



Shark Bites Weekly Update

Every Day, Every Student, A Success.



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Principal's Message

Thank you to all our students that dressed up for Halloween and contributed to our “We Scare Hunger” Campaign, by donating items to the Food Bank!

Our Remembrance Day Ceremony is Friday, November 3 at 10:45am. Parents are welcome to join. Please enter through the front doors and sign in. We are encouraging parents to arrive by 10:30 so we can get you seated before the ceremony begins.

We hope that our families are able to take some time to enjoy the fall break from November 5-12! Classes resume on Monday, November 13.

Carol Brown, Principal

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, November 6	Fall Break
Tuesday, November 7	Fall Break
Wednesday, November 8	Fall Break
Thursday, November 9	Fall Break
Friday, November 10	Fall Break

COMING UP

November 11	Remembrance Day
November 13-17	Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week
November 13-19	Tim Hortons Holiday Smile Cookie Campaign
November 15	Rock Your Mocs/Socks and Crocs Day School Council/FASS Meeting 5:00pm
November 20	National Child Day

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Fundraising Association Update



HOT LUNCH

The next hot lunch will be November 22, 23 and 24. The vendor will be The Canadian Brewhouse.

Ordering for November and December is now live! You can log in at any time to preorder, so you don't miss the cutoff date. November's cutoff is the 17th at 3:00pm.

<https://spschool.hotlunches.admin>

****Please remember if your child is away on their hot lunch day, plan to either pick it up from the school office or donate it. Unfortunately, if we are not aware, the lunch will be donated to another person, refunds will not be given. We ask that you please contact the school if your child is away.**

Should you have any comments, suggestions, or questions you can reach out via email at spschoolhotlunchadmin@gmail.com.



BEAR TRACKS

If you'd like to order Bear Tracks Ice Melt, you can prepay using the hot lunch website or email president.fass@gmail.com or text Laelia at 1-403-612-9580. The Ice Melt is safe for lawns, concrete and pets! \$30 dollars per 35-pound pail.

We are using the same site as we do for hot lunches to pre order bear tracks!

<https://spschool.hotlunches.admin>

***** change of day***** Pick up day is Friday November 17, School loop (U-Haul) 2:30pm to 3:30pm. (Please ensure you do not block the loop. Park your car and the volunteers will help you with your order to your vehicle), OR pick up between 3:45pm – 6:00pm at 4 Becker Cres. If you CANNOT pick up your order at either of these times, please text 1-403-612-9580 or email president.fass@gmail.com to arrange a time.

*Please ensure you order is paid for in full at time ordering.

FASS Secretary

We are looking for a volunteer to join the FASS team! If interested, please contact Laelia @president.fass@gmail.com. This is a great way to get involved with the school

ONGOING FUNDRAISERS

COBS (Fort Saskatchewan location only):

- Just mention SouthPointe School when you are making a purchase.
- Cobs gives back 5% of what we spend! Last year \$350.00 was given back to the school from this fundraiser!

FLIPGIVE

- Perfect timing to start Christmas shopping!
- For online shopping! (Old Navy, Indigo, Canadian Tire, Walmart, Home Depot, Starbucks and more!)
- You can even get/reload your gift cards here!
- Just download the app, use the code **K2TQ9X** and start shopping!

Pay School Fees online!

School fee information for the 2023-24 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, 2023.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines visit [eips.ca](#). Alternatively, contact Mrs. Chantelle Grieve, Business Manager, at SouthPointe School, at (780) 998-2747.

BULLYING AWARENESS & PREVENTION WEEK

During the week of November 13-17 our school will be focusing on making a noise to put an end to bullying. Students will be participating in a variety of lessons to support character education targeted towards building healthy and rewarding relationships. They will learn about boundaries in friendships and how simple banter among friends can turn to bullying but they hold the power to stop bullying.

On Wednesday November 15 we will **Rock our Mocs/Odd Socks & Crocs** to stand in unity in our diversity. Students and staff are invited to wear moccasins and/or odd socks and/or Crocs, to make a noise about acceptance and kindness.

