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## *EHS April 2023 Newsletter*

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### Principal's Message

Welcome to April. I want to recognize the time and effort put into our excellent drama programs. Ms. LeSann and her students have produced three excellent plays this year, and Mrs. Helmeczi and Ms. Scharnatta Kerr just held their junior drama production. The plays were thoroughly enjoyed by many people in our community.

High school students are choosing classes for next year. I want to emphasize that once the choices are made, we expect students to live with them. Our timetable is built upon student choices. I understand that some things may change for student between now and next September, but too many changes to classes will cause problems next year.

We will run the annual St. John's First Aid course for grade 10 students on May 2-3. We are pleased to announce that the grade 11 students will receive Mental Health First Aid on the same days. This is an opportunity to give our students additional skills in this area. Both are excellent certifications to list on resumes. EHS will participate in the Moose Hide Campaign on May 11. As well, we will host the south region track and field meet on May 16. Hopefully, the snow melts soon so the track will be ready this year.

Please check your child's grades in Edsby and stop in for parent teacher interviews on April 19th and 20th to discuss your child's progress.

Gord Erhardt – Principal

Tracy Huckell – Vice -Principal

## Important Dates

Apr 6 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm)  
Apr 7-14 – Easter Break – No School  
Apr 17 – Report Cards/Progress Reports (Grade 9-12)  
Apr 18 – EMBI Meeting 7 pm in the Band Room  
Apr 19/20 – Parent/Teacher Interviews  
Apr 20 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm)  
May 2 – Grade 10 - First Aid  
May 2 – Grade 11 – Mental Health First Aid  
May 3 – Grade 10 First Aid  
May 3 – Grade 11 – Mental Health First Aid  
May 4 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm)  
May 10 – Grade 6-12 Band Concert Senior Gym – more info to follow  
May 15 – Grade 7 Trip to Ft Qu’Appelle and Regina – More info to come  
May 16 – EHS Track and Field  
May 18 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm)  
May 18 – Alternate day for Track n Field  
May 22 – Victoria Day – No School  
May 23 – PD Day – No school  
June 1 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm)  
June 15 - Nurse Practitioner (9 am -12 pm)  
June 28 – Report Cards (all Grades)  
Jun 28- Last day of School  
June 29 – Grad 2023

## EMBI

March was a busy month for the band program! The Grade 9 and Senior Bands travelled to Optimist Festival in Regina where they performed exceptionally well! A couple of weeks later, all bands and the choir travelled to Churchbridge for the annual Potashville Music Festival. A few students also travelled to perform solos, duets, and trios. Our groups were fortunate enough to receive some awards! The Choir, accompanied by Mr. Fetsch, received an award for Outstanding Choir, the Senior Band received Outstanding High School Band, and the Grade 8 Band received Outstanding Junior Band. Claire received an award for her poetry recitation, including a poem she wrote herself. She also was awarded Outstanding Band Solo. Claire and Abbey won Deserving Ensemble for their duet. Ian won an award for Deserving Band Solo as well as Outstanding Vocal Solo. The trio, Sophie’s Angels (Harmonie, Zoe, and Jhaira), won an award for Outstanding Ensemble and were asked to perform at the Festival’s final concert. Congratulations to all groups on a spectacular festival season!

Our next concert will be on Wednesday, May 10 in the Senior Gym!

## Jr. Badminton

Over 50 students from grades 6 – 9 have been coming out weekly to play badminton.

Mrs. Chewka and Mr. Walker have been introducing badminton to the Grade 6/7s. It has been great to see the enthusiasm and fun that the students have been having. After the Easter Break the Grade 6/7 will wrap their season up by having a doubles tournament.

Mr. Fetsch and Mr. Walker are coaching the Grade 7/8/9 badminton team. The competition has been great this year and the players have shown lots of improvement over the last few weeks. The team will be attending the following tournaments with some spots on the team still up for grabs.

