

Spruce Home Public School Newsletter



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	Soup Lunch - free	Grade 5-8 Fishing at Anglin Lake	5 Kindergarten	6	Kindergarten Ribbon Skirt/Ribbon Shirt Day SCC Movie Night doors open at 7pm	8
9	10 Kindergarten	11	Kindergarten Spaghetti Lunch \$5	13 Wapiti Ski Trip (gr 5-8)	No Classes Teacher's Convention	15
16	Kindergarten Green Day Coop Gift Card Fundraiser begins	Boston Pizza notes due	19 Kindergarten	Grade 7/8 Band Music Festival SCC Meeting 6:30 in the library	Kindergarten Boston Pizza Lunch SCC Spring Dance	22
23	Kindergarten Coop Gift Card Fundraiser ends	25	26 Kindergarten	Student Progress Conferences 3:10-8:10	28	29
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Administrator's Message

Dear Spruce Home Public School Families,

Spring is just around the corner, and as we step into March, there's lots to look forward to at Spruce Home Public School! This month brings exciting learning opportunities and fun activities for all students.

Student Learning, Report Cards, and Conferences

Teachers have completed assessments and report cards were sent home on February 7. We encourage families to review them together, celebrate successes, and set new learning goals for the remainder of the school year. Student progress conferences will be scheduled for Thursday, March 27 to discuss student progress, so watch Edsby for your time to sign up in the first week of March.

Exciting Events This Month

- March 7- SRPSD Ribbon Skirt/Shirt Day- wear your Ribbon Skirts/Ribbon Shirts to school on this day.
- March 14- Teacher's Convention- no classes for students.
- March 17-26- Coop gift card fundraiser
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day []: Wear green to school and join in some fun classroom activities!
- March 21 International Day to End Racial Discrimination: We encourage anti-racism and racial equality, in all areas of life, including in the workplace, schools, and communities, and promote policies and initiatives that support these values.

March 27- Student Progress Conference Night from 3:10-8:10

Looking Ahead

As we move into the final months of the school year, we encourage students to stay focused, keep a positive mindset, and continue working toward their goals. Thank you to our amazing school community for your ongoing support and involvement in making Spruce Home Public School a place where students can thrive. Wishing you all a wonderful March!











Kindergarten News

Happy March! It's amazing that we are already nearing the end of winter. We are leaning into the spring in Kindergarten and will be learning about the life cycle of a seed and what is needed to grow plants. Thanks to a grant from Little Sprouts with Ag in Saskatchewan, we have added a grow light setup to our classroom!

We have also set up a veterinary clinic and will be learning more about caring for animals. Of course, we are continuing to practice our letters and how to blend and segment words. Practicing the letter sounds at home is a great way to support your child with learning to read. And of course, reading to your child is not only great for connection, it has been shown to have a huge impact on their reading abilities too! Enjoy the warm weather!

Grade 1/2/3 News

Hi Spruce Home Families! In Grade 1/2/3 this past month we have been learning about storytelling. We have been learning about oral storytelling and have tied that to a new concept called 'story workshop' which allows students to create and build a story using various items known as 'loose parts' (buttons, clothes pins, playdoh, etc.) to create a story and characters on a foam mat. Then the students draw their story and represent it on paper, and the final step is writing text – this varies based on each student's writing ability. This is pretty new for our Grade 1s, so it starts with the student sounding out a few words to label the parts of their picture and then moving to writing sentences. The Grade 2/3s are very familiar with this activity therefore, the expectation for each grade increases as their skill level develops. Students will be writing full sentences with appropriate detail and adding more content to make their sentences longer and fuller. Grade 3s will also use adjectives and verbs to add more details and length to their sentences. In Grade 1 math, we have reviewed 1 more, 2 more, 1 less, and 2 less than a given number from 70-100. We have also been learning about addition and writing addition equations, and making 10. In grade 2 Math, we wrapped up double-digit subtraction with borrowing/regrouping and recently finished the repeating pattern unit.

Grade 3/4 News

In February, the grade 3/4 class made instruments to learn about sound in Science. We have been learning about the Medicine Wheel and First Nations agriculture in Social Studies. We have been practicing our writing skills by learning about the parts of a sentence and we are all enjoying reading the books we take from our library. For Valentine's Day, we made heart pictures using watercolour paint and we made snow covered houses using oil pastels and paint. Our class enjoyed the Howl in the Snow Fest, especially the storytellers and hot chocolate. It has been fun to play outside in the snow at recess. By: Scarlette, Jackson, Bradley, Heidi, Cassia, Lennix, Dejah and Mykinley



Grade 7/8 News

The 7/8 students have worked tremendously well throughout February. With the arrival of spring, we have started badminton. Additionally, several completed assignments will be highlighted in the following paragraphs. In E.L.A., the 7/8 students have completed several assignments, focusing primarily on mythology. Some of their completed projects include:

Heracles – Cast of characters, summary, discussion, and poster.

Perseus and Medusa - Discussion and writing.

Most recently, student leaders have been working on their final mythology assignments: the *Pandora's Box* worksheet and the *EPBL* project. In the *Pandora's Box* EPBL project, students will create a video showcasing ten items and explaining how each one relates to real-world problems. However, before starting the video, they must first complete the worksheet. In Social Studies, student leaders recently presented to their peers to promote awareness and foster a more thoughtful environment. Given one week to prepare, students were divided into groups, each responsible for presenting to a class. Their presentations included a video and an overview of a lifelong skill to help build and maintain friendships. As a reward for their efforts, they received a sweet treat.

In gym, the 7/8 students recently completed a unit on curling and had the opportunity to play Omnikin ball—a newly introduced and enjoyable sport. With the change in season, they have also started badminton, where they are learning court positions, serving techniques, and strategic play. Additionally, Spruce Home School has formed a badminton team, with over half the class joining. Practices have begun, though game times are yet to be determined.

In summary, February was a busy month filled with completing unfinished assignments, working on mythology, and engaging in new activities—an unsurprisingly eventful month, as always.

Written by Tayen

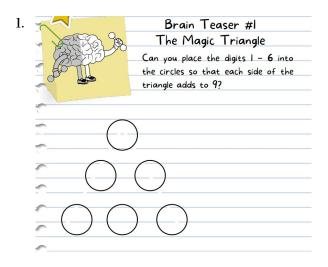
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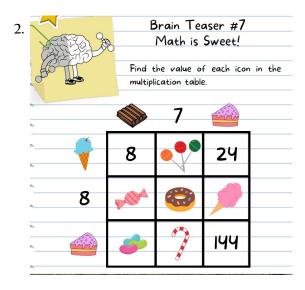
The SLC would like to thank everyone for supporting Telemiracle 49 throughout February. The grand total raised was \$400. Thank you for supporting our Telemiracle fundraising and Helping Hands.

On March 17th we will be celebrating Green Day.

Family Math Challenge

March Questions











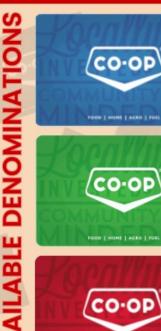


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