



École Vickers Public School



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September 2019



Monday lundi	Tuesday mardi	Wednesday mercredi	Thursday jeudi	Friday vendredi
2 LABOUR DAY NO CLASSES	3 	4  Gr 8 Volunteer Presentation in AM	5 Canteen opens Cross Country meeting @ 12 in the gym	6
9	10	11 Gr.4K and 4H to Conservation Learning Center SCC @ 6:30 pm in the Library	12 Cross Country Run @ 4:00 PM @ Vickers School	13
16  Photo Day	17  Photo Day	18	19 Cross Country Run @ 4:00 PM @ WJB Meet the Family 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	20
23	24	25	26 Boston Pizza Hot Lunch	27
30 Orange Shirt Day				

Principal's Message 2019-20

Welcome! Bienvenue! The first day of school is an exciting time for both the staff and students. I want to wish you a warm welcome to the 2019-20 school year at École Vickers School.

New this year to Vickers is the English as an Additional Language (EAL) classroom where we have students who are new to Canada learning English. École Vickers is a wonderful community that will embrace our new families with open arms!

We are very excited with the new paint in our hallways and will see Phase 2 of the painting being completed next summer. We also installed a new sensory pathway that offers our students a chance to move kinesthetically while learning letters and numbers.

Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division is committed to literacy and *"Excellence for Every Learner."* The staff at Vickers are dedicated to literacy and have high expectations for our students. When the Vickers staff met in August, we reflected on the gifts we bring to our students every day. We called these our teaching "superpowers" that help students be their best. We also worked on an action plan for improving our school culture by making our school a safe and welcoming place for all students.

Our school community will focus on our reading goal for a third year and will be centered on many fun and engaging literacy activities in the 2019-20 school year. Our theme this year is "superheroes" and working on our super powerful reading strategies to become better readers. We love having our families involved with literacy so stay tuned for upcoming events!

The partnership we develop with you, the parents, is crucial to your child's success. We always appreciate your input so please feel free to call us or come by for a visit to share your thoughts and questions. Teachers all have their ways of communicating with parents either through phone calls, email, and technology such as Seesaw, Class Dojo, and Google Classroom, as well as letters home. Please use these communication methods to stay in touch with your child's teacher as this will enhance your child's educational experience and support his/her learning and growth.

École Vickers School is a vibrant community with many opportunities for our students. Our staff work hard to connect with our students outside of the classroom and are already busy organizing many athletic events, clubs, and activities. We hope students get involved in the many opportunities available for them.

We also have a wonderful School Community Council that offers a great opportunity for parents to get involved in the life of the school. We are having our first meeting on September 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the library. We are excited about some new playground equipment and an outdoor classroom as projects for this year.

I wish everyone a successful 2019-20 school year filled with many fun and engaging learning opportunities in a safe, healthy school environment where all learners are supported and successful.

Mrs. J. Green
Principal



We have many new staff joining the Vickers team this year. Please welcome:

Mme Atkinson – Gr. 7 French
Mr. Basaraba - Gr 5-8
Ms. Briere – Gr. 2 English
Ms. Bzowey – EA
Mme Hounjet – Gr. 1 French
Mme Hudon – Gr. 4 French

Mrs. MacDonald – Secretary
Mr. Primeau - EA
Ms. Stene – EAL Program
Ms. Young – Gr. 3 & 4 English
Ms. Wooden– Dev Ed

Interns:

Ms. Halabiski – Gr. 8 English
Ms. Peters – Gr. 5 English
Ms. Petit – Gr. 4 English
Ms. Smith – Gr. 3 English
Ms. Delaney – Gr. 1 English

ORANGE SHIRT DAY

We would like to encourage students to wear an orange shirt on September 30th to honor residential school survivors and show their awareness and respect.

School Social Worker/Counsellor

Hello to all new and returning Vickers students and families! For those who don't know me I am Mrs. Boran-Fetch, the school social worker at Vickers. My role at the school is to work with students who are having troubles socially, emotionally, or behaviourally. I work with students one to one providing counselling and support to help them cope better, which leads to better school participation. I can also assist families when they are having challenges. I respond to the needs of the family and students by providing information, support, and/or by assisting them to connect to community agencies that provide services around food, housing, recreation, counselling, or crisis intervention. I also run groups at the school, they encourage students to get along, cope better, be healthy, and contribute in a positive way to the school environment. If there is any way I can help please let me know by calling the school at 306-922-6446 or feel free to drop by my office and meet me. I am located in an office right next to the big gym. Have a wonderful back-to-school season!

Mrs. Boran-Fetch



École Vickers Public School Cross Country

Our Cross Country season will be beginning on Monday, September 9th. **All students, grades 4-8 may participate in this extracurricular activity.**

Practices are held Tuesday and Thursday at noon from 12-12:20 or Monday-Wednesday in the mornings from 8:15-8:45. Students must attend a minimum of two practices in order to qualify for each meet. Ideally, we run every day to improve fitness.

