



2022

EATON CLIPPINGS

2021-2022 School Year Upcoming Events

April	14	Gr. 10-12 Report Cards
April	15-22	Easter Holidays
May	9	No School PD Day
May	23	No School Victoria Day
June	11	Grad 2022
June	13	No School PD Day
June	23-28	June Exams
June	29	PD Day No School
June	30	K-12 Report Cards

A Big Thank You to the Eaton SCC for buying the staff supper during interviews.
It was greatly appreciated!





Eaton School is taking registrations for next year's Kindergarten class beginning in the Fall of 2022. To be eligible, a child must be at least five years old before December 31, 2022. To register your child, please use the following link:

<https://permission.click/1K5JV/ca>

We require copies of your child's Birth Certificate or proof of Legal Guardianship, Saskatchewan Health Card, and Proof of Residency (Home Address). Please bring copies of these or the originals for us to make a copy to the Main Office or scan and email to eaton@sunwestsd.ca.

Information regarding a date to "Meet the Kindergarten Teacher" will be sent to registered parents/guardians near the end of this school year.

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL

MAY 26TH @ 7:00 P.M.

THERE WILL BE ANGEL FOOD CAKE AND STRAWBERRIES

MONEY RAISED GOES TOWARD THE BAND

EVERYONE WELCOME!



**EACH FAMILY WITH STUDENTS FROM
GRADE 5-12 ARE TO BRING 1 ANGEL FOOD CAKE PER FAMILY.**

GET YOUR SPARTAN GEAR!



Eaton School has set up an online store with Supreme Source for Sports in Kindersley. Spartans can log on to the link below to shop for Spartan hoodies, shirts, sweats, shorts and hats with the 3 logos above! The store will be open for the month of April so don't delay; get yours today!

<https://eatonschool.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>

SHOW YOUR SPARTAN PRIDE!

COURSE REGISTRATION 2022-2023

Grades 9/10/11

Students in Grades 9, 10 & 11 will be registering for classes for next school year (2022-2023).

Mrs. King will be meeting with students to discuss options and graduation requirements. Registration forms will be emailed to parents in April. Please be sure to check your email.

If you have any questions, you are more than welcome to contact the office at (306) 967-2536.

EATON SCHOOL



CLASS REGISTRATION

Sun West Student Leadership Conference:

Dig For Your Dreams

April 8, 2022 - Virtual

Student leaders from across Sun West School Division are planning a Student Leadership Conference which will take place virtually on April 8th. Grades 7-12 students are invited to attend. Please discuss details with your Principal and/or SLT Advisor.

Highlights:

Keynote Speaker – Robb Nash

Presenter – Claire Hanna

Presenter – Terrance Littlelent

Fun Goose Chase Activity led by TSC
Youth Consultation Presentation
and much more!






Hey Grade 12s!

It's that time of year when you should be thinking about Scholarship & Bursary Applications!

There are a number of local scholarships and bursaries offered annually and presented at the Eaton School Colour Night Awards Ceremony. This year's ceremony will be held Monday, June 20th.

Most applications are due in April and May. Be sure to speak with Mr. Hoult to get the Scholarship & Bursary Package and submit your applications on time.



ROADS TO SUCCESS Career Fair
For all Sun West Grades 10, 11, and 12 Students
April 29th, 2022 - Virtual
Sun West Student Leaders and Career Development LEAD Teachers are planning for our upcoming ROADS TO SUCCESS Career Fair. This will be a 'virtual' experience with keynote speakers, post-secondary presentations, a variety of breakout-sessions as well as some skill-building opportunities. Please inquire with your Career Development Teacher for details.



ANNUAL EATON GRAD BOTTLE DRIVE

MAY 4TH AND 5TH
(Farms) (Town)

**Support our 2022 Grads and
donate your bottles!**

Please leave bottles out that day in a visible location so
students can pick them up.

Thank you for your support!

May 4th - Farms

May 5th - Town

Start time for both
days:

3:30 PM

Accepting cans,
bottles, cartons,
etc.

Help make Eaton
Grad 2022 a
success!

CONTACT EATON
SCHOOL TO ARRANGE
PICK UP!

306-967-2536



GRADE 5/6 ORANGE-A-PALOOZA FUNDRAISER FOR THEIR FIELD TRIP IN JUNE. PLEASE RETURN FORMS BY WEDNESDAY APRIL 13TH.

ORANGE-A PALOOZA!

Grade 5/6 is looking to raise money for our year-end trip in June. As a result, we are selling floats & grilled cheese sandwiches on **Monday, April 25th, 2022**. Please mark your name, grade, and number of sandwiches below. Only one float per person. Please have forms back by **Wednesday, April 13th, 2022**. For multiple children please use one form per family. Grilled Cheese is \$2 each. Orange Float \$3 each.



Total Cost:

Name: _____ Gr. _____

of Grill Cheese
Orange Float: _____

Name: _____ Gr. _____

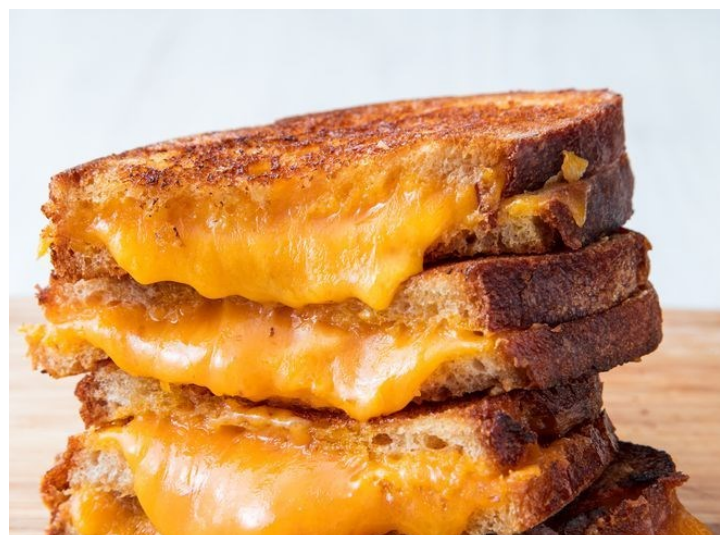
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Thank You



Earlier this year, Nutrien Eatonia office presented Eaton School with a \$3000 donation which was used to purchase 2 waste containers for the playground and the Spartan Outdoor Space, as well as an AED with both adult and children's pads to be housed in the gym.

