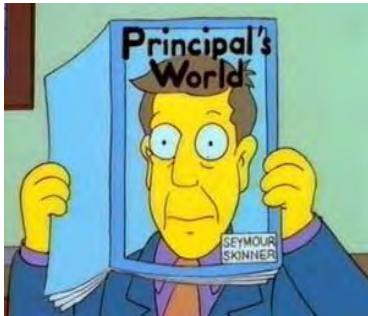


**Bruderheim School**  
**Parent Newsletter – September 9, 2022**



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From the Principal

Well, it's hard to believe that we have completed two weeks of school already! We really have had a great start to this school year, and time flies when you're having fun! Thank you to everyone, and especially our awesome students for your patience as we eagerly anticipate being able to use our new playground! There were a few unfortunate delays, but we plan to have it open early next week! We will have the fence configuration adjusted to allow for student access, but also protect as much of the newly laid sod as possible. We want to thank EIPS Facilities and the playground company for all their hard work over the summer!

We're looking forward to seeing you at the Meet the Teacher Night on September 12. Hot dogs, snacks and drinks will be served in the gym from 5:00 – 6:00, and our teachers will be in their classrooms from 6:00 – 7:00, looking forward to having conversations with you. Our September Parent Council meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. in our school library. We will also be hosting the Bruderheim Community Awareness Evening in our gym from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. We are looking forward to a wonderful evening together!

### Key Dates

- **September 12:** Meet the Teacher Night
  - 5:00 – 6:00 – BBQ
  - 6:00 – 7:00 – Classrooms open
- **September 12:** Parent Council Meeting – 6:30 pm (new time for this month)
- **September 12:** Bruderheim Community Awareness – 5:00 – 7:00
- **September 13:** Ho lunch begins
- **September 23:** [Terry Fox hot dog lunch & school run](#) (see order form below)
- **September 29:** [Orange Shirt Day](#) (changed from September 28)
- **September 30:** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (schools and Central Services closed)
- **October 3:** Swim lessons begin (further info next week)
- **October 3-7:** Read-In Week (further info below)
- **October 5:** School pride: wear black, yellow or school spirit wear
- **October 5:** [World Teachers' Day](#)
- **October 5:** Early dismissal 2:00
- **October 7:** Professional learning day (no students in school)
- **October 17-20:** Book swap
- **October 19:** School picture day

### Counsellor's Corner

Hello! Here at school, we have been very busy learning about teamwork - what it means, why it's important and how to get better at it! Learning happens best when it is done both at school and at home. Below are many ways that you can help your child continue to learn about the

theme of teamwork through reading about it, talking about it, and practicing it! We have really enjoyed exploring this topic at school, and I hope your family will enjoy it just as much!

### Read About It!

Here are some books to help you learn more about teamwork:

- “Someone Builds the Dream” by Lisa Wheeler
- “Maxine and the Greatest Garden Ever!” by Ruth Spiro
- “Boxitects” by Kim Smith

### Practice It!

Set up an obstacle course in your home or yard. Take turns having one person blindfolded and the other leading the blindfolded person through the course. A fun way to practice teamwork and share success!

### Talk About It!

Here are a discussion point to help you talk about teamwork with your child:

- What do you think teamwork means and why is it important?



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### **We're Looking For Volunteers**

- September 23 is our Terry Fox Hot Dog Lunch fundraiser. Please see below for order/volunteer form.
- October 3 to 7 is Read-In Week and we are asking parents to come in to read stories to the students. Contact the office at 780 796 3936 or email [general.bru@eips.ca](mailto:general.bru@eips.ca) to sign up.
- Also, in October we will be hosting our 8<sup>th</sup> annual Book Swap. Students can bring in up to 5 books that are in excellent condition to exchange for others they can keep. Further details soon.

Please enjoy all our library has to offer and take the time to read WITH your children.

I am excited to make the library one of your child's favorite places in the school!

### **Video Surveillance on Buses**

Did you know each EIPS bus is equipped with video surveillance? Video surveillance and equipment help:

- ensure the safety of all students, drivers and property; and
- discourage destructive acts

On a regular basis, EIPS Student Transportation reviews the video recordings, in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. The recordings assist the department with monitoring student and driver conduct and may be used as evidence in a disciplinary matter.

For more information about the collection, use and disclosure of personal information, contact the EIPS FOIP Co-ordinator at 780-464-3477.

### **Update your PowerSchool information**

A big thanks to those who have already! The EIPS Correction and Verification Form is now available online through your PowerSchool Parent Portal. Use the form to access and update your child's records information—including address, parent and guardian information, emergency contacts and medical information. Reviewing the form and submitting updates ensures the school has the most up-to-date information regarding your child.

