

The Ravin' Raven

Elsie Fabian School Monthly Newsletter



Principal's Message Tansi! Edlanet'e! Hello!

Dear Elsie Fabian School Families,

As we welcome the month of April, I want to take a moment to reflect on the exciting learning experiences and community events that have taken place at our school. Spring brings with it a renewed energy, and we are certainly feeling that here at Elsie Fabian School!

One of the highlights this month was our Grade 9 students attending the ATC Career Fair. It was an inspiring and informative experience for our students as they explored future career possibilities and gained valuable insights into various trades and professions. A particularly memorable moment was when our students had the opportunity to listen to none other than Carey Price—a true role model and source of inspiration for many. His message about resilience, hard work, and staying true to yourself really resonated with our students.

Another special event that brought smiles to our faces was the Trickster Theater performance. This incredible experience allowed our students to express their creativity through drama and storytelling. It was heartwarming to see our young performers take the stage with confidence, collaboration, and pride in their work. Thank you to the Trickster Theater team and to all the staff and families who supported this enriching experience.

As always, I want to thank our dedicated staff, students, and families for continuing to build a strong, supportive, and joyful learning community. We are proud of all the growth we are seeing—in the classroom, on the stage, and beyond.

Wishing everyone a wonderful and bright spring season!

Merci Cho, Hiy Hiy, Thank you,
EFS Principal, Mrs. Sarah Hiscock

Our Values

The foundation of the Elsie Fabian School is engagement in teaching and learning, parents and community, culture and traditions, and a school environment based on the principles of love, responsibility, respect, listening, nurturing, relationships, humility and learning.


THIS month

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APRIL STUDENT SUCCESS ASSEMBLY



The purpose of our student success assemblies is to foster a feeling of community within our school. Each month will focus on one of the seven Grandfather teachings. This month, our Grandfather Teacher theme centers on Honesty and was led by the Grade 7 class.

HONESTY Be Honest in your words and actions. Be Honest first with yourself, and you will more easily be able to be Honest with others. Honesty is represented by the raven. The raven accepts himself for who he is and does not look to try to be like others.



APRIL STUDENT SUCCESS ASSEMBLY



Student of the Month for April

CONGRATULATIONS to our recipients for the **Honesty** award this month!

K5	William Courteoreille	Gr. 5	Liam Thompson
Gr. 1	Mila Fitzpatrick	Gr. 6	Amira Asadi
Gr. 2	Tyanna Faichney	Gr. 7	Samara Donofrio
Gr. 3	Makenna Grandjambe	Gr. 8	Kye Folkerson
Gr. 4	Felix Faichney Jr.	Gr. 9	Savannah Dyson



Most Improved!!



K5	Ryleigh Faichney
Gr. 1	Carson Bear Spencer
Gr. 2	Levon Grandjambe
Gr. 3	
Gr. 4	Honor L'Hommecourt
Gr. 5	Darius Willier
Gr. 6	Alex Gullickson
Gr. 7	Braiden House-Huppie
Gr. 8	Emmett McIsaac
Gr. 9	Patience Grandjambe

Honesty

We must allow truth to be our guide. We must first be honest with ourselves. This will allow us to be honest with others. We must give full value to both the efforts of our own and others. When we walk through life with integrity, it is then that we know honesty.

Perfect Attendance for the month of April



K5		
Gr. 1	Montaevyn Faichney Mila Fitzpatrick	
Gr. 2	Tyanna Faichney Levon Grandjambe	Tasio Shott Maddix McClure
Gr. 3		
Gr. 4	Montrey Faichney Honor L'Hommecourt	Samuel Quinn
Gr. 5	Maddox Donofrio Perla Langdon	
Gr. 6		
Gr. 7	Hayden Faichney Matayah Grandjambe	Adele Shott
Gr. 8		
Gr. 9		



