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Principal's Message

These last two months of the school year are going to fly by as the school community prepares for year-end. Coming up in the next two months are numerous activities including Provincial Achievement Tests (PATs), track and field day, junior high athletic and drama awards, field trips, and Grade 9 Farewell, just to name a few. Please continue to check our school website and calendar for any updates and for a list of all of the activities.

This month we also celebrate our amazing volunteers that help to make Lakeland Ridge an excellent school. I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank all of our parents, guardians, grandparents, and community members for volunteering in our school. Whether you coached a sports team, helped with the drama production, attended a field trip, helped in the classroom, or anything else within our school, thank you for your service. Without your contributions, our school would not be what it is. Once again, we have had over 200 volunteers throughout the year. Thank you again for your service and for showing Pride in Our Pack!

By May 10 I need to submit a balanced budget to Elk Island Public Schools. Our projected enrolment is up for next year, as we are expecting just over 750 students to attend Lakeland Ridge. We are seeing a growth of approximately 30 students in junior high while seeing a decrease of approximately 20 students in elementary. A challenge we are facing with this budget is that we have seen a decrease in the per student grant we receive from EIPS and a decrease in funding for the "supports for students" portion of our budget. These two decreases are causing us to look at making cuts to classified staffing, as well as looking closely at our grade configurations. We are thankful that funding from the government remained fairly consistent so that other areas could avoid cuts. If you have any questions regarding our budget I would encourage you to come to our next parent council meeting, or phone me at the school.

As we move into June we will try to keep you as updated as possible on staffing changes.

We would like to make the following announcements regarding staff leaving Lakeland Ridge:

- 1) Mr. John Lobe, currently teaching grade 3, has accepted a grade 3 teaching position at Davidson Creek Elementary School.
- 2) Mr. Michael Baker, currently teaching grade 4, has been approved for a one year leave from the district.
- 3) Mr. Tyson Parker, currently teaching grade 5, has accepted a grade 5 teaching position at Davidson Creek Elementary School.

We wish all three well as they transition into new roles and experiences next year and want to thank them for their service to Lakeland Ridge.

We would like to make the following hiring announcements:

- 1) We have hired Mrs. Lori Wlos to teach grade 2 next year. Mrs. Wlos has been teaching at Pine Street for the last 10 years, teaching grade 1 and 2.
- 2) We have hired Mr. Michael Mackney to teach grade 3 next year. Mr. Mackney is currently teaching grade 3 at Pine Street School and has been with EIPS for over 10 years.
- 3) We have hired Mrs. Carla Kokotailo to teach grade 5 next year. Mrs. Kokotailo is currently teaching grade 5 at Wye Elementary School since 2014 and has been with EIPS since 2008.

We are excited to have these three staff members join our team. Again, we will try to keep our school community informed as we hire staff or have other staffing changes.

Thank you for the continued support that you provide to your child, our staff, and school in general. I hope everyone has a terrific May!

Sincerely,

Ryan Marshall

Principal

2018/19 Homeroom Placements

Our teachers spend a great deal of time and effort creating class lists for each school year. There are a number of factors that determine how next year's class lists are compiled including gender balance, ability distribution, and negative or positive student combinations. Since healthy child development includes learning to work with new and different individuals, maintenance of friendships typically is not considered when placing students. If there is a specific request that you have when placing your child for the 2018/19 school year please put it and the reason why in writing to ryan.marshall@eips.ca or by dropping off a letter at the office **by May 15**. All requests will be considered.