Parents are responsible for all transportation of students to and from the meets.

New this year: we have jerseys available to wear for our meet! The jersey will be handed out to students on the day of the meet. Each student will be responsible to hand it back to a teacher at the end of the meet. If a jersey is lost or not returned there will be a replacement fee that will need to be paid.

Meets:

**All meets start at 4:15. Walk-throughs begin at 4:00 pm.

1. September 12th at Vickers
2. September 19th at W.J. Berezowsky School

Extravaganza – Will take place at the end of the season. Students will be bussed to Spruce Home on Tuesday, October 1st. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of us at the school at (306) 922-6446 or by email.

Mrs Paige Sinoski (psinoski@srsd119.ca)
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SCHOOL ACTIVITY FEE

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 \$10.00 for Kindergarten and \$20.00 for Gr 1-8 & Dev Ed.

Please send with your child on the first day of classes.

School Messenger/Safe Arrival

École Vickers Public School is now using the SafeArrival absence reporting system. Please use the toll-free number, the website, or the SchoolMessenger mobile app to report your child's absence in advance.

The toll free number is: **1-833-309-1241**. If you have any questions or trouble reporting an absence please call the office.

Sign In/Sign Out Book

If your child is late for school or needs to leave school early, please be sure to sign in or out at the office. Students must have parent/guardian permission to leave the school for any reason. This ensures that all students are safe during school hours.



EVS Library is looking for Parent Volunteers for the 2019-20 school year!

Volunteers are needed in the mornings, for at least an hour. Orientation and support provided.

Tasks may include:

- Shelving books in the library
- Assisting with library displays
- Assisting with processing new library materials

Contact Mrs. K. Fischer for more information.

Kristinfischer@srsd119.ca

306-922-6446

Microwaves at École Vickers Public School

Effective last year, microwaves are no longer available for student use. The Emergency Management & Fire Safety Branch (EMFSB) of the Government of Saskatchewan and Suncorp state that we can no longer have microwave ovens in the classrooms or in hallways. We encourage those students who enjoy a warm lunch to bring food in a thermos with warm food in it. We have fresh pizza sold in our canteen every day as well as many other lunch items and we will continue to have several hot lunch fundraisers throughout the year.

Prince Albert Speed Skating Club & Learn to Skate Registration Night

Tuesday Sept. 10th 6:30-8:30pm @ Art Hauser Centre Lobby

We are currently accepting new members of all ages. Can't skate? Join our 15 session Learn to Skate Program. Need a challenge?! Try Speed Skating!! Do you like... skating, but not interested in hockey or figure skating?! Racing?! Setting your own personal goals?! Competing against others at similar skill levels?! Competing as an individual but still being part of a team?!

Practices twice a week @ Art Hauser Centre Sept-March. Meets are optional – compete in as many or as few as you wish.

See what it's all about at a FREE trial practice.

Find us on Facebook OR www.paspeedskating.ca



PEDESTRIAN SAFETY



Our parking lots are out of bounds for students. We urge parents to support us in this safety endeavor by dropping off their 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 French Immersion busses, and a convenient place for French Immersion parents to meet their children for pick up.

We must respect the residents that border the school. Please refrain from turning around in driveways, as this is disruptive to the homeowners.





Donations wanted



École Vickers School is looking for gently used skates and/or helmets that you are willing to donate for use at the school for our gym program. If you have any you would care to donate, please drop them off at the office or see Mr. Mugford or Mr. Whitrow.



Canteen Menu

Canteen opens Thursday, September 5th, 2019

Prices and availability are subject to change without notice

Pizza: Pepperoni & Cheese	\$2.50/slice
(Specialty pizza served on <u>Fridays only</u>)	
Breadsticks & cheese, granola bars & popcorn50¢
Crispers	\$1.50
Veggies & Dip	\$1.00
Cheese Buns	\$1.00
Individual packages of goldfish crackers	\$1.00
Cherry nibs.....	.25¢
Flavoured water	\$1.50
White/Chocolate milk.....	\$1.25
Juice	
Boxes	\$1.25
Cans: Apple & orange.....	\$1.50
Desserts:	
2 cookies, rice crispy square, wagon wheel, pudding (chocolate & vanilla), Canned fruit (peaches & oranges), applesauce, frozen yogurt tubes	
	\$1.00

***Please note we will no longer be selling wraps, sandwiches, and salads due to the increased cost of bringing them in.**

SEASONAL ITEMS MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR .50¢-\$1.00 (i.e. Easter eggs)



****SENDING A NOTE WITH YOUNGER KIDS IS ALWAYS HELPFUL!**