

École Springfield Elementary News EEBRUARY 2024

Important Dates to Remember:

Feb 16th & Feb 19th-No School

Feb 20th-

Families Matter Literacy Night

5:30pm- 7:00pm in the gym Soup & Bannock Served to those that attend the activities.

Feb 21st-Hot Lunch- Subway (for those that ordered) & School Council Meeting In library 6:30pm Babysitting provided Feb 23rd-Dress like a family member day!

Feb 28th-Pink Shirt Day Wear a PINK shirt to support anti-bullying if you can Thank you to Raymon from McDonald's Peace River for donating little books for our families to enjoy! The little books will be handed out to students at our Literacy Night on Feb.20th. We appreciate your support for literacy in Peace River!



Why is School Attendance Important?

*Friendships can be affected by persistent absence: it can be hard for a child who misses lots of school to form relationships with their classmates. Coming to school regularly helps build social skills that are needed throughout a person's whole life!



Grade 2 Robinson Class Assembly

DID YOU KNOW?

STUDENT SUPPORTS:

School supports will be initiated to assist students in understanding and processing what has occurred during the incident.











CULTURE PARADE

Friday, March 22nd

1:10pm - Gymnasium

Join us in the gym for a celebration of all the different cultures in our school!

Students are welcome to make a small float, create a poster to hold \$/or dress up in a special outfit from their own culture(s) or a culture they find interesting.

Principal's Message

Happy February to all of our École Springfield Families,

When we think of February, often the first thing that comes to mind is Valentine's Day - a day when we think about those we love and often do something a little special for family and friends. Our Character Trait of the month - Kindness - fits in with Valentine's Day and two other events of the month - Families Matter Week and Pink Shirt day.

Without the support of families, our students would not be as successful as they are. Thank you for all that you do in partnership with the school.

We do have a couple of events planned during **Families Matter Week**. Please join us **Tuesday Feb 20th** for École Springfield's *Families Matter for Literacy Night* from 5:30 - 7:00. Bannock and soup will be served, stories will be told, the Peace River Municipal Library, The Family Resource Centre and other stations will be set up. If you are wondering about how to best support your child(ren) in the area of literacy, this is an evening not to be missed!

We are also encouraging Grade 4 parents to bring the access code from the AB Government they received in the mail and fill out the Alberta Education Assurance Survey and ask any questions they may have. If you have completed the survey at home, make sure to let your child's teacher know, and their name will be entered to win a family fun basket. The Draw date will be **Monday, March 4**.

To wrap up Families Matter Week, students can pick a family member to dress up like on **Friday, Feb 23.**

Wednesday Feb. 28th, we will be commemorating **Pink Shirt Day** which is a day to focus on treating others with respect. It spotlights anti-bullying. We encourage everyone who can, to wear pink that day.

Gail McNabb Principal, École Springfield Elementary School



February 2024



FAMILIES MATTER TO US & PINK SHIRT DAY

This month we will celebrate Families Matter Week and Pink Shirt Day in our schools. Both of these events are all about making sure our students and their families feel included in our schools.

The Peace River School Division created Families Matter Week because we recognize that education starts in the home. Families Matter Week is also a realization of how important our communities are to a thriving public education system. We know that engaged communities create happy, safe, and successful students.

> Over the next few days watch for information from your schools about Families Matter Week activities taking place on February 20 to 23.

Pink Shirt Day is a visual reminder of a student's need to feel safe at school. When students feel safe, they are better able to learn.

Our Board of Trustees are continuing to place significant emphasis on the third goal in our education plan: that all students feel included. Pink Shirt Day is one way you can show those around you that they are safe and cared for within our schools.

I would love to encourage families to get together in our schools during this Parents Matter Week, and on Pink Shirt Day (**February 28**),

to celebrate our shared success.

Adam Murray Superintendent of Schools



A monthly newsletter highlighting Mental Health programs available within the PRSD



Emergency Links & Phone Numbers

Addictions and Mental Health Helpline (24-hour support) 1-877-303-2642

Peace River Addictions and Mental Health 780-624-6151

> Kids Help Phone 1-800-668-6868

Indigenous Support Line (North Zone & Area) 1-844-944-4744

mykickstand.ca

February 28 is Pink Shirt Day. With one in every five students affected by bullying, chances are you or someone you know has experienced bullying. To find support, or more information on bullying, please see the following resource on the Pink Shirt Day website.

If you, or someone you know, is experiencing bullying please let a trusted adult know. Support is also available by calling Kids Help Phone, 1-800-668-6868 or texting 686868.



kindness each and every time.

Peace River School Division Mental Health Team



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Our school families are invited to attend our Families Matter for Literacy Night on Tues, February 20th from 5:30pm - 7:00pm.

Soup & Bannock will be served to those attending the activities.

*Grade Four Families- Bring your Alberta Assurance Survey Access Code with you to fill out the survey and enter to win a Family Fun Basket! Learn about Healthy Buddies and how we prepare for the transition to Grade Five at TA Norris!



Celebrating National Family Literacy Day!

Check out some of our Staff's Favourite books

springfield's Project PERCE Success Coach



Hello Springfield student care givers,

Open Parachute SEL programming is continuing in the classrooms. This program was created to help students to understand and learn to resolve, with confidence, the many challenges that students are going to face throughout their life, like disagreements with friends, struggles at school, or situations at home that aren't so great.

Check out the parent link below for more information. https://learn.openparachuteschools.com/parent/login?id=CA_oeaDdnDo

SNAP (Stop now and Plan) SEL Programming will start at the end of February in the classrooms for all Grade 3 students. This program is being implemented for Grade 3 students division wide. Details will follow next month.



Follow Project Peace on Facebook. https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100030003983644

Shannon Sutherland 780-624-2143 ext. 14151

February 2024

Don't Forget to Dress for the Weather!

ALL students need to be dressed appropriately for colder temperatures.

Please ensure students are coming to school with proper winter gear.

This includes: a winter jacket, snow boots, toque, mitts, and ski pants.

Students who ride the school bus should also be prepared for winter conditions, should an event occur that they need to stay warm while travelling to and from school.

Peace River School Division

First Nations, Metis, Inuit



We are having Literacy night on February 20th, 2024 @ 5:30-7pm Bannock and soup will be served so you are all welcome to come enjoy some good food and great activities.



Our elder Kathleen Laboucan

will be joining us at the school on March 18th \$ 19th. Kathleen will be providing Indigenous Storytelling to each class. We are super excited for this traditional teaching.



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February 2024 Calendar

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