

May 2019

## Administrator's Message

May is shaping up to be a great month here at Spitzee Elementary School, but before we look ahead we would first like to take a moment to reflect on the month of April. We would like to extend a huge thank you to all of the families that came out to support the Spitzee Spring Showcase. We were amazed to see the commitment, risk taking and sense of fun that this great opportunity afforded our students.

Moving into May we continue to be focused on learning and growth towards the end of the school year while also gathering data and planning for next year. We want to thank all of those that completed the Accountability Pillar Survey that was put out by Alberta Education . Input received in this survey is vital in helping us plan our next steps in learning here at Spitzee. Please note that if you have any comments or feedback that was not part of the survey we are always available and interested to hear the thoughts and perspectives of all in our school community.

Spring is a time of growth, change and renewal, not only in our yards, but in school as well. Beginning in April and continuing over the next couple months our staff will partner with the staff of Ecole Senator Riley to help our grade 5 students transition to grade 6 in a new and exciting school. Students will take formal tours of Senator Riley during the school day and will have the opportunity to visit the school on their open house night with their family from 6:00pm – 7:00pm on May 22<sup>th</sup>.

Other exciting events coming up include grade 4 and 5 Track and Field. Our athletes will train in a number of events at lunch recess over the course of the month with Ms. Zimmer and Mr. Olmsted. The season will culminate with a track meet at Turner Valley School on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are so excited to get out on the track.

As the weather warms up and the sun comes out we would like to remind everyone of the increased pedestrian traffic on the streets around our school. More and more students are riding their bikes, roller blading and walking to school and this trend will continue over the final months of the school year. Please be understanding that in their excitement students are often not fully aware of their surroundings as they travel to and from school. Also please note that our safety patrols and field supervision are not outside until 8:15am. Parents and families can assist us in keeping all students safe by continuing to abide by all school zone signs, all parking signage at the front and east side of the schools and by using marked crosswalks when crossing the street. We would like to thank you for helping us make sure our students are always safe on their way to and from school.

Yours in Learning,  
Brooke MacNeill and Chase Ellis

Spitzee Elementary



# MAY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Hats on for mental health	2 Volunteer Appreciation 2-2:45 1C to Museum	3 1S to Museum AM 1Z to Museum PM	4
5	6	7 Gr. 5 DARE grad 1-3	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Gr.2 to Science centre School Council 6:30pm	16	17 Non Attendance Day for Students	18
19	20 Victoria Day No School	21	22 6pm open house at Senator Riley for grade 5's	23	24 Grade 5's to Granary road	25
26	27 Health and Wellness day	28	29 Grade 3's to Chinook Honey Farm	30	31 Welcome to Kindergarten 1:30pm Grade 1's to Zoo	



# You are the Key to our Success!! Volunteer Appreciation Afternoon

**Volunteers help to make our school such a great place... and we would like to thank you. Please put Thursday, May 3 from 2:00—2:45pm on your calendar and allow us the opportunity to express our appreciation for all you do!!**

## Hot Lunch

Hard to believe but June hot lunch ordering is here! Ordering will open on May 1st and close on May 30th. The options for our final month of the 2018-2019 school year will be Pizza (6th) and taco in a bag (June 21st). On June 14th - Sports Day, each student will receive 1 hot dog compliments of School Council.

\*\*We are looking for a volunteer to take over coordinating the hot lunch program for the 2019 - 2020 school year. Without a new coordinator the hot lunch program will not run next year. If you might be interested please contact us at [spitzeecouncil@gmail.com](mailto:spitzeecouncil@gmail.com) \*\*

## Council Corner

### Spitzee School Council Corner

Wednesday, April 10th School Council held their second last meeting. We have one last meeting of the year to be held on May 15th at 6:30pm. Come join us for coffee and tea and learn how you can get involved with your child's education next year.

We have some School Council positions coming available for the 2019/2020 School year. So be sure to put your name in at the next meeting or just come to take part in our many discussions.

**School Council is seeking a Hot Lunch Coordinator** to facilitate the planning process with our weekly hot lunch. Hot lunch is much enjoyed by all students, teachers and parents. Without a coordinator our hot lunch program is at risk of not happening for the 2019/20 school year. We will require facilitators/volunteers each Thursday or Friday to prepare and/or pick up. Email [spitzeecouncil@gmail.com](mailto:spitzeecouncil@gmail.com) to receive more information.

