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June 2017 Principal's Message



Wow! June is upon us and the anticipation of summer holidays is keeping spirits high! The month of June is a very busy one, so be sure to check our school calendar frequently and read all classroom newsletters carefully.

The warmer weather has finally arrived and with it the sun! Please ensure that all students are dressed appropriately, wearing sunscreen and keeping hydrated. Sending a water bottle is a great way to have a quick drink on hand.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each one of you for an amazing year at Elbow Valley! This is a tremendous community and it has been an honour working alongside staff, students and families in making the learning experience a positive one. I wish you all a safe and happy summer surrounded by family, friends and fun!

New School Logo

Rocky View Schools will be unveiling a new web platform (Schoolbundle) in August 2017. The platform will be unveiled in various schools over the course of the 2017-2018. Elbow Valley is set to come online in March 2018. In preparation, we have been asked to select a new logo as the current image does not meet the standards required for the new school web portal (pixelation/resolution). Over the last month, staff, students and parent council members have voted on the drafts put forth by Rocky View's communications department.

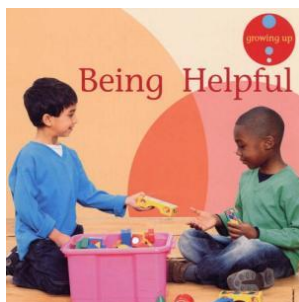
Stay tuned, as the final product will be coming to EV soon!

Class Lists and Assigning Teachers

We are currently in the process of filling a few positions for the fall. As such, class lists and assigned teachers will be shared during our **Open House, Friday, September 1st from 10:00 – 12:00**. We look forward to seeing you there!

We will also be hosting a Coffee and Kleenex for Kindergarten families (*and* any other families) the first two days of school. Please feel free to join us in the staff room, **Tuesday, September 5th from 8:42 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. and again from 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.** Refreshments will be served and school council will be present. This is an excellent opportunity to get to know fellow parents and explore opportunities within the school.

June's Character Focus is Helpfulness



Helpfulness means you willingly help others. If you are helpful, you make things easier for other people because you want to – not because you expect a reward. Helpfulness is being of service. It is doing things for people, such as things they cannot do for themselves, something they do not have time to do, or just little things that make life easier. Being helpful shows, we care and respect others.



Kelso's Choices

Conflict or disagreement is normal and often happens when children get together. However, hurtful words or physical attacks are unacceptable ways to deal with conflict. Our goal is to teach students several positive ways to deal with these difficult situations. We have been using a system called Kelso's Choice to empower children to solve their own small problems.

Summer presents a new set of situations and challenges for children. Of course, it is wonderful, and they happily look forward to it, but the change in their routines can sometimes cause conflict as well. Whether it is travelling to see family and having to share and take turns with cousins and distant relatives, or spending much more time with siblings, getting bored, or coping with friends going away on vacation, there are new challenges to face. We want to send this quick reminder of the tools we use in school, and invite you to adopt this language as you help your child navigate summer vacation so everyone can have a whole lot of fun!

When kids face a minor conflict in school, we incite them to try at least two of the following ideas:

1. Go to another game or activity
2. Respectfully talk it over and listen to each other.
3. Walk away from the problem.
4. Ignore the problem behavior.
5. Apologize.
6. Make a deal or compromise.
7. Wait and cool off.
8. Share and take turns.

Feel free to reach out to me with any questions about how you can use these tools to help your child have a fun-filled and peaceful summer.

Mrs. Zadorozny

School Council

It has been a fantastic year at EEVE! Congratulations and best of luck to the graduating Grade Fours! Our next School Council meeting is **June 7 at 1 p.m.** We will have representatives from Springbank Middle School to discuss the Grade 4 transition.

We have a busy month ahead with many field trips. Thanks to all parents for your continued support of our students, school, staff and school council.