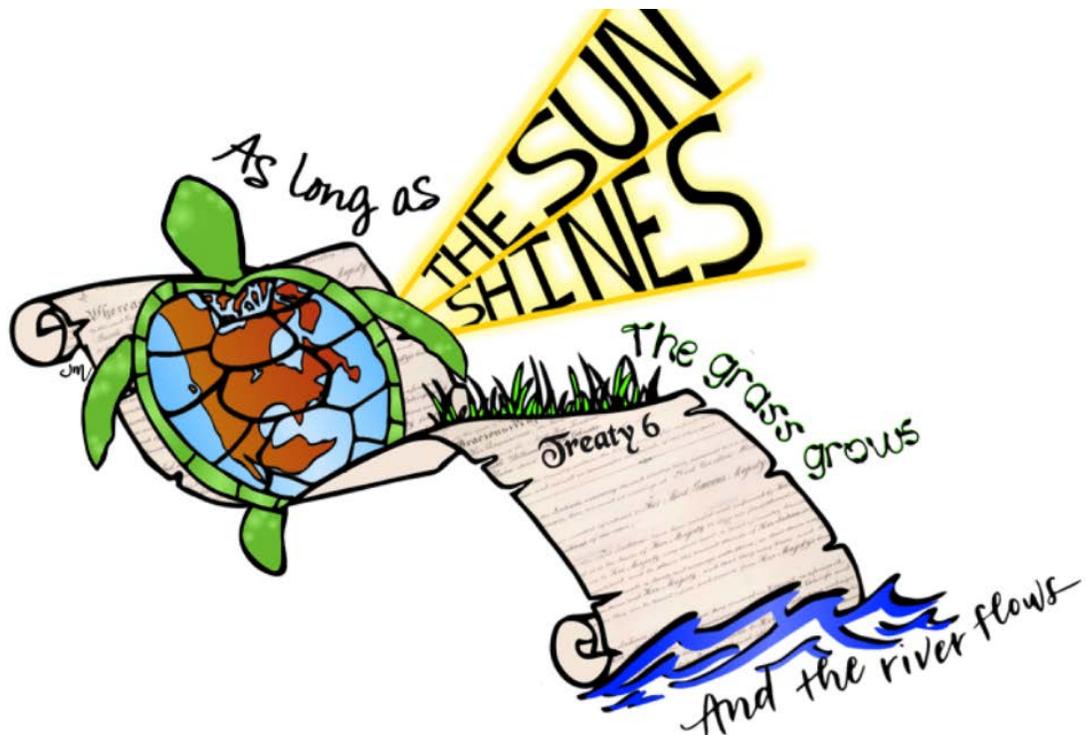
Are You Moving?

Please inform the Lakeland Ridge School office if you are moving in the coming months and if your child(ren) will not be attending LLR in the fall. Planning for the 2017-2018 school year has already begun and having the most accurate information will enable us to schedule all of our students according to enrolment numbers. Thanks in advance!

Treaty 6 Mural

We have installed a new mural in the front entryway of the school. The purpose of the mural is to acknowledge and increase awareness of Treaty 6 territory in our school.

<p>Treaties are formal agreements negotiated between two or more sovereign Nations.</p>  <p>The spirit, intent, and provisions of the Treaties last forever, as long as the sun shines, the grass grows and the river flows. This mural reminds us of this promise.</p>	<p>Treaties 6, 7 and 8's boundaries cover most of the land we know as Alberta. These treaties discuss rights the entitlement to hunting, including fishing, trapping and reserving land. Treaty 6 was signed in 1876 by 50 Nations including Cree, Salteaux, Nakota and Dene peoples.</p> 
 <p>Turtle Island is the name of North America according to some Indigenous groups.</p> <p>Acknowledging territory is a way of showing respect for Indigenous people. It is the recognition of Indigenous presence in the past and present.</p>	<p><i>About the Artist</i> JM</p> <p>Janine Moravec is a secondary teacher with Elk Island Schools. She has a passion for graphic design and has created multiple pieces for Lakeland Ridge.</p> <p>Janine Moravec and Jennifer Rice collaborated on this mural to acknowledge and increase awareness of Treaty 6 territory in our school.</p>



LEGO!

If anyone is doing some spring cleaning and has extra LEGO they just don't know what to do with, please send it in as the grade one classes are looking to create LEGO bins. Please drop off any donations to the office and mark it for grade one. The grade ones would be very grateful.

Susan Cooksley, Amanda Sheridan, Crystal Brownlee

Agendas

Students returning to Lakeland Ridge School - watch for your 2018-2019 Lakeland Ridge School Agenda order form. Forms will be sent home in May to preorder an agenda from us or indicate that you will be purchasing one on your own. If you choose to order one from us, the cost of \$ 3.50 will be added to your 2018-2019 school fees.

Pitch in!!

On Wednesday, May 16 our whole school will be participating in Strathcona County's Pitch-In program by cleaning up garbage from our playgrounds, fields, and surrounding areas!

