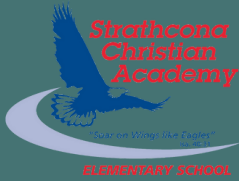


SCA Elementary Newsletter



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.



January 2023 Edition

Happy
**NEW
YEAR**

God is with us in the new year, we don't need to worry about anything when we focus on Him. He is our strength, he is with us and we have nothing to fear.

Returning Student Registration for 2023-24

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will once again conduct an online returning student registration process to confirm student registrations for the 2023-24 school year.

With the exception of graduating Grade 12 students, families of current students must complete the re-registration process to confirm the school their child plans to attend in the 2023-24 school year or advise the Division of their plans not to return to EIPS. 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.

The 2023-24 returning student registration takes place Feb. 1-28, 2023.

Access to the Returning Student Registration Form is provided through the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you need to set one up before Feb. 1, 2023.

Please contact the school office at 780-449-2787 with any questions.

Kindergarten Registration for 2023-24

Is your child turning five on or before Dec. 31, 2023? If so, it's almost time to register for kindergarten.

Kindergarten registration opens for the 2023-24 school year on Feb. 1, 2023.

To help families prepare, Elk Island Public Schools has put together an online EIPS Kindergarten Tool kit 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.

Not Returning for 2023-24?

If your child(ren) will not be returning to SCA for 2023-24, please email Mrs. Elford (jeanine.elford@eips.ca) or call the school directly by January 13.

REMINDERS

- CLASSES RESUME ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023
- JANUARY 4, 2023 - EARLY DISMISSAL @ 2:15 PM
- JANUARY 11 & 25 - CHIP DAY
- JANUARY 13 - WE CARE COLLECTION DRIVE
- JANUARY 18 - SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING @ 7:15 PM
- JANUARY 20 - HOT LUNCH
- JANUARY 27 - READING DAY
- JANUARY 30 - PD DAY - NO SCHOOL



HEALTHY HUNGER

HOT LUNCH

January 18 - KA/KC (Deadline Jan 13)

January 19 - KB/KD (Deadline Jan 14)

January 20 - Gr. 1-6 (Deadline Jan 15)

CHIP DAY

January 11 & 25 - Gr. 1-6

January 25 - KA/KC

January 26 - KB/KD

HOPE MISSION TOY DRIVE A SUCCESS!

On behalf of Hope Mission, we would like to say a huge **"THANK YOU"** to our students and families who gave so generously to the new toy drive in December. These toys will be used in the Tegler Youth Centre's annual Christmas toy give-away and will be a blessing to many families this Christmas season.

WE CARE MINISTRY DRIVE (SPAC)

We will be having a collection drive for Sherwood Park Alliance Church's "We Care Ministry" on **Friday, January 13**. The We Care Ministry of SPAC is an ongoing outreach ministry to people in the inner city.

Items needed are: warm socks, gloves, long underwear, toques, hoodies, warm winter pants, boots and jackets (which can be used)

New Hygiene Items: shampoo, conditioner, shaving items, hand lotion, nail care items, hair brushes, toilet paper and laundry products,

Food Items: individually wrapped healthy snacks (store bought only) as well as \$5 gift cards for Tim Horton's or McDonald's. Please bring items to the rotunda in the morning as they will be picked up by noon. Thank you so much for your support!

INCLEMENT WEATHER

With the winter season well underway, 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) will advise 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 Procedure 131: Inclement Weather, which states: "school bus service may be suspended ... when there is a forecast or current temperature of -40 C including wind chill, 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 they feel is safest during times of inclement weather.

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

CALLING ALL GRANDPARENTS

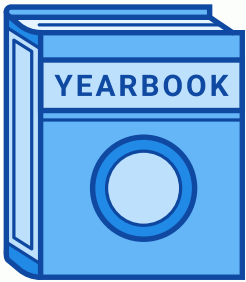
Are you a past, present, or future grandparent of a student who attends SCA Secondary or Elementary Schools?

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 Thursday, January 5 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.

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.

SCHOOL THEME 2022-23

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

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!

MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS

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



NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL FACEBOOK GROUP

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

JANUARY PRAYER FOCUS

Please pray for our SCA Elementary Principal and Assistant Principals.

SCHOOL FEES

As we look to the 2023-24 school year, each school is obligated to provide parents with an opportunity to have input into school fees.

All parents are welcome to join our school council meeting on Wednesday, January 18 where school fees will be discussed. If you are not able to join, please provide any thoughts or feedback to us at principal.sce@eips.ca.

Below is a listing of our school fees from this current 2022-23 school year. We are not foreseeing significant changes from the fees and amounts listed below for the 2023-24 school year.

Strathcona Christian Academy Elementary School Fees Schedule 2022-23

| Fee Name/Description | Per Student Fee | Fee Category |
|--|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Fees paid to Society ECS (per student only) | \$990.00 | Alternative Program Fees |
| Fees paid to Society Gr 1-6 (per student only) | \$1,525.00 | Alternative Program Fees |
| Field Trips - ECS | \$55.00 | Activity Fees |
| Field Trips - Gr 1 | \$45.00 | Activity Fees |
| Field Trips - Gr 2 | \$45.00 | Activity Fees |
| Field Trips - Gr 3 | \$45.00 | Activity Fees |
| Field Trips - Gr 4 | \$45.00 | Activity Fees |
| Field Trips - Gr 5 | \$45.00 | Activity Fees |
| Field Trips - Gr 6 | \$45.00 | Activity Fees |
| Agenda - Gr 4-6 | \$7.00 | |
| School Supplies - ECS | \$30.00 | |
| School Supplies - Gr 1-3 | \$58.00 | |
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| Optional: | | |
| School T-Shirt | \$18.00 | |
| School Hoodie | \$34.00 | |
| Yearbook | \$25.00 | |
| Musical Theatre | \$45.00 | |

January



| SUN | MON | TUES | WED | THUR | FRI | SAT |
|---|-----------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|--|---|
| 1 --Christmas Break-- | 2 --Christmas Break-- | 3 --Christmas Break-- | 4 School Resumes Early Dismissal 2:15 pm | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 Gr. 1-6 Chip Day | 12 | 13 We Care Collection Drive KA/KC Hot Lunch Order Deadline | 14 KB/KD Hot Lunch Order Deadline |
| 15 Gr. 1-6 Hot Lunch Order Deadline | 16 | 17 | 18 KA/KC Hot Lunch School Council Meeting 7:15 pm | 19 KB/KD Hot Lunch | 20 Gr. 1-6 Hot Lunch | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 KA/KC, Gr. 1-6 Chip Day | 26 KB/KD Chip Day | 27 Reading Day | 28 |
| 29 | 30 NO SCHOOL - PD Day | 31 February Newsletter Online | | | | |

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