



WAINWRIGHT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2023

School's Message

We hold one of our favourite events in January, our annual Winter Active Day. The focus of this event is always learning how to lead a healthy active lifestyle no matter what the weather is. Parents are welcome to come check things out, or help if your schedule permits. The schedule is on page 6. We hope to see you here!



A huge thank you to WEPA and all our volunteers. We appreciate everything you have done to support our school this year. The picture above is from our winter lunch. It was a great event that would not have been possible without you.

What's Up in January

January 13
M/W Kindergarten has school today

January 20
T/Th Kindergarten has school today

January 20
Last Day to reach your AR goal for the AR sledding party!

January 24
February hot lunch orders and payments are due today

January 27
M/W Kindergarten has school today

January 27
Winter Active Day

January 30 & 31
No School





AR Program - What's Next

January 20th is the last day for students in Grades 2 to 6 to earn points toward their reading goals. The next celebration for students who reach their goal will be tobogganing on one of the great hills in town in February. There is still time to reach your goal, so KEEP READING!



E-Transfers & Thank you from WEPA

Thank you to all our parents who switched from using Paypal to E-transfer. WEPA has been able to direct more money toward the school events and students, rather than paying large fees to Paypal.

E-transfers can be made by email to wepawes@gmail.com. Just make sure you put your child's name in the message and what you are paying for. You don't need a password because they are set up for direct deposit.

They'd love it if everyone could make the switch to e-transfer, but understand if you're not able to.

WEPA Is Looking for A Couple Things

1. If you have any christmas bags or wrapping paper that you are willing to part with, please drop it off at the school. We will save it for santa's workshop Next Year.
2. WEPA is looking for a gently used electric roaster. If you have one you are willing to donate to them, please let the school know.





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THE TERRY FOX FOUNDATION

TERRY FOX SCHOOL RUN

"NOBODY IS EVER GOING TO CALL ME A QUITTER." - TERRY FOX



The Terry Fox Foundation sent us the following message:

The results of our Terry Fox School Run are in! Wainwright Elementary School successfully surpassed last year's fundraising total and raised \$2,545.00 for groundbreaking cancer research. We are so proud and grateful to have such a dedicated and supportive community in pursuit of Terry's dream of a world without cancer. #terryfoxschoolrun

Thank you again for your continued efforts and commitment!

NOMINATE YOUR BUS DRIVER FOR...



BUS DRIVER OF THE YEAR

See the next page for information on how to nominate a driver.

[HTTP://WWW.STAA.AB.CA](http://www.staa.ab.ca)

Legion Contest Winners

Congratulations to the WES students who placed in the Legion's Remembrance Day Poster Contest for 2022.

- Dylan Racette placed 1st in the Primary Black and White category.
- Leandra Arceo placed 1st in the Primary Colour category.
- Lila Lacey placed 2nd in the Jr. Black and White category.
- Logan Faas-Poliakowski placed 2nd in the Primary Colour category.
- Nixon Macdonald placed 2nd in the Primary Black and White category.
- Kiera Toop placed 3rd in the Jr. Colour category.
- Adeline Durham placed 3rd in the Primary Colour category.
- Matea Rodgers placed 3rd in the Primary Black and White category.

Cutlery for Hot Lunch Program

Just a reminder, with the new environmental laws our vendors are no longer able to provide single use cutlery with hot lunch orders. So, we are asking families to remember to pack the utensils needed with their children on hot lunch days. We appreciate your help with this!





SCHOOL BUS DRIVER OF THE YEAR AWARD

- NOMINATION CRITERIA -
Revised: January 2023

Purpose: To celebrate outstanding contributions that school bus drivers make every school day transporting Alberta's students to and from school.

Award Committee: The Selection Committee shall consist of five members. There will be two STAA Executive members and 3 STAA members or Life Members at large. The school district where the bus driver was nominated from may not be a member of the Award Committee.

Who may nominate a driver: A bus driver's supervisor, teacher/principal, peer, or parents/students may submit a nomination.

Award Criteria: Award is based on the full-time driver's daily duties, responsibilities and public interactions of transporting school children to and from school on a regular basis. Driver must not have previously been awarded this recognition. All award nominee application packages must be clearly identified as "Driver of the Year Nomination". Nominee shall be an active, full-time driver as of the application deadline. The committee reserves the right to request additional supporting information for/during the selection process. Only one (1) nominee for Driver of the Year will be selected. The deadline for application shall be December 31st of each year. Nominations will be considered for two years.

Supporting Documentation:

1. Nomination packages **must** include the following:

- a) narratives from the following: supervisor, teacher/principal, peer, parents/students; and
- b) current school year Commercial Driver's Abstract

2. Include the following information for Award consideration:

- a) Years of service as a bus driver;
- b) Student management skills & abilities, student interaction etc.;
- c) Professionalism as a driver, including interaction with staff and parents;
- d) Driver attitude.