Tim Hortons Holiday Smile Campaign

We are thrilled to announce that the upcoming **Tim Hortons Holiday Smile Cookie** campaign is benefiting the Fort Saskatchewan Food Bank's Christmas Hamper & Toy Campaign this year!

The three Fort Saskatchewan Tim Hortons stores are happy to support a local charity, and proceeds from cookie sales will directly impact this year's Christmas Campaign.

The special holiday cookies will be available November 13 - 19.

Help us make this a **super successful** event and raise much needed funds for Christmas! Issue a cookie challenge to your colleagues, the different divisions within your company, site management ... get creative to see how many cookies you can buy! Challenge a competing business, or share the cookie campaign with your friends, family, church, school, or sports team.

You can place your order any time prior or during the campaign, but the first day to pick up cookies is November 13!

I have attached the bulk order form for you. Please share it far and wide to those on your contact list. **Thank you!**



Smile Cookie
Pre-Order Form 100t

Take care,

Kassandra Gartner
Executive Director
Direct 780-912-3431
Mobile 780-237-0103



11226 88 Avenue
Office 780-998-4099
Office Hours: Monday Wednesday Friday 9:00am-2:00pm
Hamper Days: Tuesday 10:00am-7:00pm and Thursday 10:00am-5:00pm

"At the Fort Saskatchewan Food Bank, we ensure access to good and healthy food in order to impact positively on people's lives."



October 26, 2023

Community Agency Partners,

Each Christmas season, The Fort Saskatchewan Food Gatherers Society provides special holiday food hampers and gifts for children, to households within our community who need a helping hand. This is the 38th year the Society has been delivering the joy of Christmas, with support from our community and dedicated volunteers.

The Christmas campaign provides special holiday food hampers to families, individuals, and seniors, and toy packages for children 17 years old and younger, for those who apply.

The application period will be open November 6 - December 11

New this year, applications are accepted online, through our website

<http://www.FortSaskatchewanFoodBank.com>

We encourage service providers to aid clients who require assistance accessing and navigating online forms. Applicants should be prepared to provide:

- *Photo ID for each adult residing within the home
- *ID for each child residing within the home - AB Health card or birth certificate
- *Proof of Fort Saskatchewan residency - current proof of address for each adult
- *Fort Saskatchewan residents are able to apply for immediate family members who permanently reside within the home.

This year Hamper Delivery Day is Saturday, December 16th.

Applying for a Christmas hamper does not restrict a client in accessing a regular hamper during December. Applicants do not need to have accessed food bank services prior, to qualify for Christmas assistance.

While the application process requires individuals to apply and doesn't accept agency or anonymous referrals, we realize that only by sharing the details with our partner agencies can we ensure that those who need assistance are informed of the available resource.

Please share this information. If there is any other additional information you require, please reach out and connect.

Kassandra Gartner

Executive Director

Email FortSaskFoodBank.ed@gmail.com

Healthy Fresh & Non-Perishable Food • Pick Up and Delivery • Toiletries • Pet Food • Shopping Days • Christmas Hampers
Strategic Partnerships • Corporate Team Building • Off-Campus Events • Volunteer Opportunities

780-998-4099 | 11226 – 88 Avenue, Fort Saskatchewan | Mailing: PO Box 3404, Fort Saskatchewan, AB T8L 2T3

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CHRISTMAS HAMPERS & TOYS

Need some help to make Christmas merry?

Connect with us. We are here to help.

Applications accepted November 6–December 11

New this year! Applications are accepted online at

www.FortSaskatchewanFoodBank.com

If you require assistance with online forms, please contact us at 780.998.4099

The Details:

- Photo ID is required for each adult applying.
- Alberta Health Card or Birth Certificate is required for each child.
- Current proof of Fort Saskatchewan residency is needed.
- You may apply for your immediate family who permanently reside at the address.
- Full details online, or phone 780.998.4099.

Hamper Delivery Day is Saturday, December 16



Blanket Exercise - November 16 - 6:30 – 8:00 pm

In support of learning more about our common history and moving towards reconciliation, Heritage Hills Elementary is hosting a Blanket Exercise in the school gym on November 16 that is open to all community members. It will be led by members of the EIPS First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education Team. Please note, this event is intended for adults only.

