

HOOPERS SCHOOL BELL #3

**ÉOES - A Happy Place to Live,
to Learn, to Grow**

November 2023

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Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

I truly enjoyed all the beautiful weather we had in September and October and we are now settling in the reality of snow and colder temperatures. Please remember to continue sending your children with warm clothing (jacket, hat, mitts/gloves and snow pants). It's amazing to see how much fun our students have in the snow by building snow forts, making snow angels, running, jumping and playing joyfully when they are comfortable and warm.

As we enter the month of November, I want to take a moment to update you on a couple of events happening at our school and express my gratitude to our amazing parent council and our parent volunteers.

School Picture Retakes (November 6th): For those students who may have missed our initial picture day or would like to have their photos retaken, please let your classroom teacher know you would like to get retakes on November 6th.

Remembrance Day Assembly (November 8th at 10:45am featuring our grade 4 students): We will be hosting a special assembly to honor our veterans, teaching our students about the importance of this day and the sacrifices made by those who have served our country. This assembly is open to parents.

Our parent council has been working tirelessly to support our school and I want to extend gratitude for their dedication. If you haven't already, please consider joining the parent council to be a part of the wonderful work they do to enhance our students' educational experience. We also want to acknowledge our parent volunteers who provide service to our school and are a tremendous support to our busy teachers and educational assistants.

As we move further into this school year, I want to once again express my deep appreciation for your continued support, engagement, and trust in our school community. We look forward to a fantastic month of November filled with learning, growth, and gratitude.

Sincerely,
Alanna Sampson, Principal

Dropping off & Picking Up Your Child

Morning Drop Off

- Morning bell rings at 8:35am. Students can be dropped off at the school no earlier than 8:25am and head towards their classroom area.
- If you will be later than 8:35am, please have your child use the front entrance, as all other doors will be locked.

After School Pick Up

- All student will be dismissed at 3:10pm. Students will exit to their predetermined meeting spots, buses or walk home.

Our Bell Schedule

Sometimes it is hard to know when is best to pick your child up for an appointment so below, please find our current bell schedule:

8:35am Start of Class

8:42am O'Canada

10:10am-10:23am Recess for all grades

11:55am-12:25pm Lunch for all grades

12:25pm-12:50pm Recess for all grades

1:55pm-2:08pm Recess for all grades

3:10pm Dismissal

Please remember that all students need to be picked up at 3:10pm. Thank you!



PAY SCHOOL FEES ONLINE

Chinook's Edge School Division is pleased to offer the opportunity to pay student fees electronically. The online payment program provides a convenient payment option that saves time. You can make secure online payments by credit or debit card any time and receive a receipt.

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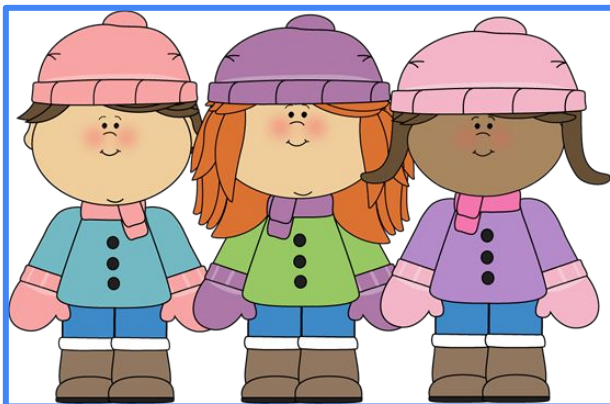
Signing up only takes a moment. Here is how it works:

1. Go to:
<https://www.studentquickpay.com/chinook/>
or find the link on the Chinook's Edge Website at www.chinooksedge.ab.ca
2. Take a few minutes to register and create an account for your child(ren).
3. Review and pay your child's fees using direct online payment. You can also set up monthly payments - please call Lisa Ormann at the school

If you are having technical issues with your parent account please email feesupport@cesd73.ca for assistance.

The fee schedule can be found on the Chinook's Edge website, www.cesd73.ca, Menu, Students and Parents, School Fees. Scroll down to Olds, and find École Olds Elementary School.

If you have any questions please call the school. Fee waivers are also found on the Chinook's Edge website, under Menu, Students and Parents, then on the left, click on the arrow beside School Fees.



Remember that snow has already arrived. Please, please, please dress your student appropriately: snow pants, winter coat, toque, mitts, scarf and boots. Thank you!

Physical Education - Update November 2023

Randy Kish

Kilometer Club Golden Shoe Results

The 6 Week Kilometer Club Noon Running Challenge has come to a conclusion. It was wonderful to see so many students enjoy a walk or jog around the Track at noon enjoying the fresh air! Students who complete laps around the Kilometer Club collect a popsicle stick marker for each lap which are then taken in to their Teacher for Tallying. The classroom that has collected the most sticks (laps) wins the Challenge.

