

# Bruderheim School

Parent Newsletter – November 25, 2022

## From the Principal

We had another wonderful week of school, and it's been so nice to have such warm winter weather too!

We were glad to be able to have our TIGER Traits Assembly again, and welcomed one of our EIPS Numeracy Consultants, Nadine, to share with our students! She read a book entitled, "Equal Mshequal" and did a great job interacting with our students and using numeracy to reinforce integrity!

On Thursday afternoon we enjoyed having our EIPS Indigenous Education Lead, Leaha, present to our classes on the Tipi Teachings.

On Friday afternoon at 3:30, report cards will be published and available to view on your parent portal.

Next week, on Wednesday and Thursday, we are hosting Parent/Teacher Interviews here at the school.

The sign-up information is included in our newsletter and on our website. We're looking forward to seeing you here!

## November

**November 24:** True 2 You 3:30 (grade 5, 6 girls)

**November 25:** Report cards online 3:30

**November 27:** Hot lunch form due (see link below)

**November 30:** Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:00 to 7:00 (childcare provided from 5:00 to 7:00)

## December

**December 1:** Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:00 to 7:00 (childcare provided from 5:00 to 7:00)

**December 2:** Silly sock day – wear your wackiest!

**December 6:** Grade 3 Christmas tree making at 1:30 - volunteers welcome

**December 6:** Bruderheim School Council (BSC) meeting 5:15

**December 7:** School spirit day – wear black, yellow or school spirit wear

**December 7:** Early dismissal 2:00

**December 8:** True 2 You 3:30 (grade 5, 6 girls)

**December 14:** Christmas concert dress rehearsal

**December 15:** School fees waiver application deadline (see further info below)

**December 15:** Tipi Teachings

**December 15:** Christmas concert 6:30

**December 16:** Wear your favorite Christmas sweater

**December 20:** Last instructional day for 2022!

## January

**January 4:** Welcome to the first school day of 2023!

**January 4:** School spirit day – wear black, yellow or school spirit wear

**January 4:** Early dismissal 2:00

## Parent Teacher Interviews

Our Parent/Teacher Interviews are just around the corner! They will take place from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 30 and Thursday, December 1 in person at the school. Childcare will be provided in our gym on both evenings. **You can now book your timeslot(s), using the School Interviews website link**

<https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/> Enter the code when prompted, and then select the teacher(s) and timeslot(s).

**The event code is pen9x.** Interviews will be 10-minute in length.

If you would like to meet with more than one teacher on the same evening, please remember not to schedule yourself in back-to-back time slots so you have time to move between classrooms.



## New Report Cards

To best communicate student learning, some changes have been made to report cards, including a slight redesign. This November, parents and guardians will continue to access report cards through PowerSchool—simply log in to your account and click on the “Report Card” button in the lefthand sidebar.

Similar to the previous report card, students will still be assessed on a Learner Attributes Scale and Achievement Scale. Some categories have been modified to align with the new curriculum.

## From The Library

Many thanks for the donations that have already started to come in! We are continuing to accept your generosity to our Bruderheim School’s Mitten Tree. Many years I have headed up this outreach program and it is always rewarding. We will proceed the same as other years. If you could promote the Mitten Tree to your students and their families... we will collect pairs of **new mittens or gloves** in the library. Each time a student brings in a pair, they will receive a candy cane and a small thank you card. In January, I will get them to downtown Edmonton to have them handed out. Last year we collected over 70pairs!

There is also a few good story books to read about mittens should you wish to do so. Much thanks for all the support. Merry Christmas (too early??)



**Be Your Best!**



## Fee Waiver Applications

For the 2022-23 school year, the deadline for receiving fee waiver applications is **December 15**. The application form and information can be found on the Division [website](#). The only applications accepted after that date will be from families new to Elk Island Public Schools.

## Inclement Weather

With the winter season almost here, we want to remind families to dress children appropriately for the weather when getting ready for school or the bus. The weather often changes unexpectedly throughout the day, so please select suitable outerwear and ensure your child is prepared for changing conditions.

If inclement weather conditions occur, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) advises families of any bus cancellations using various communications tools—automated- telephone messages, alerts posted on [www.eips.ca](http://www.eips.ca) and school websites, Twitter, Facebook, local radio stations, and notification through both the Bus Status and the Ride 360 apps. Morning bus cancellations are posted on [www.eips.ca](http://www.eips.ca) by 6:30 a.m.

Decisions regarding bus cancellations are guided by EIPS administrative procedures that state, “school bus service may be suspended...when there is a forecast or current temperature of -40 C, including wind chill factor, in one or more regions.”

Other reasons for suspending or delaying school bus services include adverse weather and poor road conditions. When school bus services are suspended, schools remain open to students. EIPS believes families have the right and responsibility to make choices for their children based on their beliefs and perceptions of safety during times of inclement weather.

For more information, contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151.

## EIPS 2023-24 Division Calendar: Now Available!

The official 2023-24 EIPS calendar is now available. The calendar includes important dates during the 2023-24 school year, such as school-closure days, breaks, the first and last day of classes, professional learning days, early dismissal days, plus more.

Highlights from the 2023-24 EIPS calendar include:

- first day of school – Aug. 31, 2023
- November break – November 6-10
- Christmas break – December 25 to January 5
- second semester starts – February 1
- Teachers’ Convention – February 8-9
- spring break – March 25-29
- last day of classes – June 26, 2024

To view the 2023-24 calendar, visit [eips.ca](http://eips.ca)

Did you know you can sync the Division calendar to your personal calendar? You can. Simply, visit [www.eips.ca/calendar](http://www.eips.ca/calendar) and click “subscribe to calendar.” It’s that easy.



## For Your Information

The County of Lamont Food Bank will be accepting Christmas Hamper applications from November 10th - December 8th, 2022. Please call 780-619-6955 to register or for more information". Thank you.

## Strathcona Christmas Bureau: Referrals

If you know a family in need who might benefit from a Strathcona Christmas Bureau delivery this holiday season, submit a referral. Your name, and the names you refer, are kept in strict confidence. You can make a referral by contacting the Hamper Co-ordinator at 780-918-2521 starting November 1. The referral deadline is **November 30**.



### **\*\*\*THIS FORM IS DUE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 27TH\*\*\***

This year the kitchen staff will be providing lunches 3 days a week-Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. On Mondays and Fridays everyone will receive a healthy snack so please pack lunches on those days.

For anyone new to our lunch program, this form allows you to pick what your child would like to eat each day. The more specific choices you make the less waste we have. The monthly menu is always available on the Lamont Elementary School website under "Lunch Calendar."

Please submit one form per student.

As in the past few years all lunches will be individually packaged and delivered to the classrooms at lunch time.

Please send reusable cutlery for your students to use to help cut down the waste we have everyday.

~~On occasion, for reasons we cannot control we may need to make substitutions to meals.~~

**[Bruderheim December 2022 Hot Lunch Form](#)**