

# ÉCOLE EDWARDS ELEMENTARY FAMILY EXPRESS



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Monthly School News November 2024

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## FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

Hey hey hey! It's November! WOW, what a great year we are having! Here are a few fun facts for us so far...

- We have had 70 new students join us this year! A warm welcome to all of our new families! We will be having a Welcome Lunch with new students in November to check-in and connect!
- We have 30 teachers, 2 Learning Support Teachers, and 2 part-time literacy teachers for English and French support.
- We have 11 Learning Assistants with incredible skills and knowledge supporting students across the school!
- About 10% of our students are English as an additional language learners, 10% have complex learning or medical needs, and we have about 75 students with Individualized Program Plans.
- We have collected over 1600 socks for those in need during our SOCKTOBER Community and Citizenship Challenge. WOW! We are making a difference in our Airdrie Community!
- We had many PBIS celebrations in October for our monthly expectation "We Care" including classroom learning lessons, student leadership opportunities, and starting the Edwards Learners and Leader Awards!
- AMA Grade 4-5 Patrollers are doing an excellent job ensuring safety on our front crosswalk.
- Grade 5 Student Council began in October, we are looking forward to seeing how they make a difference in our community!
- We have an amazing team of staff who care for children and their success in learning every day! Thank you for trusting us!

Bravo! Keep doing your best, everyone!

- Ms. Prud'Homme & Mme Berger



### Celebrations this month:

- PBIS Monthly Focus: WE ARE INDEPENDENT / NOUS SOMMES INDEPENDANTS
- Remembrance Day Ceremonies
- QUEST THEATRE PERFORMANCE
- Metis Week Learning
- Kindness Ninjas

# AWESOME

We are thrilled to be starting NEW and EXCITING Edwards Recognition Awards!

Once a month, students are nominated for an Edwards Learner Award, Edwards Leader Award, or a French Speaking Award (for French classes), to celebrate their efforts and dedication in these areas.

We hope for all students to receive an award throughout the year.

When students receive this award, they will be announced on our daily video news and have a group photo featured on our TV at the front entrance. As well parents will receive a phone call from either Ms. Prud'Homme or Mme Berger!

**2024-2025**

## EDWARDS LEARNER AWARD

For excellent independence and perseverance in learning, and for demonstrating learning competencies in one or more subject area.

This certificate is proudly presented to :

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**COMPETENCIES**  
Competencies are combinations of attitudes, skills and knowledge that students develop and apply for successful learning, living and working.

- CRITICAL THINKING
- PROBLEM SOLVING
- MANAGING INFORMATION
- CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION
- COMMUNICATION
- COLLABORATION
- CULTURAL AND GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP



**Ms. Rachelle Prud'Homme**  
Principal

**Mme Alanna Berger**  
Assistant Principal

**2024-2025**

## EDWARDS LEADER AWARD

This certificate is awarded for effort and dedication in leadership by being a role model for others and showing belonging, care, independence, and doing your best!

This certificate is proudly presented to :

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**Ms. Rachelle Prud'Homme**  
Principal

**Mme Alanna Berger**  
Assistant Principal



## FRENCH IMMERSION SPEAKING AWARD

### CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

The certificate is presented to

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BRAVO! You are proudly speaking French as often as possible!  
We are so proud of your learning and efforts in French!



**Ms. Rachelle Prud'Homme**  
Principal

**Mme Alanna Berger**  
Assistant Principal

**2024-2025**



## NEWS UPDATE

- **Socktober update: over 1600 donations** for those in need! THANK YOU for your kindness!
- **Now there are 2 fun lunches each month!** Make sure your orders are in by the Friday before.
- **SoundKreations (SK) Performances** will be rescheduled at a later date when the instructor is well and able to return, at no additional cost. The program was completed fully with a guest teacher for the last few classes.
- **Student-led clubs** are starting again! Let the excitement begin!
- **Our October PBIS Video Assembly** for WE CARE was presented by our grade 1s, it was a sweet video and very informative. Thank you Grade 1 and 1-2 students and teachers!
- **November's PBIS assembly is being designed by our grade 2 classes.** We are excited to see what they plan for WE ARE INDEPENDENT.
- **We have awesome grade 3 student leaders at recess,** helping as student supervisors!

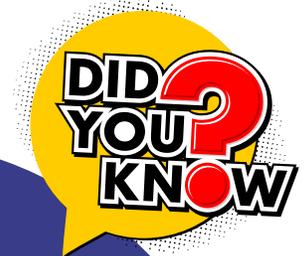


## STUDENT DAILY NEWS!

Every day students are joining live on Zoom for our Student Daily News or watching the recording later in the day. It is a great way for us to share news, celebrate our PBIS focus and have some fun together!

## STUDENT-LED CLUBS!

Starting in November we will have Student-led Clubs! Interested students will submit a Club Proposal and if approved their club will run for the month of November. The other Student-led Club times for the year are February and June. November is open for grade 4-5 students and in February grade 3s can submit proposals.



