

# 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.**



October 2022 Edition



**Taste and see that the Lord is good, blessed is the one  
who takes refuge in him.**  
**Psalm 34:8**



## SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW ONLINE!

**SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW ONLINE** on PowerSchool Parent Portal. All fees are due within 30 days of being posted (by October 21, 2022). To access your fee information, simply log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal and go to "Student Fees." There you can view your fees and pay them online using Visa, MasterCard or debit card—when available from your financial institution.

If circumstances exist where you are unable to pay your fees, you can apply to have fees waived by submitting an Application for a Waiver of Fees. The application deadline is December 15, 2022.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines, visit [eips.ca](https://www.scae elementary.ca/about/fees) and <https://www.scae elementary.ca/about/fees>.

Alternatively, contact the school office at 780-449-2787.



## SCA CLOTHING

If you would like to order either a SCA Elementary T-shirt or hoodie (OR BOTH), please choose the item(s) from the "School Items" on Parent Portal under 'SCA Clothing Order Form'. Please note that these items can be purchased at any time throughout the school year. All clothing items purchased through the Parent Portal account will be delivered to the student's homeroom class.



## YEARBOOKS

If you would like to order a 2022-23 yearbook please make sure to choose it from the "School Items" on your student's individual tab in Parent Portal and add it to your cart when paying your school fees. **The deadline for ordering a yearbook is March 31, 2023** and they will be delivered to the students at the end of June 2023.

## PICTURE RETAKES

The date for photo re-takes is **Wednesday, October 12**. If you think your child needs a re-take, please return the online order form with a parents' signature and concerns noted with your child **on re-take day**. If your child was absent for picture day, they will have the opportunity to have their picture taken. If you have a kindergarten student who requires a retake but does not have school on the 12th, please feel free to bring them in between 8:45-9:30 am. If you have any questions regarding your online order, please contact ICON directly at 780-449-3558.

## REMINDERS

- **Wednesday, October 5 - Early Dismissal at 2:15 pm**
- **Friday, October 7 - No School - PD Day**
- **Monday, October 10 - No School - Thanksgiving Day**
- **Wednesday, October 12 - School Picture Re-take Day (AM)**
- **Wednesday, October 12 & 26 - Chip Day**
- **Wednesday, October 19 - School Council Meeting at 7:15 pm**
- **Thursday, October 20 - ECS Mom's Coffee Party at 7:00 pm**
- **Friday, October 21 - Hot Lunch**




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# Great Day of Giving



On **Friday, April 28, 2023**, we will be holding a Great Day of Giving. This event has been initiated by our school council and our school staff. **Our goal for the day is to raise \$100,000 dollars.** \$50,000 dollars will be used to upgrade SCA's school technology. The other \$50,000 will go towards soccer field upgrades for our orphanage ministry partners in Mexico. It is going to be a tremendous day of celebrating the goodness of God!



## Grade 4, 5 and 6 Retreats

We have started a new tradition at SCA Elementary – fall retreats for our grade 4, 5, and 6 students. These one-day retreats are a time to strengthen friendships, meet new people, and grow in our relationship with God. The Lord blessed us with beautiful weather for all of our retreats, and we were able to participate in all of our outdoor activities. Activities included swimming, ziplining, wide games, wall climbing, and devotional times with Pastor Cook. A big thank you to all of our parents who were able to attend to help make the day run smoothly. Each retreat was a wonderful time of building friendships, spiritual encouragement and creating memories for a lifetime.



## Terry Fox Run - September 23

Our students had a great day running our Terry Fox Run! A huge thank you goes out to our parent volunteers!

Thank you to everyone for your donations to Terry's Dream. This was our 17th year of running the Terry Fox Run.

The students raised **\$1720.60**.

Way to go SCA Eagles! Looking forward to our 2023 run!



## Indigenous Education

I am delighted to be the lead teacher at our school for First Nations, Metis and Inuit education. This will be my sixth year in this role and I am enjoying it immensely.

At SCA, we are being purposeful about ensuring that our students receive important information and a meaningful experience when it comes to Indigenous education. In addition to classroom instruction on this topic, as it falls into the curriculum, each grade will also have a special opportunity to learn about a unique aspect of First Nations, Metis or Inuit history and culture. If you have any questions about our Indigenous education program here at SCE, please feel free to contact me at the school or by email:

[janet.vader@eips.ca](mailto:janet.vader@eips.ca)

Janet Vader

## 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! If you have time to meet once a month to pray for our students, please email Pastor Cook at [timothy.cook@eips.ca](mailto:timothy.cook@eips.ca) or phone the school at 780-449-2787.

