



HERITAGE HILLS ELEMENTARY

Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

October 24 - October 31, 2022

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Important Dates This Week at Heritage Hills

Monday, October 24

- SHINE Club - 10:06 a.m.
- Grades 4 - 6 Ukulele 12:02p.m.
- Bear Tracks Ice Melter due

Tuesday, October 25

Wednesday, October 26

- French Immersion Community Engagement Session hosted by EIPS - 5:30 - 7:30 pm in the HHE Gym (drop-in event, no formal presentation)

Thursday, October 27

- Chess Club - 12:02 p.m.
- Hot Lunch Kinder B - Subway

Friday, October 28

- Hot Lunch Kinder A & Grades 1-6 - Subway
- Theme Day - HHE School Wear / School Colours - Orange and Blue
- Halloween School Dance - 6:30 - 8:30 in School Gym

Monday, October 31

- Halloween - see details below

Principal:

It was another great week at Heritage Hills Elementary. It was also our first five day week in a while. As the weather begins to cool down, please remind your children to dress appropriately as they will be outside for recess and possibly for Physical Education. Also, please ensure your children have indoor and outdoor footwear.

Parent/Community Engagement:

We have had many volunteers and participation from parents and our community in our school already this year. Recently many of our classrooms are part of the [Linking Generations Grandparent Program](#). Our Grandparents have been visiting classes once a month, sharing stories and working with students. This has been a great hit for both students and the Grandparents.

Halloween:

In order for us to have a spooktacular Halloween celebration at school on Monday, Oct 31, please follow these guidelines:

- If students choose to dress up they must come to school in costume and be prepared to wear it all day. There will be no changing into or out of costume during the day. Staff will not be able to assist with costumes.
- Leave weapons and props at home. Save those for trick and treating.
- Avoid scary/grotesque costumes. We do not want our youngest students to be afraid.
- Please be mindful of costumes that portray other cultures. In our older grades, we begin to discuss cultural appropriation (costumes such as geishas, Polynesian outfits or wearing sombreros risk offending and/or misrepresenting others).
- If your child's costume has a mask, they may wear it during the parade, but will be asked to take it off for the rest of the school day.
- There will be a school parade at 1:10. **Parents are invited** to come stand on and around the stairs in the common area and watch the fun costumes as they go by.
- Students are welcome to bring a festive treat for afternoon break for themselves. If they choose to bring a treat bag for other students, students will be asked to put it in their backpack to take home.
- A reminder that we are a NutAware school. We ask that as candy and treats start making an appearance next week that you refrain from sending food to school that contains nuts. Thank you for your help in keeping our students safe!
- If teachers require any volunteers they will communicate this with you directly.

Remembrance Day:

On November 4, 2022 we will be having our Remembrance Day Ceremony. This will be the first time we will have had an in-person Remembrance Day Ceremony at HHE. We would love to have you join us as we reflect and remember those who have served. If you would like to join our assembly on November 4, we would ask that you fill out this [Remembrance Day Ceremony Form](#) so we can plan for seating. We are looking at having our community groups such as Sea, Army, Air Cadets as well as our Scouts and Girl Guides in uniform. If your child will be wearing their uniform on this day and would like to be part of the processional and recessional, please fill out by October 31. Once the Poppy Campaign begins, we will be collecting donations on behalf of the Legion for the Poppy Fund.

SHINE Club:

SHINE Club is excited to have our first initiative: **Birthday Bag Drive**. We will be collecting items to create birthday bags for families in need. Items we are collecting:

- paper bag - colour or "birthday themed. If possible the bags should not be taller than 13" as storage at the Food Bank is limited but should be large enough to hold the following items.
- plastic or paper table cloth
- paper plates
- paper napkins
- bag of balloons
- box or package of candles
- disposable tin cake pan or paper muffin cupcake papers (24)
- box or packaged cake mix
- container of prepared store bought icing
- little container of sprinkles

Items can be placed on tables in the common area. We will be collecting items until October 27, 2022. Thank you to everyone who has started sending in supplies!

Amazing Things Happen at HHE:

October has already been filled with great things. There were many opportunities to promote safe and caring schools, citizenship, lifelong learning and community involvement.

