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École Vickers Public School

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2021

	Monday lundi	Tuesday mardi	Wednesday mercredi	Thursday jeudi	Friday vendredi	
	1	2	3	4	5 Plaid Day	
French Second Language Education Week						
	8	9	10	11	12 Formal Day	
Staff Appreciation Week						
	15 Family Day	16 No Classes	No Classes	No Classes	No Classes	
	22	23	Pink shirt day	25	26 Hat Day Telemiracle Fundraiser: Wear a hat for a minimum \$1 donation	

Upcoming Important Dates:

March 15th, 2021 - PLC - no classes

March 12th, 2021 - Report Cards go home

March 18th, 2021 - Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30 to 8:30 pm (virtual)

April 15th, 2021 – SCC meeting at 6:30 pm (via Zoom)



Kindergarten Registration Now Open!

Students born in 2016 are eligible for Kindergarten in the 2021-2022 school year. École Vickers Public School offers rich play based kindergarten programs in French Immersion and English. Register online at https://vk.srsd119.ca/ or call 306-922-6446 for more information.







As you know, our students are working towards a goal in math, along with a secondary goal in reading this school year. Our École Vickers School Sticky team is wanting to engage our parent community in helping grow all of our students' Math and Reading skills. We have put together two different bingo challenges that your child will bring home starting the week of February 1. We would love each student to try the activities at home and encourage family members to participate with them!

For **Kindergarten to Grade 3** there are two math bingo options, one focused on counting which is aimed more towards Kindergarten and grade 1, and the other on finding shapes, which is aimed more towards Grade 2 and Grade 3. Have the children search the house for the items on each bingo card. Once they have a blackout card for one or both of the bingo cards please sign the bingo card and have your child return it to their homeroom teacher. Once the signed card is turned in your child will be entered into a draw for one of 15 École Vickers treat and swag bags. Entries will be accepted until the **morning of Friday**, **February 12**. The draws will take place and prizes will be awarded later that school day. If you took a picture of your child participating in this home activity you are welcome to send it in to kcantin@srsd119.ca and it may be shared through our École Vickers social media. Have fun and enjoy some math activities at home!

For **Grades 4 to Grade 8** there is a Reading and Math at home bingo card. Students will need to complete any horizontal or vertical line to enter the draw. But of course feel free to try them all! Once your child has completed the tasks to make a line please sign the card and have them return the card to their homeroom teacher. Once the signed card is turned in your child will be entered into a draw for one of 15 École Vickers swag bags including canteen rewards. Entries will be accepted until the **morning of Friday, February 12**. The draws will take place and prizes will be awarded later that school day. If you took a picture of your child participating in this home activity you are welcome to send it in to kcantin@srsd119.ca and it may be shared through our École Vickers social media. Have fun and enjoy some Reading and Math activities at home!

Thank You, École Vickers Sticky Team

SCC Update:

We had a Zoom SCC meeting on January 21st which was well attended. We had some new parents join our meeting, which was so wonderful and encouraging! We welcomed our newly assigned board member, Mr. Arne Lindberg, who spoke on behalf of the school board. Some upcoming events:

Feb 8-12 Staff Appreciation Week

March (Date TBD) Hot Lunch Sale

Next Meeting: April 15th @ 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. We will be planning our Spring Walk-a-Thon!

Pink Shirt Day is February 24th, 2021

We invite students and staff to wear pink on February 24th 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.







Welcome to Ms. Natalie Lukiw who has joined the Dev Ed staff to replace Ms. Jamie Meyers as she goes on maternity leave and welcome to Ms. Carmen Bellehumeur who will be replacing Ms. Riley Briere who will be going on maternity leave at the end of February.

French as a Second Language Education Week



The Honourable Dustin Duncan, Minister of Education, has officially proclaimed February 1-5 FSL Education Week in recognition of the importance of French language in enhancing education in Saskatchewan. This year's theme is *From a Safe Distance, Celebrate French... Here, There & Everywhere*! We have planned a few fun activities to recognize one of the different learning opportunities offered at École Vickers School.

- All week we will be featuring French and English riddles over morning announcements, read by students
- All students will be treated to a traditional French snack- croissants!
- French bingo for French immersion students, over google meet.



The link to purchase clothes can be found on our Vickers' website.



Dear Vickers' students and families,

Remember the Christmas cards you made to send to the Herb Basset Home residents early in December? We would like to share a little thank-you note we received on behalf of the residents.



Good afternoon Mrs. Green,

On behalf of the Volunteer Services Department and Herb Bassett Home residents we would like to pass on a huge thank you to the staff and students from Vickers School for the beautiful Christmas letters and cards. This put a huge smile on the faces of many of the residents and made their Christmas that much more special.

"There is nothing more beautiful than someone who goes out of their way to make life beautiful for others." (Unknown)

Thank you,

Corinne Loch

Coordinator, Volunteer Services Victoria Hospital - Prince Albert Saskatchewan Health Authority



For the safety of our students and staff, we are limiting non-essential access to the school for visitors. Please call **306-922-6446** for assistance with student pick up for appointments, questions, lunch drop off, etc. We would be happy to help you!

If you must enter the school, please wear a mask (we can provide you with one), sanitize your hands, and sign in with your name and contact information on the table across from the office. Thank you for your cooperation.

SCHOOL ACTIVITY FEE

If you have not paid your child's School Activity Fees please do so at the office.

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.

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.

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.

Pink Shirt Day - February 24, 2021











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 French Immersion busses, and a convenient place for French Immersion parents to meet their children for pick up.

We ask that you, please, respect the residents that border the school. Please refrain from turning around in or blocking neighboring driveways, as this is disruptive to the homeowners.

One other item of note, please remember that there have been changes made to the Traffic Bylaw which now prohibits U-turns in school zones. In an effort to improve the safety of our children, the City of Prince Albert has added this safety measure. There is a \$100 fine for violating this restriction.

Our Vickers' school zone is between Bradbury Drive and Olive Diefenbaker Drive.





École Vickers Canteen

Pizza (Cheese or Pepperoni)\$2.50				
Pizza buns (cheese)	.\$2.00			
Drinks:				
Flavored water	\$1.50			
Chocolate milk	\$1.50			
Large apple/orange/fruit juice	\$1.50			
Juice box	\$1.00			
Small Snacks: (all pre-packaged)\$1.00				
 variety of small items such as Rice Krispie 				
squares, goldfish crackers, cookies, baked chips hot rods, fruit snacks, wagon wheels, and/or				
				seasonal snacks.

Large Snacks: (all pre-packaged).....\$1.50

• Sun chips, crispers, cookies

^{**}SENDING A NOTE WITH YOUNGER KIDS IS ALWAYS HELPFUL!