Cree and Dene Awards

CREE AWARD	
DIV 1	HUNTER STANLEY
DIV 2	ELIZA HOWE
DIV 3	PATRICK HAMELIN

DENE AWARD	
DIV 1	RYLAN L'HOMMECOURT
DIV 2	LAYLA SEAFINCHIN
DIV 3	ACE LACORDE



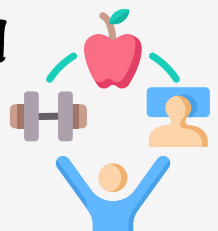
Sneaky Slipper Award Grade 4



Golden Garbage Can Award Grade K5

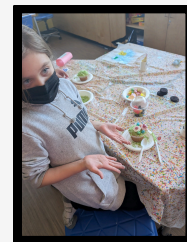


Healthy Habits Award Grade 8



EASTER FUN

HOPPY EASTER

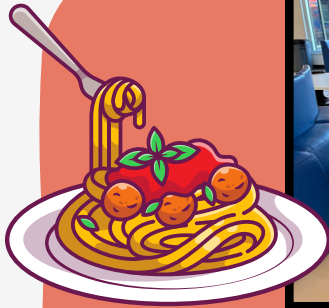


Easter
Egg Hunt

Students had a blast this spring celebrating Easter with a variety of fun classroom activities, including a favorite—cupcake decorating! They got creative with frosting and sprinkles, turning each treat into a festive masterpiece. Adding to the excitement, Capital Projects surprised students with a cheerful Easter egg hunt in the Library, where colorful eggs and big smiles filled the room. From games and crafts to sweet treats and surprises, it was a joyful and memorable way to welcome the season.



SPAGHETTI/ MOVIE NIGHT



We recently hosted a fun-filled spaghetti and movie night as a fundraiser for the upcoming Grade 7-9 trip to Montreal. Families and students enjoyed a delicious pasta dinner followed by a screening of Dog Man, which brought lots of laughs and smiles. It was a wonderful evening of community support and excitement as we get closer to this memorable adventure!



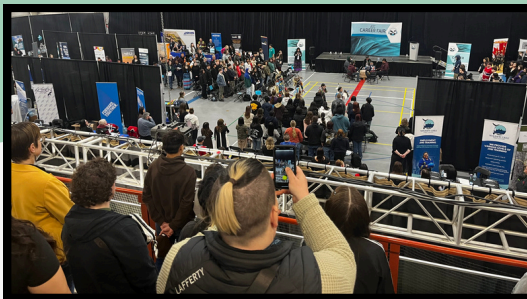
GRADE NINE ATTENDS THE ATC CAREER FAIR

JOB
FAIR

Our grade nine students had an exciting opportunity to attend the ATC Career Fair in town, where they explored a variety of job options and career pathways, while learning about different educational opportunities. They had the chance to connect with several companies and gain valuable insights into potential careers. The event culminated with an inspiring speech from Carey Price, who shared how sports and youth involvement can play a huge role in building confidence and resilience. Afterward, the students were able to meet him and take photos. A special congratulations goes to Abby, who was lucky enough to win one of the main prizes!



"Try and enjoy every moment that you get. Even the hard ones."
Carey Price



Success is not just about winning, but about pushing yourself to be the best version of yourself.

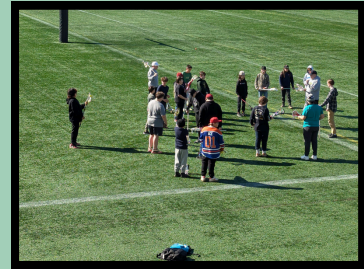
Carey Price



GRADE 7 INDIGENOUS HEALTH CONFERENCE



Grade 7 students had the opportunity to participate in an Indigenous Health Conference, where they engaged in a variety of meaningful activities. Students were able to sign up for different sessions that focused on wellness, culture, and community, making for a rich and engaging experience. It was a valuable day of learning, connection, and hands-on participation.



SPRING INTO ACTION!





BADMINTON CLUB



During the month of April, the badminton club met regularly to practice and develop their skills in the sport. Student athletes paired up to play boys' doubles, girls' doubles, and mixed doubles. They learned proper etiquette, scoring, and leadership skills throughout the sessions.

On April 26, Sahaiya, Aurora B., and Liam competed in Fort McMurray against other elementary students. They represented Elsie Fabian School with pride and demonstrated exceptional sportsmanship. Congratulations.

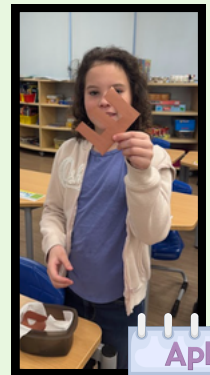


EFS STUDENTS AND STAFF AROUND THE SCHOOL BEING AWESOME



The Cree class has been learning about responsibility and life cycles by caring for chicken and duck eggs this spring. Students have had the exciting opportunity to candle the eggs, observing the growing embryos and tracking their development day by day.

