

What's Up @ Wye ELEMENTARY

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is hard to believe that we are now beginning the last month of the school year. Once again, we have had a busy school year. It is amazing to see how much our students have grown and we are proud of their ongoing academic achievement. June still brings us our PAT examinations for our grade six students as well as final assessments. All of our students will be working very hard in their studies until the end of June to achieve their goals. In addition, we are also looking forward to several fun culminating events including field trips, year-end picnics as well as the Leadership Celebration.

We concluded our Oodles of Noodles project with a huge domino effect outside in our front parking lot. I was extremely proud of our students, staff and community as the Noodle project was a total team effort. Everyone participated from the bringing in the boxes to setting them up outside. Thank you to all students, staff, parents and community for your support. We are an incredible team!

A big thank-you to the organizing committee for the carnival this year. We always have such positive feedback from the students about how much they enjoy carnival and it would not have been possible without the support of the committee and the all of the parent volunteers who manned booths during the event. Thank-you for such a great Wye School community event.

We would like to thank all of our parents for their tremendous support during the school year. You have generously helped us by volunteering in

our classrooms, supporting our fundraiser, volunteering your time to help with School Council and their committees, Wye School Support Parent Association and their committees and most important working with your children every day to support their learning.

A couple of reminders that the Leadership Celebration is occurring on Tuesday, June 26th for all K-6 students at Wye School. Further information will be shared by classroom teachers. The Wye School Fundraising Association will be holding its annual general meeting on June 8th from 2:00 – 3:00 pm. All parents are welcome to attend this meeting.

Enjoy a great summer break everyone!!!

Bill Schlacht
Principal
Wye Elementary School

Grade 6 PAT's

Please note the dates for the upcoming PAT exams for **Grade 6**. Ensure that your student gets a good night's sleep before the exam and eats a great breakfast that morning. All exams commence at 9AM.

June 19th - Language Arts

June 20th - Mathematics

June 22nd - Social Studies

June 23rd - Science

2017/2018 Registration at Wye School

As this year comes to an end at Wye School, we are also eagerly anticipating the start of our 2017/2018 school year! Staff have begun



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diligently preparing for next year.

Throughout the summer, you can also find information, school supply lists and bell schedules (Parent Handbook) on our school website, www.wyeschool.ca Please check back regularly for updated information. To assist you in planning for next year, please also refer to the approved 2017/2018 division calendar available electronically at www.eips.ca. Our school-specific calendar is also available on our website for your reference.

In August, Elk Island Public Schools' (EIPS) division website (www.eips.ca) will have detailed back-to-school information available to assist families in planning for the fall. We look forward to seeing you at Wye School when classes resume on **Wednesday, August 30, 2017**. Please contact us at 780-467-7447 if you have any questions about planning for back to school, this fall.

Important Dates to Note on your Calendar!

June 12 th	WSC Meeting 11:30-12:30
June 13 th	Grade 4-Fort Edmonton
June 13 th	Grade 3 Swimming-Emerald Hills
June 14 th	Grade 1 Woodworking in the Gym
June 14 th	Wye Replacement School Meeting 6:30
June 15 th	Grade 5M-Elk Island National Park
June 16 th	Grade 5D&5K-Elk Island National Park
June 16 th	Zaharko ECS in class today
June 19 th	Grade 6-LA PAT 9-10:30am
June 20 th	Grade 6 Math PAT 9-10:30am
June 20 th	Grade 3 Swimming at Emerald Hills
June 21 st	RCMP Visit with Horses 1:00-3:00
June 22 nd	Grade 6 Social PAT 9-10:30am
June 23 rd	Grade 6 Science PAT 9-10:30am
June 23 rd	All ECS Classes- West Edmonton Mall
June 23 rd	Grade 5-Kinsmen Leisure Park
June 26 th	All ECS Classes in today
June 26 th	Leadership Day 9:00-3:00
June 27 th	Grade 3-Galaxy Theatre 8:45-11:45am
June 27 th	All ECS Classes in today-Year End Party
June 28 th	Grade 5-Millennium Place 10:30-2:45
June 28 th	Grade 1-Galaxy Theatre
June 28 th	Grade 3-ACT Centre 8:45-2:45
June 28 th	Grade 6-Centennial Park 10:00-2:00
June 29 th	Grade 6-Kinsmen 8:40-10:15
June 29 th	Grade 2-Ukrainian Village 9:00-3:00
June 29 th	Report Cards Issued/Last Day of School

Kindergarten Parent Information

Registration is being accepted for students for the 2017/2018 Kindergarten school year. To be eligible to attend Kindergarten in the 2017/2018 school year, your child must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2017. Find more information about Kindergarten on the division website at www.eips.ca/kindergarten; or call, 780-467-7447.

