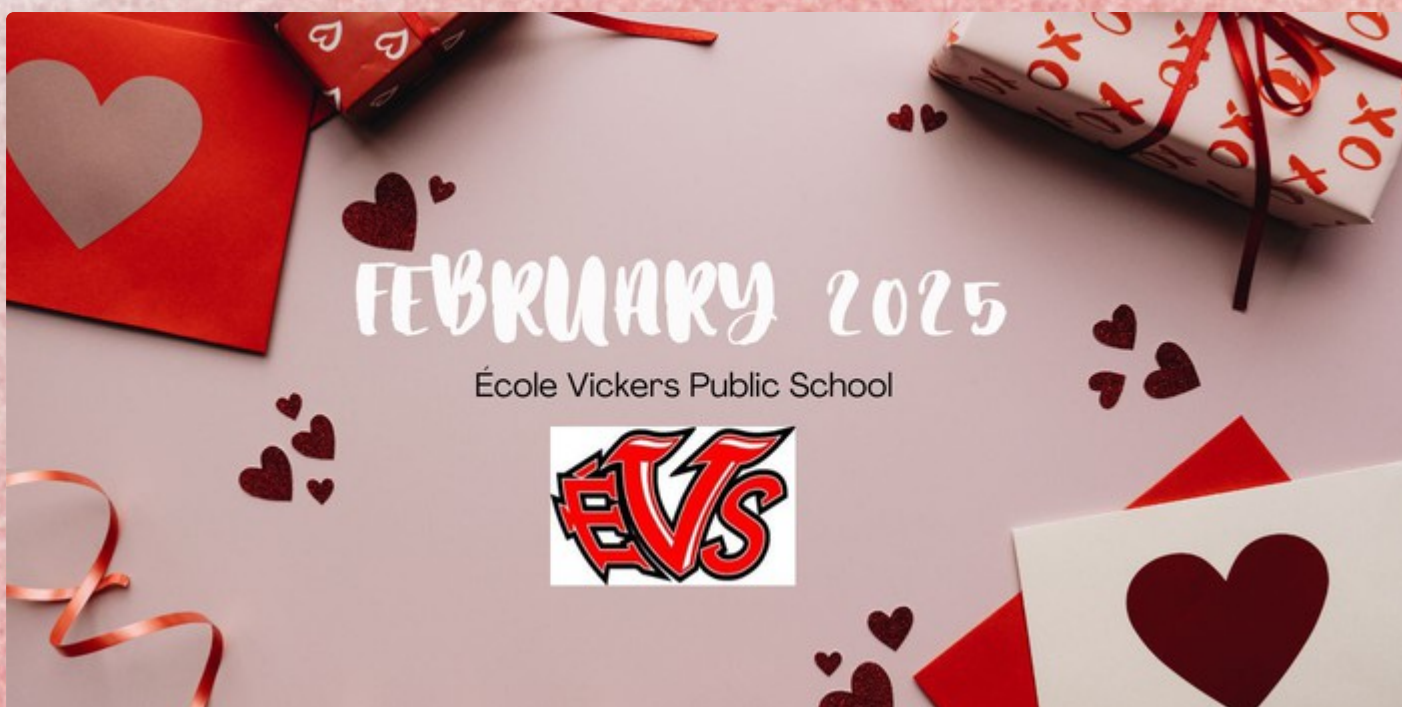




WELCOME TO THE NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY

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EVENTS IN FEBRUARY

February 3rd-7th- French as a Second Language Education Week

February 7th - Report cards go out

February 10th-14th -Teacher/ Staff Appreciation Week

February 17th-Family Day (No Classes).

February 18th - February 21st - School Break_(No Classes).

February 26th - Pink Shirt Day

February 2025

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN MARCH

March 6th- Try Kindergarten (9am-11:45am)
March 6th - Parent Teacher Conferences (3:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)
March 14th -Convention (No Classes).

