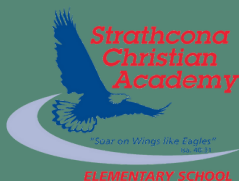


SCA Elementary Newsletter



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.



March 2023 Edition

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held on **March 21 and 22**. 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 our school interview system. Please call the school office at 780-449-2787 with any questions.

Report Cards

Report cards will be available on **Friday, March 17 at 3:15 pm**.

To access report cards through PowerSchool—simply log in to your account and click on the "Report Card" button in the left hand sidebar.

Green Day - Fri. March 17

Each year, we ask students and staff to go to their closet and pull out their favourite green outfit. We encourage our students to start thinking now about what to wear in just a couple of weeks time.

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 March 21. Should you be interested in helping out with contributing some food items to this much appreciated meal, please sign up using this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4FA5AA23A5FC1-november1>

Reminders

- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 - EARLY DISMISSAL @ 2:15 PM
- THURSDAY, MARCH 2 - KINDERGARTEN FATHER/CHILD NIGHT @ 6:15 PM
- FRIDAY, MARCH 3 - NO SCHOOL - EIPS PD DAY
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 - SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING @ 7:15 PM
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 & 22 - CHIP DAY
- FRIDAY, MARCH 17 - GREEN DAY
- FRIDAY, MARCH 17 - HOT LUNCH
- MARCH 24 - APRIL 2 - NO SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK
- CLASSES RESUME ON MONDAY, APRIL 3



HEALTHY HUNGER

HOT LUNCH

March 15 - KA/KC (Deadline Mar 10)

March 16 - KB/KD (Deadline Mar 11)

March 17 - Gr. 1-6 (Deadline Mar 12)

CHIP DAY

March 8 & 22 - Gr. 1-6

March 22 - KA/KC

March 23 - KB/KD

Jump Rope for Heart

Congratulations to everyone for the great participation in our 21st annual Jump Rope for Heart on February 3. It was an exciting day! Every class in elementary jumped for 25 minutes throughout the day in the gym. The elementary school raised **\$1253.00** for the Heart Foundation.

Thanks for your giving hearts!



Yearbook Deadline Soon Approaching!

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.

EIPS Annual Parent Survey

Have your say! EIPS' 2023 Annual Feedback Survey Opens March 1-23

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) wants to hear from you. Make sure to complete the 2023 EIPS Annual Feedback Survey: For parents and caregivers—open from March 1-23.

Every year, EIPS conducts the feedback survey to gauge its progress toward meeting the goals and priorities outlined in its Four-Year Education Plan. Families are asked a series of questions about their experiences with EIPS and the school their child attends, the overall performance of the Division, the quality of education being provided to students and areas for improvement. The survey input helps the Division develop new strategies to better serve students and the wider community. VISIT [EIPS.CA](https://eips.ca) TO TAKE THE SURVEY: March 1-23

NOTE: The survey is anonymous and only takes a few minutes to complete. If you want to share the experience of more than one child attending an EIPS school, simply complete the survey again.

Alberta Education Assurance Survey

Measuring Success: Complete this year's Alberta Education Assurance Survey

Once again, Alberta Education is surveying teachers, students and families through its annual Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) Survey. The survey acts as an annual check-up on the province's education system. Every year, Alberta Education conducts the survey to gather information about the quality of education provided by Alberta schools and school authorities. The survey looks at various measures such as education quality, citizenship, family involvement, engagement levels, school climate and student wellness.

The AEA survey is sent to

- Small schools (fewer than 120 students in grades 4-12)—based on jurisdiction requests for more reportable survey data at the school level, the survey is expanded to include all students in grades 4 and above and their parents and guardians.
- Large schools (120 or more students in grades 4-12)—only students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and their parents and guardians are included in the survey. These grades are considered to be a reasonably representative sample of students.

Throughout February, Grade 4 students at SCA Elementary are completing the survey online at the school. Student participation is voluntary and completely anonymous. Students are assigned a random username and password to ensure survey responses aren't linked to any individual student. The survey doesn't take long to complete and is done within the school day during regular class time.

Additionally, parents and guardians of students in these grades are also asked to take a survey online. Alberta Education will send families information about the survey directly. As with the student and teacher survey, it's anonymous and asks questions about your school experiences. If you have a child in these grades, we encourage you to participate. **The survey deadline has been extended to March 17, 2023.**

Results from the AEA Survey are provided to Elk Island Public Schools each spring. The Division then uses the data to inform its four-year education plan, school education plans and strategies for continuous improvement. Each fall, the results are also shared with EIPS families and school communities in the Division's Annual Education Results Report.

Great Day of Giving

It's almost here...

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!

Scholastic Book Fair



**A Word or Two
scelibrary.net**



Living Books

Thank you to all the parents who supported their grade 1-6 students in filling out their sheets for the Book Bingo contest. We had over 100 students win Bingo prizes! Check out the Library webpage to see who wins the grand prize draws on March 10. Students in grades 4-6 have also had the opportunity to participate in SCA Reads Battle of the Books the past month. The winning books will be announced later in March.

We are happy to announce that we will be hosting regular book fairs this spring! Scholastic and Lamplighter Books & Gifts will have a full selection of great quality books. Parents are welcome to come in before and after your interview times from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 21 & 22. We look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair and thank you in advance for your support of this great fund-raiser!

-Mrs. Wielinga



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, March 2 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.

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

SCHOOL THEME 2022-23

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



March



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			1 Early Dismissal 2:15 pm	2 ECS Father/Child Night 6:15 PM	3 NO SCHOOL - PD Day	4
5	6	7	8 Gr. 1-6 Chip Day School Council Meeting 1:15 pm	9	10 KA/KC Hot Lunch Order Deadline	11 KB/KD Hot Lunch Order Deadline
12 Grade 1-6 Hot Lunch Order Deadline	13	14	15 KA/KC Hot Lunch	16 KB/KD Hot Lunch	17 Green Day Gr. 1-6 Hot Lunch Report Cards Issued 3:15 pm	18
19	20	21 Library Book Fair P/T Interviews	22 Library Book Fair KA/KC, Gr. 1-6 Chip Day P/T Interviews	23 KB/KD Chip Day April Newsletter Online	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Yearbook Purchase Deadline	
--Spring Break--						

FEBRUARY PRAYER FOCUS

Please pray for our SCA
Society and School
Council.

SCHOOL FACEBOOK GROUP

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



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