Lost and Found Items

The remainder of the lost and found items will be on display in the hallway next to the gym, from June 13th - June 29th. Please come and claim anything that belongs to you/your family. We will be donating the unspoken for items to a charity on June 29th, 2017. Please check often.

Leadership Day

This year Wye School will be holding a Student Leadership Day in place of our old Track and Field Day. The students will be participating in various events throughout the day that promote the 7 Habits. The day will be run similar to Track and Field and therefore, we are in need of some parent volunteers. As volunteers, you will be paired with a color team to help support our grade 6 leaders as they take their team around to the different events throughout the day. The Wye Elementary Student Leadership Day will be held on **Monday, June 26th**. If you are able to help out, please fill out and return the form to the school by **Friday, June 16th**.

The teams will be made from our Leader in Me color groups, which means your children may not all be on the same team. We will do our best to pair you with at least one of your children. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather – running shoes (must be worn), hat, sunscreen, mosquito lotion etc. Please send your child with a well labeled water bottle.

All children are to bring a regular lunch for this day. Lunch hour will be from 11:35 - 12:35.

Let's Talk About: Wye Elementary's replacement school

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) invites all parents and community members to a drop-in Information Session regarding Wye Elementary's replacement school on June 14, 2017. As you are aware, the provincial government is allocating funds to replace Wye Elementary. The information session is an opportunity to learn more about the plans for the replacement school, ask questions and share ideas.

- Learn more about the school's replacement project
- Talk to representatives from EIPS
- Ask questions
- Provide ideas, suggestions and concepts about the design of the new school

Date: June 14, 2017

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Location: Wye Elementary, gymnasium

*free child care provided.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Clean Water for Kids around the World

If there is magic on this planet, it is contained in water. (Loran Easley, The Immense Journey, 1957)

In Grade 3 Social, while studying Global Citizenship, we challenged our students to earn money to raise funds for Clean Water for Kids around the world. Throughout the month of May, they accepted the challenge and eagerly completed various jobs at home to earn money for this project. Together, these Grade 3 leaders, gathered close to \$500.00 for the World Vision Water Fund. The children were so motivated they agreed to carry on this initiative until the end of June. When we send away our collection, our feeling of accomplishment stays with us. Proving: together we can make a difference!

Student Transportation: 2017-18 registration is now open

Planning to use EIPS Student Transportation in the 2017-18 school year? If so, make sure to register your child as soon as possible.

Families currently using student transportation services have received their tentative route schedules and invoices. If you haven't, contact Student Transportation. All transportation fees are due by June 30, 2017. After that date, a late fee will be applied.

If you have any questions about registration, invoicing or accessing transportation for the 2017-18 school year, contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151 or email st@eips.ca.

NOTE: Student Transportation will remain open during the summer months and operate during the same hours as Central Office. Student Transportation can't accept in-person transportation payments on the days it's closed.

Summer Hours at Elk Island Public Schools

Throughout the summer break, **Wye School** will be closed and will reopen on **August 22, 2017** at **8:30am**. If you have any school-related questions or concerns during this time, contact the Central Office at Elk Island Public School—the office is open all summer to complete year-end activities and prepare for the 2017-18 school year.

EIPS Central Office Summer Hours (July and August)

Open: Monday to Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Phone: 780-464-3477

Address: 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park

Statutory Holidays

Closed	Monday, July 3	Canada Day
Closed	Monday, Aug. 7	Heritage Day

Wye School Council (WSC)

The last Wye School Council meeting of the school year will be on Monday, June 12th at 11:30am. If you would like to know more about the WSC or the executive positions, please contact Jennifer Archer at wsc.chair2016@gmail.com

FAWS UPDATE

We would like to thank the families and volunteers who have come together this past year to raise money for Wye School. Together, we raised approximately \$13,000. Our budget each year is approximately \$20,000, paying for things like student agendas, providing teachers with \$15/student to assist with classroom expenses, funding special presentations and assemblies for the school, covering expenses incurred in the noon hour clubs program, supplying each classroom with a recess bucket filled with sports equipment and toys, funding \$10/student for kindergarten yearbooks, funding \$10/student for grade six farewell, keeping the staff kitchen supplied with coffee for parents, donating \$250 towards the Wyecliff Bible Chapel as a thank you for using their parking lot, funding the videography of the Wye School Christmas Concert, purchasing retirement gifts for teachers on behalf of Wye families, recognizing school administration on Administrative Professional Day, providing lunch and gifts for staff during Staff Appreciation Week, etc.

