

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.



November 2023 Edition

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held on December 5 & 7th. Parents will be able to book their own interview appointment online with their child's homeroom teacher. An e-mail will be sent to parents approximately 1 week before interviews with step by step instructions on how to book appointment(s). Using this system allows more control to coordinate personal schedules with Parent/Teacher interviews as it is challenging to schedule so far in advance. We hope that you will find using this system easy and convenient. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 780-449-2787.

REPORT CARDS



Report cards will be available on Friday, December 1 at 3:15 pm. Parents and guardians can access report cards through PowerSchool—simply log in to your account and click on the "Report Card" button in the lefthand sidebar.

REMINDERS

- **Wednesday, November 1 – Early Dismissal at 2:15 pm**
- **Thursday, November 2 – K-6 School Picture Day (KA/KC on Nov. 1)**
- **Friday, November 3 – Remembrance Day Chapel @ 9:15 am**
- **November 6 - 10 – No School – November Break**
- **Wednesday, November 15 & 29 – Chip Day**
- **Wednesday, November 15 – School Council Meeting at 7:15 pm**
- **Tuesday, November 21 – K-6 Picture Retake Day & Class Pictures (KA/KC on Nov. 22)**
- **Friday, November 24 – Hot Lunch**

CHILDCARE

There will be childcare available both evenings during interviews from 5:00 – 9:00 pm in the gym for all elementary and pre-school aged children that are here during their parent interview time.

There is no charge for this service, however donations are gratefully accepted and will be put towards our Missions program. This is for your convenience during interview times only. During interviews, parents will be allowed to park in our bus lane parking as well as in our regular visitor parking. We would request that no children be wandering around or playing in the hallways while you attend your interview.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Our parents continue to bless our teaching staff each year with a meal just prior to Parent/Teacher Interviews starting on December 5. Should you be interested in helping out with contributing some food items to this much appreciated meal, please sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4FA5AA23A5FC1-44732126-december>

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Principal: Mr. Francis Poole
Assistant Principals: Mrs. Jaime Peters & Mr. Jon Alstad

SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to all families who have already paid the Elk Island Public School fees for the 2022-23 school year. If you have not yet paid, payment would be appreciated as soon as possible as the fees are **NOW PAST DUE**.

To access your fee information, simply log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal and go to "Student Fees." There you can view your fees and pay them online using Visa, MasterCard or debit card—when available from your financial institution.

If circumstances exist where you are unable to pay your fees, you can apply to have fees waived by submitting an Application for a Waiver of Fees. The application deadline is December 15, 2023. For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines, visit [eips.ca](https://www.scaelementary.ca/about/fees) and <https://www.scaelementary.ca/about/fees>.

Remembrance Day

On Friday, November 3, all of our students will participate in a Remembrance Day Chapel at 9:15 am.

Parents are welcome to attend.

Please feel free to send in poppy donations with your child on that day for the poppy they will receive.

Yearbooks

If you would like to order a **2023-24 yearbook** please make sure to choose it from the "School Items" on your student's individual tab in Parent Portal and add it to your cart when paying your school fees. The deadline for ordering a yearbook is **March 31, 2024** and they will be delivered to the students at the end of June 2024.

Healthy Hunger

Hot Lunch

November 22 - KA/KC (Deadline Nov. 17)

November 23 - KB/KD (Deadline Nov. 18)

November 24 - Gr. 1-6 (Deadline Nov. 19)

Chip Day

November 15 & 29 - Gr. 1-6

November 29 - KA/KC

November 30 - KB/KD

If you did not prepay for chip days for the year, your child can bring a Loonie on chip day to participate.

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 email Pastor Cook at timothy.cook@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 is Thursday, November 2 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.

STAFFING UPDATE

Last year we celebrated the retirement of grade 6 teacher Mr. Foster.

This year we will have three staff members retiring in June.

Pastor Cook (Campus Pastor), Mrs. Stadnyk (Grade 5) and Mr. Poole (Principal) will be stepping into retirement and starting a new chapter for themselves.

We wish all three staff members the Lords' richest blessings as they finish this school year and look to the future.



A WORD OR TWO SCELIBRARY.NET



We are happy to announce that we will be hosting in-person book fairs again during Parent-Teacher Interviews the first week of December.

Scholastic and Lamplighter Books & Gifts will have a full selection of quality books, offering a wonderful place to do some Christmas shopping and a great financial benefit to our school.

In the meantime, we are embarking on an exciting SERIES reading challenge. Every three books students read in the same series earns an entry into a prize draw the last week of school before Christmas holidays! Visit scelibrary.net for more details.

-Mrs. Wielinga

A NOTE FROM SHERWOOD PARK ALLIANCE CHURCH...

If you're looking for a church home, we'd love to have you join us at SPAC!

We have many families from SCA that regularly attend - so you will likely see some familiar faces. We also have community groups and drop in activities available throughout the week. Mom's groups, drop in basketball, gaming nights and more. For all ages and stages of life.

Visit spac.ca/groups for more information.

Church Service Times: Saturday @ 6pm & Sunday @ 10 am

SCHOOL THEME 2023-24



**Taste and see that the Lord is
good,
blessed is the one who takes
refuge in him.
Psalm 34:8**

FACEBOOK GROUP

Did you know we have a school
Facebook Group?

Find us on Facebook under:
SCA Elementary Parents

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS 2023

Grades 1 - 6 Christmas Concert

Thursday, December 14, 2023
Sherwood Park Alliance Church
Auditorium

Grades 1 - 3 - 6:30 pm

Grades 4-6 - 8:00 pm

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW



Our Kindergarten students do not participate in the formal Christmas Concert evening. Their teachers prepare a series of very special activities over the days leading up to the Christmas break.

NOVEMBER PRAYER FOCUS

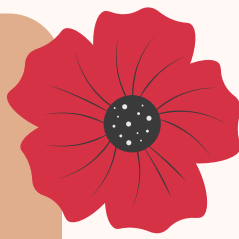
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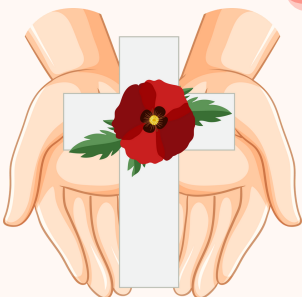
On the last day of every month we post the newsletter for the upcoming month on our website. Please visit www.scaelementary.ca to view our calendar and newsletter to find out about important information and upcoming events at SCA Elementary

NOVEMBER



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5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day
--NOVEMBER BREAK--						
12	13	14	15 Chip Day School Council Meeting 7:15 pm	16	17 KA/KC Hot Lunch Order Deadline	18 KB/KD Hot Lunch Order Deadline
19 Gr. 1-6 Hot Lunch Order Deadline	20	21 K-6 Retakes & Class Pictures	22 KA/KC - Retakes & Class Pictures KA/KC Hot Lunch	23 KB/KD Hot Lunch	24 Gr. 1-6 Hot Lunch	25
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We Remember



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