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Principal’s Corner with Mrs. Green

WELCOME TO FEBRUARY!
THIS MONTH IS FILLED WITH EXCITING EVENTS, INCLUDING FRENCH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE WEEK, OUTDOOR FIRES ON WONDER WEDNESDAYS, INDIGENOUS STORY TELLING MONTH, PINK SHIRT DAY, AND NUMEROUS LAND-BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCES. STAY CONNECTED AND UP TO DATE BY FOLLOWING US ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND ENGAGING WITH US ON EDSBY!

BUILDING CONNECTIONS FOR SUCCESS
DURING OUR JANUARY PLC DAY, OUR STAFF FOCUSED ON THE POWER OF CONNECTIONS—STRENGTHENING RELATIONSHIPS WITH STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND EACH OTHER. WE ALSO EXPLORED THE SRPSD STRATEGIC PLAN, ALIGNING OUR WORK AT VICKERS WITH THE DIVISION’S GOALS. A REVIEW OF THE SRPSD PARENT SURVEY PROVIDED VALUABLE INSIGHTS, AND WE WERE THRILLED TO SEE SO MANY POSITIVE RESPONSES AFFIRMING THE GREAT WORK HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

LET’S TALK DATA!
WE ARE EXCITED TO SHARE OUR EARLY YEARS EVALUATION (EYE) RESULTS FROM OCTOBER—OVER 73% OF OUR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS ARE ALREADY IN TIER 1 (GREEN). THIS IS AN INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENT AFTER JUST A FEW MONTHS OF SCHOOL! OUR DEDICATED SUPPORTS, SUCH AS FINE MOTOR TASK BOXES, COMMUNICATION CARDS, LITERACY CENTERS, AND HOME PRACTICE, ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

WHY DOES THIS MATTER? RESEARCH SHOWS THAT KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS IN TIER 1 ON THE EYE ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE READING AT GRADE LEVEL BY GRADE 3, GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL ON TIME, AND PURSUE POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION. SUPPORTING OUR YOUNGEST LEARNERS ISN’T JUST A KINDERGARTEN FOCUS—IT’S A COMMITMENT SHARED BY OUR ENTIRE VICKERS COMMUNITY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IN MAKING VICKERS A PLACE WHERE ALL STUDENTS CAN THRIVE!

MRS. GREEN
PRINCIPAL



VICKERS VOICES

At École Vickers Public School, we take immense pride in offering a dynamic and immersive French immersion program that goes beyond language acquisition, fostering a love for learning and celebrating cultural diversity. Here's an overview of myths and advantages of French immersion programming:



Myth #1: Only for the Gifted or Fluent Speakers
One prevalent myth suggests that French immersion is exclusively for gifted students or those with prior French language exposure. In reality, French immersion programs are designed for students

with diverse backgrounds and abilities. These programs start from the basics, welcoming learners of all levels into an inclusive environment.

Advantage #1: Inclusive Learning Environment

French immersion fosters an inclusive and supportive learning environment. Students collaborate, learn from one another, and celebrate diversity, creating a sense of community that extends beyond language acquisition.

Myth #2: Academic Struggles in Other Subjects

Some believe that focusing on a second language may negatively impact a student's performance in other subjects. Research consistently shows the opposite. Students in French immersion often demonstrate enhanced cognitive abilities, improved problem-solving skills, and increased creativity, benefiting their overall academic performance.

Advantage #2: Cognitive Benefits

French immersion is not just about language; it's a holistic approach that stimulates cognitive development. The skills acquired in a bilingual setting extend to various areas, providing students with a solid foundation for success across subjects.

Join us at École Vickers Public School, where every "bonjour" is a step toward unlocking the bilingual brilliance within each child.

Bienvenue à École Vickers! Welcome to the journey of bilingual excellence!

