

What's Up @ Wye ELEMENTARY

Principal's Message

Thank-you to all parents that were able to attend our Parent Teachers conferences that occurred on October 18th and 19th. We would also like to thank our parents for their generous support of our book fair. We raised \$2800. All of the money raised is used to purchase books for our library.

Wye School will hold our Remembrance Day ceremony on Thursday November 9th starting at 10: 30. We are pleased to have LT. Col. Darrell Paquette from the Canadian Armed Forces as our guest speaker during our ceremony. A special thanks to Dr. Boyer, and Mr. King for planning and organizing the ceremony. I would also like to thank all of our student leaders for their help during the ceremony. You are welcome to join us for this event.

I would like to thank our Parent Fundraising Committee for all the work they do for Wye School. With a donation of \$6000 we were able to purchase additional Maker Space materials for our students. Once these materials are in we will share them and how we use them at our parent meetings.

Please mark your calendars the next Fundraising Association of Wye School meeting will be on Thursday, November 9th at 2pm at the school. The next School council meeting will be November 28th at 6:30pm in the learning commons. Please come out and join us to learn information on what is happening at Wye School.

Please make sure you mark your calendar, the Wye School Christmas Concert, is just around the corner. The concert will be December 11th at 7pm at the **Park Pentecostal Church** located at **1 Brower Drive in Sherwood Park**. Doors will open at 6:30pm.

I hope that the November break allows for some rest and relaxation for both the students and staff at Wye Elementary. We thank you for all your support. Wye School is a better place because of you.

Sincerely,
Bill Schlacht, Principal

Absence Check

Parents/guardians are asked to inform the school in advance if their child is going to be absent or late. Messages may be sent by telephone (780-467-7447) or by a note. If a child is absent and no reason has been received in the office by 9:00 a.m., then office staff will attempt to contact parents/guardians or emergency contacts. If students arrive late, they are to come to the office prior to going to class to check in and take a late slip to the teacher.

The Milk Program

Milk tickets may be purchased in the office, \$15.00 for a book of 20 tickets

Important Dates to Remember

Nov 9 th	Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov 9 th	FAWS Meeting 2:00pm
Nov 10 th	School Closed
Nov 13 th -17 th	Fall Break – School Closed
Nov 20 th -24 th	Bullying Prevention Week
Nov 24 th	Both ECS classes in today
Nov 24 th	ECS swimming in the pm
Nov 24 th	Hot Lunch Day
Nov 28 th	WSC Meeting 6:30pm



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Nov 30 th	Grade 6J – Legislature Trip
Nov 30 th	Grade 1-In-School Field Trip
Dec 1 st	Both ECS Classes in today
Dec 1 st	ECS Classes Swimming in pm
Dec 1 st	Report Cards Issued
Dec 1 st -15 th	Christmas Bureau Collection
Dec 6 th	Early Dismissal 2:28pm
Dec 8 th	Both ECS Classes in today
Dec 8 th	ECS swimming today

Souls4Soles

Wye School successfully participated in the annual Strathcona County Shoe Drive for the second year in a row. Our students brought in a whopping 1122 pairs of shoes over the week of October 16th-20th! That is over eleven hundred pairs of shoes that Wye School students are keeping out of our landfills - way to go!

Jen, the volunteer who collected shoes, was telling us that she was in Uganda this past year and was able to see people who benefited firsthand from this program...they were wearing Strathcona County's donated shoes!!! This program is incredibly worthwhile! She said that a lot of the unused/new shoes get donated locally to programs where kids/adults would otherwise go without (ex. there is a graduate program where grads are given some of the new shoes for their proms etc.).

Big thanks to Ms. Checknita and 6C for their help with bagging, counting, and carrying all of the shoes onto the mezzanine and outside for collection. Congratulations to everyone who participated in this very worthwhile project...we are so proud of all of our students and their families!

Strathcona County Christmas Bureau 2017

Our Wye School Christmas Bureau Committee is busily working with students to prepare for our 2017 Christmas Bureau Campaign. Wye School is very excited to give back to the community of Sherwood Park during the holiday season. This act of kindness and understanding also serves as a local leadership opportunity for our students.

Please stay tuned for details following our Fall Break.

Inclement Weather

With the winter season already here, we want to remind parents to dress children appropriately for the weather when getting ready for school or the bus. The weather often changes unexpectedly throughout the day, so please select suitable outerwear and ensure your child is prepared for changing conditions.

If inclement weather conditions occur, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) advises parents of any bus cancellations using various communications tools—automated-telephone messages, alerts posted on www.eips.ca and school websites, Twitter, Facebook, local radio stations and on Versatrans My Stop. Any morning bus cancellations are posted on www.eips.ca by 6:30 a.m.

Decisions regarding bus cancellations are guided by EIPS administrative procedures that states, "school bus service may be suspended...when Environment Canada reports a temperature of -40 C." Other reasons for suspending or delaying school bus services include adverse weather and poor road condition.

When school bus services are suspended, schools remain open to students. EIPS believes parents have the right and responsibility to make choices for their children based on their beliefs and perceptions of safety during times of inclement weather.

For more information, contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151.

No Child Without: Free MedicAlert for students

In our ongoing effort to provide safe and caring schools for our students, **Wye School** is once again participating in the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation's No Child Without program. The program is a national initiative that provides no-

cost MedicAlert services to children—between the ages four and 14—who have chronic health conditions. The goal is twofold: to help children with severe allergies, medical conditions or special needs and to assist schools with medical-emergency plans for students.

Once a child is registered, their school is provided with advice on a medical-emergency plan for that student and given a list of medications, allergies and medical conditions the student has. If your child has a serious medical condition or allergy and could benefit from MedicAlert services, contact the school office at **780-467-7447**. To learn more about the No Child Without program, visit www.nochildwithout.ca.

WSC News

The School Council is a vital part of our school community. It is a means for parents and community members to work together with the school to support and enhance student learning. This group also works closely with the Fundraising Association to help advise them on where moneys should be spent to help support your children at Wye School.

Our next School Council meeting will be held on **Monday, November 28th at 6:30** in the Learning Commons. Please come out and support this important group. Hope to see you at our upcoming meeting.

FAWS Update

"Getting Ready for the Holidays" Fundraiser.

By popular demand, we are bringing back the beautiful poinsettias, wreaths, and holiday baskets from Growing Smiles. When placing orders, please be sure that your child's name and grade is noted in the "referred by" section of the order.

Orders can be placed online at <https://faws.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>.

We are also selling grocery store cards for Safeway, Sobeys, Save-On Foods, and the Italian Centre. **All orders are due by November 9, 2017.** Growing Smiles orders can be picked up from the school between 1:00-5:00 pm on **Thursday November 23rd**. Gift cards will be sent home with students during the week of **November 20, 2017**.

FAWS Membership

Thank you to everyone who has registered for membership with FAWS. The Societies Act mandates that we keep a Register of Members and update it yearly. Remember to indicate when you would like your membership to expire (i.e. when your youngest child graduates from Wye School). Membership allows you to vote at meetings on fundraising decisions and funding allocation as well as receive email updates on fundraising initiatives. For those who haven't yet had the opportunity, you can do so at the following link: <http://eepurl.com/chpSxP>

Next FAWS Meeting

Our next FAWS meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 9th** at 2:00 pm in the Learning Commons. Grab a coffee, bring a friend, and come and join us! If you are not able to attend, you can review meeting materials posted on the Wye School website and send comments or questions to the executive through email. We appreciate the support of our Wye School families!