

SCA Elementary Newsletter



Our Mission: To challenge students, through Christ-centered education, to know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord in order to pursue a life of godly character, personal and academic excellence, and service to others.



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2018-19 ONLINE REGISTRATION COMING SOON: February 20-28 **Returning Students and Enrolled Kindergarten Siblings**

ONLINE REGISTRATION for families with students returning to SCA for the 2018-19 school year is coming soon. On **February 20th**, families will receive via email a DocuSign envelope containing the online registration package for returning students. If you do not receive a DocuSign email on February 20th or have questions about the re-registration process, please contact the Society Office at scasociety@spac.ca or 780-467-4752.

Re-registration ends on **February 28th**. This time frame is very important in helping us meet the deadlines set by Elk Island Public Schools. Your commitment to return is key to our schools' programming and staff decisions as we proceed with enrolment and budget planning.

Admission for Siblings

Do you have other children you would like to enrol at SCA in September 2018? Please submit a [Student Application](#) and [Student Profile](#) (students entering Grades 7-12 only) to the Society Office as soon as possible. Your application will be considered in March after re-registration ends.

Reminders:

Wednesday, February 7 - Early Dismissal at 2:15 pm
Thursday & Friday, February 8 & 9 - ATA Teacher's Convention
Friday, February 16 - NO SCHOOL - School Closure Day
Monday, February 19 - NO SCHOOL - Family Day

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Jumping With Heart

The students of SCA Elementary will be literally jumping with heart on Friday, February 2nd. They will be raising funds for our annual Heart and Stroke Foundation 'Jump Rope for Heart'. Each student will participate and is being asked to bring a loonie or toonie or more to contribute to this local charity. Tax receipts are available; just place your donation in an envelope - cheques payable to 'Heart and Stroke Foundation', include your name and mailing address and mark it *receipt requested.



It will be a hopping place around here. Feel free to come and watch your child or better still, participate with them. The jump schedule is as follows:

Period 1 (8:42 -9:14)	4A and 5A	Period 6 (12:20-12:52)	2B and 3B
Period 2 (9:14-9:46)	6A and 6C	Period 7 (12:52-1:24)	1B and 2A
Period 3 (9:46-10:18)	5B and 6B	Period 8 (1:24-1:56)	4C and 5C
Period 4 (10:33-11:05)	ECS B & D	Period 9 (2:11-2:43)	2C and 3A
Period 5 (11:05-11:37)	1A and 1C	Period 10 (2:43-3:15)	3C and 4B

The students are asked to wear their Eddie the Eagle SCA T-shirts on this day. Comfortable clothes would be in order as well.

The Kindergarten 'A' and 'C' classes will do their jumping on Thursday (Feb. 1 - period 4) and the Kindergarten 'B' and 'D' classes will do theirs on Friday (Feb. 2 - period 4).

The event will unfold in the gym. Each grade will come in at their regular phys. ed. period to jump for 25-30 minutes.

The students will have a choice of how they will accomplish their jumping. They may choose to jump individually, in pairs, small groups, jump back and forth over a skipping rope on the floor, or work through stations. Ideas are endless!

What will we raise this year? Can we hit \$1,800? \$2,000?

Let the jumping begin!!

Coordinator: Mrs. Doupe

Please Give us a Hand!

Throughout each school day, we receive many, many calls to our office from parents with reminders for students or alternate arrangements for transportation. We recognize that on occasion our families will have emergencies or unexpected changes and will need to call us with these changes - and we are happy to help.

Currently, we receive a number of calls each day and it is a disruption to classroom instruction when we call in to pass along the message. We also receive many calls right at the end of the day and we are faced with a frantic rush to get the message to a child at the last minute.

If your child has an appointment and will need to be picked up early, we ask that you please send a note in with your child for their teacher. We would also ask that you remind your children in the morning or give them a reminder note that they can refer to if there are any changes to their daily routine.

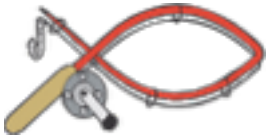
Thank you in advance for helping us reduce the interruptions to our classrooms.



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The School Theme for 2017-2018 is...

“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men”.

Matthew 4:19

EIPS Launches New Pre-Enrolment Process

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) is launching a new pre-enrolment process to simplify the way it registers students for the upcoming year, collects information, and manages requests to attend a non-designated school. The pre-enrolment process allows the Division to verify all student information for every child prior to the start of the new school year.

Each spring, EIPS families will receive an email from the Division asking them to confirm their child's enrolment in a school for the upcoming year using a secure online pre-enrolment form. By logging in to

PowerSchool, families can indicate which school their child plans to attend; apply to attend a non-designated school, if applicable; and update any required student information - such as phone numbers, addresses and emergency contacts. If circumstances change, families also have the ability to update their child's data throughout the year.

The pre-enrolment process for the 2018-19 school year takes place from March 1-15 of this year.



NEWBORN BABY CARE DRIVE

Basically Babies is a non-profit organization who supports underprivileged families with newborns. On Friday, February 23rd, SCA Elementary is running a newborn baby care drive to support this cause. Basically Babies 'Layettes' are each assembled with a Baby Bible and have enough clothing to supply a needy newborn baby throughout his or her first year. The need for more layettes has been increasing.