V.P. M. J Vogt

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ATHLETIC UPDATE

Vickers Athletics has been in full swing over the past month, with our basketball teams competing in various tournaments and gearing up for playoffs. We had an impressive showing at the **Winter Classic Basketball Tournament**, where both our **Grade 8 girls' and boys' teams secured silver medals**. Additionally, we were fortunate to send **four teams** to the **Carlton 3-on-3 Tournament**, bringing home **gold medals** in both the **girls' and boys' divisions**—a fantastic achievement!



As the basketball season winds down, all of our teams are preparing for **playoffs**, which will take place during the **first two weeks of February**.

Looking ahead, **badminton season is just around the corner!** We will soon be holding sign-ups for our **Grade 6-8 badminton team**, so stay tuned for announcements regarding registration.

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported **Vickers Athletics** so far. We look forward to the rest of the **P4A season** and more exciting competitions ahead!

Go Vickers! 🏆🏀🔥

Reed Whitrow



MUSIC AT VICKERS

We are now well into preparations for the PA Music Festival, and the sounds of solo and small ensemble music practices can be heard coming from the band room every morning before school, every recess, lunch hour, and after school. It is a great sound already and will only get better leading up to our performances in March! This year an incredible 67 pieces of music were registered from the Ecole Vickers School Music Department! This includes 4 bands, 1 choir, and 1 Grade 4 northern spirit flute ensemble (each playing 2 pieces), 5 quartets, 1 trio, 7 duets, and 42 instrumental solos! WOW! Way to go Vickers Music students!



Several Band students are progressing at a rapid rate in their online music study with Ningenius Music Online. Just this month we added 3 students to the Black Belt Hall of Fame! This means they are achieving at a high level, studying music theory at a high school or university level. Wow! Did you know that all band students have a Ningenius account and that your child can play Ningenius Music Online at home? Talk to Ms. Lohneis if your child would like to play at home but they've forgotten their login credentials. www.myninjamusic.com

Spring band and choir trip planning is well underway. The Grade 5s have their permission forms for our overnight trip to **Camp Kinasao**, and the other trip forms will be available soon (Choir to Moose Jaw, Grade 6 Band to Saskatoon, Grade 7 Band to Regina, and Grade 8 Band to Calgary). If you would like to defray the cost of your child's trip, you can sign up to work a bingo for the

Vickers Band Parents Association at Carnival Bingo (\$50 trip credit per worker per bingo). Our only scheduled date currently is February 14th, but more dates will become available as the bingo hall assigns them to us. Please contact Ms. Lohneis if you are interested in this fundraising opportunity.

As always, thank you for your continued support of your child's music education!

Lauren Lohneis

Ecole Vickers School Music



The poster has a dark blue background with white snowflake patterns. At the top, the text "French as a second Language Week" is written in a white, cursive font. Below this, the word "ACTIVITIES" is in a bold, white, sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a red and white logo that says "EVS". The activities are listed in white text on blue rectangular backgrounds. The first activity is for Monday, February 3rd, featuring French Immersion Bingo and K-8 French Immersion classes. The second is for Wednesday, February 5th, featuring Maple Taffy on snow and a whole school activity in the afternoon. The third is for Friday, February 7th, featuring Voyageurs Outdoor Games (French Immersion classes) with two time slots: 10:50-11:40 am for Team Building and 12:45-2:45 for Outdoor games. On the right side of the poster, there are two Polaroid-style photos. The top photo shows a large, bare tree in a snowy field. The bottom photo shows a group of people sitting in a circle on the snow. At the bottom left of the poster is a red and white logo of a stylized 'V'. At the bottom right is a cartoon illustration of a winter scene with snow-covered trees, a person on skis, and a person sitting on a bench. Below the logo and illustration, the text "Morning Announcements" is written in a bold, blue, sans-serif font, followed by "Stay tuned for the daily riddle!" in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font.

