



Elmer Elson ELEMENTARY

NEWSLETTER - April 2024

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ADMIN TEAM MESSAGE

It is hard to believe it is April already and that we are into the final term of the school year.

Thank you to parents who were able to attend Parent Teacher Conferences. Information about student achievement is available on an ongoing basis throughout the year on PowerSchool. Please be sure to check under **Homeroom** to see citizenship marks and individual comments if you have not already done so, in addition to all other subjects. New comments were released on March 15th.

It is hard to believe but we have begun to plan for the next school year. Our budget is impacted by student enrollment, so if you plan on moving, or know of families moving in it would be very helpful if you could let us know.

We would like to welcome Miranda and Seth Eklund who have recently joined our school family.

ECS REGISTRATION 2024-2025



On April 3rd we are holding our 2024-2025 ECS registration night where we registered students for the upcoming year.

If you are unable to attend and have a child who will be the age of 5 by December 31st, 2024 or know of a child who is eligible, please call the school to get a registration package or you can print one off our school website.

As a reminder, a copy of your child's birth certificate and proof of residence (i.e. top portion of a utility bill etc.) that has your legal address on it is required to complete the registration process. Please drop off completed registration packages as soon as possible.

MUSIC FESTIVAL 2024

We are excited once again to participate in the music festival this year.



Mrs. Benson, her school choir, and the grade three classes will travel to Whitecourt to sing in the Whitecourt Rotary Music Festival. Many members of the Choir will also sing solo, duets, and trios. Special thanks to Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Miner, Miss Unland, and Miss Chayka for helping to prepare the students for the festival.

On April 18th, the kindergarten and grade four to six students will participate in individual speech arts and the Intermediate Choral Speech group will also perform. The next day the Grade 1-3 students and the Primary Speech Group will perform. Special thanks to Mrs. Feser, Mrs. Rizzoli, Miss Unland, Mrs. Hagman, and Miss Chayka for their time and dedication to preparing the students.

SCHOOL START SCHOOL SUPPLIES

We will be offering parents the opportunity to pre-purchase next year's school supplies for their children. This is completely optional for parents and all orders will be delivered directly to parents.

Staff will be reviewing the supply lists soon and more information will follow. The website is www.schoolstart.ca if you wish to find out more information.

A supply list for each grade will also be sent home on the last day of school if you would prefer to purchase your own supplies.



SPRING HAS SPRUNG



Our supply of Kleenex is very low so any donations would be greatly accepted and appreciated.

STUDENT ABSENCES

This is a reminder to please call the school when your child(ren) are absent from school. We realize this may be burdensome but it is for your child's safety. This way we know where they are when they are not at school.

In the case of a missing child, it would allow us to react quickly.

EASTER RAFFLE

We are very excited to have organized an Easter raffle again this year where all proceeds will be donated to the local food bank. There were some great prizes won, while supporting a good cause.

We raised a total of
\$494.65.



DAMAGED LIBRARY BOOKS



Unfortunately we have seen an increase in damage to library books caused by water, juice, food, mud, etc.

Please help us to keep our books in good condition by reminding your children to keep their books separated from water bottles, juice, or food in their backpacks. It would be helpful to keep a clean grocery bag or large ziploc bag in your child's backpack for this purpose.

In some instances, this is happening to new books the first time they are signed out.

EASTER EGG HUNT

A group of staff and our Student Council Executive planned an Easter egg hunt for the entire student body on March 22nd. Thank you to everyone who made this day memorable for our students.



Spring has arrived!

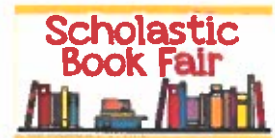
As your school delegate, I have the opportunity to attend the Alberta School Council Association's annual conference, celebrating the home and school connection focused on the well being of the child. I look forward to reporting back on what I have learned at the April school council meeting.

We hope everyone had a wonderful spring break. Despite our busy schedules, we hope you can take some time to join our next school council meeting on Monday, April 29th at 5:30 p.m. in the EEE staffroom.

Jill Stoney
School Council Chairperson

BOOK FAIR

Our recent Book Fair held in March was a tremendous success generating a profit of \$1500.00.



Thank you for continued support of this literary fundraiser. This enables us to purchase new resources for our Library!

We look forward to hosting another Book Fair in the fall.

BUS ZONE

Please help us keep our students safe by not walking between the parked buses in the bus zone.



We know everyone is busy, but we are asking for your help to ensure the safety of all students.

PARENT FUNDRAISING SOCIETY UPDATE

Elmer Elson Parent Fundraising Society wishes to thank our community for generously supporting our Spring Purdy's Chocolates fundraiser!

The fundraiser was a success, raising \$742.15 in profit.

These funds will go towards the outdoor classroom project. If you have suggestions for future fundraising ideas, please reach out to one of our members.

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Kindergarten

REGISTRATION

And Open House



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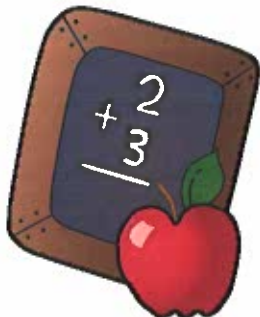


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Wednesday, April 3, 2024

PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILD'S
BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND LAND LOCATION

Students are not expected to attend.





Mayerthorpe Knights of Columbus

Spaghetti Supper & Bag Raffle

April 14, 2024

4:30pm- 6:30pm

Mayerthorpe Diamond Centre

Cost:

2 years & under – Free

3 – 6 Years - \$5.00

7 – 11 Years - \$10.00

12 years & up - \$15.00