Thank you so much to the Eatonia Nutrien Team for making it possible for our school to protect both our environment and our school community!





Thank you to Robin Busby and her mother, Wanda for the generous donation of fabric!

The many, many squares and larger pieces of fabric will be put to good use in our PAA classes.



PAA!! BEST CLASS EVER!!

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What a treat for the Kindergarten class when Drew came to read a great story and then gave the book to the class as a gift! You are an awesome reader, Drew!

Spartan Alum Tamara Aldridge and her husband David Johnson dropped in during their visit home to tour Eaton School. The present and future Spartans would like to say THANK YOU to them for their generous donation to be put towards enriching students' experience and continuing to build our school culture.



THANK YOU! *thank you!*



Kindergarten

We have been busy learning about Community and Community Helpers!
We also learned how to indoor curl this month!



Gr. 1/2

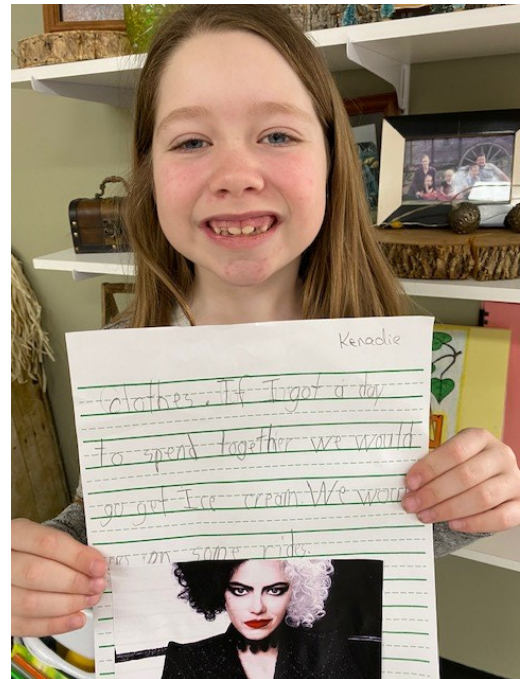
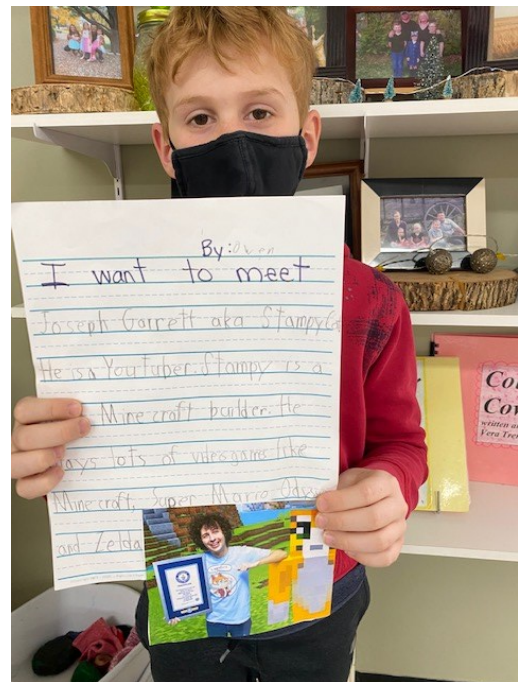
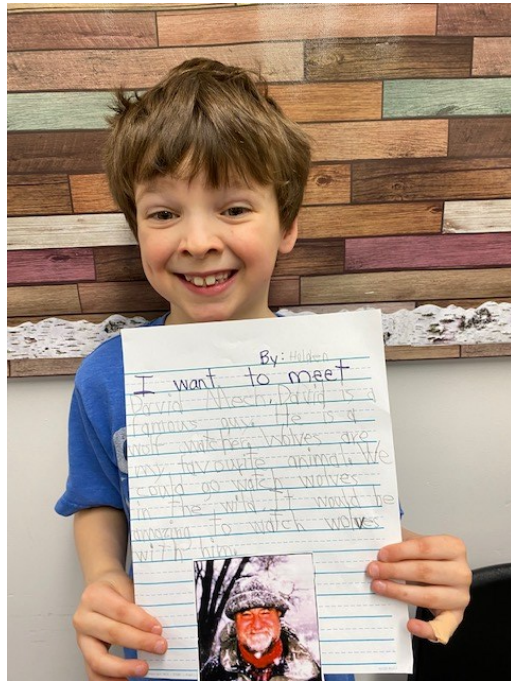
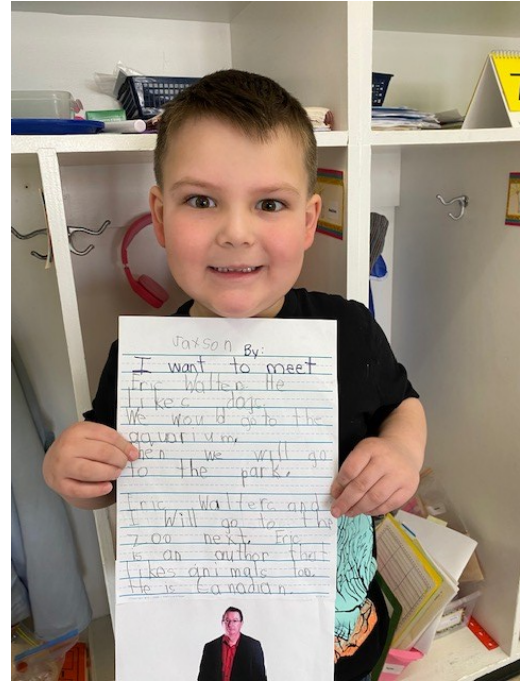
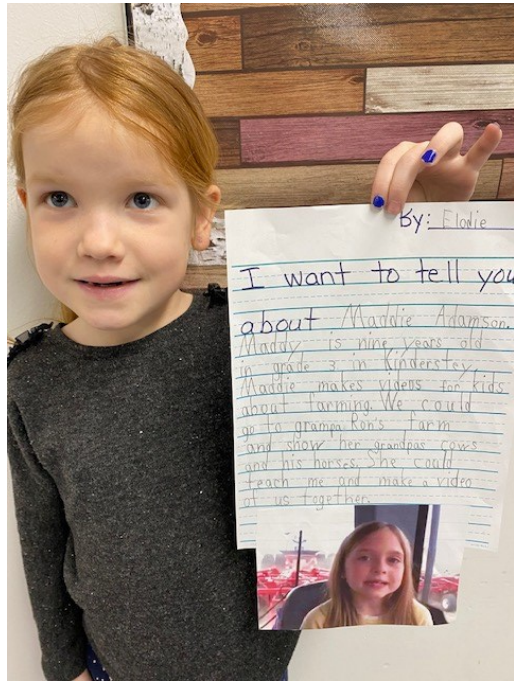
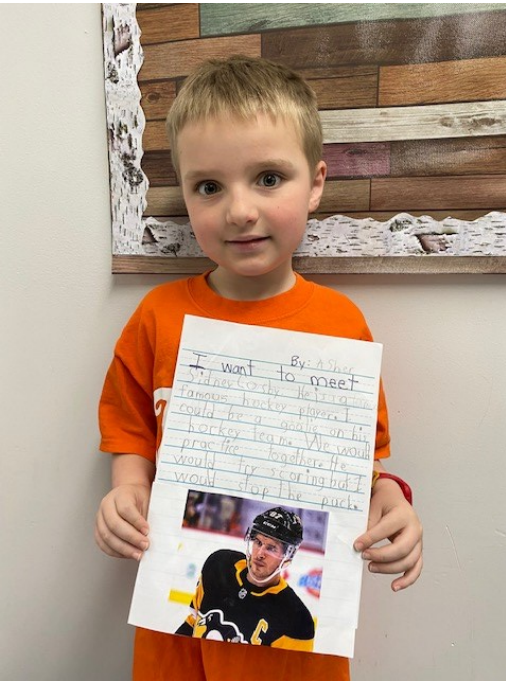
Grade 1 & 2 have been busy welcoming the Spring Vibes. They created bunny chains to share with the school. Students prepared exciting writings on who they would like to meet or who they would like to talk about. Everyone had something interesting to share about their person!