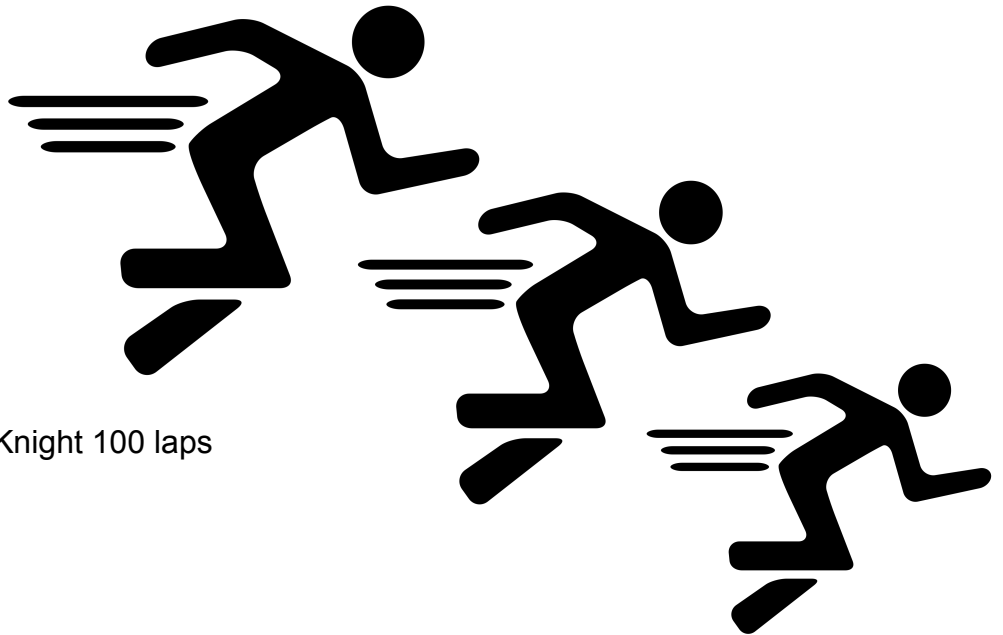
Congratulations to the following Classrooms that have achieved Golden Shoe Glory!

Ms Brokenshire
Mrs. Beemer
Mrs. Martens
Mr Proctor



There are students who are instrumental in helping their classroom win the Golden Shoe Challenge through dedication and hard work by running the most laps in the school;

Samuel Harding 320 laps
Viaan Shaw 207 laps
Jake Williams 190 laps
Corbyn Rath 142 laps
Sawyer Macgregor 137 laps
Lyla Thompson 124 laps
Olivia Maclellan 122
Hudson McDonald 111 laps
Lousia Wells 104 laps
Rae Ogilvie, Nash Todd, Ava McKnight 100 laps



Curriculum - Physical Education Classes will become more challenging this term as we focus on using objects (manipulatives) to learn new skills. The activities will help improve our coordination and physical literacy skills. We will also take our fitness challenges up a notch by trying more complex exercises and for longer durations.

Grades 2, 3 and 4 - Sticks and ball skills: We will explore how to control a hockey ball using stick handling techniques in a zone and also moving in the gym. Students will be practicing how to shoot a “snapshot” and “wrist shot” for accuracy. Players will use the good sport “N-H-L” face-off and play keep away to demonstrate their skills. We will be playing 4-goal hockey games and also full-on, full gym hockey with goalies and Teams.

Grades 2, 3 and 4 - Fitness: Students will be challenging themselves to complete an exercise video which focuses on strength, balance, coordination, and cardiovascular fitness.

Grade 2 - Hula Hoop Skills: We will be learning how to use the different types of Hula Hoops in a variety of ways which include; spinning, rolling, skipping, and hula hooping around our waist. We will have Class Championships to see who can Hula Hoop the longest!

Grade 1 and 2 - Fitness: Students will be challenging themselves to complete an exercise video which focuses on strength, balance, coordination, and cardiovascular fitness.

Grade 1 - Ball Skills: We will be learning how to use a rubber ball safely in the gym. Skills include; bouncing (dribbling) in our own space and also moving around the gym, throwing the ball against the wall and catching it, and shooting the ball into the basketball hoops for a score. These new skills are “Tricky” to learn and can cause some challenges. We always discuss trying our best during our practice times and not giving up. We will also be doing one-minute concentration challenges to see if we can sustain one minute of practice without getting distracted or start talking to each other. This can sometimes be more challenging than the actual ball skills...!