School Council would like to extend heartfelt thanks to:

- Our incoming Co-Chair, Michelle Adams and our amazing principal, Lindsay Adams for their their support and initiative with BOKS - way to go! Thanks for getting our students moving!
- The Springbank Lion's Club for its generous donation of \$5000. We have spent the money on Lego Story Starter kits, a Lego table and magformers. We look forward to using these in the fall! Thanks, Lion's Club!
- Kirsten Hunter for organizing the June hot dog lunch.
- Judi Poole, for all your enthusiasm, kindness and engagement with School Council over the past few years. We will miss you! We wish you continued success and happiness.
- Frankie-Lou Nelligan, Chair of the Long-Term Strategic Planning Committee, for her green-thumb and generous time contributions in and out of the classroom! Frankie-Lou has been working hard to expand the indoor garden program and is proceeding with whiteboard walls in certain classrooms.

Thank you to our outgoing School Council members:

- Sander Steer and Amanda Miles, outgoing Vice-Chairs - thanks for your energy and passion!
- Sally Lockhart, outgoing Volunteer Coordinator, who has done a fantastic job keeping all our school volunteer activities so organized.
- Brenda Renowden for her outstanding contributions to the School through her stewardship of the Yearbook Committee. Yearbooks are beloved keepsakes for our students and Brenda's passion for this enormous task has been exemplary.

Our incoming School Council team is as follows. Thanks to this amazing group!

Co-Chairs: Michelle Adams and Brandi Schroeder

Vice-Chair & Special Lunches: Tannis Bo

Treasurer: Katie Mayer

Secretary: Natalie Pentney

Volunteer Coordinators: Amal Jomaa & Arlene Abboud

Long-Term Strategic Planning: Frankie-Lou Nelligan

Learning Commons Coordinator: Monica Webster

Canadian Parents for French: Lori Champagne

Bulletin Board Coordinator: Katie Dawes

Yearbook Committee: Lee-Ann Tai & Chris Kelly

Spirit of Caring: Chelsea Bowie

Long Term Planning Committee: Frankie-Lou Nelligan

On a community note, we are encouraging any West Rocky View Residents to go online and complete the Master Recreation Plan survey at rockyview.ca/westrecplan. Have your voices heard to shape recreation and culture in our community! The survey is open until June 23.

Lastly, it has been an honor to be School Council Co-Chair for the last two years. It has been a pleasure to work with such committed parents and administrators. I wish the incoming Council Executive much success, fun and friendship in the year to come! - Karin Hunter

Karin Hunter & Brandi Schroeder

MusicFest 2017



Mrs. Duong and Ms. Baratelli would like to take this moment to say thank you for a wonderful and successful MusicFest this year. We had a huge crowd of parents and extended family members and the students rose to the occasion, creating one of the best performances ever.

We would like to thank the administration team, Mme Adams and Mme Poole, for their support in the preparation process, and the teachers for their flexibility, especially in the last couple of weeks before the show.

We would like to thank Mrs. Juett for her wonderful set creations. They always add a touch of magic to the performance.

We would like to thank Mrs. Belsey, Mr. Piraino and Mrs. Pryor for their help in the backstage area and making sure the kids were safe while on the stage. We would also like to thank the kindergarten team, Mrs. Threndyle, Mrs. Beloglowka, Mme. Boraas and Mme Mattice for their help in making sure all the kindergarten students made it safely back to their parents.

The art display in the front was a team effort but a special thank you to Mrs. Pryor for organizing the team that creates the tri-fold displays in the lobby.

One final thank you to all the students. They spent so many months learning the songs and the choreography, practicing their lines, spending time at recess rehearsing their lines, and we were so proud of everything they accomplished.

Friends École Elbow Valley Elementary School

FEEVESS is the committee that organizes the casinos for the school. These result in \$60-75,000 every 18 months to 2 years. Most of the members are moving on to other districts or schools, so we are in desperate need for more board members. We only have one or two meetings per year, most business is conducted by email, and for a short spurt of work every 2 years, our school benefits immensely! If you are looking for a way to contribute to the school community this is an easy choice! Please contact Monica Webster at monicacmwebster@gmail.com for more information.

UPCOMING CASINO — FALL 2017! Please note on your calendars - **Nov 7 and 8, 2017**, our school will be running a casino fundraiser at Elbow River Casino. Stay tuned in the new school year for sign-up opportunities!

Friends of Springbank Middle School Society (FOSMSS)

The mandate of FOSMSS is to raise funds to benefit the students at the middle school through various programs. FOSMSS was originally formed to raise the necessary funding for a playground upgrade that was completed in August of 2014. With our last two casinos, we have raised over \$140,000 to benefit various programs at our school. Society members work in conjunction with our school's administration to determine how the gaming proceeds will be spent.

