

## Elmer Elson ELEMENTARY

### NEWSLETTER - January 2023

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#### ADMIN TEAM MESSAGE

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a restful holiday season. We are excited for what the new year will bring!

We feel very fortunate to work with such a great staff, amazing students, and supportive parents. We think that together we form very strong team.

Please know that our doors are always open and we ask that you come to us, with any questions or concerns and we will do our best to answer in a timely manner.

#### SHARING THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!

Numerous food items and over \$170.00 in cash donations were collected at Elmer Elson for the Christmas Hamper program.

Thank you for your generosity and helping to make Christmas wonderful for everyone in our community.



#### KICKING OFF 2023



We were very sad to miss our turkey dinner in December due to the cold weather.

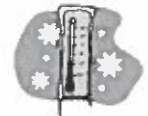
We have decided to kick off 2023 in style by providing a free piece of Hawaiian Pizza, veggies and dip and a piece of cake for all staff and students on

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 17<sup>th</sup>**

\*GLUTEN-FREE  
pizza will be  
available.

#### OUTDOOR RECESS/NOON BREAKS

It is our expectation that all students will go outside at recess time. As such, students need to be dressed appropriately to do so. Our recess breaks are only 14 minutes, so by the time the students dress, they are outside for even less time than that. The noon recess is 25 minutes and when warranted, we go out for only half of the time.



Obviously there will be days when the weather dictates otherwise. We use -20 with/without the wind as a guide but this is not an absolute number. There are many variables that are considered when making a decision. Student and staff safety are always our first priority. Of course, we monitor the weather closely when making decisions.

On inside days we choose one recess to do a school-wide movement break where students walk the hallways during recess.

#### BREAKFAST PROGRAM



We are continuing to offer a breakfast program for anyone who would like breakfast. Students are required to go straight to breakfast before getting prepared for class.

Thank you to our amazing staff who prepare breakfast each morning and for the huge support from our community to help fund this essential program.

#### PINK SHIRT DAY ORDERS

Pink Shirt Day will be on February 22, 2023. The deadline to order items is January 20<sup>th</sup>.

## CO-OP TILL TAPE PROGRAM

Please sign up to have 1% of your till tapes to go to the EEE Parent Fundraising Society.

This is a very easy fundraiser for us, and again the money is being used to support school projects.



Support our organization  
with your everyday grocery  
purchases at the  
Mayerthorpe Co-op.

Register for the Keep It Local Mayerthorpe  
program online at  
[pwcoop.ca/mayerthorpe](http://pwcoop.ca/mayerthorpe)



or request a form at the customer service desk at the Mayerthorpe Co-op

## MEAL OF THE MONTH PROGRAM (MOM)

A new menu and order form for MOM meals will be going home very soon. The deadline to order meals will be Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT

On behalf of the School Council, I would like to wish you all the best in 2023.

Are you interested in knowing what the school council is all about? Not sure if you need or want to attend a meeting? As your School Council Chairperson, I want to extend an invitation to attend one of our meetings. You can hear firsthand what's happening "behind the scenes" at EEE. These meetings generally never run any more than an hour. They are jam-packed with information regarding the education and programming for our students. This is also a great place to meet our school trustees. Northern Gateway School Trustees are there to hear what we have to say as parents and guardians of the students. If you have questions or concerns but are unable to attend a meeting you can contact me and I would be happy to bring the items forward. Our next meeting is January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the staffroom.

Falon Boll  
School Council Chairperson

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