



## **Mundare School - January 2019**

A school of dignity and respect

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### **Principal's Message**

Happy New Year! I trust that the holidays provided everyone with plenty of time for family and friends. December was such a wonderful month at our school, culminating in our annual Christmas concert, and students participating in a Christmas themed STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) activities. I would like to thank Mrs. Moroz and her team of elves who worked diligently with the students to allow them to shine on our school stage. Special thanks to all of the families who came forward with canned goods for the Food Bank. This is a great way to pay it forward. On behalf of the Food Bank, thank you Mundare Families for your continued support and kindness.

Welcome back to school and to familiar routines. Getting everyone back into routine takes a bit of time. Our next school advisory will meet on Monday January 21. All parents are welcome to attend. I am thankful to be working with such dedicated parents who come forward each month to share their time and insights on a variety of school-based issues. Enjoy the longer days. It is amazing how that little bit of extra sunlight can improve our mood.

Have a great January!

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## **student news**

### **Dragon Athletics**

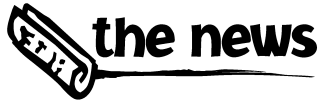
Congratulations to the students who made the Junior Basketball team this year.

On the boy's team: Liam, Niko, Aiden, Richmond, Wyatt, Austin, Kevin, Cooper, Owen, Teagan, Olekci, Nolan, Emery & Jakob.

On the girl's team: Rebecca, Mya, Piper, Toni, Tara, Cally, Sadie, Shyanne, Annya, Brooklyn, Viola, Abby, Preya, & Amber.

Please see the Mundare school calendar for the most up-to-date information on home games and come out to support our athletes! Go Dragons!

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## **Returning Student Registration for 2019-20**

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will once again conduct an online returning student registration process to confirm student registrations for the 2019-20 school year. Families of all returning students will need to complete this process to confirm the school their children will attend for the 2019-20 school year, and to request to attend a non-designated school, if applicable. Returning student registration will take place at the same time as all registrations for the 2019-20 school year: **Feb. 1-28, 2019**.

Access to the Returning Student Registration Form is provided through the PowerSchool Parent Portal. If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you will need to set one up **before Feb. 1, 2019**. Please call the school and we will gladly create an account for you.

## **Accountability Survey**

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey. In January, parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 will receive a survey from Alberta Education. In February, students in these grades will also complete a student version of the survey at school. All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with the school. The survey is available in a variety of languages, as well.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly. Survey results will be available to school authorities in May 2019, and will be reported publicly as part of 3 Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports. Details about the survey and the results are available online at:

<http://www.education.alberta.ca/accountability>

## **EIPS 2019-20 Division Calendar: Now available!**

The official 2019-20 EIPS calendar is now available online. The calendar includes important dates during the 2019-20 school such as school-closure days; breaks; the first and last day of classes; professional learning days; and early dismissal days. Highlights from the 2019-20 EIPS calendar include:

- September 3 First day of classes (after long weekend)
- November 11-15 November break
- December 23 to January 3 Christmas break
- January 31 Second semester begins
- February 6-7 Teachers' Convention
- March 30 to April 3 Spring break
- June 26 Last day of classes
- June 29 Schools close for the Summer break

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To view the 2019-20 calendar, visit [www.eips.ca](http://www.eips.ca). Also available online: the current school calendar and the 2020-21 calendar. Did you know you can sync the Division calendar to your own personal calendar? You can. Simply, visit [www.eips.ca/calendar](http://www.eips.ca/calendar) and click on "subscribe to calendar." It's that easy.

## **Kindergarten Registration Starts Soon!**

Is your child turning five on or before Dec. 31, 2019? If so, it's almost time to register for kindergarten. Kindergarten registration opens for the 2019-20 school year on **Feb. 1, 2019**. Details are available at [www.eips.ca/registration/kindergarten](http://www.eips.ca/registration/kindergarten). To help families prepare, Elk Island Public Schools has put together an online toolkit—available at [www.eips.ca/kindergarten](http://www.eips.ca/kindergarten)—to make the transition as smooth as possible. The kit includes information on registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, how to find your designated school, transportation and more. Additional information regarding kindergarten can be found on our school website at [www.mundareschool.ca](http://www.mundareschool.ca).

## **Another way to stay connected: Follow EIPS on Twitter and Facebook**

With 42 schools and close to 17,150 students there's a wealth of events, activities and stories taking place across the Division every day. You can find these stories and more by following Elk Island Public Schools on both [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Each use the combination of news articles, videos and photograph that showcases the latest news, updates, events and alerts taking place across the Division. Plus, if you're a member of an EIPS school community and want to share in the storytelling, simply tag the Division using the hashtag #EIPS.Stay in the loop, follow EIPS on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)

*NOTE: The Division Facebook and Twitter accounts are managed by EIPS Communications Services. The account is updated and monitored intermittently during regular office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. The Division welcomes feedback and ideas from followers but does ask everyone interacting on the EIPS Facebook page to be respectful. Personal attacks and offensive language will not be allowed and may be deleted.*

## **Inclement Weather**

With the winter season well underway, we want to remind parents to dress children appropriately for the weather when getting ready for school or the bus. The weather often changes unexpectedly throughout the day, so please select suitable outerwear and ensure your child is prepared for changing conditions.

If inclement weather conditions occur, Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will advise parents of any bus cancellations using various communications tools including: automated-telephone messages, alerts posted on [www.eips.ca](http://www.eips.ca) and school websites, Twitter, Facebook, local radio stations, and on Versatrans My Stop. Decisions regarding bus cancellations are guided by EIPS administrative procedures that states: "school bus service may be suspended when...Environment Canada reports a temperature of -40 C." Other reasons for suspending or delaying school bus services include adverse weather and poor road condition.

When school bus services are suspended, schools will remain open to students. EIPS believes parents have the right and responsibility to make choices for their children based on their beliefs and perceptions of safety during times of inclement weather. For more information, contact EIPS Student Transportation at 780-417-8151.

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# January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Classes resume ECS Day	8 PALS Day	9 PALS Day Early dismissal @ 2:35	10 ECS Day EIPS basketball tournament	11 PALS Day Gr 1-2 skate @1:00 EIPS basketball tournament	12 EIPS basketball tournament
13	14 ECS Day	15 PALS Day	16 ECS Day Gr 3-4 skate @ 1:50	17 ECS Day Basketball game- home	18 PALS Day	19
20	21 ECS Day Hot lunch orders due SAC meeting @ 6:00	22 PALS Day Basketball game (Lamont) Gr 5-6 skate @ 12:50	23 PALS Day Gr 5-6 skate @ 12:50 Gr 3-4 skate @ 1:50	24 ECS Day	25 PALS Day- FOP	26
27	28 ECS Day	29 PALS Day	30 ECS Day Gr 3-4 skate @ 1:50	31 ECS Day Basketball game- home Semester 2 begins		

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