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allamcorper sit amet
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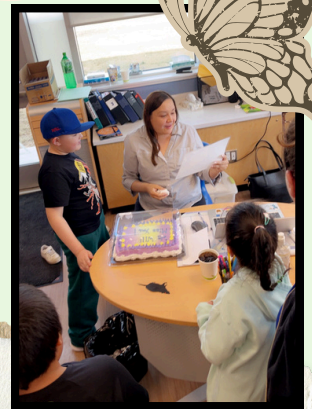
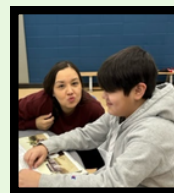
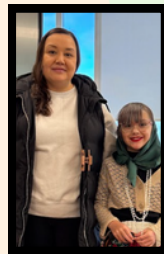
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to galleries or concert halls. In the design of everyday objects, artistic principles shape the world we live in, and this underscores the importance of art in our lives. Whether it's the intricate details of a painting or the rhythm of a well-composed song, art is immeasurable, yet it often struggles to find the support it deserves. Many artists face financial instability, which is frequently vulnerable to budget cuts. The resilience of the artist is a testament to the importance of creativity, which is driven by a passion that transcends the boundaries of the visible world.



WE WILL MISS YOU MS. SIMONE!



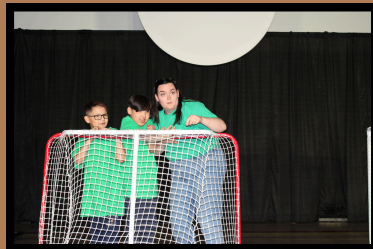
We Miss You



WE ARE INCREDIBLY SAD TO SAY GOODBYE TO SUCH AN AMAZING TEACHER WHO HAS MADE A LASTING IMPACT ON OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY. YOUR KINDNESS, DEDICATION, AND PASSION HAVE TOUCHED SO MANY LIVES, AND WHILE WE'LL MISS YOU DEARLY, WE WISH YOU ALL THE VERY BEST IN YOUR NEW JOB AND THE EXCITING JOURNEY AHEAD.



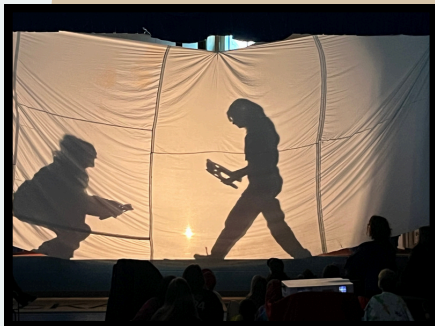
TRICKSTER THEATRE



THIS MONTH WE WELCOMED TRICKSTER THEATRE TO OUR SCHOOL FOR A FULL WEEK RESIDENCY. DURING THIS WEEK, EACH CLASS FROM GRADE KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 6 PARTICIPATED IN A CLASSROOM SKIT WHICH FOCUSED ON THE SACRED LAND OF MOOSE LAKE. THE STUDENTS PORTRAYED HOW IMPORTANT THE LAND AND WATER OF MOOSE LAKE SUSTAIN US AND HOW WE STRIVE TO KEEP THAT LAND SAFE. IT WAS A WONDERFUL WAY TO BRING STUDENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR COMMUNITY.



TRICKSTER THEATRE



LEARNING OUR CREE & DENE LANGUAGE TOGETHER!

Tansi! Edlanet'e! April

At Elsie Fabian School, we're dedicated to fostering a learning environment where students connect deeply with both Dene and Cree language. Each month, we introduce new words in Dene and Cree to help students build a strong foundation in these languages, and we encourage you to practice these words together at home as a family.

Take a few moments to practice these words with your children. It's a wonderful way to honor our traditions and foster respect for language and culture, both inside and outside of school.



THIS MONTH'S WORDS:

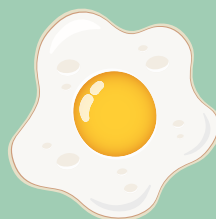
FROG MOON - AYĪKI-PĪSIM

OPENING IN ICE CAUSED BY MELTING - TATTH'I

RABBIT - GAH

RABBIT - WĀPOSO

EGG - WĀWA



THIS MONTH IN LAND BASED!

Tansi! Edlanet'e!

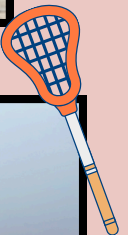
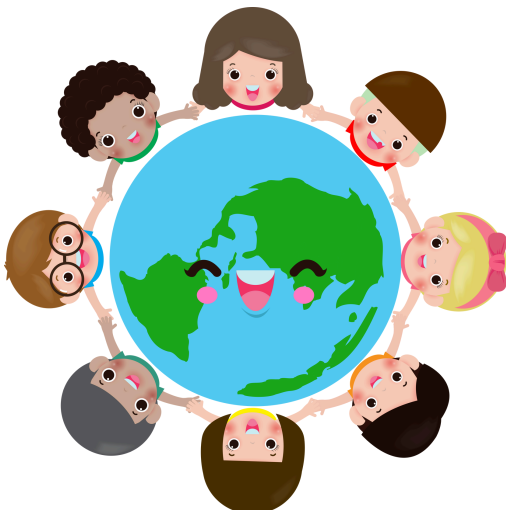
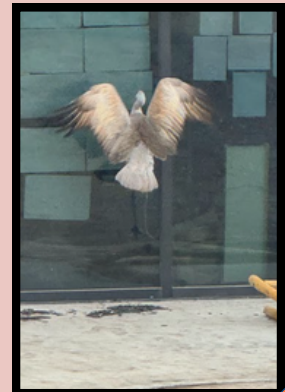
April

