

At Win Ferguson, We LEAD!



“THE LINK”

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Special Edition

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“The School that SHINES” certainly shone today, with each of our Win Ferguson students and families coming to start a superb year! We were very excited to see all the bright and shiny student faces in the halls of Win Ferguson Elementary, today! Welcome to all our returning families and a special welcome to all our new families!

This special edition of “The Link”, will provide some of the quick information you require for the first few days of school. Our regular newsletter will come out on our website during the second week. Don’t forget to call us or send a note to your child’s teacher, if you have any questions. Have a great year, everyone!



PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF PROCESS

Please remember that all students are to be picked-up and dropped-off at their classroom door. Students will be advised as to which door is their entrance/exit door. (Entrances are also indicated on the yellow maps you got today when you arrived at school.) Students can put this information in their agenda for future reference. We have placed maps at the front doors for those parents who are unsure. PLEASE NOTE: The front doors are not a pick-up/drop-off area, as the congestion is unsafe for our students and visitors. The only exception to this is a late arrival or early pick-up.



BUS LANE IS A DO NOT ENTER ZONE

Please be advised that in the safety interest of all of our WFG students and community, the lane in front of the

school is a DO NOT ENTER ZONE, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Please be respectful of this request.

FIRST EARLY DISMISSAL IS ON SEPTEMBER 6TH!

The first early dismissal is on Wednesday, September 6th, at 1:55 PM. Please ensure you have made child care arrangements for this day.



Our “Meet the Staff” event will be held on Thursday, September 14. Stay tuned for details of the event, which will come out, in our monthly newsletter.

TEACHERS FOR 2017-18

ECS -Mrs. Polukoshko; Class 11 - Mrs. Gillis; Class 12 - Ms. Silveira; Class 13 - Miss Grover; Class 14 - Mrs. Fokema; Class 21 - Mrs. Johnson/Mrs. Lechelt; Class 22 - Mrs. Rooke; Class 23 - Miss Wilson; Class 31 - Mrs. Kupchenko; Class 32 - Mrs. O’Bertos; Class 33 Mrs. de Jong; Class 41 - Ms. Mann/Mr. Smith; Class 45 - Ms. Gray; Class 43 - Miss Emsley; Class 51 - Mrs. Dixon; Class 52 - Mr. Klimaszewski; Class 61 - Ms. MacQuarrie; Class 62 - Ms. Storey; Music - Mrs. Demers; Special Ed./Counsellor - Mrs. Brassard; Assistant Principal - Mr. Hollinshead; Principal - Mr. Sorochan.

CLASSIFIED STAFF FOR 2017-18

Educational Assistants: Ms. Adams, Mrs. Bara, Ms. Birch, Mrs. Crepeau, Mrs. Greatrex, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Harkin, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Ingram, Mrs. King, Mrs. Lavallee, Mrs. Lefebvre, Mrs. Leamon, Ms. Quinn, Mrs. St. Louis, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Woodske Office staff: Mrs. Ewasiw, Mrs. Kereliuk Learning Commons: Ms. Lindsay

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

This is the only time, this year, that you will receive a paper copy of the Win Ferguson newsletter. Our newsletter will continue being paperless. The electronic newsletter will be available on our website at www.winferguson.ca.



AT WIN FERGUSON, WE LEAD!

Win Ferguson Elementary continues implementing The 7 Habits of Effective People throughout our school. Don't be surprised when your kids come home and tell you that they are going to "think win-win" or "be proactive". Check out the 7 Habits, below, and on our website!

- [Habit 1: Be Proactive](#)
- [Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind](#)
- [Habit 3: Put First Things First](#)
- [Habit 4: Think Win-Win - Everyone Can Win](#)
- [Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood](#)
- [Habit 6: Synergize](#)
- [Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw](#)



PARENT PORTAL

All families with students registered in Elk Island Public Schools, are able to login through the Parent Portal of PowerSchool to access student attendance, report cards and pay their school fees.

Check out the video on this link, for instructions on how to access the portal <http://www.eips.ca/powerschool>. If you are having difficulties, please contact the office.



SCHOOL FEES INFORMATION

School Fees, for the 2017-18 calendar year, are as follows:

Field Trip/In school Events Gr. ECS-6	\$41.00
Noon Supervision Fee	\$70.00
Swimming Grade 2	\$65.00



SCHOOL COUNCIL/PTA MEETING NOTICE

Please be advised, the first meetings of School Council/PTA for the 2017-18 school year, will take place on Monday, September 18th, 2017 at 6:45pm. At this time, elections will take place for the positions of Chairperson, Vice-

chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer. Committee members will also be appointed. We encourage you to attend these meetings, as all parents are members of School Council/PTA. We welcome you to join us in these important opportunities for you to influence school decision making.



REVERSE LUNCH

Noon lunch and recess times will continue to be reversed at WFG. Students will go out to play first and then come in to eat. Students will go out to play at 11:28AM until 11:53AM. Students will then come in to eat their lunch until 12:20PM. Classes will resume at 12:22PM. Paid noon hour supervisors provide lunchroom supervision to all students who stay for lunch.



PARENT STUDENT HANDBOOK

The Parent Student Handbook for 2017-18 can be found online at our website, www.winferguson.ca. Please take some time with your child, this week, to review the handbook. It is important that we are all aware of the protocols of the school.



NUT-AWARE SCHOOL ZONE

Win Ferguson Elementary is a nut-aware school. We ask families to refrain from sending nut products to school in lunches, to ensure the safety of all students who may have allergies.



ALLERGIES/MEDICATIONS

If your child has any allergies or is on any medications, please let the school know immediately. Medical forms must be completed, for the school to administer any medication to your child. Please call the office or your child's teacher, so that a plan is in place to meet your child's needs.



PICTURE DAY IS SEPTEMBER 13th!!!

Icon Experience Photography will be taking our school pictures on Wednesday, September 13, 2017. Pictures will be taken outdoors, weather permitting. Parents will receive proofs for their selection shortly after the photography date. Retakes are scheduled for October 19.