

# **EHS December 2022 Newsletter**

### Principal's Message

The hectic Christmas season is fast approaching us. That means we are in the busy season for our school. We have the musical "Bye Bye Birdie" being performed on December 9, 10 and 11. It is shaping up to be a fantastic show. Tickets are \$15 and you can purchase them at the school office. Thank you to Ms. LeSann and Ms. Hearn for the countless hours they have put in so far. Basketball and curling have started up. A shout out goes to Ms. Chewka, Ms. Scharnatta-Kerr, Ms. Kerr, Mr. Weiss, Ms. Harrick, Mr. Nagam and Ms. Desrosiers for their time and effort in Coaching.

The EHS SCC had their AGM in November. Tammy MacDonald was elected as chair, Jodi denBrok as vice-chair, Gloria Zazula as treasurer, Brenda Lomenda as secretary. Other members include Kim Barker, Ouafi Saha, Krista Dutka, Kelly Walker, Christy Harrick and Stacey Palmer. Our student representatives are Darien Mickle and Madelynn Bernath.

The last day of classes is December 21 and school resumes January 4 for our Christmas break.

We wish you a wonderful Christmas season!!

If you have any questions, please contact me as my door is always open.

Gord Erhardt

Principal

Tracy Huckell

Vice Principal

#### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

Dec 1 – EHS Band/Choir Christmas Concert Sr Gym 7 pm Dec 6 - Driver's Ed (Same students as in November) Dec 7 - Driver's Ed (Same students as in November) Dec 9 - "Bye Bye Birdie" Musical 7 pm – Jr Gym Dec 10 - "Bye Bye Birdie" Musical 7 pm – Jr Gym Dec 11 - "Bye Bye Birdie" Musical 2 pm – Jr Gym Dec 14 – Hot Lunch – Taco Salad and a Banana Muffin Dec 14 – White Hatter Presentation - Grade 9-12 - 1-2:30 pm Dec 15 – White Hatter Presentation - Grade 6-8 - 1-2:30 pm Dec 15 – White Hatter Presentation – Parents – 7-9 pm (online) Dec 15 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm) Dec 15 – Grade 9-12 School Dance – 8 pm –11 pm Dec 21 – Pancake Breakfast for students and staff Dec 22 - Jan 3 – Christmas Holidays- No School Jan 5 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm) Jan 11 – Hot Lunch – Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Caesar Salad and Cupcake Jan 12/13 - Grad Pictures Jan 16 – EHS SCC Meeting 7 pm Jan 19 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm) Jan 23-26 - Finals for Grade 10-12 (more info to follow) Jan 30/31 – PD Days – No School Feb 1 – Semester 2 starts Feb 1 – Report cards (grade 10-12) Feb 2 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm) Feb 16 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm) Feb 20-24 – Winter Break – No school

# Important information below, please keep reading!!!



## White Hatter Presentation for our Students and Parents:

The White Hatter Social Media Presentation for Parents - Dec 15th at 7:00 pm

We have arranged to host some virtual sessions with the White Hatter, who is known for his social media safety presentations across North America. Thanks to our local RCMP member, Cst. Amanda Herring, who attended one of his sessions and said it's one of the best presentations she's ever participated in on this topic.

Sessions for Gr. 6 - 8 and Gr. 9 - 12 will be held on Dec. 14 & 15 during the school day, and a parent session will be held the evening of Thursday, Dec 15 from 7pm - 9pm. Sessions will be interactive allowing participants to use their phone/device to engage in the presentation and respond to polls, questions, etc.

Topics: internet safety for students, what parents need to know to keep their kids safe, cyberbullying, sending intimate images, protecting yourself online, and more

How to Access: we will send out the link to all Gr. 6 - 12 parents through school messenger once provided (likely a day or two before the presentation). All you have to do is join from the comfort of your home, or maybe you'd like to get together with some friends to view it together. If you can't join that night, The White Hatter will make a recording of our parent presentation available for us to share with parents who request it.

Don't miss out on an opportunity to be part of this engaging presentation with so much great information. Social media issues are the most common problem we deal with through the school office, and they affect the majority of our students in a negative way at some point or another.

Thank you to RBC for funding this event through an RBC Mental Health and Wellness Grant.



