

NEWSLETTER - May 2025

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ADMIN MESSAGE

It is hard to believe May has arrived and we are into the final term of the school year.

The May 26th School Council meeting is the final one for this school year. I plan to share updates for the 2025-2026 school year at this time.

In April we welcomed Kobie and Kamdon Lucius and Victoria Johner to our school family.

We thank you for your ongoing support in making EEE a wonderful place to learn and grow.



EDUCATION WEEK April 7 - 11

Learning Uplifts All

The first Alberta School Week (Education Week) was held December 2-8, 1928. Its purpose then, as now, is to call attention to the importance of education and to show the public the good things happening in Alberta schools.

EDUCATION WEEK ACTIVITIES

During the week of April 7 - 11 the students and staff at Elmer Elson were involved in a variety of activities to celebrate Education Week.

Throughout the week classes had guest readers in the classrooms to share their love for literacy.

April 7 - ECS to grade 3 students are decorated placemats to be delivered to the Auxiliary Hospital and Pleasantview Lodge. Students also decorated Education Week bookmarks.

April 10 - Music Festival Awards

April 11 - To highlight the partnership between school and parents, grade fives invited parents into the school for a Career fair.

BOOKS FOR GIFTS

"The Gift that Keeps on Giving"

Many years ago a member of our School Council proposed a "Books for Gifts" program

The purpose of this program was to enable a parent or guardian to have a book purchased in honor of a staff member at EEE and have it placed in the school Library. Staff members appreciate this donation to our Library in place of gifts at Christmas or year end. If you are interested in this program, please contact Mrs. LeClercq. Payment may be made by cheque, cash, or through School Cash online.



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.



Teachers have reviewed the supply lists 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.

THEME DAY

The student council have declared May 23rd Western Day at EEE. Yee-Hawl



SCHOOL COUNC

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter break. Despite our busy schedules, I hope you can take some time to join us at our last school council meeting of the year on Monday, May 26th in the EEE staffroom at 5:00 p.m.

I was excited to attend the School Council Conference and look forward to sharing new ideas with the council.

Jill Stoney School Council Chairperson

STUDENT DRESS CODE

As the weather becomes warmer we want to review our student dress code. Our expectations are:

- All students are expected to wear clothing that is appropriate for school
- No inappropriate messages or images
- All students must dress to ensure coverage for midriffs and backs as well as no low cut tops or short shorts (shorts must ensure coverage even when students are active, bending or sitting - a mid thigh length or longer is acceptable.)

EASTER RAFFLE

Thanks to the overwhelming support of our Easter Raffle, we proudly donated almost \$895.25 to the Mayerthorpe Food Bank. We had almost 100 students take home small prizes from the raffle draws.

Thank you to our school family for generously supporting this initiative.

Gr. 5-6 ATHLETICS

Many students are participating in after school badminton. It will end on June 5th. Students are permitted to bring their own racket or use the school rackets.

MAY LONG WEEKEND

We are excited that our families will have an extra long May weekend.

The dates are as follows:

May 15th Staff Planning & Planning Day

May 16th Day in Lieu of Parent Teacher Conferences

May 19th Victoria Day

Classes will resume on Tuesday May 20th



ATTENDANCE

Although we appreciate the effort parents are putting forth to keep kids home who are sick, we also acknowledge the importance of regular attendance.

The visual on the next page shows how every day counts toward your child's success.

RUN 4 FUN and KIDS KILOMETRE CLUB

We are excited to offer the running club to all grades again this year and are amazed by the interest in the Run 4 Fun event in Whitecourt.

45 Kindergarten to Grade 3 students will be running in the 2.2 km Run 4 Fun at 10:30 a.m. in Whitecourt on Saturday June 7th. Thank you to Mrs. Hagman and Mrs. Chittick for coordinating this.

44 of our grade 4-6 students will run 5 km on Saturday, June 7th at 8:45 a.m. at the Kids Run 4 Fun. They are training twice a week with the staff volunteers; Mrs. Hagman, Mrs. Mercer, Mrs. Vankleek and Miss Mattson. You may even see Mrs. Masterson leading the pack on her bike.

ELMER ELSON'S BOOKSHELF

STUDENT FAVORITES FROM OUR VERY OWN LIBRARY

Our names are Brooke and Jaya. We are here to tell you about an amazing book called Rapunzel's Revenge. It is based off of the old fairy tales of Jack and the Beanstalk and Rapunzel. The main characters of the book are wanted criminals. In the beginning Rapunzel ran away from Mother Gothel. Along the way she meets Jack. Jack is the main character in Jack and the Beanstalk, Jack and Rapunzel run away in the desert. They are being chased by a guy named Bruce. Bruce is hired by Mother Gothel to get Rapunzel back to the tower. We hope you read this book to find out how this tale unfolds. You can find this book in our very own school library.

> Jaya and Brooke Grade 4



If you're looking for a good book try "Diary of a Wimpy Kid". Diary of a wimpy kid is a twenty book series where a kid shares his life with you.

He thinks he'll be famous someday but for now he's stuck in middle school with a bunch of morons, luckily though he has his best friend, Rowley Jefferson by his





Little Lungs