### Melville Tournament Results:

**Gold Medal Champions:** Cash Yurkiw/Kaleo Chretien in Mixed Doubles

#### **Silver Medalists**

- Treston Stewart/Easton Schreiner in Boys Doubles
- Karsten Bondoc in Boys Singles

### Langenburg Tournament Results:

#### **Gold Medal Champions**

- Cash Yurkiw/Kaleo Chretien in Mixed Doubles
- Ishaan Negi in Boys Singles
- Kacey Verner/Rachelle Romanchook in Girls Doubles

#### **Silver Medalists**

- Josh Lussier/Brandon Weiss in Boys Doubles
- Paisley Beck/Treishe Lingon in Girls Doubles
- Karsten Bondoc in Boys Singles

#### **Bronze Medalists**

- Demi Jepson in Girls Singles
- Eli Chomos/Hudson Earnshaw in Boys Doubles
- Zac Bernath/Andra Bawden in Mixed Doubles

The team will compete at Conference Playoffs against MCS, St. Henry's, Grayson and Stockholm schools on April 25. The top two teams in each category advance to Districts on May 4 in Yorkton.

## SR. Extra-Curricular Curling – Coaches Jasmine Kerr, Trevor Kerr and Charlene Scharnatta/Kerr

We had a great curling season again. We had a boys and a girls team and competed at districts in Yorkton which we hosted (Thanks to Miss Kerr). The boys team played very well, winning their first but lost 2 tough games to YRHS and Sturgis. They finished in third place. This put an end to their season. Both of these teams went on to qualify out of the region and placed 3rd and 4th in the province. That shows the depth of our competition within our district. Our girls played very well and went undefeated in their 3 games to win gold in our district. They went on to play in Regional playoffs in Wawota. They won their first but lost their next 2 which ended their quest to attend provincials. We appreciate all the players who were devoted to curling and learning to not just be better curlers but to be positive, enjoy their time on the ice with their team and show sportsmanship on and off the ice.

The girls team consisted of skip- Farren Romanchook, third- Aimee Plamondon, second- Emily Lomenda, lead- Alanis Dutka/Taryn Rushinko. The boys team included Skip- Ryder Helmeczi, third- Brody Giroux, second – Nathan Weiss, lead- Boston Niebergall/Alex Chomos. We look forward to another great season next year! We wish Ryder and Taryn good luck as they graduate this year. We hope they've enjoyed their time with us on the ice and continue curling into their adulthood.

## Intramural curling (Charlene Scharnatta/Kerr , Jasmine Kerr, Christy Harrick)

We had another great season of intramural curling! We were lucky to get a whopping 68 curlers join us to learn and play from November to February. We ended with our year end curling bonspiel. We had some wonderful and close games, many ending in a draw to the button finish! The A- final saw Ryder Helmeczi and his team of Cooper Leech, Emma Leech and Blaine Romanchook defeat Brandon Weiss and his squad of Rachele Romanchook, Mack Unchulenko and Kingsten Sheeshka. The B final was won by Brayden Walker along with his team of Ethan Curie, Aliya Nagy, and Owen Sabo. He defeated Josh Lussier's team of Keelyn McCord, Mikayla Silversides and Cash Hudacek. Alex Chomos and his team of Rory Rushinko, Griffin Lippai, and Shanelle McCord defeated Josh Blair and his group of Taiya Nichols, Elia Williams, and Lukas Chomos. Thanks to all teams who showed such sportsmanship and to the skips who showed leadership to their young players. We are thankful for the many prizes and donations from families and local businesses to help it be extremely successful. I am so proud of how well the curlers did and we hope to see you again next year at the rink!

Our graduating players are Ryder Helmeczi, Taryn Rushinko and Sydney Lussier. We thank them for the many years they've led teams and provided assistance to our younger players. We hope they've enjoyed their years in the intramural program.

“The scariest part of raising teenagers is remembering the stupid things you did as a teenager!” – **Whitney Fleming**

# EHS Senior Drama Club

Congratulations to the Sr. Drama Club who had an amazing showing at Region 4 Drama festival in Yorkton from March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup>. We had three outstanding shows take part in Festival and receive a lot of praise for their performances: How to Kiss a Girl which was student directed by Brody Giroux and Winter Olesen, Bus Stop, and Scapino!

The following are the individual and group awards the EHS Drama Club received at this year's festival.

