



# The Steffie Scoop

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Chinook's Edge School  
Division #73

April  
2022

## UPCOMING EVENTS

April Dates	
1	Hot Lunch—Tim Horton's (MW Kinder)
5&6	Spring Photos
8	Booster Juice— Breezy Banana (TT Kinder)
15	No School— good Friday
18-22	Spring Break
28	Welcome to Kindergarten Night Deadline to Order May Hot Lunch
29th	Hot Lunch— Subway (MW Kinder)

Spring Photos April 5th & 6th

Pre K, Kinder & Grades 1 - 3

Tuesday, April 5th

Kinder &

Grades 4 - 6

Wednesday, April 6th



### Steffie Reminders

- April can be a very wet and muddy month. **Please remember to send an extra set of clothes** to school with your child.
- Kinder and Pre-K registrations** are now open for the 2022-23 school year.



\*\*Families interested in Pre-K are welcome to call the school for more information.

## RESPECT

### Safe & Caring Message:

Teaching children about respect is a positive life skill that will help them to develop positive relationships throughout their life. Respect can be taught in many ways, but ultimately it's about modeling and encouraging children to treat others the way they want to be treated.

Teaching and modeling respect builds the following skills in children:

- Effective communication skills
- Ability to take responsibility for their own mistakes and learn from them
- Ability to better tolerate the mistakes of others
- Effective listening skills for productive, positive conversations
- Ability to better understand differences and meet them with openness and kindness

Our very wise sixth graders had this to share about how they show respect:

### Our Top Ways to Show Respect

1. We don't steal or snoop.
2. We use our social filter when conversing (you need to be thoughtful with jokes and sensitive topics).
3. We treat each other with kindness.
  - a. We compliment each other.
  - b. We politely greet one another.
  - c. We help one another when it is needed.
  - d. We include and notice one another.
  - e. We don't make fun of each other or anybody else.
  - f. We don't bully.
  - g. We encourage others to be themselves.
  - h. We lift each other up.
  - i. We are kind.
4. We stay out of each other's personal space. We acknowledge and respect others' personal boundaries and privacy.
5. We listen actively to others.
  - a. We don't talk over others.
  - b. We solve problems instead of fighting and arguing.
6. We honor diversity.
  - a. We accept all people ... no matter what!
7. We stand up for each other.
  - a. We don't gossip or spread rumors.
  - b. We don't smack talk.
  - c. We don't name drop when talking through tough things. That would embarrass our peers.
8. We do what is expected of us
  - b. We work hard and hand in assignments on time
9. We participate in our classroom and learning!



## Strong leadership at every level sets students and staff up for success

A Message from the Board of Trustees

Our Board of Trustees and Central Office Leadership Team are re-energizing our connection between school and home, after two years of disruption to our usual routine. We, along with each of our schools, are working to ensure parents feel you are valued leaders in our schools and in your child's learning.

Our parent community has been leading the learning from home when called upon and collaborating with staff in our schools, in a shared resolve to move learning forward. We know that a strong and caring connection between school and home has multiple benefits for student success. We hope our work together will engage students at a deeper level and motivate a momentum of renewed rigor.

It was our pleasure to connect with several parents from across our division at a special online Parents Matter gathering on March 17, and we're happy to share [this recap](#) of what we learned. We encourage you to check in with your principal and School Council to see how you might become more involved, we invite you to read our [Board eNews](#) each month, and we thank you for sharing the leadership qualities that continue to ensure Chinook's Edge is a division *where students come first*.

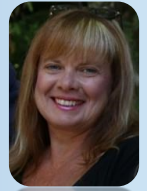
### Chair Holly Bilton,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

We would love to hear your thoughts on this month's [parent survey](#): Do you feel that you are involved in your child's education? How would you like to be further involved in your child's learning at the school?