Gr. 1/2



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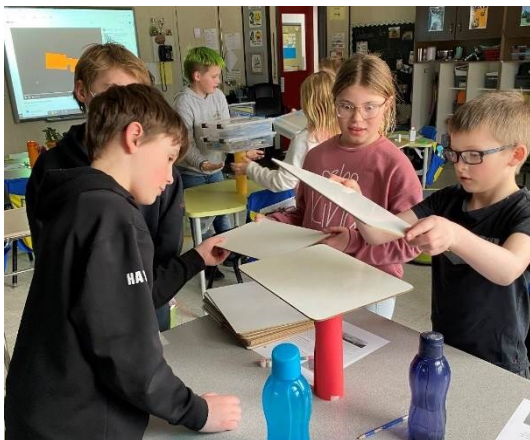
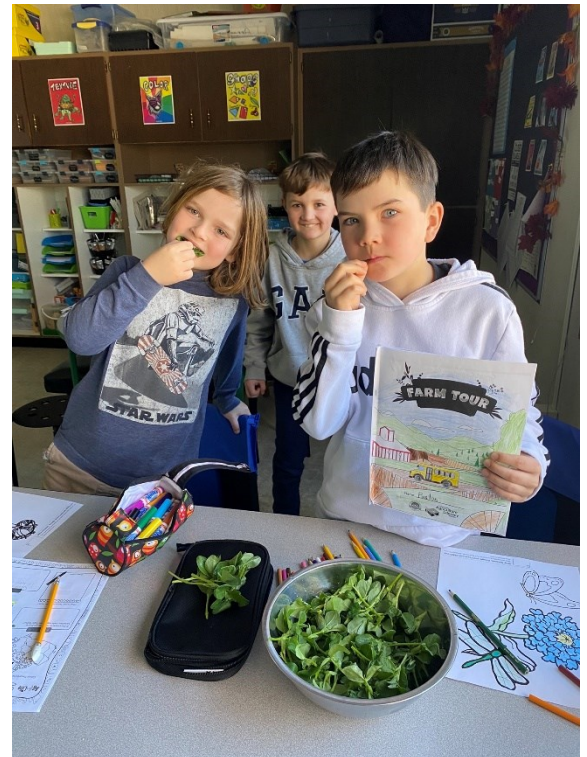


Gr. 1/2

Thanks to Mr. Becker for showing us the basics in curling! The rocks & rings were perfect for our age level.



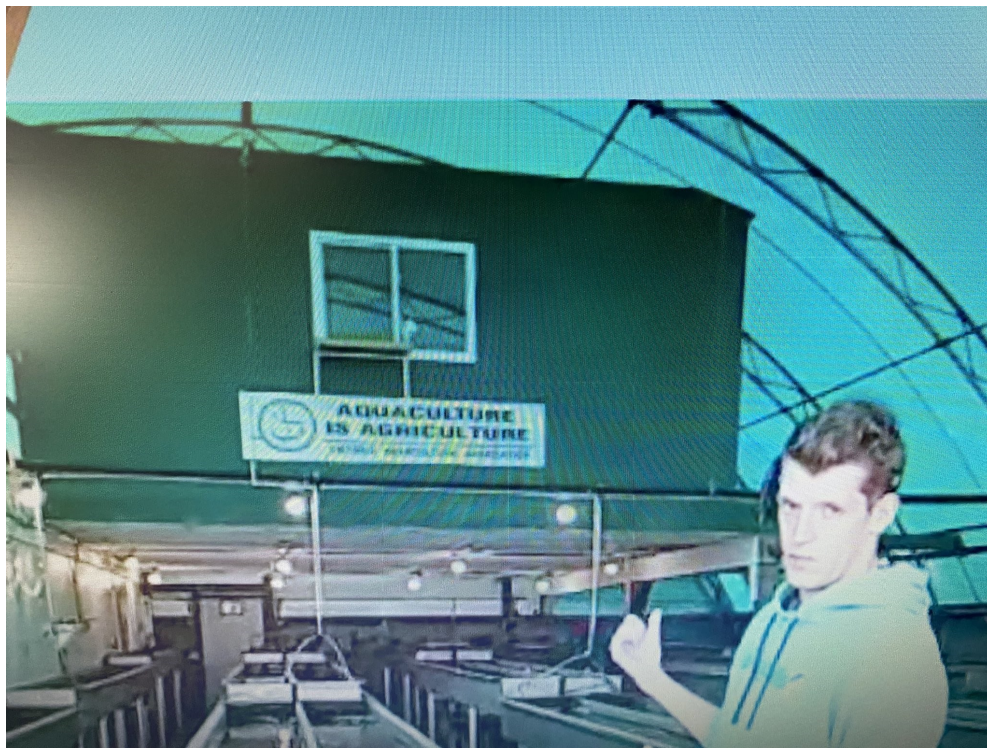
Gr. 3/4



Grade 3/4 have been participating in Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month. We have done various virtual farm tours around Saskatchewan. We've learned about sugar beets, vermicomposting, egg farms, and many more.