**Currently a group meets the first Thursday of every month at 1:00 pm at SCA Elementary. The first prayer meeting of this school year is Thursday, October 6 and you are welcome to join!**

We want to cover the schools and the children with prayer. Your wisdom and experience is strongly desired to do this.

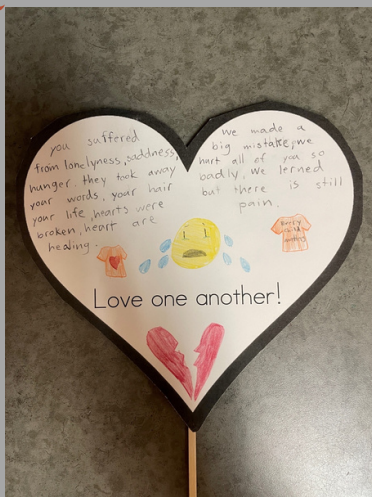
***Psalm 71:16 says: "I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, O Sovereign LORD!"***

Read the rest of Psalm 71 to discover your mandate as a spiritual grandparent to all of our students.





# Orange Shirt Day



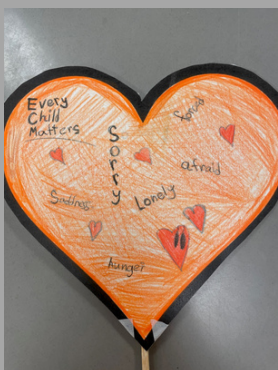
Our staff and students recognized the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation on Thursday, September 29th.

Each class in each grade found their own unique way to take a few moments of remembrance, and learn about Residential Schools.

The Grade 4 classes had the honour of creating a "heart garden" with their reflections.

Mrs. Vader, Pastor Cook and the grade 4 teachers walked over to the Elk Island Public Schools building where the First Nations, Metis and Inuit consultants met them.

The students heard a bit more about what Orange Shirt day means, and then they "planted" their hearts into the grounds surrounding the EIPS building. It was a meaningful time and the students did a wonderful job of sharing their thoughtful and heartfelt creations



## Parent/Teacher Interview Meal for Staff

**When:** Thursday, November 30, 2022

**What:** We are looking for parents who would be willing to join in to provide a potluck item for our staff meal. This is a wonderful way to bless our staff!

**Who:** Please email Mrs. Lisa Kraiger at [kraiger@shaw.ca](mailto:kraiger@shaw.ca) if you are able to join in and participate.







## Monthly Newsletters Online

On the last day of every month we post the newsletter for the upcoming month on our website. Please visit [www.scaelementary.ca](http://www.scaelementary.ca) to view our calendar and newsletter to find out about important information and upcoming events at SCA Elementary

## Healthy Hunger

Our first hot lunch with Healthy Hunger will take place this month!

October 19 - KA/KC

October 20 - KB/KD

October 21 - Gr. 1-6

### Chip Days

October 12

October 26

If you did not prepay for chip days for the year, your child can bring a Loonie on chip day to participate.



## Facebook Group

Did you know we have a school Facebook Group?

Find us on Facebook under:  
**SCA Elementary Parents**

## October Prayer Focus

Please pray for the SCA Elementary Office Staff.



# Clothing Exchange

**DROP OFF - Oct. 14**

4:00pm through to 11:00am (Oct. 15)

**EVENT DAY - Oct. 15**

10:30am - 12:30pm

**Sherwood Park Alliance Church**

☎ (780) 467-8404

# October



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
					30 Pre-paid Chip Days Deadline	1
2	3	4	5 Early Dismissal 2:15 pm	6 Thanksgiving Chapel	7 NO SCHOOL PD Day	8
9	10 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Day	11	12 Picture Retake Day Chip Day	13	14 KA/KC Hot Lunch Order Deadline	15 KB/KD Hot Lunch Order Deadline
16 Gr. 1-6 Hot Lunch Order Deadline	17	18	19 KA/KC Hot Lunch School Council Meeting @ 7:15 pm	20 KB/KD Hot Lunch ECS Mom's Coffee Night @ 7:15 pm	21 Gr. 1-6 Hot Lunch	22
23	24	25	26 Chip Day	27	28	29
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HAPPY  
Thanks  
giving

## 2022