Thank you to Jeanette Pentland for her continued commitment as she has been fulfilling the hot lunch coordinator position for three years now. Much gratitude and many many thank yous' from the Spitzee school community, teachers and school council.

Next school year we will be welcoming Ila Nagus our current School Council Co-chair to her new position as School Council Chair. Welcome Ila!! She will be in need of a Co-Chair. Duties are limited and it takes up very little of your time while involving you in your child's education. Inquire about this position by joining in at one of our school council meetings or email us at [spitzeecouncil@gmail.com](mailto:spitzeecouncil@gmail.com)

**Note: Next School Council Meeting will be Wednesday, May 15@6:30**

**Don't Forget...** Join our Facebook page to learn more about our upcoming events and Fundraisers.



# Kindergarten Registration

Parents of prospective Kindergarten students are invited to register their child now for the 2019-2020 school year. Our school division offers high quality learning opportunities that allow each learner to explore, develop and celebrate his/her unique gifts and abilities. Kindergarten students need to be five by the end of December, 2019 to be eligible to attend. For more information or to register, please call 652-2376 or stop in at the school office anytime and see Mrs. Perceval or Mrs. LeRoux for a package.

## **Junior Kindergarten Spots Available for 2019/2020 enrollment**

We do have spots available in our Junior Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 year. Junior Kindergarten students need to be four by the end of DECEMBER 2019 to be eligible to attend. Spitzee School offers high quality learning opportunities that allow each learner to explore, develop and celebrate his/her unique gifts and abilities. Registration forms can be picked up at the school office anytime Please see Mrs. Perceval or Mrs. LeRoux at the office for a package or for additional information

### Dates to Remember

- May 7—Grade 5 Dare Grad 1-3pm
- June 24—Junior Kindergarten Farewell
- June 26—Grade 5 Farewell AM
- June 27 9am Yearend assembly

**Did you know that our good food boxes and fruit bowls are provided for our Students through a grant from the Presidents Choice Children's Charity? Every year our School Council applies for this grant that allows us to provide healthy snacks for anyone who needs a little extra snack to help them have a great day of learning!**



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## ✦Spitzee Fundraiser Make it Night ✦

Please join us! Get a few friends together for an evening out. Tickets are limited so don't hesitate to purchase them soon!

Design a one of a kind sign. All your choices are completely custom- from size, colour, font and of course quote.

No two DIY projects are a like!!

Make-It nights are about enjoying the process of making a DIY project that will either be in your home for years

or make a treasured personal gift for someone. **These signs are created using a transfer and tracing process.** Therefore you can put your own personal touches on it. The actual process is similar to the adult colouring' craze!

<https://makeitnight.ca/products/spitzee-elementary-school-fundraiser-june-13th-7pm>



## Up coming Field Trips



Parents who are wanting to go on fieldtrips with their children must have a current criminal record check (within the past 3 years) on file at the school. If you don't have one please pick up the criminal record check request form at the office. These take at least 2 weeks to be completed so please make sure to leave enough time.

**May 15—Grade 2's to Science Centre**

**May 24—Grade 5's to granary road**

**May 29—Grade 3's to Chinook Honey Farm**

**May 31—Grade 1's to Zoo**

**June 6—Patrol Picnic to Heritage Park**

**June 19—K's to Granary Road**

**June 20—Grade 4's to Heritage Park**

**June 25 Grade 5's to Cobbs Corn Maze**

## STUDENT DRESS CODE

“ Students are expected to dress as if they are going to work. During the warm weather months, we would ask that students do not wear beach clothing ( no bare midriffs, spaghetti straps or muscle shirts)”

As with many of our schools in our division, students are allowed **to wear tank tops and tank dresses**. The expectation is that the strap width is **three fingers** wide. Shorts need to be an appropriate length. Please be aware any student with LONG legs the shorts will appear shorter. Shorts should be no shorter than the length of fingers tips of the student. This works out to be 5 inches.

## Did you Know???

The Last Day of School is **June 27th** with dismissal at 12:10?!!

First day of the new school year will be **Tuesday, September 3, 2019?!**

## Now You Know!