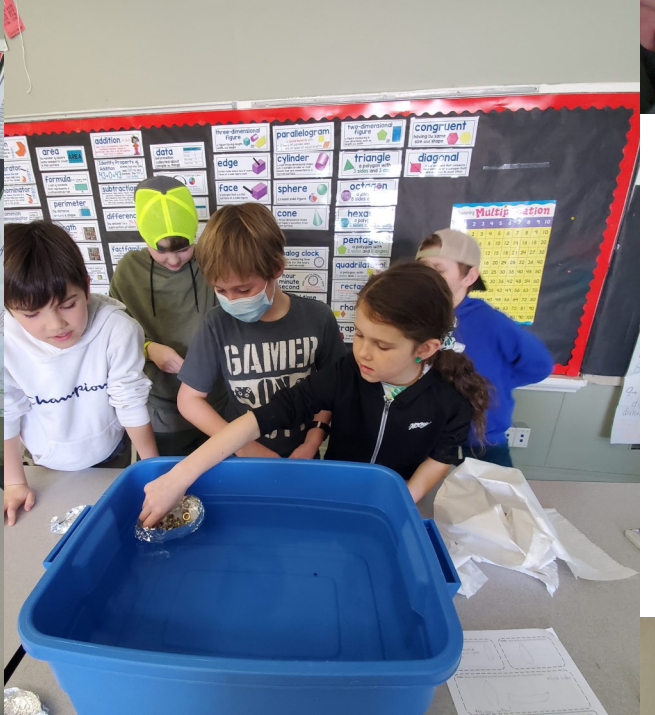
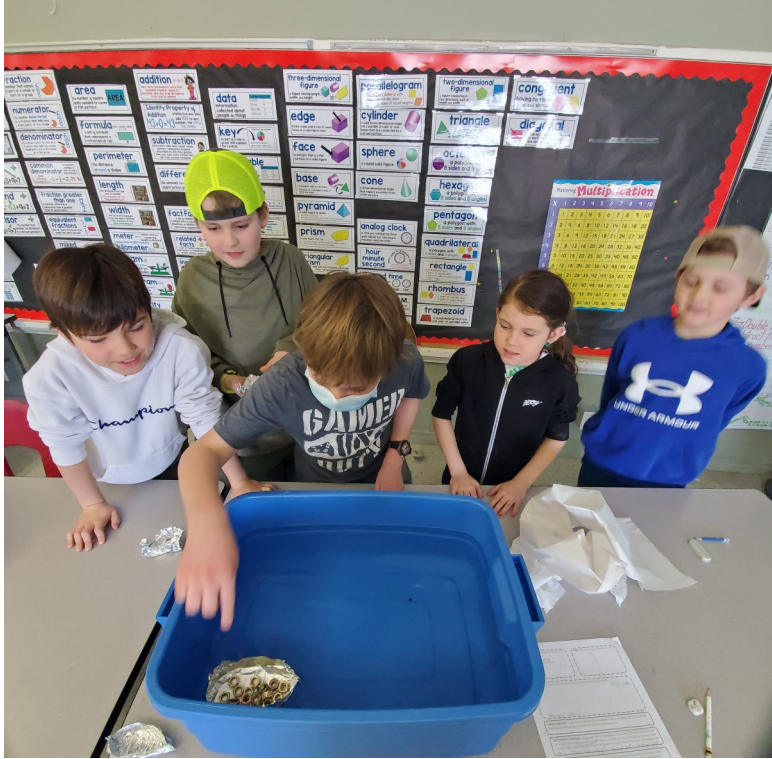
We've also been growing microgreens, vegetables, and building structures to support what we are learning in science.

Gr. 3/4



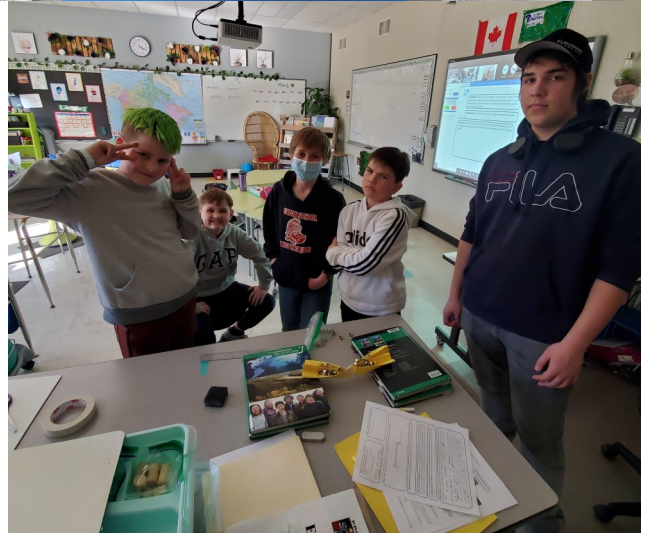
Check this out! Today gr. 3/4 learned about aquaculture farming. Thank you for sharing your knowledge with us! Such a neat type of Canadian Agriculture!