The Friends of Springbank Middle School Society needs new members to take over the administration of the Society, as the current executive's children will soon be graduating to the high school. The Annual General Meeting to elect new members to the board is on **Tuesday, June 6th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** Anyone interested in attending should contact myself for further information.

Leigh Gaudin
Secretary, FOSMSS
lgaudin@telus.net

Green Club News

Green Club News During this 2016-2017 school year, Mrs. Svarich (teacher) and 114 Grade 3 student volunteers were members of EVE's Green Club. The Grade 3 Green Club volunteers collected beverage containers each week, made "Live Stream" announcements to the school, participated in Green Club lunch



time meetings, and invited guest speakers to our lunch meetings. Rob Cote from the Calgary Stampeders, and Katrina, along with her hawk Griffin, from the Alberta Institute for Wildlife Conservation were two of our guests. Green Club members make decisions to choose the charitable organizations they wish to donate the recycling refund money to. As Green Club recycling efforts have made over \$2000.00 in refund money with Money Back Containers Shack, the club has donated to organizations such as Cochrane Ecological Institute, Alberta Institute for Wildlife Conservation, World Wildlife Fund Canada and have funded environmental programs within the school. The volunteers have worked hard during recess to attend meetings and collect recyclables. They have been instrumental in helping our school recycle, reuse and be environmentally friendly. Green Club will

have a year-end thank you party with Mad Science, at the school, on June 13, before lunch. Thank you Grade 3 Green Club and EVE students and staff for helping to improve our waste and for helping the environment.

Judy Svarich

Canadian Parents for French (Springbank Chapter)



**CANADIAN
PARENTS
FOR FRENCH**
ALBERTA

The final meeting of the year for CPF Springbank will be held on Monday, June 5th at 1:00 p.m. at 495 Rodeo Ridge.

We desperately need parents of elementary students to become new board members, or this will possibly be the meeting to close our chapter.

Please consider supporting our chapter with a membership or volunteering on our board. The time and energy commitment is very manageable. If you have any questions about CPF or volunteering, please contact Lori Champagne at lorivi.champagne@gmail.com

ARE YOU RETURNING TO ELBOW VALLEY NEXT YEAR?

If you will not be returning to EVE for the 2017/2018 school year, please let the office know A.S.A.P. or email us at evalley@rockyview.ab.ca.

This will greatly assist in our planning.

Grade One Lunch Supervision in September 2017

Attention Kindergarten Parents! Looking for volunteers in September for Grade One Lunch Supervision

In September, our brand new grade one students will be eating lunch at school for the first time. It's very nice for them to have someone around to help them get used to this new routine. The teachers need a break to eat their lunch, and the staff supervisors are responsible for watching other areas.

If you are interested in coming into the school during September lunch-time to help the grade ones out, please email Amal Jomaa amaljomaa78@gmail.com. We will be looking for 5 to 6 volunteers per day to help the students open containers and learn the rules of lunch-time in the classroom. This is a great job and only takes a half hour of your time and you may bring along a younger sibling if you need.