Kindergarten - Ball Skills: We will be learning how to use a rubber ball safely in the gym. Students work towards understanding and practicing the difference between Drop and Catch, Bounce and Catch, and Throw and Catch. We will also be doing one-minute concentration challenges to see if we can sustain one minute of practice without getting distracted or start talking to each other.

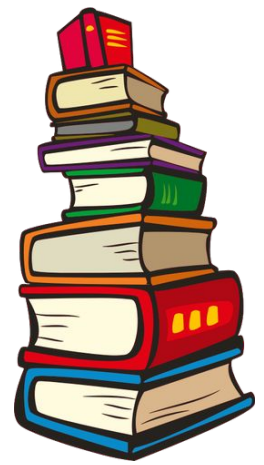
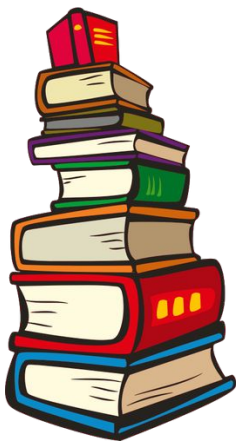
Kindergarten Fitness: We will enjoy a fun follow along exercise video at the start of every class to warm us up and practice coordination, stretching, and balance.

Proper Gym Footwear

Please ensure your child can participate in our Gym Activities by following a few basic rules about the Footwear you provide;

1. Fancy Boots (especially with high heels) are not appropriate
2. Slippers are not for the Gym
3. Shoes should be proper size and STAY on the FEET
4. If your child cannot tie laces then please use velcro shoes or teach your child to tie laces

Would parents please consider checking in with your child about their shoes and if necessary having your child bring home their Indoor Shoes for an inspection. You might be surprised how they are “wearing or not wearing their shoes” ...?



LIBRARY NEWS:

From the desk of Mrs. Clifford

Dear EOES family and friends,

October 23 to 26 was a very exciting time at our school. Why? Well, for four days our school hosted the Scholastic Book Fair, but it was far from fair. It was a tremendous success and that was all because of you.

The kids in our school are so fortunate to have adults in their lives that value reading and books the way that you do. So many of you shared with me memories of when the book fair came to your school and how excited you were to buy new books. Now years later, you are passing that excitement and passion on to your kids. I didn't know what to expect as this was my first time planning a book fair, but the way you supported your kids and our school was way beyond anything we have experienced here before.

During the day, I had the opportunity to watch the kids shop for books, and it was so much fun. They searched the shelves, read the backs of books, checked the prices, compared their choices with classmates, made shopping lists, counted out money and then finally purchased their books. After school and into the evening the magic continued as the kids enjoyed the fair with you by their side. My heart is so full.

I would like to take a moment to thank all of the amazing volunteers who donated their time to help run our fair! I absolutely could not have done it without you and that's a true story (or nonfiction as librarians like to say).

On behalf of all the students and staff at EOES, I would like to thank each and every one of you for contributing to the success of our fair.

I enjoyed connecting with all of you and I look forward to seeing you again at our next fair, so until then, Happy Reading!



From the Music Room for November 2023: Mrs. Koch



This month we will be recognizing and remembering the sacrifices of others during our Remembrance Day assembly. This will be held on **November 8th at 10:45 am** and will feature a number of grade 4 performers and speakers. Please join us if you are interested and able.

We will also be hosting Professor Wow! The Invisible World of Science. This is a performance for the whole school on **Tuesday, November 14 at 1:15 pm**. Professor Wow uses his mind-boggling circus skills to reveal these invisible forces that are right under our noses. Parents are welcome to join us if they're interested as well.

The grade 1s and 2s are starting to work on their Christmas Concerts which will be happening mid-December.

On **Tuesday, December 12th at 1:00 pm and 6:00 pm** these classes will be performing:

- Mrs. Beemer
- Mrs. Bouliane
- Mrs. Hanna
- Mrs. Nisbet
- Mrs. Schochenmaier



On **Thursday, December 14th at 1:00 pm and 6:00 pm** these classes will be performing:

- Mrs. Adamson and Mr. Amundrud
- Mrs. Bjarnason
- Mme. Brokenshire
- Mrs. Hardy
- Mme. Tulloch's grade 2s

Parents and families will be welcome to join us for either the afternoon or the evening performance (or both!) but students are expected to attend both the afternoon and evening show on their assigned day. Thank you so much for your support of our music program. We look forward to seeing our students succeed and shine!