**Indigenous Veteran's Day is on November 8th to honour Indigenous Veterans who fought for our country but did not receive compensation or reward for their efforts because of their heritage.**

**Métis Week is from November 12 to 15th! The week celebrates Métis heritage, history, and culture in Canada. At Edwards School, Mme Brenda Fong will bake Bannock for the whole school and visit classes with a story to share!**

## School Council Updates!

School Goals have been shared and supported by our School Council Executive.

October's School Council Meeting featured the grade 5 teachers sharing about no overnight camp this year, instead, there will be activities during the day. Teachers shared about new Explore Classes this year in Leadership, Photography, Drama, Life Skills, Outdoor Ed, and Indigenous Art. It has been a blast!

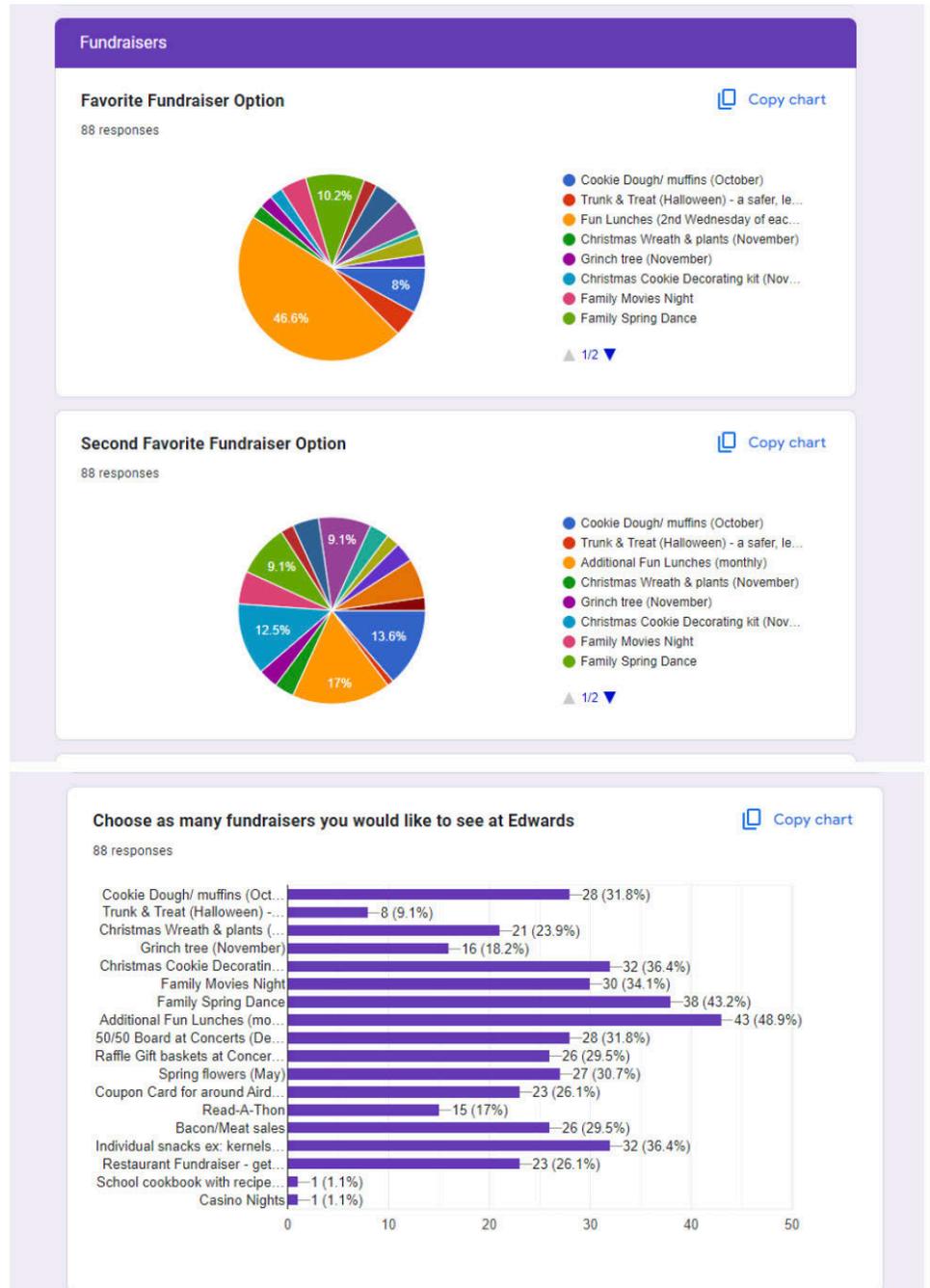
**The next meeting in November will feature the grade one teachers.**

Please remember that all fundraising efforts by the School Council help to support school technology, field trips, and other costs or needs, including, reducing costs for parents! Thank you for your support in the fundraisers.