# **EHS Food Drive Blitz**

# December 6-19<sup>th</sup> Bring in Food Items to support the local food drive!

Collection Boxes will be in the open area

Staff - Breakfast Items PEPP - pudding/apple sauce/fruit cups Gr. 6 - crackers/soup Gr. 7 - granola Bars/dessert Mix Gr. 8 - noodles/rice Gr. 9 - stuffing mix/boxed potatoes Gr. 10 - canned vegetables Gr. 11 - canned meats Gr. 12 - jam/peanut butter/cheese whiz

# **EHS ESA Twelve Days of Christmas December 6-21**

Dec 6 - Christmas Socks and Sandals Day

Dec 7 - Red Day

Dec 8 - Green Day

Dec 9 - Festive Headgear Day

Dec 12 - Reindeer Hunting Day

Dec 13 - Ugly Sweater Day

Dec 14 - Bake Sale

Dec 15 - Formal Day

Dec 16 - Bring your own mug + Hot Chocolate Day

Dec 19 - Toque Day

Dec 20 - Red and White Day/Candy Cane Day

Dec 21 - Pancake Breakfast & Pyjama Day

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### Sr. Boys Volleyball

The Sr. Boys volleyball team began November with a strong 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish at the Yorkton Regional Tournament. We went 6 -1 defeating Yorkton Regional, Balgonie twice, Carnduff twice and Estevan. The boys played a very strong Melville team in the final losing two close sets 25-23, 25-21.

Playoffs started on November 17/18 with Regionals in Carnduff. In pool play, we finished first defeating Fort Qu'Appelle, Carlyle, and Regina Christian School. In the playoffs we defeated Kipling in 3 sets in the semi-finals and lost to Carnduff in the Regional Final, losing the 3<sup>rd</sup> set 15-13. This result earned the boys a berth in the 3A Boys Provincial tournament held in Assiniboia on November 25/26.

Oh, the excitement! A chance to play against the best volleyball teams in the province. We were ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in our pool and knew that we had an uphill climb to earn a spot in the playoffs. We started by playing the 2<sup>nd</sup> ranked team in our pool, Unity. We came out firing winning the first set 25-18 led by the strong hitting of Brayden Walker and the excellent defense of our libero Mitch Newton. Unfortunately, we dropped the next set and lost the 3<sup>rd</sup> 15-12. In our second game against Dalmeny, the boys were pumped to get their first win. Jano Louw's silky sets to Walker Rickards in the middle powered our team to a 25-11, 25-11 win. Next up the defending champions from Osler Valley Christian Academy. Tucker Duff was strong in the back row digging up relentless Osler attack while Brody Giroux found some extra jump to provide strong blocking. Unfortunately, the first day ended with a loss.

On Saturday, we finished the round robin against Biggar. Again, we came to play led by our captain Evan Knezacek. He was in fine form mixing in several pipe attacks. Cole Davis complemented the attack with several strong outside hits and we came out on top 25-17,25-18.

What an experience! Finishing 2-2 in the round robin place the Warriors in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Pool A and earned a quarter-final game against the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team in Pool B; Saskatoon Christian School (SCS). SCS was a strong team with no weak spots. All the boys came to play. Jaxon Gogol led the team in hits in this game and Ethan Wiechert provided several middle blocks. Unfortunately, in both sets, we had poor starts and even though we played our hearts out we came up short losing 25-20, 25-18.

To say this season was a success is an understatement. We won three tournaments, finished second once and third once. We completed our goal of making it to Provincials. We were the underdogs who surprised teams all season with our skill and strong team play.

A big congratulations to Ethan, our only grade 12, on a strong season. Thanks to Chris Gilchuk for assisting at practices and providing valuable input and some old school tough love that was needed at times. Thank you to all the players for your dedication, commitment, and strong play. I am already excited about next year!

Mr. Walker

Student Services: Ms. LeSann

Many grade 12 students have either applied or started the early admission application process, and some even received some acceptance letters. Congratulations to everyone who has accepted their post-secondary offers! Please continue to check the status of your application to make sure you are meeting all deadlines and document requirements.

Reminder to APPLY NOW to Sask Polytech to ensure your acceptance to the program you are interested. Students can apply today to get his/her file started there. If you have applied, please consistently check your account for new or updated information from Sask Polytech.

If you are interested in a program at Saskatchewan Polytechnic (formerly SIAST) the deadline to apply for Competitive entry programs like the Saskatchewan Combined Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN) is February 15th, 2023. For High Demand programs (Dental Hygiene, Practical Nursing, Medical Laboratory Assistant/Technology, among other programs) the deadline to apply is also February 15th, 2023. For all first qualified first admitted programs the sooner you apply the better, so get that application in.

Final June marks must be ordered from the Ministry of Education. Students and guardians must complete a request for High School Transcripts form. The Ministry of Education will then forward the final transcript of marks directly to the institutions you applied in July. https://www.k12.gov.sk.ca/etranscript.

Entrance scholarship applications are generally earlier than application deadlines, for example, the U of S scholarship application deadline is February 15, and the U of R deadline varies depending upon the scholarships that are being applied for, some are as early as December 1st. Look at the website for the post secondary school of your choice; the websites are most up to date and accurate.

Apply to the University of Saskatchewan **Best and Brightest Scholarship** by December 15th, 2022. In order to apply, you must have applied to your program of choice by December 1st.

Reminder to Grads:

Cap & Gown Photos are January 12th & 13th, 2023. Please remember to bring any props you wish to be photographed with!!