



## Elmer Elson ELEMENTARY

### NEWSLETTER - February 2023

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#### ADMIN TEAM MESSAGE

We cannot believe February has arrived. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

We are happy to welcome Cayden Wright, Dante Bridges, and Bentlee Johner to our school family.

#### VALENTINE'S DAY ACTIVITIES

February has arrived, making Valentine's Day just around the corner. Teachers will be sending home specific details about classroom activities.



We encourage everyone to wear pink, red, or white on February 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### PINK SHIRT DAY

On February 22<sup>nd</sup> our staff and students will once again be joining millions of other Canadians on Pink Shirt Day to take a stand against bullying.

Today our diversity is becoming more visible than ever as people embrace their cultures, identities, and true selves in more open ways; making the need to Lift Each Other Up and have greater acceptance, respect, and inclusion for everyone is so important.



We ask you to join us to celebrate diversity and take a stand against bullying not only on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, but each and every day!

#### STAFF VS. SIXERS HOCKEY GAME

Thank you to everyone who made the hockey game a roaring success this year and for the all the donations to the local food bank.

Congratulations to Hannah Madsen for taking home over \$450 from the 50/50 raffle. The other half was donated to the Mayerthorpe Exhibition Centre for recreation activities.

Ticket sales for the Koehn Ziemmer jersey raffle will continue until February 8th. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and can be bought at the office or money can be sent with your child to school.



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## PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parents will have the option to have the conference in person or over the telephone.

from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

on  
March 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>.

You may call the office to book an appointment starting on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## I READ CANADIAN DAY

On Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>.  
EEE will be celebrating  
"I Read Canadian Day"

This is a national day celebrating Canadian books for young people. This is a day dedicated to encouraging at least 15 minutes of "reading Canadian"

The purpose of this event is to raise awareness of Canadian books while celebrating the richness, diversity, and breadth of Canadian literature.

Please take a moment to ask your child(ren) about this important literary day.



## BOOK FAIR RETURNS TO EEE!

It's back! Our Scholastic Book Fair will run from Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> to Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup>.



We will also be hosting a Virtual Book Fair during this time. Please watch for more information in the coming weeks.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT

### School Council, Why?

When you come to a school council meeting, it gives you the opportunity to play an advisory role in school planning. From attending these meetings we build meaningful, two-way communication and supporting respectful interactions among education partners.

Parents, principals, teachers, and community representatives are what makes a school council. The council's purpose is to advise the principal and the school board respecting matters relating to the school. This gives parents and community members the availability to work together with the school to support and enhance student learning.

School Council is where we can support meaningful parental involvement in decisions that affect the school and its operations. Join us for our next school council meeting on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 p.m. in the staffroom. These meetings will not take much of your time and will give you the space to hear and voice your thoughts on matters within our school and school division.

Falon Boll  
School Council Chair

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Our school family continues to be overwhelmed by the support of our Community towards our programs and fundraising initiatives. We are very grateful for the support and thoughtfulness.



## TEACHERS' CONVENTION & STAFF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DAY

There will be no school for students on February 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, as teachers will be participating in Teachers' Convention. March 10<sup>th</sup> will also be a day off for students as it is a scheduled P.D. Day for staff.

## PARENT FUNDRAISING UPDATE

It's hard to believe we are halfway through the 22/23 school year. EEE parent fundraising wrapped up our winter fundraiser through Mom's Pantry and Prairie Gourmet. With community support we raised a total of \$5,070.65! Thank you for your generosity, it was a great success!

Since the beginning of the school year our Society has funded various initiatives within our school totalling \$12,020.85. Student agendas, a portion of the school yearbook, and audio equipment are some examples of fundraising dollars going back into the school which in turn benefits the entire student body.

Our society is planning a spring fundraiser, please watch for more details to come in February.

Kristin Tomkiewych  
Parent Fundraising Chair