## **BEST OVERALL PRODUCTION - Scapino!**

**BEST TECHNICAL CREW** - How to Kiss a Girl

**Best Stage Manager-** Ethan Wiechert

**Runner up Bob Hinitt** - Winter Olesen (costumes and set design Scapino!)

**Mary Ellen Burgess Award** (Highest Acting Award at Festival) - Brody Giroux

**Top 10 Acting Awards** - Aiden Farmer, Ian Michasiw Diaz, Winter Olesen, and Jhaira Equiza

**5 Technical Awards of Merit** - Madelynn Bernath for Stage Management Scapino!

**SDA Certificates of Merit (Acting)** - Fox Dignard, Abbey Norek, Claire Norek, Ethan Wiechert, Stefania Senyk, and Harmonie Maydayag.

**SDA Certificates of Merit (Technical Theatre)** - Marissa Smith, Taylor Zemlak, Britney Matchett, Jolene Chopping, Presley Dignard, and Kamall Thomas

**Spirit of the Festival-** Aiden Farmer (How to Kiss a Girl), Ethan Wiechert (Scapino!) and Kendelle Toth (Bus Stop)

EHS and Ms. LeSann are so proud of our students and very excited to perform Scapino! on the University of Regina stage during provincials from May 5-6<sup>th</sup>. A huge thank you goes to our school and community for supporting our drama club and attending all of our shows.

## STUDENT SERVICES - Ms. Jeannine LeSann

**WEBSITE:** [Career Guidance \(google.com\)](https://www.google.com)

**Grade 9 – 11 Students** have been picking classes for next year. They have been given instructions and have started making selections. I would recommend that you look through those selections together and if you have any questions to book an appointment to come and see Ms. LeSann (especially grade 11 students).

**SK. Learning Student Profiles** (commonly called transcripts) are given to senior high students (grades 11 and 12) by the Ministry of Education. If you require an unofficial transcript, please request one from me. It includes all courses completed by the student. If any errors are discovered, I need to know immediately, so that I can do a verification and submit a correction. Top students are encouraged to do as well as possible on grade 20 and 30 level subjects, as these are used for scholarship & entrance averages by most post-secondary schools.

**All Grade 12 students** who have applied to university please ensure that **all documentation** has been received by your institution. You can check your profile for any missing documents that you need to send them or call the admissions office directly for assistance.

If your son or daughter is applying to post-secondary school of some kind this fall, that school will require an **official transcript** of his/her transcript of final marks from the Ministry of Education. They can order transcripts only at <https://www.k12.gov.sk.ca/etranscript/>. Please double check that you have all the required fields filled out. If you require help Ms. LeSann has an information sheet to guide you through this process. There is a \$25 charge and you can send it to several post-secondary schools that you have applied.

The deadline for **Local Scholarship** application forms to be returned to Student Services has now passed. Most winners are announced at our Grad Exercises. It is courteous for a winner to send a thank you note to your sponsor.

Keep checking out scholarships at sites like: [www.studentawards.com](http://www.studentawards.com)

**Brandon University** invites students who will begin studies there in the fall to register for a pre-advising session. Please check out the following website which helps students who are accepted navigate what you need to do: [Already Accepted? | Future Students \(brandonu.ca\)](#) **Or book an advising session here:** [Advising, Course Selection, and Registration | Brandon University](#)

**Another note for grads and grad parents:** If any entrance scholarships have been offered to your son/daughter, please let Ms. LeSann know so it can be mentioned at grad whether they will be attending that school or not. Also, if your daughter/son has received any scholarships outside of the community or other awards or bursaries please send Ms. LeSann an email at [jeannine.lesann@gssd.ca](mailto:jeannine.lesann@gssd.ca) so they can be acknowledged at grad.

**Grade 9 Students** – You have already picked classes, had a presentation from Ms. LeSann at the end of March. If you missed this meeting the documents that students received can be found at [Career Guidance - Grade 9 Orientation \(google.com\)](#). If you have any questions on course selections or post-secondary planning, please come and see me during our interview nights in April.

“Embrace your beautiful mess of a life with your child. No matter how hard it gets, do not disengage... Do something—anything—to connect with and guide your child today. Parenting is an adventure of the greatest significance. It is your legacy.” - Andy Kerckhoff, from Critical Connection”

— Andy Kerckhoff, [Critical Connection: A Practical Guide to Parenting Young Teens](#)