Grade 4 Science Olympians in Training

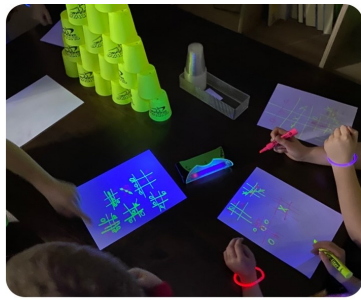
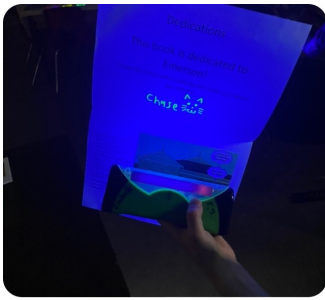
This group of 5 Spartan Scientists: Brendan, Grace, Jensen, Paxton and Hayden, along with their Coach Artur, meet online on Tuesdays with other groups from Sun West Schools to solve science challenges, use their 21C skills, and have fun all while training for the Sun West Science Olympics coming in May/June!



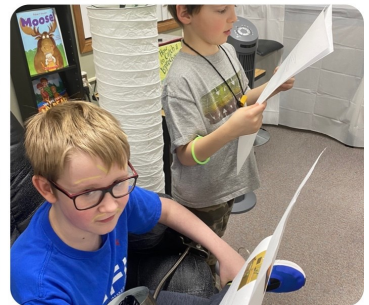
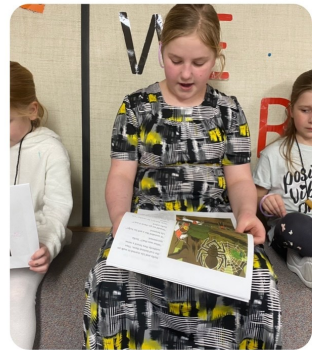
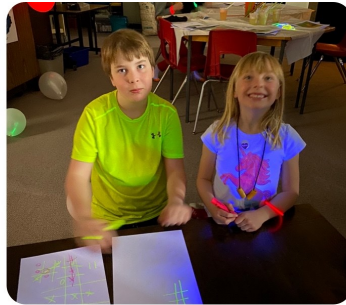
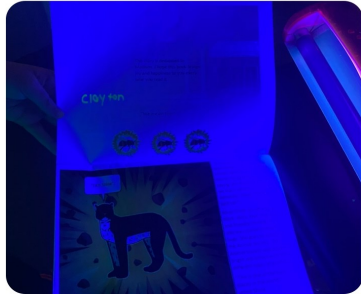
Gr.5/6

Glow Day! Our 5/6 authors developed books for our grade 1/2 friends. They tailored these books to each grade 1/2 and problems they may have encountered. We celebrated their amazing picture books with a [#glow](#) party!! Thank you Mrs. Follensbee and Grade 1/2 for celebrating our wellness books. Seeing student collaboration made my heart glow!!





Gr.5/6





Save the Date!! May 13, 2022

Time TBD

EATON SCHOOL DRAMA
PRESENTS

*15 Reasons Not To Be
In a Play*

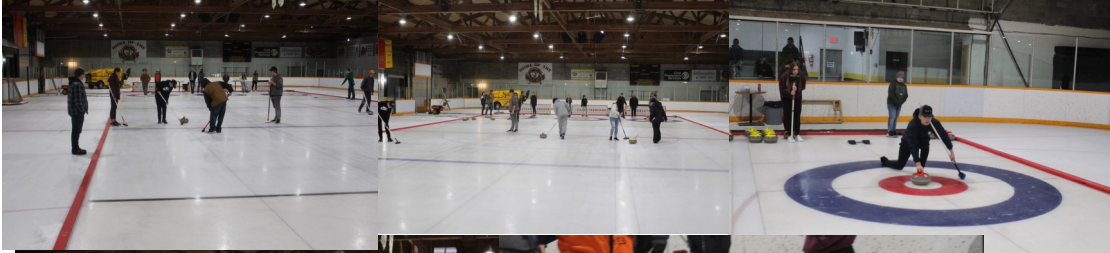
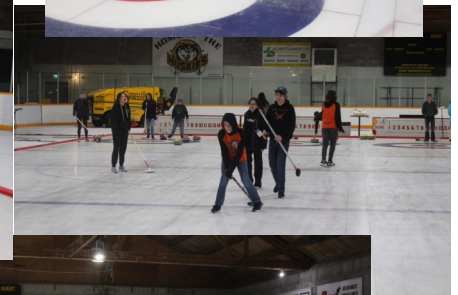
By Alan Haehnel

LIVE PERFORMANCE IS BACK!

WATCH FOR DETAILS IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!

THE SPARTAN SPIEL!

Curling was a blast! Gr 3-12 phys ed classes headed down to the rink to learn some new skills, while K/1/2 students learned how to curl using the Rocks and Rings kit. Thank you so much to Brett Becker for teaching our students how to throw a rock, sweep and the rules of the game. Eaton School appreciates the efforts of those who prepared the curling ice and the Rec Board for allowing us to use the ice. Thank you, as well, to the EOL for loaning us the Rocks and Rings. Students are already looking forward to next March to do it again!





Eaton Senior Band Clinics at University of Regina—Mar 17 & 18



The Senior Band clinics with the U of R Music Department was an incredible learning experience for the Spartans!

Ms Whitell and the 19 Spartans from grades 9-12 who make up the senior band made the trip to Regina to take part in clinics and masterclasses at the University of Regina with Acting Department Head, Music Department Associate Professor and Director of Bands—Mr. Brent Ghiglione. Mr. Ghiglione brought new perspective to the students and director, Ms. Whitell. Semi-professional musicians who are members of the U of R Music Program collaborated with our students and offered skills, tips and tricks to take our Eaton musicians to the next level! Our students also learned to adapt and make different musical decisions.

A Special THANK YOU to Mr. Ghiglione and the students for working with small groups of instruments and the band as a whole! The students got so much out of this experience and had a great deal of positive feedback upon reflection.

The Band would also like to thank the Eaton Band Parents' Association for sponsoring this trip (including transportation, accommodation, meals, and activities)! Thank you to Kevin Butt for driving the bus and to Candi Connolly for coming along as chaperone.







CALLING ALL EATON BAND ALUMNI!!

Ms. Whitell, our current Band Director, will be entering a Marching Band in the Eatonia Centennial Parade held on Saturday, July 2nd.

While our band will have current band students playing, we would LOVE to have Alumni join us in playing a classic song (maybe "Louie, Louie"?) as we follow the parade route from Eaton School to 6th Ave then down Main Street and back to the school.

