SCA Elementary Newsletter



Our Mission: To challenge students, through Christcentered 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.



November 2022 Edition

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held on November 30th & December 1st. Parents will be able to book their own interview appointment online with their child's homeroom teacher. An e-mail will be sent to parents approximately 1 week before interviews with step by step instructions on how to book appointment(s). Using this system allows more control to coordinate personal schedules with Parent/Teacher interviews as it is challenging to schedule so far in advance. We hope that you will find using this system easy and convenient. If you have any questions, please call

the school office at 780-449-2787.



REPORT CARDS

Report cards will be available on <u>Friday, November 25 at</u> <u>3:15 pm</u>.

To best communicate student learning, some changes have been made to report cards, including a slight redesign.

This November, parents and guardians will continue to access report cards through PowerSchool—simply log in to your account and click on the "Report Card" button in the lefthand sidebar. Similar to the previous report card, students will still be assessed on a Learner Attributes

Scale and Achievement Scale. Some categories have been modified to align with the new curriculum

CHILDCARE

There will be childcare available both evenings during interviews from 5:00 - 9:00 pm in the gym for all elementary and pre-school aged children that are here during their parent interview time.

There is no charge for this service, however donations are gratefully accepted and will be put towards our Missions program. This is for your convenience during interview times only. During interviews, parents will be allowed to park in our bus lane parking as well as in our regular visitor parking. We would request that no children be wandering around or playing in the hallways while you attend your interview.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Our Parents continue to bless our teaching staff each year with a meal just prior to Parent/Teacher Interviews starting on November 30th. Should you be interested in helping out with contributing some food items to this much appreciated meal, please contact Lisa Kraiger at kraiger@shaw.ca.

Reminders

- Wednesday, November 2 Early Dismissal at 2:15 pm
- Friday, November 4 Remembrance Day Chapel
- November 7-11 November Break
- Wednesday, November 16 School Council Meeting at 7:15 pm
- Friday, November 18 Hot Lunch
- Wednesday, November 23 Chip Day



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School Fees

Thank you to all families who have already paid the Elk Island Public School fees for the 2022-23 school year. If you have not yet paid, payment would be appreciated as soon as possible as the fees are **NOW PAST DUE**. 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 and

https://www.scaelementary.ca/about/fees



Hot Lunch

November 16 - KA/KC

November 17 - KB/KD

November 18 - Gr. 1-6

Chip Day

November 23 - KA/KC, Gr. 1-6

November 24 - KB/KD

Remembrance Day

On Friday, November 4, all of our students will participate in a Remembrance Day Chapel at 9:15 am.

Parents are welcome to attend.

Please feel free to send in poppy donations with your child on that day for the poppy they will receive.

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.

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 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 next prayer meeting is <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 3</u> 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.



A Word or Two scelibrary.net



We are very excited to announce that we will be hosting our book fairs IN PERSON this fall! Scholastic and Lamplighter Books & Gifts will have a full selection of great quality books, offering a wonderful place to do some Christmas shopping and a great financial benefit to our school. Parents are welcome to come in before and after your interview times from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, Nov 30 & Dec 1. We look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair and thank you in advance for your support of a

great fund-raiser!

-Mrs. Wielinga

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SCORE some great books!

Inclement Weather

With the winter season almost here, we want to remind families to dress children appropriately for the weather when getting ready for school or the bus. The weather often changes unexpectedly throughout the day, so please select suitable outerwear and ensure your child is prepared for changing conditions.

If inclement weather conditions occur, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) advises families of any bus cancellations using various communications tools—automated-telephone messages, alerts posted on www.eips.ca and school websites, Twitter, Facebook, local radio stations, and notification through both the Bus Status and the Ride 360 apps. Morning bus cancellations are posted on www.eips.ca by 6:30 a.m.

Decisions regarding bus cancellations are guided by EIPS administrative procedures that state, "school bus service may be suspended...when there is a forecast or current temperature of -40 C, including wind chill factor, in one or more regions." Other reasons for suspending or delaying school bus services include adverse weather and poor road conditions. When school bus services are suspended, schools remain open to students. EIPS believes families have the right and responsibility to make choices for their children based on their beliefs and perceptions of safety during times of inclement weather.

For more information, contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151

School Theme 2022-23

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

facebook Group

Did you know we have a school Facebook Group? Find us on Facebook under: SCA Elementary Parents

Christmas Concerts 2022

Grades 1 - 6 Christmas Concert

Thursday, December 15, 2022
Sherwood Park Alliance Church Auditorium

Grades 1 - 3 - 6:30 pm Grades 4-6 - 8:00 pm

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW



Our Kindergarten students do not participate in the formal Christmas

Concert evening. Their teachers prepare a series of very special

activities over the days leading up to the Christmas break.

Great Day of Giving

On <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 28</u>, <u>2023</u>, 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!

November Prayer Focus

Please pray for SCA Elementary office staff.

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 to view our calendar and newsletter to find out about important information and upcoming events at SCA Elementary

November





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We Remember

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