The Blanket Exercise is a powerful experiential learning opportunity for Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. It is a 1 ½ hour interactive simulation that shares the story of colonization and the lived experiences of First Nations, Métis and Inuit over 500 years of shared history. The exercise was developed by KAIROS and Indigenous Peoples as a response to the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples and helps participants begin to understand the historic and contemporary relationship between Indigenous Peoples and the Crown.

If you have attended a Blanket Exercise in the past or if this is your first time, it is a very impactful, thought-provoking activity. To learn more about this activity, visit:

<https://www.kairosblanketexercise.org/>

Click [here](#) to RSVP by November 8.



Sherri Johnston

Assistant Principal

Heritage Hills Elementary

780.467.7447

<https://www.heritagehillselementary.ca/>

COME AND PLAY THE

BRAIN ARCHITECTURE

Game

FREE

LEARN ABOUT THE POWERFUL ROLE THAT
RELATIONSHIPS AND EXPERIENCES HAVE ON
EARLY BRAIN DEVELOPMENT.

Register at fortsask.ca/fcss
Or phone 780-992-6267

We are offering 2 sessions, free of charge
Please sign up for the one that fits best for you

LUNCH SESSION

November 15, 2023
Lunch 12-12:30 pm
Game 12:30-2:30
BGC (10090 - 93
Ave, Fort Sask)

***Lunch and
childcare provided,
prizes and **\$50
giftcards** to be
won!*



EVENING SESSION

November 15, 2023
Dinner 5:30-6 pm
Game 6-8 p.m.
BGC (10090 - 93
Avenue, Fort Sask)

***Dinner and
childcare provided,
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giftcards** to be won!*





Kokum's Bannock & Tea

"WORKING TRADITIONALLY ON CHILD DEVELOPMENT"

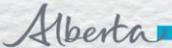
Running Thursdays
Oct 26th - Nov 23rd, 2023
10:00am - 12:00pm




Topics Include:
 Medicine Wheel Teachings, Tipi Teachings, Traditional Roles, and knowledge sharing from our Elders

Open to community members. First 15 registrants. Child care available.
Call or text Tanya to register: 587.936.0348

LOCATION:
Pembina Place, 4944 53 St. Redwater, AB.





PARENTING YOUTH CIRCLE

This is a support circle for caregivers of youth aged 8 to 13 years. It is a space to connect with other caregivers who are parenting through these important years of development. You will have the opportunity to share your strategies, successes and difficulties in raising youth.



Monday Night
Fort Saskatchewan
 Families First Building
 9901 90 Street

5:30 to 6:00pm Supper
6:00 to 7:30pm Circle

October 30th
 November 13th
 November 27th
 December 4th

Children's programming is available

To register
 Call 780-998-5595 ext. 221

In a circle we are all equal.
 There is no one behind you, no one above you, and no one below you.

November 2023

The Bridge Wellness Hub for Youth



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		 1 Gardening with Mitch! 4-6 pm Nurse Clinic 2-6 pm Psychologists 4-6 pm	  2 Free Night! Youth Outreach Worker 2-8 pm	3
Employability Workshop 4:30- 6 pm 6	7	 8 Button Making with Reanne! Nurse Clinic 2-6 pm Psychologists 3:30-5:30 pm	 9 Dungeons & Dragons 5-8 pm Youth Outreach Worker 2-8 pm	10
No Employability Workshop 13	14	 15 Yoga for Anxiety @TheSpace Nurse Clinic 2-6 pm Psychologists 4-6 pm	 16 Painting with Dakota! Youth Outreach Worker 2-8 pm	17
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Employability Workshop 4:30- 6 pm 27	28	 29 Cooking with Reanne! Nurse Clinic 2-6 pm Psychologists 4-6 pm	  30 Hot Chocolate Bar and Movie Night! Youth Outreach Worker 2-8 pm	

Contact Information

Any questions please call the hub at 780.589.0224 or email us at info@thebridgewhy.com.

Ages 11+ All Welcome

Youth nights are completely free to all youth ages 11-24.

Hours of Operation

We are open 2-8 pm on Wednesday and Thursday. We provide supper and snacks.