This past month in Land-Based Learning, we celebrated Earth Day by spending time outdoors, appreciating nature, and helping clean up around our beautiful school grounds. One of the highlights was discovering that three sandhill cranes have chosen to nest near our building! The students have been excited to observe them from a distance, and we've had meaningful conversations about respecting wildlife and giving these magnificent birds the safe, quiet space they need to raise their young.

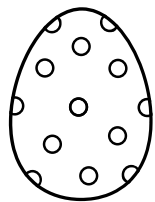


"We're lucky to share space with a few sandhill cranes nesting near the land base — this one even stopped by the window to say hello."

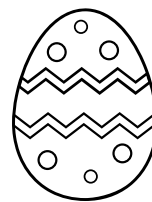
EARTH DAY
everyday



HOPPY Easter

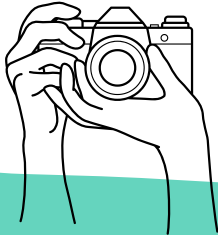


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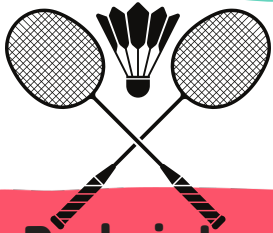


SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AT EFS

Daily in-school & Extracurricular Activities



Photography Club



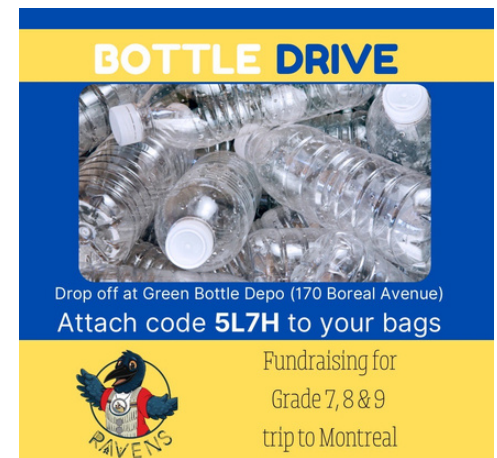
Badminton



Basketball



Check it Out



Upcoming School Activities in May...

- Oral Health Week!
- Mothers Day Tea - May 12th
- MMIW Walk
- Walk for diabetes - May 21st
- Grade 7-9 Montreal Trip - May 19-25th
- FMFN Education Celebration - May 28th



Check out the May Calendar for details on upcoming school activities..

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
Sunday	Monday	Tue.Sday	Wedne.Sday	ThursDay	Friday	Saturday
				1 Day 1	2	3
					NO SCHOOL	
4	5 School Assembly Day 2 & Red dress Walk 2pm WEAR RED Final meeting for Parents & Students for Montreal Trip 4-5pm Jr. Chief & Council meeting	6 Day 1	7 Day 2	8 Day 1	9 Day 2	10
Staff Appreciation Week 			Safe Space 3:15-4:15pm Photography Club 3:15-4:15pm	Swimming Gr 3/4	Grade 9 school tour Gr 5 Field Trip to Mac Island	
11	12 Day 1	13 Day 2	14 Day 1	15 Day 2	16	17
	Mother's Day Tea @ 2:15pm Jr. Chief & Council meeting	Huskies Basketball visit (PM)	Safe Space 3:15-4:15pm Photography Club 3:15-4:15pm	Swimming Gr 3/4	NO SCHOOL	
18	19	20 Day 1	21 Day 2	22 Day 1	23 Day 2	24
	NO SCHOOL		Diabetes Walk @ 10am Photography Club 3:15-4:15pm	K5 open house 10:30-12pm Swimming Gr 3/4 TCOA @ Keyano 7pm		
25	26 Day 1	27 Day 2	28 Day 1	29 Day 2	30 Day 1	31
Children's Oral Healthcare May 26-30th 	 Jr. Chief & Council meeting		Fort McKay Education Celebration Doors open @ 5:30pm Photography Club 3:15-4:15pm Safe Space 3:15-4:15pm	 Swimming Gr 3/4	 School Assembly 2:25pm	