New or gently used clothing up to 24 months as well as other items can be brought to school to help share God's love to these families in our community. Items specifically needed at this time are baby undershirts/onesies, mittens, receiving blankets, baby soap, baby lotion, baby shampoo, towels and SNOWSUITS!

The following items CANNOT BE ACCEPTED: baby powder, diapers, bottles, baby formula/food.

Please bring items to the rotunda in the morning as they will be picked up by noon.

Red/Pink Dress Up Day - Wednesday, February 14

Each year as part of our fun Valentine's Day celebrations, we ask students and staff to go to their closet and pull out their favourite red or pink outfit. We encourage our students to start thinking now about what to wear in just a couple of weeks time.





SCA Elementary Spring Musical

We are excited to announce that this spring SCA Elementary is producing the musical "Annie Kids". The grade 5 & 6 choir and students from grade 5 & 6 are involved with the performance under the direction of Mrs. Allen, Miss Roussel & Mrs. Mol. The musical will be performed at Sherwood Park Alliance Church on March 14 & 15, 2018. Performance begins at 7:00 pm; doors open at 6:15 pm. FREE ADMISSION!

CALLING ALL GRANDPARENTS!

Are you a past, present, or future grandparent of a student who attends SCA Secondary or Elementary schools? We need your prayer support! If you have time to meet once a month to pray for our students, please e-mail Darlene Eisner at darlene.eisner@eips.ca or phone the school at 780-449-2787. Currently a group meets the first Thursday of every month at 1:00 pm at SCA Elementary. The next prayer meeting of this school year is Thursday, February 1st and you are welcome to join!

We want to cover the schools and the children with prayer. Your wisdom and experience is strongly desired to do this. Psalm 71:16 says, "I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, O Sovereign LORD!" Read the rest of Psalm 71 to discover your mandate as a spiritual grandparent to all of our students.

Munch-a-Lunch is Now Open!



To order hot lunch for the rest of the 2017-2018 school year, please go to:
<http://www.munchalunch.com/schools/SCA/>

NEXT HOT LUNCH: Friday, February 23, 2018

FEBRUARY ORDER DEADLINE: Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Please ensure you order hot lunch for the correct day!

Mark Your Calendars!

On Wednesday, April 11, SCA Elementary will be hosting a must-see presentation from Saffron called Cyberworld: A Caregiver's Guide to Raising Healthy Digital Citizens. The presentation will give parents important information about how to keep their children safe while using the internet, including which sites/apps to avoid, how to find more information about these sites/apps, how to set boundaries with technology use and the prevalence and effect of internet pornography. Please invite friends and family in the community to join us! Stay tuned for more information!

SCA ELEMENTARY READING DAY

SCA Reading Day on January 26th was a great success! To kick off the day, Hip Hoppopotamus (aka Mr. Johnson) did a video "Read Aloud" for all to enjoy. EIPS Literacy Consultant Mrs. Tamara Martin Spady read to every student in the school throughout the morning and afternoon. Mrs. Martin Spady is a published author and illustrator of children's books. Rooney & Punji presented a Literacy Workshop to all grade 1-6 students in two separate afternoon performances. During the morning, students and staff enjoyed a cup of hot chocolate complete with marshmallows served to them in their classrooms by our parent volunteers. A great big thank you to our guest reader, Mrs. Martin Spady, Rooney & Punji, and to our parent volunteers! Remember to read every day!





Parents in Partnership

The Parents in Partnership team is a group of parents who meet for prayer, staff and teacher encouragement, and crisis meals. The prayer group meets on Monday mornings at 9:00 am in the conference room at the elementary school. We meet one hour each week to support the staff, teachers and families through prayer and we invite you to join us. All are welcome to join as often as your schedule allows.

If you would like any information about the Parents in Partnership team or would like to join us, please contact us at parentsinpartnership@hotmail.com.

Measuring our Success: Complete the Accountability Pillar Survey

As an annual check up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success.

The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators. Data on these indicators consists of surveys of students, parents and teachers on various aspects of education quality, student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates, and provincial assessments of student learning.

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey.

- In January, parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 will receive a survey from Alberta Education.
- In February, students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and all teachers will be completing their surveys online at school.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly.

Survey results will be available to school authorities in May 2018, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports.

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Les Misérables
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2018
YOUTH MATINEE TICKETS:
ONLY \$10
OUR FRIDAY MATINEE IS A
DAY OFF
FOR STUDENTS!
CALL: 780.464.7127
<https://scafinearts.com/tickets>

February Prayer Focus:

**Please pray for our
SCA Elementary Custodial Staff.**



February



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Munch-a-Lunch is open to order Hot Lunch				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Staff Meeting - Early Dismissal 2:15 pm	8 ATA Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL	9 ATA Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL	10
11	12	13 Chip Day	14 Red/Pink Day February Hot Lunch Orders Due Online	15	16 School Closure Day NO SCHOOL	17
18	19 Family Day NO SCHOOL	20	21	22	23 Hot Lunch Basically Babies Collection Drive	24 EIPS Young Authors Conference
25	26	27	28 March Newsletter Online			

Online Re-Registration

February 20-28

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