**French as a second
Language Week**

ACTIVITIES

Monday, February 3rd
French Immersion Bingo

- **K-8 French Immersion classes**

Wednesday, February 5th
Maple Taffy on snow

- **Whole school activity in the afternoon**

Friday, February 7th
Voyageurs Outdoor Games (French Immersion classes)

- **10:50-11:40 am (Team Building)**
- **12:45-2:45 (Outdoor games)**

Morning Announcements
Stay tuned for the daily riddle!





Boston Pizza

HOT LUNCH TUESDAY

FEBRUARY 11TH

CASH PAYMENTS- PLEASE SEND ORDER FORMS
NO LATER THAN **FEBRUARY 6TH, THURSDAY.**

ONLINE ORDER PAYMENTS-
SCHOOLCASHONLINE NO FORM REQUIRED.





ÉCOLE VICKERS PUBLIC SCHOOL

WAPITI VALLEY

SKI & SNOWBOARD TRIP

GRADES: 5-8

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025

CONSENT FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO HOMEROOM
TEACHERS BY: FEBRUARY 12, WEDNESDAY

Payment options

- + Online: School Cash Online
- + Cash, Debit, or Cheque to the office
(cheques payable to École Vickers School)

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE
@ 306-922-6446

TRY KINDERGARTEN!

Students born in 2020 are eligible for Kindergarten in the 2025-26 school year. École Vickers Public School offers rich play-based kindergarten programs in French Immersion and English, call 306-922-6446 for more information



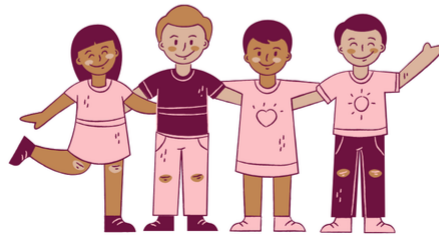
PINK SHIRT DAY FEBRUARY 26TH

We invite students and staff to wear pink on February 26th to show their support against bullying. Pink Shirt Day started in 2007, when a grade nine student in Nova Scotia was bullied by classmates for wearing a pink shirt to school. Taking notice, two students rallied their peers to send a message to the bullies. The next day, the halls were filled with students in pink t-shirts.

Pink Shirt Day started because those two boys chose to do something about bullying rather than stand by and watch it happen. Now the movement is worldwide, educating and inspiring others to stand together and take action against violence and bullying.



STOP BULLYING



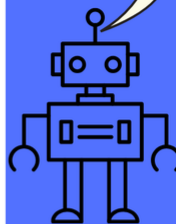
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TUES FEB 18-FRI FEB 21

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GET YOUR SASKATCHEWAN SNOWMOBILE SAFETY CERTIFICATE!

REGISTER FOR CLASSROOM SAFETY TRAINING

Date: February 9th, 2025 **Ages:** 12 +

Please bring a bagged lunch and warm clothes as there will be an outdoor demonstration.

Location: Noreen and PA Metis Women Association
205 10th Ave East Prince Albert

Time: 9am - 4pm - **Cost:** \$50.00 / student

*Register with Codee Kohli: 306-729-3509 Or
Register and pay online at [Sasksnow.com](https://sasksnow.com)*