If you are interested in dusting off your instrument, or perhaps borrowing one from the school, to join the Marching Band, please contact Diedra Whitell!

(306) 967-2536 or diedra.whitell@sunwestsd.ca



EATON SRC

Eaton School's Student Representative Council (SRC) has had a busy month!

On March 15th, we kicked off our St. Patrick's Day celebrations with a delicious green ice cream float sale and a Green Spirit Day! We offered a taco in a bag hot lunch on March 25th and it was a big success!

Keep an eye out for our upcoming events in April, including a basket draw for both the elementary and high school on April 13th with plenty of great prizes (tickets will be sold in the high school and elementary lobby from April 5th to the 8th)! Pastel Day is also on the 13th, so get your Easter spirit on!

We're looking forward to seeing all of the school spirit in the coming months!

Sincerely,

Eaton School SRC



EATON SCHOOL SRC'S

Easter Basket



COME FIND US IN THE LOBBIES
SELLING TICKETS ON...

APRIL 5TH, 2022

APRIL 6TH, 2022

APRIL 7TH, 2022

COME GET YOUR TICKETS FOR AN
EASTER BASKET! THE MORE
TICKETS YOU BUY, THE HIGHER THE
CHANCES TO WIN!

TICKETS WILL BE \$2.00 EACH!*

TICKET DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON

APRIL 13TH, 2022

STAY TUNED TO SEE IF YOU WON A
BASKET!

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL LOCAL
BUSINESSES WHO DONATED TO THE
BASKETS!

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO SUPPORT STARS

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- Parent support and turn-out at Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences in March (15th & 16th) was incredible. A whopping 97% of our parents/guardians attended conferences in person or communicated via phone which is so reflective of the positive relations and teamwork in support of our students' learning.
- Eaton has welcomed 3 new students this month and anticipate the arrival of 2 more in April, bringing our school population up to 129 students.
- A number of students have already registered for Kindergarten next school year (2022-2023). Be sure to register your child if you have not already done so.
- The Senior Band (Gr 9-12) trip to the U of R was a success. Students had lots of positive feedback!
- The Senior Girls Basketball Team had a great season, advancing to Conferences and then to Regional Playoffs which was the furthest the Spartans have gone in a few years. The Pep Rally to cheer them on was so fun! Great job, Spartans!
- Badminton players have already been practicing and participating in league play. We have both a Junior (12-15 players) and a Senior team (8 players).
- The Game of Life was a resounding success! If you haven't yet seen the video posted on Country 104/ West Central online, check it out! <https://bit.ly/3wIKboj>
- There was a great response from students to the SRC activities held this month: Green Day, Shamrock Shakes sale and the Taco-in-a-bag Hot Lunch!
- The Drama Club has selected their play, decided upon roles, are learning lines and doing read-throughs in preparation for their upcoming performance.
- Eaton GSA continues to meet regularly. The GSA has worked with Miss Radies to create a book display in the library.
- Science Olympic Training is going well. We have a keen and excited group of 5 Grade 4 students who are fully engaged in training!
- Spartans were fortunate to be able to curl in all phys ed classes from K-12.
- Students have been fortunate to be able to have guests join us in person for a number of different presentations. These include: Darryl Elaschuk, Brett Becker, Patrick Pelletier, with more presentations in the works for the rest of the school year!
- Eaton School has been working really hard on our 3 school goals: academics, mental health and engagement and we are seeing the benefits of that work!

Eaton SCC Spring



B I N G O				
14	30	41	53	74
4	28	35	57	68
10	23	FREE SPACE	46	75
8	16	43	48	70
12	27	39	56	66

myfreebingocards.com

Thursday, April 28th

6:30 - 7:30 pm

Back by popular demand!

Eaton School Community Council (SCC)

will be hosting a

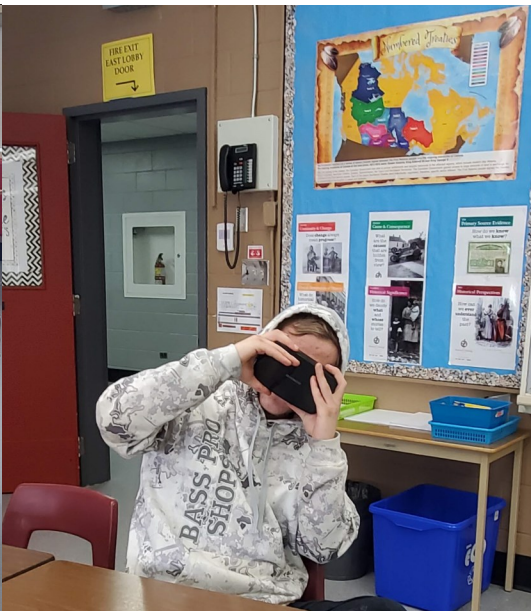
BINGO

for our students, families and members of Eatonia community and surrounding area.

More details to come so keep an eye out!

Join the **fun** and get your **chance to BINGO!**

Mr. Korchinski arranged for Mr. Doug Klassen, Sun West Technology Coach, to bring VR (Virtual Reality) goggles to Eaton. Students were able to take tours of a German Concentration Camp (English 30), a tour of the town and Battlefield of Ypres (History 20), and a tour of the Palace of Versailles (History 10). This was an opportunity for them to go beyond the walls of the classroom and to get a different perspective on history.



2022

Spring Order Form

Questions: Trisha Lee 460-8387

Orders Due: April 30

Online orders: cantonbandassociation.growingSmilesfundraising.com



35
12" Premium Hanging Baskets
Our improved flower mixes are sure to be a big hit! These hanging baskets can be exposed to full sun with the best flowering and trailing plants. There are a variety of mixes/colours.



35
12" Premium Patio Planters
All planters include an assortment of our top performing plant collections. Planters can be exposed to full sun areas. Perfect for creating a spring patio or backyard paradise.



45
12" Rose Patio Planters
Introducing the popular patio and garden rose! This perennial will add colour year after year. Please note that colours cannot be selected. May receive light pink, dark pink, white, or yellow.



