

# ÉCOLE EDWARDS ELEMENTARY FAMILY EXPRESS



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Appartenons. Apprenons. Réussissons.

Monthly School News October 2023

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## Celebrations this month:

- Monthly PBIS Assembly! WE BELONG
- Socktober!
- Cookie Dough Fundraiser
- Student video assembly!
- 3 Way Conferences  
(Student/Teacher/Parent)
- Kindergarten Open House
- Halloween Presentation & Parade



Thank you to anyone who donated socks. We surpassed our goal of 1,500 pairs of socks to help those in need! We are so grateful to be part of such a giving and caring community!

**MONDAY OCTOBER 30: Socktober Day! Wear your best, craziest, funniest, funkiest socks of your choosing (on your feet, hands, head... it's up to you) Let's celebrate Edwards SMASHING the goal for sock collection this year!**

# OCTOBER

## FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

What a busy month October has been, it is an absolute pleasure getting to spend time growing and learning with our Edwards students! Here are some highlights from our time together over the past month that we're excited to share with you.

### Clubs

Thank you to Mme Smith and Mme Simon who started choir this month; 80 grade 3 students and 75 grade 4&5 students joined. Mme Danielson, our physical education teacher, has begun indoor gym games for grade 4-5 classes at lunch recess. Merci! Other clubs are soon to begin, including robotics and coding clubs with Ms. Ferguson.

### PBIS

We had a virtual PBIS assembly for October's theme of We Belong/Nous Appartenons thanks to some awesome wisdom from grade one students and featuring grade five leaders.

### Terry Fox Donations

Terry Fox donations surpassed our goal of \$5000! Thank you for everyone's support. Classes are celebrating with dress up days and a special school-wide recess!

### Casino Update

On September 28th-29th, Edwards hosted a casino which raised \$60,000 for the school to fund special activities, presentations, or equipment over the next 2 years. Thank you to our 34 amazing volunteers, and a special thank you to one of our parents, Bonnie Buckle, for being the lead organizer for this important fundraiser.

### SOCKtober

All month long we have been collecting socks and other items for those in need in support of Socktober! All donations go to various shelters and charities to support those in need, making a difference in the lives of many people in our community. Thank you for your help with these donations, and thank you to Ms. Wigmore for organizing this important effort.

### Upcoming events

As we prepare for November we are gearing up for our Remembrance Day Ceremony. Please be sure to check email updates from the school and your teacher about special events and activities.

### How is my child doing?

Now is also the time to start to look at your child's marks in PowerSchool. If you ever have questions about your child's learning, reach out to their teacher as we are always happy to facilitate a meeting to work together to support your child!

Yours in Education,  
Ms. Prud'Homme & Mme Hooper



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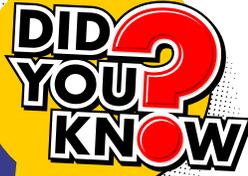


## 3-WAY CONFERENCES

Thank you to everyone for attending our 3-way conferences. Students, parents and teachers set goals together for the year. Looking forward to seeing how everyone grows!



Thanks to those who made purchases at our Book Fair! All funds raised will be used to purchase new books for the Learning Commons.



## Parents Survey!

Every month we want to hear from you! We will have a quick feedback survey each month for you to give your input! See below:



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## Our Mission and Vision



### Mission

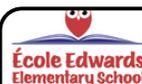
At École Edwards we develop and empower leaders and learners.

### We believe

- Reading is the foundation for successful life-long learning
- Students' needs differ and it is our responsibility to help each learner reach their own personal excellence
- Together we recognize and celebrate the success of everyone
- Our learners are prepared to be leaders for life

### Vision

Together we belong, learn, and succeed.



## Our PBIS School-Wide Expectations



### PBIS

Positive Behaviour Interventions & Supports

At École Edwards we expect all students, staff, and parents to demonstrate leadership by:

- showing belonging
- showing care
- being independent
- doing our best

## School COUNCIL

THANK  
YOU  
😊

### October Staff Appreciation Dinner

Thank you to everyone who donated food, gift cards and time to prepare the staff a delicious dinner on Wednesday Oct 25th before our 3-way conferences.

We had over 35 parents drop off donations. WOW!!

This was very much appreciated on a busy night.



### COOKIE DOUGH UPDATE

IF YOU ORDERED COOKIE OR MUFFIN DOUGH PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT INDEYGO HAD A PIPE BURST AT THEIR FACILITY AND UNFORTUNATELY THE ORDERS WILL BE DELAYED. WE WILL UPDATE YOU AS SOON AS WE HAVE A NEW PICK UP DATE FOR THE COOKIE DOUGH.

**\*POSTPONED\***

PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR EMAIL FOR A NEW DELIVERY DATE

Mark  
YOUR  
Calendar

Nov 9: Remembrance Day Ceremonies (10:30 AM & 1:00 PM)

Nov 10: No School

Nov 20: Professional Learning Day (NO School)

## It's that time of year when students are getting sick at school

Please review AHS's recommendations for a safe return to school after illness:

- **Respiratory Illness:** Stay home until all symptoms have improved, feeling well enough to resume normal activities, and be fever-free for 24 hours without using fever-reducing medications.
- **Gastrointestinal Illness:** Stay home until 48 hours after all symptoms have resolved.
- **Rash Illness:** Stay home for the length of time recommended by the AHS Public Health Outbreak Team. How long to stay home depends on the cause of the rash.

Please make sure your contact information is up to date, including an emergency contact in case we need to call you for a pick-up if your child is sick at school.

# Stay HOME

IF SICK



## School Goals 2023-24



SCHOOL EDUCATION PLAN UPDATE

Our school goals were shared with parents during our recent School Council Meeting on October 19th, which is offered in-person and on Zoom, and the recording is posted on Facebook.

Below is our draft set of goals to work on over the next 3 years, in support of the RVS 3-year plan, which focuses on:

1. Advancing students' literacy and numeracy skills
2. Building future-ready students
3. Creating inclusive, engaging, healthy, learning opportunities for all students



### 2023-2024 School Education Plan focuses on 3 goals:

- 1) **How Might We engage students in their literacy and numeracy success?**

*School Goal: Students are performing math and reading at or above grade level.*

- 2) **How Might We build student leadership across the school community?**

*School Goal: Students have a sense of purpose in life, understand their own and other cultures, and are goal oriented, building leadership skills.*

- 3) **How might we create inclusive, engaging, and healthy learning opportunities for all students?**

*School Goal: Students are happy, healthy, feel they belong and are safe, and experience success in learning environments that are inclusive of every learner.*

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- 1) Come to our literacy and numeracy games night on November 21st!

**Food Trucks from 4:30-6:00 to buy some tacos and mini donuts for the family!** Game stations run from 5:00-6:00 and each family will be entered to win literacy and numeracy game sets!

- 2) Come to School Council to learn about how you can be part of your child's school experience and how your voice matters.

We also have special presentations about building student resilience and family well-being.

- 3) Encourage your child to be independent and responsible and be a leader at home. This can look like taking on new responsibilities, owning our actions, and finishing what we start.

### Building Resilient Students Series for Parents - with Mme Hooper

**October's Focus:** Building Trust through Self-Confidence

Resilience comes from knowing who we are and that we belong. That sense of belonging is essential, at home, at school, and within the environments that we find ourselves in daily. Here are a few tips to help your child be comfortable with who they are and how they belong!



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# Let's Celebrate OCTOBER 2023

## WE BELONG