CANTEEN

30+
VENDORS

50/50
AND
RAFFLE
TABLE



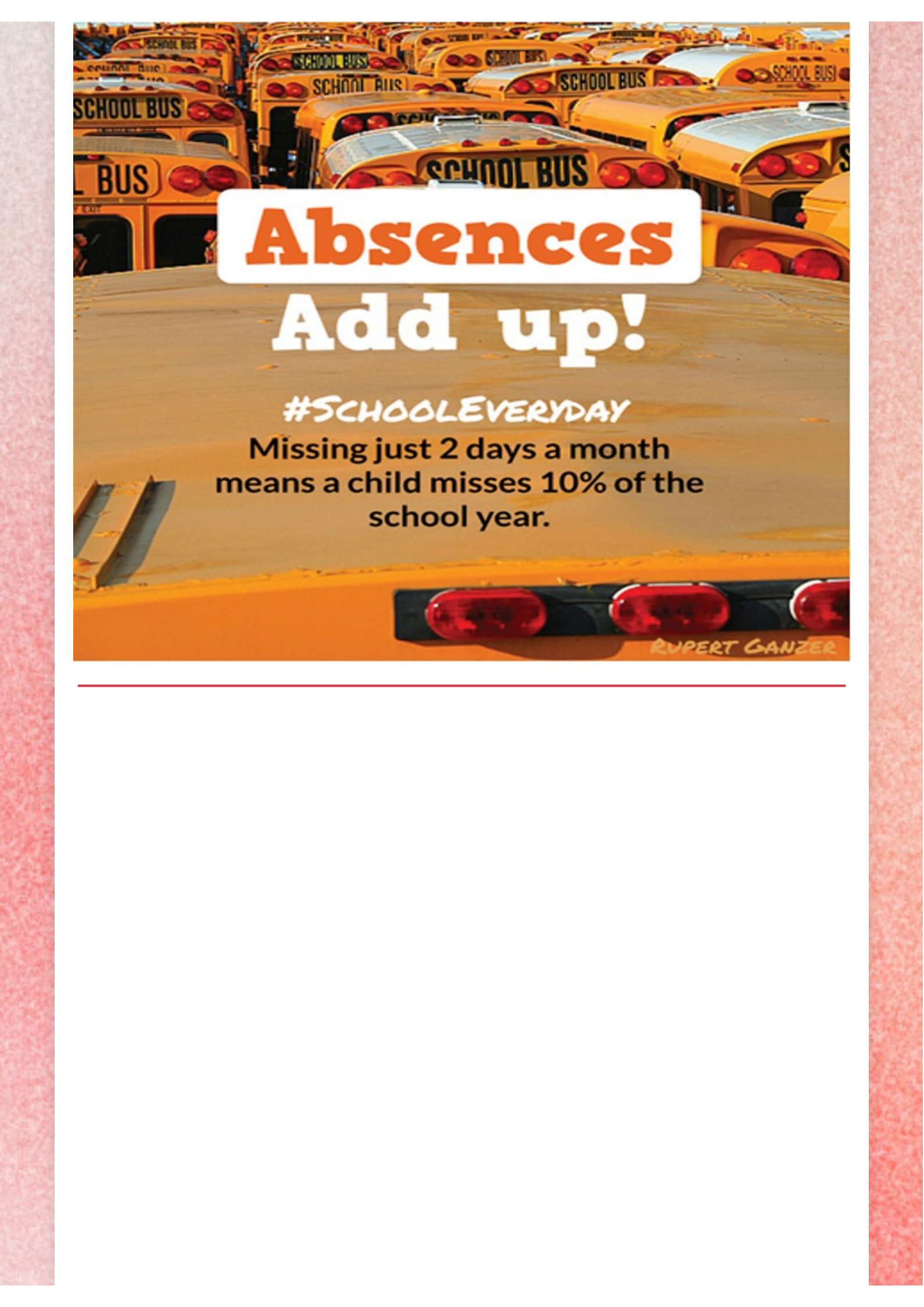
FREE
ADMISSION

P.A.C.I. TRADESHOW

APRIL 5TH, 2025
SATURDAY 10:00AM - 4:00 PM
45 20TH STREET WEST
PRINCE ALBERT, SK

TO BOOK A TABLE, PLEASE CONTACT:
(306) 763-6485 OR
BSILVER@SRSD119.CA





Absences Add up!

#SCHOOLEVERYDAY

Missing just 2 days a month
means a child misses 10% of the
school year.

RUPERT GANZER

Stay Connected!