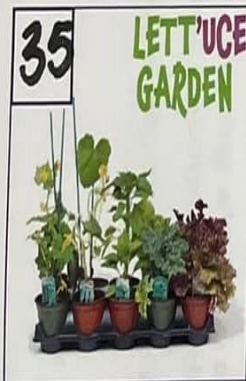
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11" Strawberry Basket
A kid favourite! Enjoy fresh strawberries all summer long. Ever bearing strawberries with different coloured blossoms in white or pink. Beautiful and delicious!



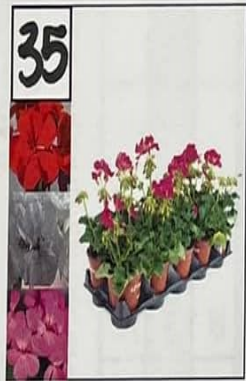
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10-pack 4" Succulents
Fast-growing in popularity, succulents are versatile & low maintenance. Ideal as house decor and gifts! This 10-pack offers excellent variety and textures from the echeveria, sedum, sedeveria and senecio families. Duplicates & substitutes may occur.



35 **LETT'UCE GARDEN**
10-pack 4" Herbs
An assortment of our finest herbs! Varieties include:
-Basil (Sweet) -Mint Mojito
-Basil (Thai) -Peppermint
-Thyme -Oregano
-Chives Onion -Parsley
-Chives Garlic -Rosemary
Duplicates & substitutes may occur.



35 **LETT'UCE GARDEN**
10-pack 4" Veggies
Grow your own food this year in a garden or planter box! Varieties include:
-Tomatoes x 4 -Cucumber
-Zucchini -Peppers x 2
-Kale -Romaine
Duplicates & substitutes may occur.



35
10-pack 4" Zonal Geraniums
These easy to grow bedding plants add vibrant colour to your garden. Resistant to pests such as deer/rabbits.
Colours: Red, White, Pink
Cannot mix & match colours in a flat



35 **wave PETUNIAS**
10-pack 4" Wave Petunias
The popular cascading Wave petunias bring eye-catching colour to gardens, planter boxes and hanging baskets.
Colours: Purple, White, Pink
Cannot mix & match colours in a flat



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10-pack 4" Marigolds
Marigolds add a pop of colour and brightness to enjoy all season. Excellent companion plants for many vegetables!
Colours: Orange



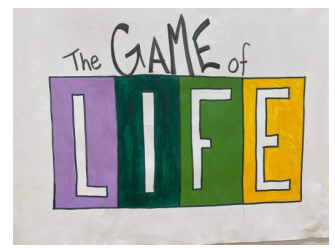
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Premium Soil 30 L
A bag of organic potting soil, perfect for filling containers. This hearty mix helps plants grow to their full potential. Enriched with: compost, kelp, fish meal, peat moss, glacial rock dust, & rice hulls.



Fertilizer Shaker 1.8 kg
Enhance your garden with an easy to use fertilizer shaker. Made with organic granular kelp this blend is great for both flowers and veggies.

Plant Pick-up: May 17

Eaton Spartans take on...



Eaton School held its Second Bi-Annual Reality Check – Game of Life event on March 2.

Inspired by the popular board game of the same name, in the Game of Life, students in Grades 9-12 were all given a chance to see some of the financial decisions and responsibilities that come with being a working adult. View this fun video about the Game of Life. <https://www.westcentralonline.com/articles/watch-eaton-school-hosts-the-game-of-life>

The students all selected a potential future career and then were given a beginning or average salary for that career. After figuring out a monthly net salary (and getting to witness how much of your pay cheque the government gets) students were then tasked with planning a monthly budget and deciding how to spend their salary.

Students had to find a housing option, a vehicle option, purchase insurance, put money in savings, visit a financial advisor, pay for taxes and utilities and buy fuel, food, clothing, phone, internet and so forth.

They even encountered some life surprises where you could have an unexpected windfall – like some birthday money or more commonly, an unexpected expense – like a speeding ticket.

What made this event especially enriching for the students is that they not only had to chart their expenses on paper but also had to visit booths where business and community representatives talked with the students about their choices, the consequences of that choice and why they need to make certain financial decisions. The students had some fantastic conversations with community members about their financial choices and ramifications of those choices.

The afternoon was very successful. The students were very engaged in the process of making some adult financial decisions.

Eaton School would like to thank the many people and businesses that were able to help us with the day:

- Lindsay Larock, Kimberley Somerville-Becker, Nicole Perry and Amelia Knuttila from the Eaton School Community Council, who provided workers in several booths.
- Amanda Stevens with Prairie Centre Credit Union.
- Steven Schwartz with Kindersley Mainline Motor Products.
- Kristen Somerville with G-Mac's AgTeam.
- Lisa Presler with Realty.
- Kristina Lothammer with Eatonia Agencies.
- Jenna Blaire and Bonnie Adams of Eatonia Co-op Grocery and Kindersley and District Co-op.
- Eatonia Co-op Gas and Hardware.





Eaton Spartans Senior Girls 2021-2022

Grade 12s: Abrie “Hustle” Hayes, Madison “Sink ‘em” Somerville, Haley “Triple Threat “ Tumbach

Grade 11s: Kylee “Keep ‘em out” Price, Kenzie “3 Point” Punter, Gracie “Rebound” Rauch, Dani “Stealer” Stallmann

Grade 10s: Brooklyn “The Badger” Hagan

Grade 9s: Brynn “Long Arm-Swish” Watts, Addisyn “Defense” Connolly, Mikayla “Fast Feet” Fensom, Peyton “Playmaker” Foster

Coaches: Elana “No Fouls!” Somerville & Cora “Steal It!” Laich

Manager: Lisa “Forgot the Jerseys” King

The Spartans Senior Girls had a great basketball season this year! The team of 9 girls from Eatonia and Leader came together at the end of November. This has been an awesome collaboration for our two schools! Then later in the season, some of the Eaton Grade 9s joined us so we had a few more bodies on the bench! The girls were passionate about the game, developed their skills and teamwork, and had so much fun! We can’t say enough about our coaches! Elana and Cora are true Spartans who love basketball and coaching. They showed their Spartan Spirit at every practice, game and tournament through dedication and encouragement.