- Morning Announcers
- Greeter Club welcomed all of our readers
- READ IN WEEK
 - Connected with Bev Facey
 - Connected with Oilers Organization
 - Welcomed over 23 French and English readers to the school - even got to hear Mr. Samaratunga read from his SAL office.
- Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Bus Evacuation Drills - the older students helped the younger students
- Chess Club

Yearbook:

The 2021-22 yearbook orders were sent home with students this week. Orders for past students were sent home with a younger sibling. If a past student does not have any siblings at HHE the yearbook was forwarded to their new school for distribution or mail to their out of district address. We have a few extra yearbooks available for purchase. Please contact Mrs. Cleet in the office if you would like to purchase one. The 2022-23 Yearbook Team will be offering pre-sales in November. Please keep an eye out in future newsletters for that announcement.

Scholastic Reading Club & Scholastic Book Fair:

Scholastic Reading Club is available again this year. Parents can [sign up](#) to Scholastic Reading Club using codes provided by their child's teacher and items purchased will be sent directly to their home. Parents can also choose to sign up using Ms. Wells-Taylor's teacher code (RC208672). All rewards earned will go towards the school. These are used to make future book purchases and buy additional materials for the school.

We are also excited to have a Scholastic Book Fair again this year from November 21-25. We will offer some evening shopping times as well. Stay tuned for more details.

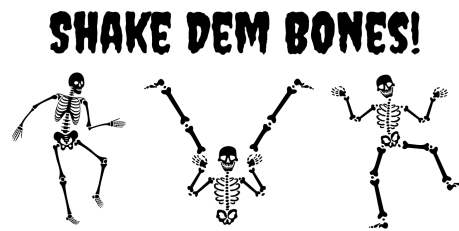
Family Dance:

HHE is hosting its first Family Dance, supported by School Council and Fundraising Association on **Friday October 28** from 6:30 - 8:30pm in the school gym.

Families are encouraged to dress up if you so choose and join us for music, community and celebration. We're also collecting items for the Strathcona Food Bank at the door, and will have a concession available (cash only).

We are currently looking for volunteers to help in the following areas:
(*click here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4EAEA823A6FF2-halloween> to sign up for a timeslot)

- Decorating/Setting up/Tearing Down
- Concession
- Music/DJ (develop a clean playlist, connect to school system or speaker)
- Greeter/Collection of Food Bank donations (community outreach)



SHAKE DEM BONES!

HERITAGE HILLS HALLOWEEN FAMILY DANCE

OCTOBER 28, 2022 6:30-8:30PM

**BRING YOUR WHOLE FAMILY AND JOIN IN THE FUN!
FREE ADMISSION (FOOD BANK DONATIONS ACCEPTED)
PARENT ATTENDANCE REQUIRED.
PIZZA, TREATS & DRINKS CONCESSION (CASH ONLY)**

FAHHE UPDATES:



This is the last weekend to get your orders in!

Please find the ordering information [here](#).

\$30/16kg pail

Deadline: Monday, October 24th at 4:00pm

Delivery to the school middle of November



Get your Christmas lists ready to go! Watch this week for catalogues coming home with the youngest in the family.

Hot Lunch

Did you know there is a universal hot lunch fund to assist families who can't afford the special lunch at this time? If you would like to access the fund, please email Jaclyn at hhehotlunch@gmail.com.

Upcoming Hot Lunches:

Subway

Thursday, October 27- Kinder B (ordering closes Oct 22nd)

Friday, October 28 - Kinder A and Grade 1-6 (Ordering closes Oct 23rd)

Order online at www.HealthyHunger.ca

Boston Pizza

Thursday, November 17th - Kinder B and Grade 1-6 (Ordering closes Nov 12th)

Friday, November 18th - Kinder A (Ordering closes Nov 13th)

Jugo Juice

Wednesday, November 23rd - Kinder A (Ordering closes Nov 18th)

Friday, November 25th - Kinder B and Grade 1-6 (Ordering closes Nov 20th)

Order online at www.HealthyHunger.ca

Ongoing Fundraisers



Order online through Mabel's Labels and choose support a fundraiser, then a portion of your purchase will go back to FAHHE.



Stop by COBS on Wye Road and tell them you're from Heritage Hills Elementary and a portion of your purchase will go back to FAHHE.



Shop at Save-on-Foods on Wye Road, submit your receipts to the office and we will receive 5% back.

Next Meeting: November 16 @ 7:45pm following the school council meeting.

Enjoy a great week everyone!

"Your imagination is your preview of life's coming attractions."

-Albert Einstein