LUNCH MENU

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2025

Sunday	Monday	Tue.Sday	Wedne.Sday	ThursDay	Friday	Saturday
				1 Day 1	2	3
				Hashbrowns, bacon & scrambled eggs Beef stew & bannock 	NO SCHOOL	
4	5 Day 2	6 Day 1	7 Day 2	8 Day 1	9 Day 2	10
	Cereal, fruit cups & yogurt Chicken Strips, fries & corn 	Scramble eggs, hashbrowns & bacon Soft tacos, mexi fries w/cheese 	Muffins, fresh fruit & yogurt tubes Sweet/Sour chicken, rice & egg rolls	Pancakes & sausages Shepherd's Pie & croissants	Bacon, eggs, & hashbrowns BBQ ribs, rice & carrots 	
11	12 Day 1	13 Day 2	14 Day 1	15 Day 2	16	17
	Cereal, fresh fruit & cheese Chicken wings, fries/gravy & carrots	Pancakes & bacon Hamburger helper & hashbrowns 	Muffins, yogurt & fresh fruit Shake n bake chicken, Mash potatoes & corn	Fried/Boiled eggs, sausage & hashbrowns Hamburger Soup & grilled cheese 	NO SCHOOL	
18	19	20 Day 1	21 Day 2	22 Day 1	23 Day 2	24
	NO SCHOOL	Cereal, yogurt tubes, cheese & fruit cup Chicken Fajitas & mexi fries	Scramble /boiled eggs, hash browns & bacon Ham, perogies & carrots	Muffins, fruit cup & yogurt Pork chops, mash potatoes & corn 	Breakfast scramble & hashbrown patties Spaghetti & garlic toast	
25	26 Day 1	27 Day 2	28 Day 1	29 Day 2	30 Day 1	31
	Cereal, fresh fruit & yogurt Chicken burger, fries & mixed veggies 	Scramble eggs, hashbrown patties & bacon Meatballs/gravy, mash potatoes & mixed veggies	Muffins, fresh fruit & cheese Sweet & sour chicken, rice & egg rolls	Pancakes & sausage Pizza Bagels & veggie stix	Fried/boiled eggs, bacon & hashbrowns Pasta bake, salad & garlic toast	



PARENT REMINDERS

SCHOOL CLOUD

Parents should have received a link to create a School Cloud account during the first week of school. Once you create an account, you will be able to view your child's academic progress, lates or absences. Please check your Spam folder if you have not received the link. For more information on School Cloud please visit the link below:

<https://sites.google.com/fortmckayededucation.ca/schoolcloud/home>



REMIND/CLASS DOJO

Parents may receive a link from their child's teacher to opt in to the Remind text messaging program or Class Dojo program. This allows your child's teacher to communicate with you. These great communication tools can keep you up-to-date on what is happening in your classroom, and at school. For more information, see the links below:

<https://www.remind.com/>

<https://www.classdojo.com/>



ABSENCES, LATES OR LEAVING EARLY

Please call the front office if your child will be late, absent or has to leave early to excuse them. If your child is absent and not excused, staff will begin making phone calls at 9:00 am to inquire about their whereabouts.

If you need to pick up your child early from school, or drop off something to them, please go to the front office to sign in and wait for your child. While we want parents to visit the school, it must be during appropriate times. We must ensure that visitors do not disrupt the learning environment. If you need to see your child during the school day, the front office will call their classrooms and they will come down to meet you and be released.

ELSIE FABIAN SCHOOL BELL TIMES

8:15 AM Students begin to arrive
8:30 AM Classes begin
10:08 AM to 10:18 AM Body break
10:18 AM Classes begin
11:56 AM to 12:16 PM Lunch
12:16 PM to 12:38 PM Body break
12:38 PM Classes begin
2:16 PM to 2:26 PM Body break
2:26 PM Classes begin
3:15 PM Classes end - Home time

2024/25 School Calendar

Elsie Fabian School 2024-2025 Calendar

August 2024	September 2024	October 2024	November 2024
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First and Last Day for Staff
First and Last Day for Students
Stats/School Breaks - No School
Professional Learning Fridays No School
Non-Operational Day - No School
ATA Convention-No School

2024-2025 Important Dates:

Sept. 3	First Day for Students
Dec. 23 - Jan. 5	Christmas Break
Feb 24 - Feb 26	Non-op Day No school
Apr. 15 - Apr. 21	Easter
June 25	Last Day for Students



Merci Cho
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