The Team played in tournaments at Biggar, Kindersley, Rosetown, and Maidstone. The first highlight of the season was hosting our home tournament on February 5th. It was great to play in front of a home town crowd! The second highlight came when the girls won all three games in Maidstone, making them Tournament Champions! At the end of the season, Spartans had a 13 and 5 record heading into Conferences at Herbert on March 12th—the 3rd highlight of the season! A win over the host team Herbert and a loss to Davidson saw the Spartans advancing to Regional Playoffs in Moose Jaw the next weekend—highlight #4! Probably the most memorable moment of the year was when Mrs. King forgot the jerseys for Regionals! The girls were champs and pretty good about letting her off the hook. They even wore the old yellow Cornerstone jerseys with Spartan Pride! Being ranked 14th in the province, Eaton was set to play Moose Jaw Cornerstone Christian School (3rd). The girls played a great game, but came up short. The next morning, they played Macklin in a nail-biter that saw the score seesaw back and forth at the end of each quarter. Unfortunately, Macklin edged Eatonia out, bringing the season to an end. The 5th and final highlight would have to be that the Team had such a successful season and advanced as far as Regionals for the first time in several years.

The Team has many people to thank. First, to Elana and Cora—Thank you for such a memorable season! To Kenny—We appreciate that you drove the team to all our games and tournaments and put up with the teasing. To our parents for their support throughout the season—Thank you! To our fans for their support and cheering us on whether it was from the stands or watching a livestreamed game—Go Spartans! Thank you to the Raise the Roof Committee, Sam Somerville and Myrtle Somerville for their donations to help with the costs of going to Regionals. We can’t forget a shoutout to Randi Somerville and Nutrien Ag Eatonia for donating new jerseys so that we looked sharp every time we hit the court! The Spartan Sr Girls Team would also like to thank Kim Punter for donating one of her fabulous minky quilts! We appreciate the support of everyone who bought tickets on the Quilt Raffle! Congratulations to Teana Hayes, the lucky winner! To everyone, your support and generosity are so greatly appreciated!

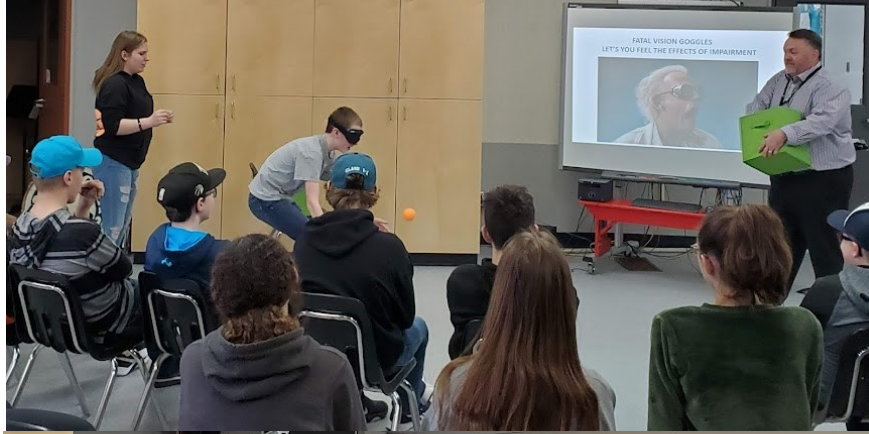


Thank you, Girls,
for making it a season to remember!



Darryl Elaschuk has been spending some of his days at Eaton the past few months. As one of the Sun West Addictions Educators Duo, Darryl shared the annual Talk To Youth Live (TTYL) presentation with Gr 8 students. Topics covered Mental Health, Addictions, Impairment, Choices & Consequences, and Practical Ways to Maintain Mental Health. He has also provided some important information and discussed vaping, energy drinks, screen time, and social media with the Gr 7s, 8s and 9s. And we don't want to forget the drug awareness education he provided the Gr 5/6 class. He is involved in the planning and organizing of the P.A.R.T.Y. Program (Prevent Alcohol-Related Trauma in Youth) for Gr 10 students which will be happening May 17th. Thank you, Mr. E!





Patrick Pelletier, the Cannabis Prevention and Engagement Coordinator, was at Eaton this week to talk with Gr 7-12 students. His intent was to allow students to better understand that although cannabis is legal for adults, there are still rules and regulations which everyone must follow. The presentation included a power-point of myths and laws, interactive activities using special goggles which gave students an opportunity to feel what it's like to be impaired by cannabis, and a Question & Answer period. Our students were very attentive, engaged and respectful. Well done, Spartans! And thank you, Patrick, for visiting Eaton and sharing this important information.



**With renovations complete,
the Band Room
is looking pretty sharp!
New flooring on the east half
of the room and
new storage cabinets to keep
everything neat and organized!
A shout out to our Facilities crew
for making a difference!**





BOARD OF EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

The Sun West School Division Board of Education held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 in Rosetown at the Sun West Learning Centre.

- Preliminary data in preparation for the 2022-23 Sun West budget was presented for discussion and questions. This included a breakdown of historical spending, along with the current 2021-22 Budget, where instruction represents 72% of the overall budgeted expenses. Areas of savings were also highlighted in terms of substitute costs and facility operating costs.
- It was reported that Sun West currently has a full complement of specialized Student Support Services staff. This includes full teams of Psychologists, Speech-Language Pathologists and Occupational Therapists. Finding qualified individuals for these positions in rural Saskatchewan has been challenging but Sun West students and families will be well-served now that the Division has been able to fill all these positions.
- It was also reported that Sun West will continue to offer Mental Health First Aid for Adults Who Work With Youth training opportunities for interested staff in the upcoming school year. This program was provided in partnership with the Ministry of Education, Student Supports Branch and the Mental Health Commission of Canada. In past years, Sun West School-based Administrators participated in the training and this year the opportunity was opened up to all staff with 61 staff members completing the training.
- The Board reviewed the Saskatchewan School Boards Association (SSBA) responses to the Curriculum Advisory Committee recommendations for Grades 1-9 Programming. There was particular support for recommendations to increase the emphasis on math.
- As part of the work of the Advocacy Committee, the Board Chair and Vice-Chair will be meeting with the Minister of Advanced Education in Regina on April 4. Among the issues to be discussed is finding ways to address the shortage of specialized teachers in rural Saskatchewan.
- The West Central Municipal Government Committee toured the Sun West Distance Learning Centre in Kenaston on March 24.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for April 26. For more information on the Sun West Board of Education:

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