H. HARDCASTLE SCHOOL



Challenging the Future

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Principal's Message

Welcome back everyone, I hope that you all enjoyed the spring break, one that was welcomed by everyone. With summer in our sights, it will be a sprint to the finish for all. It is also great to see everyone back refreshed and ready to learn.

It is unfortunate that HHS has had to adjust their school day to accommodate for Sanctions that are occurring, and we hope that this will not last for very long. Because of our condensed schedule, students will be given opportunities to eat their lunch while doing classwork as the staff is looking at ways to best accommodate the needs of their students. Elementary students will still be given their two breaks to go outside and socialize, while our high school students will receive a break between classes which will allow them to socialize and take care of their needs prior to returning to the next scheduled class. Also with sanctions taking place, that has also put an immediate halt to all extracurricular programming for the moment; our students and staff have dedicated themselves to both drama and in the gym, and it is unfortunate to see these efforts halted for the time being.

Report cards will be coming out for our high school students on April 19th; these will be electronically sent, so please mark that date as you will want to see the updated progress of your child as we move into our final term. With spring's arrival, keeping student focus can always be challenging. There are many ways in which you, as parents, can also help support student learning and successes at school and these might include: monitoring Edsby, talking to your child about their assignments and results of testing, and contacting teachers if necessary. As a staff, we encourage this interaction and appreciate the efforts that you are providing to help us educate your child.

The final three months look to be busy as we move towards the end of June. Thank you for all the support that you provide to our school and learning community. Enjoy the warmer weather and have a great spring.

Take care all, Principal Darren Nordell

Bows & Bouquets

- Thank you to Elaine Wouters for donating scarves to the Drama Club. They will be put to good use.
- Thank you to Simplot for the monetary donation to our breakfast program. We are truly grateful for the support!
- Thank you to Brenda Malenfant and Ruby Songhurst for the donation and delivery of puzzles for our students. The students are loving them!
- Thank you to Connie Pollard for the donation of winter clothing. It is much appreciated.
- Thank you to Strathcona Resources Ltd. Employees for coming in and cooking our March school wide breakfast.
- Thank you to the School Community Council for providing a supper to our Staff during Parent/Teacher Conferences. This was much appreciated during a busy week.
- Thank you to Jeannie Pollard for the monetary donation to our Book Fair. Books were purchased through the Scholastic Book Fair for Classroom use and were distributed to our Classroom Libraries in memory of Jimmy Pollard. Your donation is greatly appreciated and helps enrich learning in our classrooms.



Scholastic Book Fair - Mrs. Weber

The Scholastic Book Fair was held March $18^{th} - 25^{th}$. Through parent and student purchases, a total of \$1000.00 was earned in new Scholastic book titles for the library. Thank you for believing in literacy and for supporting this great fundraiser for the Anne Olson Memorial Library.

Benjamin Pretorius was the lucky winner of the Door Prize Draw. He won \$25 in products from the Book Fair, as well as \$25 for his classroom teacher, Mrs. Harty. Congratulations Benjamin and Mrs. Harty!



Pictured: Benjamin Pretorius (Missing Mrs. Harty)

Senior Boys Basketball Team - Mrs. Troesch

Well, it wasn't quite the season we hoped for, but we had fun and learned a lot! We had 10 eager, committed senior boys in grades 9-11 that signed up for basketball and after a couple practices, we knew we had our work cut out but we were excited for the months to come. We practiced early mornings, some evenings, played 3 exhibition games and with each game we improved and built on the previous one. We were off to 1A Conferences in Glaslyn on Friday, March 8th, to play Beauval. The boys kept it very close the whole game but, fell just short in the end. That completed the end of our short season, but it was a great season with a great crew of athletes.

Senior Boys Basketball Team

Grade 9 - Avery LaClare, Eddie Sayers, Lucien MacDonald, Reid Olson

Grade 10 - Beckett Rogers

Grade 11 – Evan Pelchat, Graydon Troesch, Kye Thom, Maverick MacDonald, Michael St. Amant



Community News

EDAM FAMILY *ALL AGES* CONNECTION TIME Who?

Parents, teens, grandparents, seniors, children (11 & under must be accompanied by an adult)

What?

Gather for snacks, juice, coffee.

Play a game of pool, darts, floor hockey, mini basketball, board games, cards, puzzle, or crafts.

When?

Tuesdays 3:10pm to 5:00pm Beginning April 9, 2024

Where?

Edam Heritage Hall Event Centre, lower hall GRANDMA'S KITCHEN

Why?

My Grandma's was always a good place to go. There was always coffee on, always snacks, always games, and always a person to listen to you and laugh with. Sometimes I still find myself longing for Grandma's table. The place of belonging, fun and even someone to wipe my tears away. And I thought "hey....maybe together we continue the legacy of all the Grandma's who, like her, made this their way of life." WILL YOU PLEASE JOIN ME?

- **How can you help? I WOULD SO APPRECIATE....
- 1. YOUR PRESENCE, YOUR LAUGHTER, YOUR STORIES, YOUR TIME!
- 2. DONATIONS AND/OR HELP WITH SNACKS/COFFEE/JUICE
- 3. Cash donations to the Village of Edam (EHH) for letting us use the hall during this time.
- 4. Donations of family friendly games/crafts.
- 5. Your help making sure people are respectful, the hall is cared for and cleaned up after.
- 6. Your consideration to open the lower hall for family connection time when I can't be there or if there is interest on other nights of the week.

Please message Tasha 306-893-7525 if you can help in any way.

Want to donate big and become an Edam Heritage Hall Sponsor?

HERITAGE HALL SPONSORSHIP

Platinum - minimum \$2500

Gold - minimum \$1500

Silver - minimum \$1000

Bronze - minimum \$500

Friends of the EHH - minimum \$250

All cash donations are tax deductible payable to the Village of Edam. Permanent display of donations in Hall and all social media collected by June 30th, 2024. We appreciate your support. Serving the Community. The Edam Heritage Hall has it ALL!

WE DAM HERITAGE

WANT TO TAKE GUITAR LESSONS?

Coming soon to Edam Heritage Hall, fall 2024...<u>if</u> there is enough interest. Lessons \$25/half-hour. During or after school times available. Wayne Warren from Battleford has agreed to teach 2 students at a time. Never too old



or young to learn...children, adults, seniors welcome. Please send Tasha your name ASAP 306-893-7525. He needs to know by end of July if there is enough interest so he can plan accordingly.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	•	No	School		-	
7	8 Day 4 K	9 Day 5	10 Day 6 K	11 Day 1	12 Day 2 K	13
14	15 Day 3	16 Day 4 K	17 Day 5	18 Day 6 K	19 Day 1 Grade 7-12 Report Cards - view through Edsby.	20
21	22 Day 2 K	23 Day 3	24 Day 4 K Live Different Presentation	25 Day 5	26 Day 6 K School Wide Breakfast – Muffins & Cheese Strings	27
28	29 Day 1	30 Day 2 K				

Please continue to watch our Social Media pages and Edsby for any changes/updates to our calendar.