## A Message from our Principal



March has flown by as it was a busy month here at Steffie Woima with all of us enjoying all of the exciting activities and events. Our kids loved inline skating and it was nice to see them having so much fun. The Clay Project Artist in Residency was a great opportunity for our students and we appreciate the work of the fundraising society and the support of our parents to make this happen. Our Book Fair was a great success again this year and we truly appreciate the support of families. A special thank you to Ms. Sandberg for all of her time and work in organizing the book fair. The funds raised are used to purchase books for our library collection. Also, I would like to thank you for reading with your child every night or setting aside time for your older student(s) to read. To become fluent and avid readers, children need regular practice. The development of their reading skills in the elementary years of their education is critically important to success in high school and beyond. Books are a great way to expand your child's vocabulary which significantly improves comprehension of more challenging materials later on in their education. Your time and commitment is making a big difference and it has been so exciting to see our students' reading growth this year.

We are all excited about the arrival of spring and hopefully we are done with inside recesses! It is wonderful to see the kids enjoying the warmer weather. Our Chinook's Edge psychologist has often reminded us about the importance of limiting screen time, getting our kids off the couch and active, and outdoors enjoying fresh air. She also encourages families to have 'screen free' times and areas in the home so that kids and families engage in conversations which helps build connection and vocabulary.

Welcome to Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten will be on April 28th at 6:00-7:00 pm. Our newest students and families will visit the school, classrooms, and meet the teachers in person! We are looking forward to meeting all of our new families and students.

We hope you have a fantastic April and a Happy Easter!

Ms. Eadie-Gyori—Principal

### Thank you to the following parents who volunteered for March hot lunches!



Christa Currier Lindsay Clark  
Trish Hammond Rhonda Christie  
Jennifer Bahler

### Hot Lunch Program

Mustard seed has been supporting our daily lunch program at Steffie this year. They supply the school with lunches for 6-10 students; plus extra supplies "in case". We would like to support them this year and make our June Pizza hot lunch a donation lunch for Mustard Seed School Lunch Program...lets see if we can raise \$1000 for the school lunch program.

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## April 2022 SWES Fundraising

The SWES Fundraising committee is excited to see the finished clay art projects that took place in the last week of March.

Thank you to Gerri Macrae for organizing the dates and details for this to take place.

With the funds raised from the successful fundraisers earlier this year in addition to the clay art projects, we are able to provide a few fun resources for the school and classrooms, such as:

- A Gaga Ball court (coming soon),
- 2 board games (for those cold days) for each classroom,
- Each classroom will have access to \$250 for classroom activities or classroom supplies.

Keep an eye on the SWES Fundraising newsletter as there will be a few more ideas posted that are in the works for Steffie students to enjoy.

Next SWES Fundraising meeting will be held on April 12, 2022 following the Parent Council meeting at 7pm in the library or on zoom. Please contact the office for the link.

As always, new faces are always welcome. Hope to see you there!

Cheers,

## Parent Council News

Next Parent Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. Library

Our redesigned 10th Annual Steffie Marathon is about to kick off. Although it may still look a little different this year...we will still be walking our way to a marathon. Watch for the registration packages to come home in the next couple of weeks. We may have to increase the cost of the Marathon this year if we can not secure a few more sponsorships. If you are willing to sponsor the Marathon, please contact Jennifer Bahler. We would really like to keep the cost at \$7 for Steffie students and staff and \$15 for all others! Let's break our record and get over 500 registered participants this year!

We want a Steffie student to design our next Marathon Logo. Please submit your design to the office by April 11. It must have: our Marathon name—"Steffie Kids Marathon" and the year—"2022". Everything else is up to you! Computer generated or hand-drawn pictures are welcomed. The winner will get to work with a graphic designer to create the final Logo!

Many volunteer hours make the Marathon a success; and although we will be more restricted this year we will still need some volunteers! If you can volunteer your time for our 2022 Marathon, please contact Jennifer Bahler at [jbahler17@gmail.com](mailto:jbahler17@gmail.com) or call at 403-505-5889.

Thank you to all the sponsors that have already donated...we really appreciate your commitment to our marathon.

Jenn Bahler—School Council Chair



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