



March 17, 2024



WESTBORO ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

March 18: Online Bookings for S/P/T close at 3:30 p.m.

March 19: Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7 p.m.

March 19: Westboro Parent's Society Bottle Drive 4 - 7 p.m.

March 20: Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7 p.m.

March 20: Westboro Parent's Society Bottle Drive 4 - 7 p.m.

March 21: God's Group

March 22: School Closure Day - No School for Students or Staff

WESTBORO BOTTLE DRIVE!

Westboro Parent's Society is hosting a bottle drive this coming Tuesday, March 19, and Wednesday, March 20, 4-7 p.m. during Student Teacher Parent Conferences. We encourage all parents and guardians to bring their extra bottles to the school during this time and drop them off at the designated collection area outside the school main doors.

By participating, you are directly supporting our school community here at Westboro! Together, let's make a difference one bottle at a time!

Thank you!

REQUEST FOR SUPPLIES

Mrs. Richard is looking for glass jars for an upcoming spring project that all students will be taking part in.

- Small to medium in size (pasta jar is a bit too big)
- Please clean and remove the label
- Jars need to be smooth glass with no bumps or designs in the glass
- Any shape will do

We will be collecting until after spring break. Thank you!

PATROLLERS OF THE MONTH

We were finally able to get these awesome Patrollers together for a team photo.

Helaina and Abigail were named our Patrollers of the Month for February! Thanks for being reliable and responsible team members and helping us keep our community safe!



ST. PATRICK'S DAY AT WESTBORO

St. Patrick's Day at Westboro was full of students donning their finest shades of green as well as designing and building their own leprechaun traps! Among the highlights of the day was the heartwarming sight of one of our students, Seth N., who enthusiastically embraced the spirit of the holiday by dressing up as a mischievous leprechaun. Seth captured the essence of St. Patrick's Day and brought smiles to the faces of everyone he encountered!

Happy St. Patrick' Day!



SPRING BREAK

Westboro Elementary will be closed for spring break from March 25 to April 1, 2024. If you need immediate assistance during this time, Elk Island Public Schools Central Services will be open, with the exception of March 29 and April 1. Contact the main office at 780-464-3477 if you have urgent questions or concerns during this time.

Next Friday, March 22 is a school closure day therefore the school will be closed to students and staff.

Westboro Elementary will reopen on Tuesday, April 2.

WATCH FOR THIN ICE

Remember, be aware of thin ice this time of year. Depending on changing temperatures, ice can form and melt to varying degrees on outdoor bodies of water. Try to remind your child about the dangers of thin ice, obey all posted signs, take proper care and remain a safe distance from the ice.

For more information about ice safety, visit the [Canadian Red Cross](#).

Did you know?

The colour of ice may be an indication of its strength. Clear blue ice is the strongest. White opaque is half as strong as blue ice. And, grey ice is unsafe—greyness indicates the presence of water.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMMING AT EIPS

Is there a preschooler in your life experiencing developmental delays or challenges with speech-language or motor-skill development—big or small? If so, Elk Island Public School's Play And Learn at School (PALS) program could help.

Early learning lays the foundation for success in primary grades and beyond. As such, EIPS offers the pre-kindergarten PALS program in five of its elementary school locations. Applications are now open for free speech-language assessments for those interested in registering in the PALS program this fall. The assessment helps determine if PALS is appropriate for your child.

If you know a preschooler, born in 2020 or 2021, who could benefit from pre-kindergarten programming or want to book an assessment, fill out the [PALS Program Request Form](#) or call 780-417-8219. For more information, visit [eips.ca](#).

Strathcona County Information

SPRING PROGRAMS AND SUMMER CAMPS ARE HERE!

Registration opens at 7 a.m.

- March 19 – swimming programs
- March 21 – all other programs and summer camps

[Spring program and Summer camp registration](#)

Registration for [Spring Break programs](#) is on now!

FREE SPRING PROGRAMS

Our [Family Resource Network spring program schedule](#) is now available! Connect with other parents and caregivers, learn new skills and support your child's healthy development.

These FREE programs include:

- Drop-in parented programs for infants aged 0 to 18 months
- Drop-in parented programs for kids 0 to 6 years old
- Registered programs for kids in grades 1 to 3 and grades 4 to 6
- Registered parenting skill-building sessions for a variety of age groups
- Special events for families and children of all ages

ART CONNECT

Art Connect is an open studio class for adults with developmental disabilities. Artists in these classes will be able to explore what they want to make and create. They will explore mediums like acrylic paint, watercolours, pastels, pencil crayons, charcoal and more.

Next course runs April 17 to June 5 on Wednesday afternoons at Gallery@501.

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