When reviewing the form, pay close attention to all listed phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact information. Also, if you recently moved, now is the time to ensure the Division has your updated address. Throughout the year, the Division and school uses the listed information to communicate with families about important information, including updates, the latest news and event.

### [EIPS Correction and Verification Form](#)

If you haven't already, please review and update the form by Sept. 22, 2022.

For more information about the PowerSchool Correction and Verification Form, contact the school office at Bruderheim School.

### **Download the SchoolMessenger App**

Bruderheim School and the Division use the SchoolMessenger platform for communicating with families—through both phone and email. Be sure to add [communications@eips.ca](mailto:communications@eips.ca) and [general.bru@eips.ca](mailto:general.bru@eips.ca) to your safe sender list to avoid having important messages funneled into your junk mail folder.

The easiest way to stay connected is to download the [SchoolMessenger](#) app. Get the latest updates direct to your mobile device and enable push notifications to never miss a message. Families can also check back on past messages—for up to 30 days—directly in the app rather than searching to find an old message buried in your inbox. Download the [SchoolMessenger](#) app from the App Store or Google Play today.

Coming soon—the Safe Arrivals absence reporting tool will be rolled out within the SchoolMessenger app later this school year. Families will be able to quickly and easily report a child's absence directly in the app. No more phone calls or emails required. Stay tuned for updates in the coming months.

### **Sync the School Calendar to Your Calendar**

Did you know you can sync the school calendar to your own calendar? You can. Simply, visit [https://www.bruderheimschool.ca/rally/calendars/manage\\_calendar/1671/2022/09/](https://www.bruderheimschool.ca/rally/calendars/manage_calendar/1671/2022/09/) and click on the applicable subscription option:

- Download to iCal
- Add to Google Calendar
- Subscribe to Calendar

NOTE: Options are located above the calendar. Once you click on the desired subscription option, follow the instructions. Within seconds, your calendar will contain all Bruderheim School's important dates including holidays, school-closures days, planned activities, events and more.

### **Pay School fees online!**

*School fee information for the 2022-23 school year will be posted on the PowerSchool Parent Portal in late September. All fees are due within 30 days of being posted. 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 online using a credit card.*

Don't forget to log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal regularly throughout the year. Fees are often added to your child's account to cover the cost of certain school activities such as field trips, class projects, athletic-team fees and more. Additionally, junior high and senior high fees can change as courses are added and deleted.

If you're unable to pay your school fees, you can apply to have certain fees waived by submitting an Application for a Waiver of Fees. The application deadline is Dec. 15, 2022.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines visit [eips.ca](http://eips.ca). Alternatively, contact Mrs. Carlson at Bruderheim School at 780 796 3936 or email [general.bru@eips.ca](mailto:general.bru@eips.ca)



### **Terry Fox Hot Dog Lunch Fundraiser**

Each year we ask for "Toonies for Terry" from our school community to donate during our Terry Fox Run at school, but this year we are kicking it up a notch! We will be having a hot dog lunch Friday, September 23 as a fundraiser for the Terry Fox Foundation! Yes, you can still bring a toonie to donate, as well as order lunch that day!

***Forms will be sent home September 9 and are due back with payment by September 16. Please send cash or a cheque made out to Bruderheim School.***

We are requesting volunteers to help prepare this lunch for a few hours. If you are able to help, please contact the office @780-796-3936 OR indicate on the order form (last page) you would like to help! We would really appreciate your time!



# Bruderheim

## Community Awareness

September 12, 2022

5:00pm - 7:00pm For all community members

Bruderheim School

**We are asking all Community Clubs and Organizations to join us to promote their groups**

**Attend and have direct conversation  
with your neighbours**

**BUILD YOUR COMMUNITY**

If you would like to register your club or organization, please  
contact FCSS Lamont County Region at

780-895-2233 Ext 226

Toll Free 1-877-895-2233 Ext. 226

[darlene.o@lamontcounty.ca](mailto:darlene.o@lamontcounty.ca)





Your Future **in MIND**



*Be Your Best!*

**Terry Fox Hot Dog Lunch Fundraiser**

**Friday, September 23, 2022**

***ORDER FORMS AND PAYMENT DUE BY SEPTEMBER 16***

**\$5 - Hot Dog, Veggie Straws, Juice Box**

**\$2 Second Hot Dog**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Amount Enclosed**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

***Yes, I would love to volunteer to prepare lunch!***

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for your support!**