As you can see from the survey results (on the right) there is high interest for:

- More hot/ fun lunches - we added 1 more a month!
- Family dance in the spring
- Family movie night - scheduled for December!
- Cookie dough - done
- Raffle baskets during March conferences

Read more for info about the Dare to Care Parent Night in November!



### Next Parent EVENTS:

- Dare to Care Learning Night for Parents on Nov. 14 6:30pm
- Nov School Council Meeting is on Nov. 21 6:30pm

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for your  
support*

# LEARNING SPOTLIGHT

École Edwards  
@EcoleEdwards

3Bhanji (3B) is working on a monster exchange as part of their descriptive writing work. The students created their own monsters, wrote about them and are now swapping just the writing with someone to try to create their partners monster with only the description given.



École Edwards  
@EcoleEdwards

Science experiment in Mme B's Grade 1/2 French immersion class with dancing popcorn. "ils dansent!"  
Water + vinegar + baking soda = bubbles!  
Students are learning the scientific method! Bravo 🌞 #rvsed



École Edwards  
@EcoleEdwards

So much fun with some hands on learning!  
The students were extra thrilled today in 2/3 Garnett as they had a chance to be scientists and mathematicians by estimating and measuring pumpkin weight, the number of seeds, and more! 🎃  
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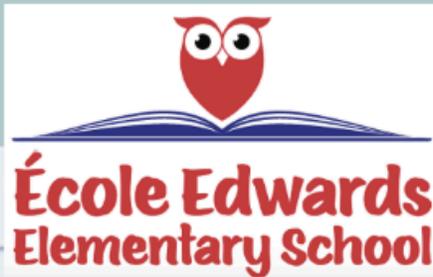


# FAMILY EXPRESS



# November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 <u>Professional Learning Day (No classes)</u>	2
3	4 <u>PBIS Expectation Focus for November: We Are Independent</u>	5 <u>Cookie Dough Fundraiser Order Pickup Day!</u>  <u>Quest Theatre full school presentations</u>  <u>Grade 4-5 Choir at Lunch</u>	6	7 <u>Grade 4-5 Choir at Lunch</u>	8 <u>Healthy Hunger Orders for Edo Fun Lunch are due by noon today.</u>  <u>Indigenous Veterans Day</u>  <u>PM Kindergarten Only</u>  <u>Remembrance Day Ceremony Group 1</u> 10:00 am  <u>Remembrance Day Ceremony Group 2</u> 11:00 am	9
10	11 <u>Remembrance Day (No classes)</u>	12 <u>Grade 4-5 Choir at Lunch</u>  <u>Métis Week</u>	13 <u>Healthy Hunger Fun Lunch - Edo Japan - <a href="https://healthyhunger.ca/">https://healthyhunger.ca/</a></u>  <u>Métis Week</u>  <u>World Kindness Day</u>	14 <u>Métis Week</u>  <u>Grade 4-5 Choir at Lunch</u>  <u>RVS Board of Trustees Meeting</u> 10:00 am <u>Dare to Care Parent Learning Night - 6:30pm</u>	15 <u>Métis Week</u>  <u>AM Kindergarten Only</u>	16
17	18	19 <u>Grade 4-5 Choir at Lunch</u>	20	21 <u>Grade 4-5 Choir at Lunch</u>  <u>School Council Meeting - 6:30 pm</u>	22 <u>Healthy Hunger orders are DUE TODAY BY NOON</u>  <u>PM Kindergarten Only</u>	23
24	25	26 <u>Grade 4-5 Choir at Lunch</u>	27 <u>Healthy Hunger Fun Lunch</u>	28 <u>Grade 4-5 Choir at Lunch</u>  <u>RVS Board of Trustees Meeting</u> 10:00 am	29 <u>AM Kindergarten Only</u>  <u>Healthy Hunger orders are DUE TODAY BY NOON</u>	30



Join us for an evening of learning and mingling, conversation and snacks

DARE TO CARE

# PARENT LEARNING NIGHT

**November 14 6:30pm**

Please RSVP using the QR Code, below.

Email questions to [edwards-schoolcouncil@vschools.ab.ca](mailto:edwards-schoolcouncil@vschools.ab.ca)



Conflict is a normal part  
of life...bullying is not!

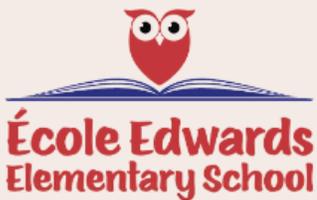
*Know the difference.*



# Join the Edwards Culture & Diversity Team



Sign Up for Edwards Culture &  
Diversity Team



Please sign up using the QR Code if you are interested in joining this team. We will meet 3 times a year - Nov, Feb, and April.



Parents, Staff, and Students, together, we will plan activities or a school event.