Thanks for your help,

The EVE Volunteer Coordinators
Amal and Arlene



***Please come to our
Volunteer Tea
on June 8th at 1:00 p.m.***

***Meet the Teacher
on
Friday, Sept. 1st , 2017
@ 10:00 – 12:00 p.m.***



***Back to School on
Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017.***

June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>JUNE IS HELPFULNESS</p>				<p>1 1P, 1M a.m. 1F, 1R p.m. Harmony</p> <p>Swimming 4L & 2LO 1:05 – 1:45 When you are helpful, you are being a great friend.</p>	<p>2 1S p.m. Harmony</p> <p>Subway</p> <p>When you are helpful, you are showing kindness.</p>	<p>3</p>  <p>THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS!</p>
<p>4</p> <p>GOOD BYE & GOOD LUCK!</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>Swimming 2D /4B 9:45 – 10:25 2B/4M 10:30 – 11:15 1M/3N 11:15 – 11:55 2L/4P 1:05 – 1:45</p> <p>When you are helpful, it shows you care about others.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Swimming 2D /4B 9:45 – 10:25 2B/4M 10:30 – 11:15 1M/3N 11:15 – 11:55 2L/4P 1:05 – 1:45</p> <p>When you are helpful, you notice what needs to done.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Swimming 2D/4B 9:20 – 10:00 2B/4M 10:05 – 10:45 1M/3N 10:50 – 11:30</p> <p>School Council Meeting @ 1 p.m.</p> <p>Think of all the ways you can be helpful at school.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Swimming 2D /4B 9:45 – 10:25 2B/4M 10:30 – 11:15 1M/3N 11:15 – 11:55 2L/4P 1:05 – 1:45</p> <p>Kindergarten Spark TELUS THE NEW SCIENCE CENTRE</p> <p>Volunteer Tea @ 1 p.m.</p> <p>Think of all the ways you can be helpful at home.</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Pizza</p> <p>Swimming 2D/4B 9:20 – 10:00 2B/4M 10:05 – 10:45 1M/3N 10:50 – 11:30</p> <p>Think of all the ways you can be helpful to our earth.</p>	<p>10</p> 
<p>11</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>Swimming 1F/4S 9:45 – 10:25 4V/1P 10:30 – 11:15 1R/4W 11:15 – 11:55 2L/4P 1:05 – 1:45</p> <p>If you need help, remember to ask for it.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Swimming 1F/4S 9:45 – 10:25 4V/1P 10:30 – 11:15 1R/4W 11:15 – 11:55 2L/4P 1:05 – 1:45</p> <p>EPCOR 2D & 2B</p> <p>Gr. 3 Green Club Party 11:00 – 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>We all need help sometimes.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Swimming 1F/4S 9:20 – 10:00 1P/4V 10:05 – 10:45 4W/1R 10:50 – 11:30</p> <p>EPCOR 2L & 2BR</p> <p>You can help yourself by eating healthy food.</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Swimming 1F/4S 9:45 – 10:25 1P/4V 10:30 – 11:15 1R/4W 11:15 – 11:55</p> <p>EPCOR 2LO</p> <p>You can help yourself by being active and exercising.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Subway</p> <p>Swimming 1F/4S 9:20 – 10:00 1P/4V 10:05 – 10:45 4W/1R 10:50 – 11:30</p> <p>You can help yourself by having friends you have fun with.</p>	<p>17</p> 
<p>18</p> 	<p>19</p> <p>Swimming 1S/3B 9:45 – 10:25 3G/3W 10:30 – 11:15 2BR/3BL 11:15 – 11:55</p> <p>Always look for helpful ways to make a difference.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Swimming 1S/3B 9:45 – 10:25 3G/3W 10:30 – 11:15 2BR/3BL 11:15 – 11:55</p> <p>Helping others makes you feel good about yourself.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Swimming 1S/3B 9:20 – 10:00 3G/3W 10:05 – 10:45 2BR/3BL 10:50 – 11:30</p> <p>Treat others the way you want to be treated.</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Swimming 1S/3B 9:45 – 10:25 3G/3W 10:30 – 11:15 2BR/3BL 11:15 – 11:55</p> <p>Offer to help others' without having to ask.</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Hot Dog Lunch</p> <p>Swimming 1S/3B 9:20 – 10:00 3G/3W 10:05 – 10:45 2BR/3BL 10:50 – 11:30</p> <p>Friendly Helper's Lloyd's Roller Rink 9:00 – 12:15</p> <p>Kindergarten Graduation Last day Gr. 4's Tug of War</p> <p>Believe in yourself.</p>	<p>24</p> 
<p>25</p> 	<p>26</p> <p>Kindergarten Orientation 9 - 10 AM. class 10:30 – 11:30 PM. Class Gr. 4's Calaway Park</p> <p>Always try to lend a helping hand.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Gr. 1's Bow Valley Provincial Park</p> <p>When you help others it makes them feel terrific</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Sports Day 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Beach Day!</p> <p>Last Day of School Gr. 1 -4 Farewell Assembly</p> <p>Remember you are all special and important.</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Organizational Days/School Closed for Summer</p> 	<p>30</p> <p>Organizational Days/School Closed for Summer</p>	<p>Meet the Teacher on Friday, Sept. 1, 2017 @ 10:00 – 12:00 p.m.</p>  <p>Sept. 5th, 2017</p>