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Monthly School News November 2023

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FROM THE ADMIN TEAM



Thanks to those who took time to attend our Remembrance Day Ceremony. Our students worked hard to make this ceremony special for you.



Celebrations this month:

- PBIS Monthly Focus: WE CARE
- Playground Re-Opening Celebration
- Remembrance Day Ceremonies
- Literacy & Numeracy Night
- Metis Week
- Kindness Ninjas

NOVEMBER

November has come and gone in the blink of an eye! As fall's colours fade into long nights and winter's chill tries to settle in, we'd like to keep ourselves warm reflecting upon our November focus of "We Care/ Nous sommes attentionnés." **There are many ways our students show and receive care here at school every day.**

On November 8th, we celebrated as a school with a special **Grand Re-Opening of the new playground**. We were joined by staff, students, Edwards families, and the Rocky View Schools employees who worked to make the playground a success. **Students are learning to care for the playground with new PBIS expectations** that teachers have developed and taught explicitly for student success. The four big expectations are: We leave wood chips on the ground, We use equipment as intended, We take turns, and We keep our bodies to ourselves. Recesses have been so much fun for students as they navigate, explore, and play on the new equipment.

This month, we took the time to remember the brave men and women who have and continue to dedicate their lives to the service of keeping Canada and other countries around the world safe. On November 9th, **our school hosted two Remembrance Day assemblies** which were very well attended. Highlights included **beautiful music from our choir led by Mme Simon and Mme Smith, with accompaniment from Mme Fong's class** on hand chimes. Everyone was very moved by the slideshow of veterans related to our staff and students and especially touched by the special messages shared at each assembly. Thank you to our honour guard and colour guard, and veterans for joining us at the ceremony.

We were thrilled to host a Literacy and Numeracy Games Night on November 21st. Many families attended together to learn literacy and numeracy games that are easily accessible at home. Along with our amazing food truck vendors, we were also joined by Community Links, Dyslexia Canada, and Canadian Parents for French. Thank you to all the community groups for joining us for the evening. We'd like to send out an extra special thank you to the teachers and staff who worked to develop the games, host the stations, and organize the evening. **We care very much about our students' literacy and numeracy journeys, and we are so happy to work alongside each family** to develop skills that will carry on throughout each student's lifetime.

We look forward to seeing our students show **"We Do Our Best/ Nous faisons de notre mieux" all December** long with special events like our Holiday concerts for the K,1, and 2 students, and WinSport Ski school for our Grade 4 and 5 students. Keep an eye out for more information to come from your child's teacher.

Yours in Education,
Ms. Prud'Homme and Mme Hooper



SPREAD
Kindness



Kindergarten Kindness Ninjas!

Watch out Edwards-
The ninjas are back!!!
As a celebration for all of our hard
work, today we received our
Kindness Ninja bands and made our
official Ninja pledge to continue
spreading kindness around the
school and community!

STUDENT LUNCH CLUBS

- Gr. 4-5 Chess Club on Mondays
- Gr. 4-5 Art Club on Tuesdays
- Gr. 4-5 Gym Games Wed & Thurs
- Gr. 4-5 Coding Club on Fridays
- Gr. 3, 4, 5 Choir!

SAVE THE DATE

Dec 11: Kinder Winter Concert
Dec 12: Gr 1 Winter Concert
Dec 14: Gr 2 Winter Concert
Dec 22: Last day of classes before
winter vacation

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DID YOU KNOW?

Métis Week was from November 12 to 18. The week celebrates Métis heritage, history, and culture in Canada, and corresponds with the anniversary of the death of Métis leader Louis Riel on November 16, 1885.

BREAKING NEWS

Jim Swan Award for School Breakfast Programs



We are honoured to be chosen for this award. The \$1000.00 donation will help expand and support our Breakfast Program. Thank you also to all the volunteers who help to run our Breakfast Program!

Important Message from Transportation

School bus contractors in Rocky View School Division, and across the province, are currently experiencing driver shortages and a high rate of driver absenteeism due to circumstances beyond their control, which affects reliable bus service. This situation fluctuates daily, so please be sure to monitor the Bus Status App which will provide information regarding late bus routes. Contractors are working hard to keep all bus routes running while managing the changing scenarios. We are aware that route delays and inconsistent schedules are frustrating for parents and students alike. Several bus drivers are having to run second routes with significant delays just to ensure that students get to school at all. Our goal is to ensure the late bus information is accurate and posted with as much advance notice for parents as possible. We cannot foresee what the next days and weeks will look like, but you can be assured that everyone is doing the best they can. Thank you for your patience as we navigate these driver shortages.



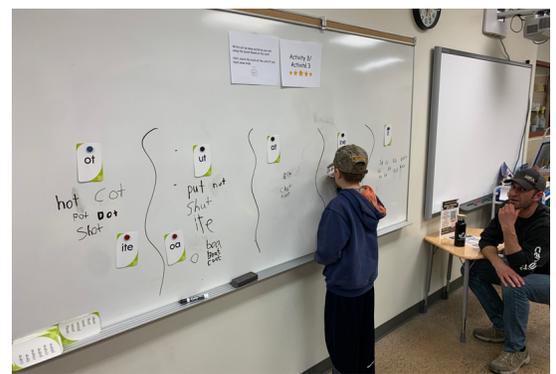
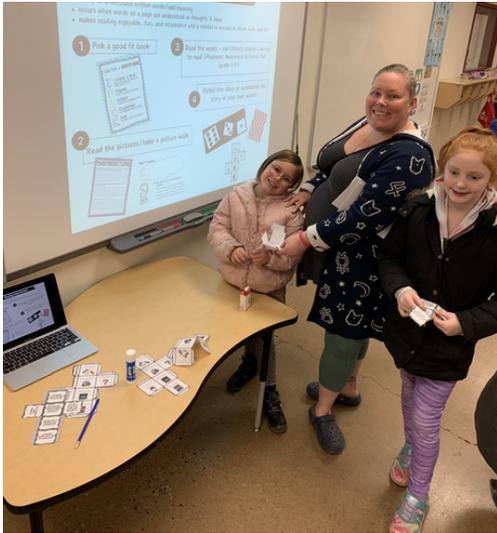
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École Edwards Presents Literacy & Numeracy Games Night Tuesday, November 21st

AWESOME

Thank you to everyone who attended! It was a great evening of fun and learning!
Thank you to the Staff Committee for organizing!!!





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NOVEMBER 2023

LET'S CELEBRATE!



PLAYGROUND MATRIX



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