Library Learning Commons Corner

Each year a wonderful group of students volunteer for the Library Leadership Student Crew. The Crew helps to keep our learning commons tidy and running smoothly. The grade sixes are an enormous help with shelving returned materials and also have an opportunity to learn how to

process newly purchased books, deaccession weeded material, and take part in other library responsibilities. In addition to also helping with all of those tasks, the junior high volunteers spend many hours preparing for and working at the book fair. A great big thank you to all of the amazing student leaders who are helping out this year!!!

Grade 9 Farewell

The staff and grade nine students have begun to plan the grade nine farewell activities. A ceremony will be held on Friday, June 15th. A detailed letter will be sent home with all students in the last week of May and formal invitations will be sent to parents/guardians of our grade nine students.

School Council Report

Please note that the next School Council Meeting has been moved and will now be held on May 16 at 6:45 in our Library, childcare will be provided.

KEYS

S'more April 29-May 6



Get ready to

#GetLoud

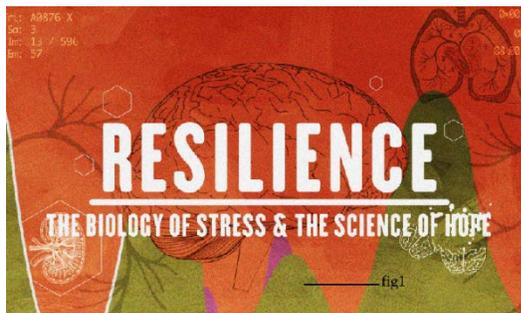
about what mental
health really is.



CMHA
Mental Health Week
May 7-13, 2018

Visit MENTALHEALTHWEEK.CA
for info and tools!

May 7-13 is Mental Health Week. This year we are encouraging everyone to #GETLOUD about what mental health really is. Often we hear the words “mental health” and “mental illness” used interchangeable, this causes some confusion about what mental health really is. Everyone has mental health, but not everyone has a mental illness. Mental health is our overall state of well-being, it includes social, psychological, and emotional health and enables a person to cope with challenges, build relationships, and enjoy life. This is what Mental Health Week is focusing on. Check out <https://mentalhealthweek.ca/> for more information.



Learn how early childhood experiences impact lifelong brain development and health, and how building resiliency and experiencing positive relationships can change the story for those affected by

trauma. Attend a free screening and facilitated discussion on May 9, 2018 of the award-winning documentary, "Resilience: The Biology of Stress & The Science of Hope."

Register for the 1:30-3:30 or 6:00-8:00 p.m. showing.

www.Strathcona.ca/resilience

780-464-4044

THANK YOU! Driver Appreciation Day is May 7

Join us on May 7 as we recognize and thank our school bus operators for keeping the safety of our students their first priority. On May 7, we encourage you, and your children, to take a moment to say thanks to our bus operators—all of whom go above and beyond the call of duty to provide safe and timely transportation to our students.

On behalf of **Lakeland Ridge School** *THANK YOU* to all of our school bus operators for a job well done.

Linking Generations

LINKING GENERATIONS will pilot a new Volunteer Grandparent program at Lakeland Ridge School in September 2018!!!

In readiness for this exciting program, Linking Generations will begin recruiting senior volunteers in May and June, who wish to connect with our students in our school classrooms.

Seniors volunteers will enjoy the chance to share skills, knowledge & experience, while providing a valuable community service. The Linking Generations Volunteer Grandparent Program will work in partnership with Elk Island Public School Board and local groups to develop, place & support volunteers within the framework of the grandparent program. If you or a senior family member is interested in volunteering, please email Debbie Sinclair; Executive Director; Linking Generations at linkgendebbie@telus.net or check out Linking Generations website at www.linkinggenerations.ca

Little Elk Island Adventure: Registration

Elk Island Public Schools is once again running Little Elk Island Adventure, a fun and informative program for ***first-time school bus riders***.

Annually, Student Transportation offers the Little Elk Island Adventure to new riders and their parents. The program's aim is to help ease any anxieties a family may have about riding the bus before even starting school. Through a series of activities, riders learn about: school bus safety, danger zones, tips on boarding and how to sit properly on the bus. After that, both the children and parents hop on the bus to practice what they've learned and then venture out on a short ride.

The Little Elk Island Adventure is for ***first-time school bus riders*** entering the 2018-19 school year. Sessions and times are available at these locations:

Location	Date	Time
EIPS Central Office	August 21	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Office	August 23	10 a.m.
EIPS Central Office	August 23	6 p.m.