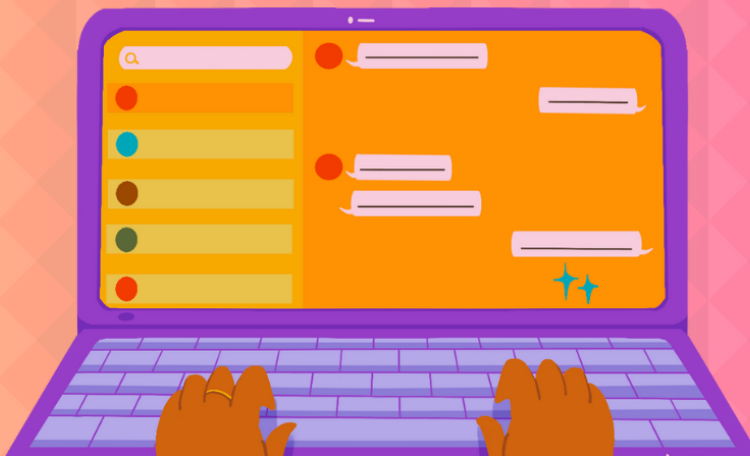
**You can now follow all the events
and happenings at our great school
on:**



Facebook - École Vickers Public School



Instagram – vickersschool



School F E E S

SCHOOL ACTIVITY FEE

If you have not paid your child's School Activity Fees please sign up using the link below for School Cash Online.

This fee is collected to assist in covering the costs of optional activities or events that would enhance the regular school programming and would enrich the education of participating students. Some examples of these are out of school educational experiences, activities, presentations and/or speakers.

The fee is \$10.75 for Kindergarten and \$21.00 for Gr 1-8 & Dev Ed.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

Make online payments with
SchoolCashOnline

- Field Trips
- Sports Events
- Activity Fees



SchoolCashOnline

ÉCOLE VICKERS CANTEEN

DRINKS:

Juice Box

\$1.00

Flavored water

\$1.50

Milk/Chocolate milk

\$1.50

Sparkling Water

\$2.00

Gatorade (G2)

\$3.00



SMALL SNACKS: (all pre-packaged)

\$1.00

- Variety of small items such as Rice Krispie squares, cookies, Welch's Fruit Snacks

LARGE SNACKS: (all pre-packaged)

\$1.50 - \$2.00

- baked chips, Smartfood Popcorn, SunChips, hot rods, fruit snacks, wagon wheels, and/or seasonal snacks, goldfish crackers, ritz cheese crackers.

PIZZA

\$3.00 (Today's)