YES Program: Jessica Messervey

The YES program is putting on a after school Book Club on Wednesdays from 3:10-4:00, Hair Club on Thursdays from 3:10-4:00 and Board Game Club after school on Tuesdays from 3:10-4:00

Email me with any questions: jmesservey@cesd73.ca



**Picture Retakes: November 6th
Morning only**



School Council

Mom's Pantry Fundraiser

Wow, what a great selection of items to choose from in this next fundraiser! Mom's Pantry offers over 200 items from spices, tea, and superfoods to cookie dough, frozen ready-to-bake treats and snacks! The full selection can be viewed at momspantry.ca.

Orders can be submitted online until October 31, 2023.

How to Order:

1. Go to www.momspantry.ca
2. Add items to your cart!
3. On checkout, enter the Order Number: 379344, Group Passcode: 31577 and Seller's Name: Ecole Olds Elementary School (most browsers will also let you search just by our name).
4. Complete your payment.
5. Pick up will be at EOES mid-late November - just in time for the holidays!

Firstly, we would like to thank everyone who volunteered and everyone who attended the Let's Glow Crazy dance party last Friday. There were approximately 600 people through the doors - wow! It was so much fun to see all the kids bust their best moves on the dance floor!



FUN LUNCH

The ordering period for December Fun Lunch opens November 2, 2023. Order online @ <https://oldselementary.hotlunches.net/>. If you haven't already done so this year, you will need to re-register. The access code is OLDS. Please pay attention to the Fridays your kindergarten student is and is NOT at school as no refunds can be offered.

Our next fundraiser is... Purdy's Chocolates!!

Order online at: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1565960-107892>

Ordering closes Sunday, November 26 with Pickup from EOES Tuesday, December 12.



Thank you for your continued support of EOES Parent Council and Fundraising Society. The funds raised through fundraising are used to support a number of activities in the school.

Did you know EOES Parent Council has our own Facebook Page? For the most up to date information about events, volunteering and fundraising, please follow us at www.facebook.com/eoesparentcouncil.

Our next meetings are:

Parent Council - Wednesday, November 1 at 12:00pm virtually

Fundraising Society - Wednesday, November 1 at 7:00pm virtually and in person at EOES Library.

Please email chair@eoesparencouncil.com if you'd like the link to join virtually.

Everyone is welcome to attend both meetings!

Sincerely,
Brandy Thompson, Chair
April Mattson, Co-Chair



**Halloween was lots of fun at EOES....
Waldos everywhere! Can you find the
Hawaiian Punch guy?**



Little Shoppers Christmas Store is Coming Back!!!

What is Little Shoppers?



It is a temporary Christmas store set up at the school for students to come and purchase gifts for their parents/guardians. All items for them to pick from are priced at \$2 and will come home wrapped to put under the tree.

The program relies on donations of new or gently used items for the gifts, as well as gift bags and tissue paper from families and community members.

All proceeds from the Little Shoppers store go towards buying supplies for classrooms or funding events for students. A fun activity for students to take part in and a fundraiser for the school!

What we need to make this possible:

We will be accepting donations of new and gently used items, gift bags, tissue paper, and gift tags/stickers starting November 20th. Please drop it off at the office during school hours or send it to the school with your child with a note stating for Little Shoppers. Should you prefer to make a cash donation, it can be dropped off at the office and will go towards the purchase of wrapping or additional gifts for students to pick from. We are incredibly grateful for any donations you can provide.

Some examples of gifts: bath products, candles, tools, non-sized clothing (i.e., scarves, gloves, toques, hats, socks, sunglasses), jewelry, home décor, kitchen tools, gadgets, picture frames, games, books, gift certificates, sealed chocolates or treats, purses/bags, sports items, etc.

We also need volunteers to make this program a success. We will need volunteers one week before for a day, the day before to help sort and set up, volunteers to wrap gifts during the shopping days, and some to help clean up at the end of the event.

The Little Shoppers store will be open for students to shop on December 19th & 20th.

If you are interested in being a parent volunteer, you can email chair@eoesparentcouncil.com

We thank you in advance for your donations and support!

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			1 Parent Council Virtual Meeting at 12:00pm Fundraising Meeting at 7:00pm	2 On-line Ordering begins for December Fun Lunch	3 Pre-Ordered Fun Lunch: Prairie Donair	4
5 Daylight Savings. Fall back one hour at 2:00am 	6  Picture Retakes: Morning Only	7	8 Remembrance Day Ceremony: 10:45 Gr. 4's are featured	9 Fall Break	10 Fall Break	11 Remembrance Day 
12	13 Deadline to order December Fun Lunch	14 Special Guest: Professor WOW! 1:15pm	15	16	17 Pre-Ordered Fun Lunch: Beef Burrito	18
19	20	21	22 Kindergarten Parent - Teacher Interviews	23 Kindergarten Parent - Teacher Interviews	24 No School	25
26	27	28	29	30	Dec 1 Pre-Ordered Fun Lunch: Quesada	Dec 2