3. Nominations will include the following:

- a) Testament to attendance at professional development;
- b) Testament to good driving record;
- c) Supporting cards, photos etc.

Award Winner Prizes: Prizes for the award recipient shall include:

- a) Registration, related travel and accommodation expenses to attend the annual Convention and/or Provincial Bus Rodeo;
- b) An award presented at the annual Convention and/or Provincial Bus Rodeo
- c) \$500 cash.

Nominations Submitted To: Submit your nomination to your Division's Director of Transportation and they will submit the nomination to:

staalberta@outlook.com **OR**

Student Transportation Association of Alberta (STAA)

Box 234

Andrew, Alberta T0B 0C0

NOW ACCEPTING KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS

For September 2023

**Register Early if you have
a preference of programs!**



We have two full day Kindergarten programs, Mondays & Wednesdays and Tuesdays & Thursdays.



Children must be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2023, to attend Kindergarten in the 2023/2024 school year.

Phone: (780) 842-3361 | Email: wes@btps.ca
Website: <http://wes.btps.ca>



Little Leaders & Wainwright Pre-K

OPEN FOR REGISTRATION 2023-2024

GREAT
Learning
Environment

SMALL
Class Sizes



To Register or Learn More About:

Little Leaders Program for 3 year olds

This program runs one half day per week. Children must be turning 3 years old on or before December 31, 2023, to start Little Leaders in September. For more information on costs and days available, contact Emily McNary by phoning (780) 806-6068 or email emmcnary@gmail.com.

Wainwright Pre-Kindergarten for 4 year olds

This program runs two half days per week. Children must be turning 4 years old on or before December 31, 2023, to start in Wainwright Pre-K in September. For more information on costs and days available, contact Barb Berg by phoning (780) 842-9572 or email louise61@telus.net.

FUN
Activities



"Every day is
an adventure,
and no two
days are ever
alike."

SCOTT BORCHETTA



Winter Active

On January 27th we will celebrate outdoors for our annual Winter Active Day with a variety of games set up by Mr. Mitchell. Students need to be dressed for the cold weather. Winter coats, ski pants, boots, toques and mittens are a must to really enjoy the great outdoors in winter.

We are calling on parents and grandparents to help us as group leaders or with WEPA organizing and serving healthy snacks. If you can spare some time please let us know, we would love to see you here!

We will start our day with an assembly in the gym for the entire school. Our schedule will be:

- 9:45 am to 10:30 AM - Grades 3 & 4
- 11:00 am to 11:45 am - M/W ECS & Grade 1 & 2
- 1:00 PM to 2:00 pm - Grades 5 & 6

When our grades are done their activities they will be treated to a healthy snack courtesy of WEPA.

After School Basketball

After school basketball for grades 4, 5, and 6 is on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:00 pm for six weeks. Dates include January 10, 17, 24, February 7, 14, and 21.

We ask parents to pick up their children at the north end of the school at 5:00 pm, unless other arrangements have been made.



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YOU ARE INVITED

BTPS FOUR YEAR EDUCATION PLAN

EDUCATIONAL STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENTS



WHO: Parents, guardians, staff, school councils and other education stakeholders are invited to help create our next Four Year Education Plan for 2023-2027.

WHY: We will meet and discuss strengths and wishes for our division to set out priorities for the next four years.

WHERE: BTPS is hosting five stakeholder engagements in January and February. Four will be in person and one will be online.

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Provost Public School

Thursday, January 19, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Wainwright Elementary School

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Kitscoty Elementary School

Thursday, January 26, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Vermilion Elementary School

Wednesday, February 1, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | ONLINE SESSION

LINK WILL BE SHARED THROUGH YOUR SCHOOL

All educational stakeholders welcome. Please see our website for more information. www.btps.ca

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!





The Vermilion and District Rotary Music Festival is organizing for the 2023 festival to be held Mar. 27 to Apr. 2. As in the past, we will endeavour to have this as a teaching festival, allowing enough time for real feedback from the adjudicator to competitors.

Our entry deadline is Jan. 16, 2023,

We welcome your participation. Please feel free to forward to anyone else you think may be interested. A follow up email will outline registration procedures.

With Kind Regards,

Bernie Huedepohl
Vermilion and District Rotary Music Festival

Tel: 780-464-2933

Email: MusicFesVer@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/VermilionMusicFestival>



Provost

Music

Festival

March 26 - 31 2023

Dear Parents, Teachers and Students-

The Provost Music Festival is proud to announce the upcoming dates of the 51st annual festival. This exciting week long event showcases an impressive array of local talent. All participants are professionally adjudicated in noncompetitive classes and considered for awards or competition advancement.

For contact information, involvement opportunities, registration packages, class selections or syllabus links, you can find us online.

Entry deadline is January 27, 2023

provostmusicfestival.com

Celebrate the Arts.

Speech • Strings • Instrumental • Piano • Vocal