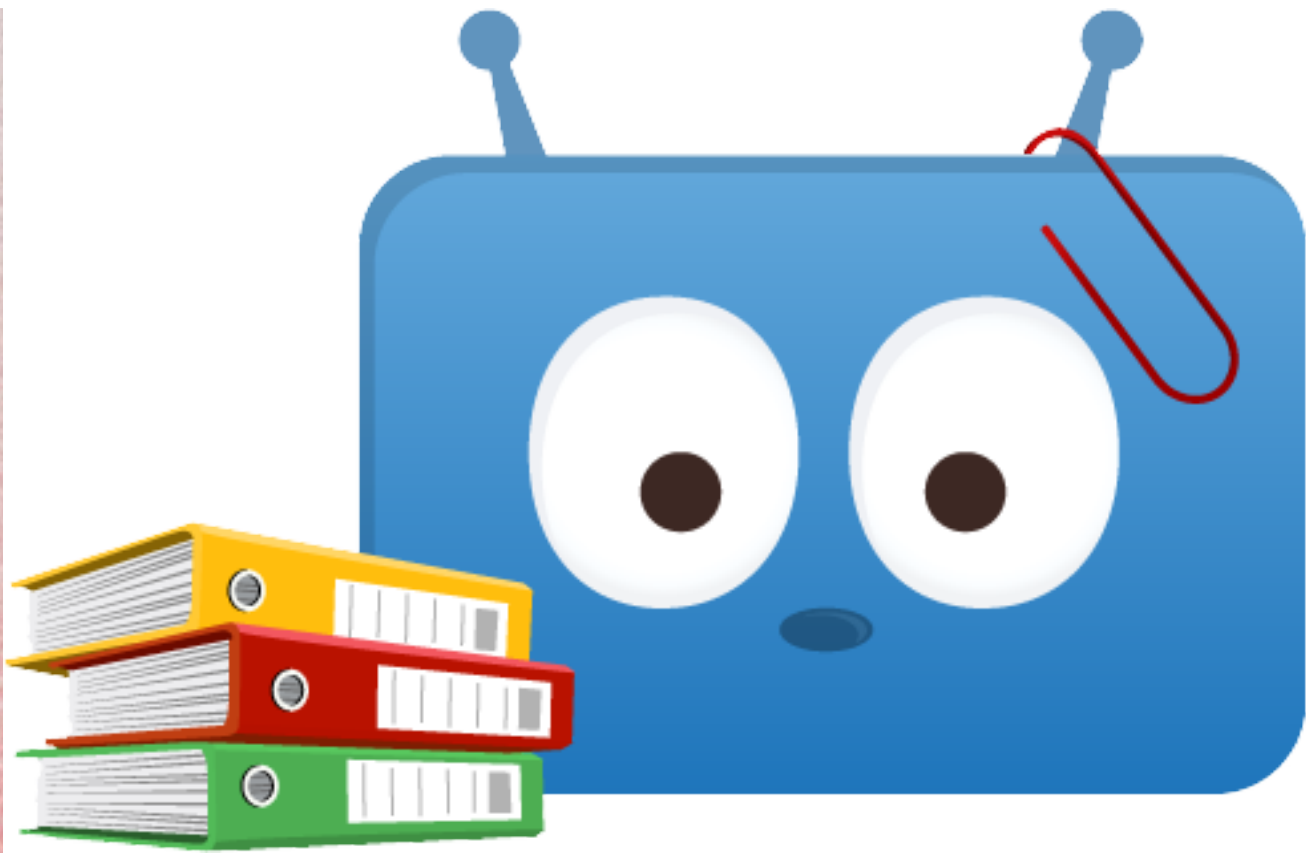
\$2.00 (Day Old)



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PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Our staff parking lots are a **“no drop off zone”** as they are out of bounds for students.

We urge parents to support us in this safety endeavor by dropping off your children on the west side of the school on Olive Diefenbaker Drive; on Bradbury Drive, east of the Special Needs bus zone and between Gisi Road and Olive Diefenbaker Drive.



We encourage the children to cross all streets in a safe manner by crossing at the corner or at cross walks. Teacher supervision is also provided at our major crosswalks.

The Community Club rink parking lot is the bus pick up zone after school for our parents to meet their children for pick up. Please refrain from turning around in the driveways, as this is disruptive to the homeowners.

Lunchbox by School Cash Online is a full-service online lunch ordering and fundraising platform that simplifies the management of your school's lunch program.



- Secure, easy-to-use online ordering & payment platform
- All meals are nut-free, allergy aware & meet the Ministry's nutritional mandates
- Strict safety protocols for food handling & delivery

- Tuesday (Edo Japan) Thursday (OPA!) and Friday (Taco Time)

Tuesday - Edo

Thursday - Opa

Friday - Taco Time



INCLEMENT WEATHER

For the most part, we want our students to enjoy playing outdoors before school, during both recesses, and the noon hour. On rainy days, we allow students to come into the school upon their arrival and remain indoors during all breaks. In the winter, we use -30 degrees Celsius as our cut off to remain indoors. If the

temperature and/or wind-chill in combination with the temperature exceed -30, then all students are permitted in the school in the morning and during break times. **We do expect that all students be dressed appropriately for the weather, as there are many cold days that students are expected to be outdoors.**



AMDS

Andrea is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters