



# HERITAGE HILLS

## ELEMENTARY

# Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

October 31 - November 14, 2022

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## Important Dates This Week at Heritage Hills

### This Week at Heritage Hills:

#### Monday, October 31

- SHINE Club - 10:06 a.m.
- Grades 4 - 6 Ukulele 12:02p.m.
- Lunch Leaders first rotation begins
- Halloween parade at 1:05 pm - main foyer

#### Tuesday, November 1

- Second Volleyball tryout grade 5 and 6
- Fire Drill

#### Wednesday, November 2

- Staff Meeting - Early Dismissal
- I Read Canadian Day / Journée des livres canadiens pour moi
- Earth Rangers presentation in the gym - pm

#### Thursday, November 3

- Chess Club - 12:02 p.m.

#### Friday, November 4

- Remembrance Day Assembly - 10:40 - 11:10 am

#### Monday, November 7 - Friday, November 11

- Fall break, School Closed

#### Friday, November 11

- Remembrance Day

## Monday, November 14

- First Day Back After Fall Break
- Métis Week
- Ms. Kropp, School Counsellor at HHE
- Grades 4 - 6 Ukulele 12:02p.m.

## Principal:

This will be our last week of school before we have our fall break. On Friday we had our first ever Heritage Hills Family Dance. It was an amazing evening for everyone and another opportunity to create community. I was amazed at all the great costumes by students, parents, staff and members of our school community. Thank you to the Heritage Hills School Council and FAHHE for organizing and running our dance. It was a fantastic evening. Thank you everyone.

## 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, starting at 10:40 a.m. 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. This week we will be collecting donations on behalf of the Legion for the Poppy Fund.

### **Christmas Concert:**

We are planning for our first ever Christmas Concert at Heritage Hills. Dr. Boyer is looking for a volunteer to be the piano accompanist for the Christmas concert.

Requirements:

- Need to be available for daytime rehearsals.
- It would help to be an intermediate or better level player who can read music and play by ear.

### **SHINE Club:**

The SHINE club had a very successful Birthday Bag Drive. We were able to collect over 80 boxes of cake mix as well as many containers of icing, candles, cups and more. We were told this would last them until January! Thanks for your support! Way to go, HHE!

### **Amazing Things Happen at HHE:**

October has 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
- Volleyball tryouts and teams
- Three groups of students recorded songs for the CBC Music Class Challenge
- Shine Club
- Buddy Reading across grades
- Hot Lunch
- First Ever School Dance

## Yearbook:

We have a few extra 2021-22 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.

## Volleyball Teams

We are happy to have the opportunity for grade 5 and 6 students to try out for Volleyball teams this year. There will be 4 teams, one for grade 5 girls and a team for grade 5 boys; there will also be a team for boys and one for girls in grade 6. There are 6 spots for each team; with a total of 24 players. As a school we have entered a volleyball [tournament in December](#) and we have a limited number of students that will be able to play in the tournament. If students tried out but did not make the teams but would like to come to weekly practices they are welcome. [Criteria](#) for picking players as demonstrated in the tryouts. A list of players that have made the teams will be posted on the gymnasium wall on Wednesday November 2nd, 2022.

## Lunch Leaders:

We are super excited to have Lunch Leaders starting in Division One on October 31. We had a wonderful turnout of Grade 5 & 6 students. To start we are just having Grade 6 and will add Grade 5 students in upcoming rotations. Currently the rotation schedule is about 3 weeks. Thanks again for your support with this leadership opportunity for our students.

## Learning Commons:

### Donations:

In recent weeks, many students have asked if the Learning Commons accepts donations. All donations of books are accepted. Ms. Wells-Taylor will go through the books and determine which ones will stay in the Learning Commons, which ones will be placed in the book room for classroom collections and if necessary donate others to community organizations.

### I Read Canadian:

On November 2, at Heritage Hills we challenged the students to "Read Canadian" for 15 minutes. We will also be having quiz questions on the announcements regarding Canadian authors/illustrators. Students can enter a draw for a chance to win a prize on Friday.

### Top Ten:

Enjoy the poster below of the Top Ten titles taken out of the Learning Commons so far this year. We have also added 310 books to our collection.

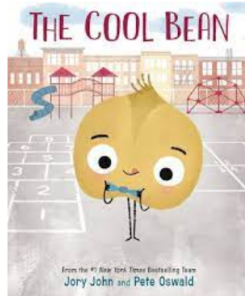
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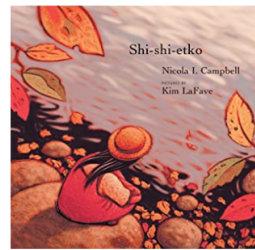
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By Aaron Reynolds



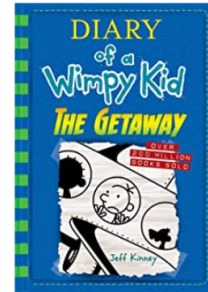
**THE COOL BEAN**  
By Jory John



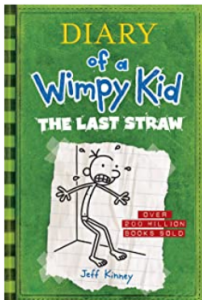
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**SHI-SHI-ETKO**  
By Nicola Campbell



**THE GETAWAY**  
By Jeff Kinney



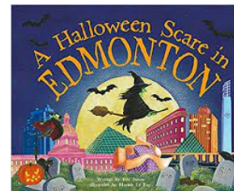
**THE LAST STRAW**  
By Jeff Kinney



**FOR WHOM THE BALL ROLLS**  
By Dav Pilkey



**GUTS**  
By Raina Telgemeier



**A HALLOWEEN SCARE IN EDMONTON**  
By Eric James



**PHYLLIS'S ORANGE SHIRT**  
By Phyllis Webstad

370 Books Added!

## School Council & FAHHE:

### Halloween Dance

Thanks to all the families who came out to support our first Halloween School Dance. It was an amazing time coming together as a school community. We are looking forward to next year's dance already!

Want to know the most DELICIOUS way to support us?  
Order Purdys chocolates from our fundraiser!

This year, we're hoping to raise \$10,000 for Heritage Hills Elementary and we need YOUR help!

From now until November 20th, you can order Purdys treats from our fundraiser by joining our campaign and browsing the tastiest selection of chocolates online. Shop gifts for family, friends, neighbours AND yourself in one convenient place. After all orders are submitted, we'll sort, distribute, and let you know when you can collect your goodies.

What you'll need to order:

1. Go to our specific fundraising page for HHE:  
<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1241756-97034>
2. OR: Use our campaign number: 31753
3. Click "Join Campaign"
4. Register
5. Shop, shop, shop away!

Thank you EVERYONE for your support. Even if you can't buy chocolates from us, it would mean the world if you could share our fundraiser link to everyone you know!  
Happy chocolating!

### 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](mailto:hhehotlunch@gmail.com).

### Upcoming Hot Lunch:

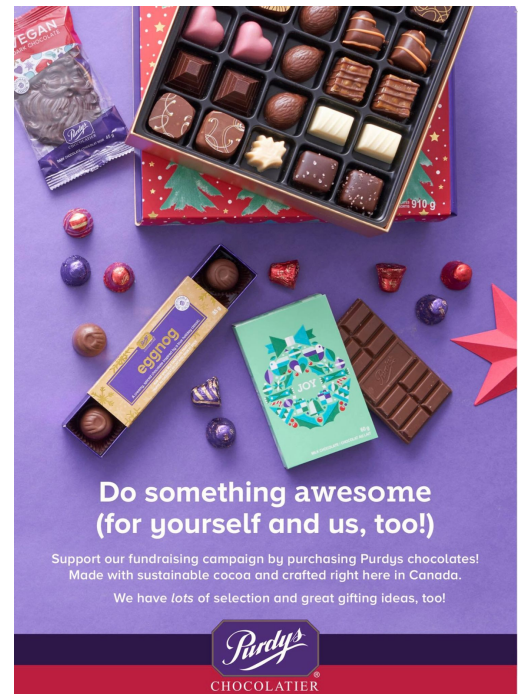
#### Boston Pizza

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](http://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.**  
Minutes from the September meeting can be found [here](#).

**Enjoy a great week everyone!**

**“Remembrance reminds us that our nation has been through even more challenging times. Whether at war or during peace support operations, Canada’s veterans and fallen heroes alike can take comfort in our remembrance.”**

**—Larry Murray, grand president of the Royal Canadian Legion**