Thanks to a tremendously successful Purdy's Fundraiser and Mathathon in 2015-2016, we have a surplus of funds that we have been able to invest in much-needed equipment for the school. Our executive believes strongly in spending all funds raised by Wye School families, in order to provide immediate benefit to our kids as a result of fundraising efforts. In consultation with school administration and families, we are spending all surplus funds on the following for Wye school:

- One full class set of chrome books along with a storage cart (maximum \$12,000)

- Much needed coding equipment that all of the students will have access to and will heavily utilize (maximum \$6,000)
- Button maker for students to operate (maximum \$500)
- Grade six field trip to Birch Bay Ranch (maximum \$3700)

With new Alberta legislation introduced this spring to reduce school fees (Bill 1), FAWS hopes to work with Wye families to replace some lost revenue through fundraising and voluntary donations. Working together, we hope to ensure that our classrooms are well-supplied and that field trips and other valuable programming continues. We look forward to a highly successful fundraising year in 2017-2018!

FAWS Executive for 2017-2018

President: Cindy Smith

Vice President: Sherri Naslund Dawson

Secretary: Jennifer Archer

Treasurer: Colleen Adamic

A huge thank you to all of our volunteers for helping to enrich the educational experience for our children at Wye School.

Wye School Carnival

The carnival this year was a huge success! Our carnival chair, Sherri Naslund Dawson, worked tirelessly on putting together an event that would bring our school community together in a fun and engaging celebration. We enjoyed the variety of food trucks and picnic tables, inflatable obstacle course and bouncers, inflatable Zorb balls, jousting, Jacob's Ladder, petting zoo & Zoo2U, carnival games, photo booth, fortune teller, magician, roaming princesses and super-heroes, spray tattoos, DJ, and our famous Cake Walk. A huge THANK YOU to our amazing volunteers who signed up for various carnival stations. We'd like to especially thank Councilor Linton Delainey, who spent the entire evening (filling six shifts!) running games for our children in such a friendly and engaging way. We would like to give a special thank you to SHAUNA REISS

for creating such beautiful raffle baskets and to everyone who generously donated items. We raised \$1,280 from our raffle baskets, \$233 from our 50/50, \$5970 in wristband sales, and brought in an additional \$1,019.40 in donations.

Little Elk Island Adventure: Registration

Elk Island Public Schools is once again offering its Little Elk Island Adventure, a fun and informative program for **first-time school bus riders**.

Annually, Student Transportation offers the Little Elk Island Adventure to new riders and their parents. The program's aim is to help ease any anxieties a family may have about riding the bus before even starting school. Through a series of activities, riders learn about: school bus safety, danger zones, tips on boarding and how to sit properly on the bus. After that, both the children and parents hop on the bus to practice what they've learned and then adventure out on a short ride.

The Little Elk Island Adventure is for **first-time school bus riders** entering the 2017-18 school year. Sessions and times are available in these locations:

Location	Date	Time
EIPS Central	August 22	5:00pm
EIPS Central	August 22	6:30pm
EIPS Central	August 24	5:00pm
EIPS Central	August 24	6:30pm
EIPS Central	September	10:30am
Fort Christian/Elem	August 23	6:00pm

EIPS Central Office is located at 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park and Fort Christian School is located at 9806 101 St., Fort Saskatchewan

Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

To register for a Little Elk Island Adventure, visit

<https://goo.gl/forms/cqYb15mBLAspUJ1W2>.

More information regarding busing for kindergarten students is available at:

www.eips.ca/transportation/kindergarten-busing-faq.

Wye Out-of-School Care

Wye Out-of-School Care is now offering a Full Time program for kindergarten and before/after school care. It will be open during school closure days, fall, spring, and summer break. To register, please contact Uzma Haroon at 780.464.3735 or 780.472.1944