
joy, peace, patience, kindness,  
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness  
and self control. Against such  
things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22-23

## **I SPY**

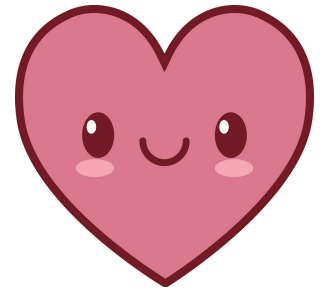
We are looking for donations of small items that could be included in an I SPY display. Items should be approximately 1-8 inches high. Examples of items may include:

- Small plastic or wooden toys (ie. Kinder Surprise toys, fast food kids meal items, small figurines, etc...)
- LEGO mini-figures
- Wooden building blocks (a whole set, or just a few pieces)
- Costume jewelry
- Beads, buttons, marbles
- Small stuffed animals
- Hot Wheels cars/trucks/bikes
- Spools or bobbins of thread (wooden or plastic spools)
- Toy trains or train tracks
- Board game pieces or dice (chess pieces, checkers, dice, player pieces)
- Small jars
- Doll house furniture
- Small toy xylophone
- Dominoes
- Tinker Toys (a whole set or just a few pieces)
- Small spinning tops or yo-yos
- Disney princess figurines
- Any other small item of interest for a display

Please only send in items that you do NOT want returned to you. Parents or students may drop off donations at the school office by February 4th to the attention of Mrs. Peters. Thank you in advance for anything you are able to contribute!

## Red/Pink Dress Up Day - Monday, Feb. 14

Each year as part of our fun Valentine's Day celebrations, we ask students and staff to go to their closet and pull out their favourite red or pink outfit. We encourage our students to start thinking now about what to wear in just a couple of weeks time.



### TreeHouse Preschool Program

TreeHouse Preschool is a ministry of Sherwood Park Alliance Church, offering quality, faith-based classes for 3 and 4 year olds.

New this year, government funding is helping to reduce tuition costs to \$79/month for all families or full coverage for households making under \$180,000 per year.

Registration for the 2022/2023 school year begins on February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm. For more information or to register, check out [spac.ca/treehouse](https://spac.ca/treehouse) or contact Heather Spronk (780-467-8404 x 316 or [heather.spronk@spac.ca](mailto:heather.spronk@spac.ca)).

### EIPS 2022-23 Division Calendar: Now available!

The official 2022-23 EIPS calendar is now available. The calendar includes important dates during the 2022-23 school year, such as school-closure days, breaks, the first and last day of classes, professional learning days, early dismissal days, plus more.

To view the 2022-23 calendar, visit [eips.ca](https://eips.ca).

Did you know you can sync the Division calendar to your personal calendar? You can. Simply, visit [www.eips.ca/calendar](https://www.eips.ca/calendar) and click on "subscribe to calendar." It's that easy.

### SCA ELEMENTARY READING DAY

SCA Reading Day on Friday, January 28 was a great success!

Our visiting Guest Author was Mrs. Christie Thomas of Sherwood Park. She read from her books, "Quinn's Promise Rock" and "Quinn Says Goodbye" and shared many of her author tips with our students. At the end of each presentation Mrs. Thomas had an amazing 'string trick' that thrilled our students . . . and during morning classes all students enjoyed a delicious cup of hot chocolate. Yum, yum!



A HUGE thank you to Mrs. Thomas for her terrific presentations and to our parent volunteers - Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Wenger, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Duguid, Mrs. Thomsen, Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Amyotte, Mrs. Auger, and Mrs. Mellick for the hundreds of cups of hot chocolate they served to our students.

# Jumping with heart!

The students of SCA Elementary will be literally jumping with heart on Friday, February, 4th. They will be raising funds for our Annual Heart and Stroke Foundation 'Jump Rope for Heart'. Each student will participate and is being asked to bring a loonie or toonie or more to contribute to this local charity. Tax receipts are available. Just place your donation in an envelope -cheques payable to 'Heart and Stroke Foundation', include your name and mailing address and mark it \*receipt requested. You can also donate online at [jumpropeforheart.ca](http://jumpropeforheart.ca) (type in our school name - Strathcona Christian Academy Elementary)



It will be a hopping place around here. The jump schedule is as follows:

Period 1 (8:42-9:14)	4A and 5A	Period 6 (12:20-12:52)	2B and 3C
Period 2 (9:14-9:46)	6A and 6C	Period 7 (12:52-1:24)	1B and 2A
Period 3 (9:46-10:18)	5C and 6B	Period 8 (1:24-1:56)	4C and 5B
Period 4 (10:18-11:05)	NA	Period 9 (2:11-2:43)	2C and 3B
Period 5 (11:05-11:37)	1A and 1C	Period 10 (2:43-3:15)	3A and 4B

The students are asked to wear their **Eddie the Eagle SCA t-shirts** on this day. Comfortable clothes would be in order as well.

The ECS 'KA' class will do their jumping on Wednesday, Feb. 2 (period 4 -10:18-11:05)

The ECS 'KB' class will do their jumping on Thursday, Feb. 3 (period 4 -10:18-11:05)

The ECS 'KC' class will do their jumping on Friday, Feb. 4 (period 4 -10:18-11:05)

The ECS 'KD' class will do their jumping on Tuesday, Feb. 1 (period 4 -10:18-11:05)

The event will unfold in the gym. Each grade will come in at their regular p.ed. period to jump for 25-30 minutes. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, we are unable to accommodate parents and volunteers in the gym this year.

The students will have a choice of how they will accomplish their jumping. They may choose to jump individually, in pairs, small groups, jump back and forth over a skipping rope on the floor, or work through stations. Ideas are endless!

What will we raise this year? Can we hit \$1000? \$1200?

New this year, you can also participate in an EASY habits challenge. Simply go to our school's website, type in "Strathcona Christian Academy Elementary" and create an account to join. If you'd like more information about how to join, you can watch the following video - or the entire video to kick off Jump Rope for Heart.

[https://youtu.be/\\_4lxRqiU628?t=614](https://youtu.be/_4lxRqiU628?t=614)

## **CALLING ALL GRANDPARENTS!**

Are you a past, present, or future grandparent of a student who attends SCA Secondary or Elementary Schools? We need your prayer support! We would like to cover our students, their families and our staff with prayer.

Due to COVID-19, we cannot meet on campus for our monthly prayer time. However, if you would like to be part of our regular praise and prayer request emails, please contact Pastor Cook at [timothy.cook@eips.ca](mailto:timothy.cook@eips.ca) or phone the school at 780-449-2787.



February Prayer Focus:  
Please pray for our  
SCA Elementary Custodial Staff.

# February



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2 Staff Meeting - Early Dismissal 2:15 pm	3	4 Jump Rope for Heart	5
6	7	8	9 Chip Day Deadline to order February Hot Lunch	10 ATA Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL	11 ATA Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL	12
13	14 Red/Pink Day	15	16	17	18 Basically Babies Collection Drive Hot Lunch	19
20	21 Family Day NO SCHOOL	22	23 Chip Day	24	25	26
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