EIPS Central Office	August 27	6 p.m.
EIPS Central Office	August 29	6 p.m.
SouthPointe School	August 28	6 p.m.

*EIPS Central Office is located at 683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park
SouthPointe School is located at 11 SouthPointe Blvd., Fort Saskatchewan*

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. To register for a Little Elk Island Adventure, visit <https://goo.gl/forms/b0svKmWAoqHRSvZs2>.

More information regarding busing for kindergarten students is available at: www.eips.ca/transportation/kindergarten-busing-faq.

Student Transportation: 2018-19 registration is now open

Planning to use Student Transportation in the 2018-19 school year? If so, make sure your child is registered so Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) can plan routes and send your child a bus pass before the first day of school.

All students who indicated needing transportation services through the pre-enrolment process are now registered. Families will receive tentative route schedules and invoices by the end of the month—fees are due June 30, 2018.

For those students who didn't indicate needing transportation service through the pre-enrolment process and want to now register, simply contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151 or email st@eips.ca.

For more information about EIPS Student Transportation visit www.eips.ca/transportation.

NOTE: Fees can be paid online using the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) or in-person at the Student Transportation office—683 Wye Rd., Sherwood Park. The office will remain open during the summer months operating during the same hours as Central Administration.



May 2018

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	30 Day 3 Gr.6 Birch Bay	1 Day 4 Linking Generations Visit Wolf of the Month Lunch	2 Day 5 Cash4Care Staff Meeting - Early Dismissal	3 Day 6 EIPS Track Meet Gr. 4-6 River Watch Gr. 9	4 Day 1 Gr.1 Arbor Day Newsletter	5
6	7 Day 2 Hot Lunch	8 Day 3 Gr.9 PAT - ELA Part A Wolf of the Month Lunch	9 Day 4 Volunteer Luncheon	10 Day 5 Gr.6 PAT - ELA Part A ICON Class Pictures	11 Day 6 Grade 2 Strathcona Museum Field Trip	12
13	14 Day 1	15 Day 2 LLR Jr. High Track Meet	16 Day 3 Parent Council Meeting 6:45	17 School Closure Day	18 School Closure Day	19
20	21 Victoria Day - No School	22 Day 4 EIPS Jr. High Track Meet @ SAP Linking Generations Visit	23 Day 5 Grade 4 Mayors Walk	24 Day 6 EIPS Jr. High Track Rainout Date	25 Day 1 Grade 5/6 Millenium Place Field Trip	26
27	28 Day 2 Hot Lunch	29 Day 3 Linking Generations Celebration Lunch	30 Day 4 Parent Action Society Meeting 6:30	31 Day 5		



June 2018

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
					1 Day 6 Newsletter Wake-a-thon	2
				Outdoor Ed 7 Camping Trip		
3	4 Day 1 Hot Lunch	5 Day 2 Junior High Zone Track Meet Assembly P.5	6 Day 3 Cash4Care Staff Meeting - Early Dismissal	7 Day 4 French 8/9 Trip to Creperie	8 Day 5 Grade 5 Bowling	9
10	11 Day 6 Grade 4 Telus World of Science Hot Lunch Lighthouse Students at SWC	12 Day 1	13 Day 2 Grade 1 Fort Edmonton	14 Day 3 Grade 4 Telus World of Science	15 Day 4 Gr.9 Farewell	16 Fun Run at Broadmoor Lake Park
17	18 Day 5 Gr.6 PAT - ELA Part B Hot Lunch	19 Day 6 Gr.6 PAT - Math	20 Day 1 Gr.6 PAT - Social	21 Day 2 Aboriginal Day	22 Day 3 Gr.6 PAT - Science Grade 4 Strathcona Wilderness Center	23
24	25 Day 4 Grade 1 and 2 Math Day Gr.9 PAT - Social Grades 3-6 Track meet Hot Lunch	26 Day 5 Gr.9 PAT - ELA Part B Grade 1 and 2 Fun Day Grade 6 Movie Day Kindergarten Graduation 12:45	27 Day 6 Gr.9 PAT - Math Grade 1 and 2 Spray Park Grade 5 Movie	28 Day 1 Gr.9 PAT - Science Elementary Report Cards online Last Day of School	29 Jr. High Report Cards online	

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