


E.C.S. Newsletter June 2018



Wow, June will be here soon! We are looking forward to a busy fun-filled last few weeks of school and kindergarten graduation on Thursday, June 14th! Information about graduation will be coming home soon.

Thank-you so much to everyone who helped with our Spring Tea. It was wonderful to see moms, grandparents and other relatives including kindergarten families and friends come for the afternoon to enjoy the kindergarten students' songs, poem and gifts.

In May, we finished learning about the alphabet and letter sounds with the letters V, Z and X. During May, we also had lots of fun with our plant theme which included growing our own pea plant which hopefully will continue to grow at home. We learned that when seeds germinate, the roots are the first to grow (they are white and there is a lot of them in the dirt), then the stem, then the leaves and finally the flower. Through this activity we learned that not all living things grow in the same way and they do not germinate at the same time. We also learned that plants need soil, water (but not too much and not too little) and sunlight to germinate and grow.

As part of our oceans theme, we had our "Ocean Adventure" field trip with Marine Life Education at West Edmonton Mall. During our morning adventure, we fed sea turtles, met a penguin, watched a sea lion show, viewed ocean creatures in large tanks and had the opportunity to touch tidal pool creatures. We had a wonderful time at the Leduc Pool in the afternoon.

On our village tour on May 31 to learn about our community helpers we will visit many businesses/organizations in Hay Lakes. We will find out how the community helpers contribute to our community.

Our themes for June will be Summer and Kindergarten Graduation. In June, the current kindergarten students will have a chance to visit the Grade One classroom to meet the Grade One teacher and see what Grade One is like.

We will be building birdhouses with our Dads (or brothers, grandpas, uncles or other special person) on Tuesday evening June 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the elementary hallway. Please send/bring with you a small hammer suitable for your child to

use and some pliers to hold nails (they are tiny finishing nails) with while your child hammers.

Borrowing books from the school library is coming to an end for this year. Please return all library books by our last library day on Tuesday, May 29th. If your child has any overdue books, I will send home a note in his/her communication journal. If you can't find the missing library book(s), please contact Mrs. Yurkosky at the school 780-878-3368. Our kindergarten home reading program ends on Thursday, May 31st. Please make sure your child brings their home reading bag, with all reading sheets and books to school on Thursday. Their bookmark is theirs to keep!

Milk will be available until the end of the kindergarten year. Milk cards can be used next year so don't worry if your child has not used their card(s) up by the end of kindergarten. If you wish, should your child's card get used up before the end of the year, you can send a \$1 per milk each day if instead of sending \$10 for a card.

If you haven't done so already, please fill out next year's registration form and return it in your child's communication journal to me by the end of kindergarten if possible. This allows planning for next year! Please call me if you have any questions about your child's progress, graduation, registration forms etc.

Thank-you for sharing your child with me year this year!

Mrs. Wrubleski

Reminder Dates

May 29 - Last library day - return all books

May 31 - Community Helpers Field Trip/School Wide Photo End of Home Reading Program

June 5 - Birdhouse Building 6:00 p.m. in hallway outside ECS room

June 7 - Early dismissal at 2

June 13 – Pizza Day

June 14 - Last Day of Kindergarten

Hay Lakes ECS Graduation 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.