



# Monthly Newsletter

April 2024

Caronport Elementary School

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## Upcoming Events in April

Mar 28	SCC Mom's Pantry Fundraiser Begins
Mar 29	Good Friday – No School
Apr 1–5	Easter Break – No School
Apr 9	1–2:00 p.m. Gr. 4/5 Heritage Fair
Apr 10	7:00 p.m. Rescheduled SCC Missions/Visions Mtg
Apr 11	9:00 a.m. Sooter's Grade 8 Farewell Photos
Apr 12	SCC Mom's Pantry Fundraiser Ends – Final Day to Purchase
Apr 17	7:00 p.m. SCC AGM – All parents welcome.
Apr 29	School Cash Opens for an SCC Hot Lunch Day in May

\* Reminder: To stay up to date with the current school events, please continue to check our school website regularly.

Dear Families,

Thank you for attending Student-led Conferences. We enjoyed hosting you and are grateful for your continued involvement and support of your child(ren)'s education. As we move into our final semester of the 2023/2024 school year, we will continue to work to build foundational skills in math and language arts, while also finishing up various units in other subject areas.

Our School Community Council is hosting our annual AGM on Wednesday, April 17. We encourage you to join us to hear about the wonderful things that have happened over the course of the school year. We also encourage you to attend monthly meetings as part of our great group of volunteers. You don't have to be a voting member to participate! Any community member is welcome to attend meetings as your schedule allows. We are always looking for great ideas and an extra pair of helping hands.

Kindergarten registration is now open for children turning 5 years old prior to December 31st, 2024. Registration forms can be found online through our Prairie South School Division. [Student Registration – Prairie South School Division #210](#). Thank you for registering for Kindergarten!

We wish you a restful, joyful Easter break filled with fond memories with family & friends. We look forward to seeing students back at school on Monday, April 8th.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Neufeld



**Administrative Procedure 111 – Appendix B**

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**CES**  
**School Community Council**  
**Annual General Meeting and Elections**

A general meeting for the purpose of presenting an annual report and to hold  
elections for the School Community Council of

**Caronport Elementary School**

will be held on

**April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

at

**Caronport Elementary School – Room 130**

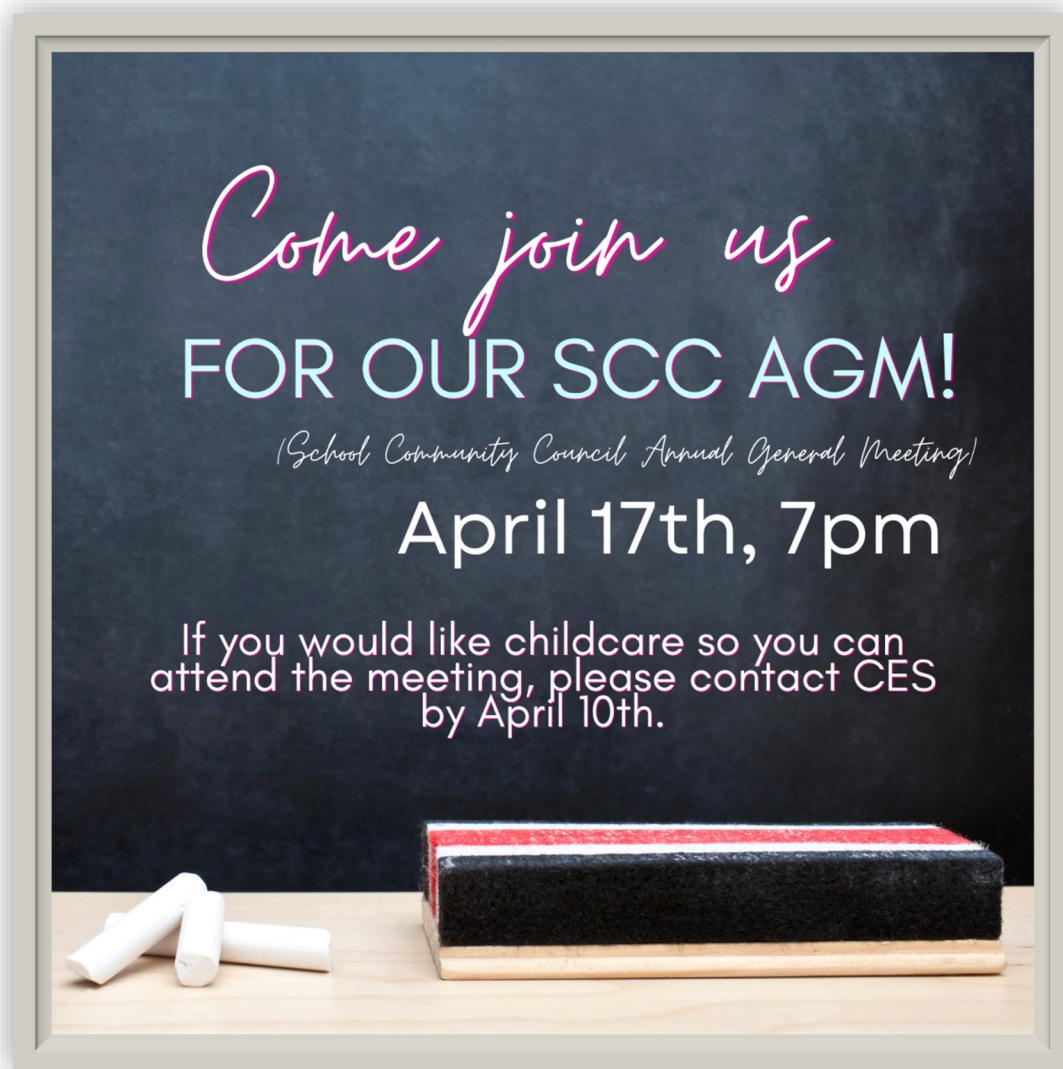
School Community Council Administrative Policies developed by the Board of Education regarding the elections can be viewed under the schools tab, School Community Councils section on the Prairie South Schools website: [www.prairiesouth.ca](http://www.prairiesouth.ca)

Parents and guardians of students attending Caronport Elementary School and School Division electors residing in the school catchment area may stand for election to the School Community Council and vote in the elections. The School Community Council is comprised of five to nine elected parent and community members. Elections are being held to fill these positions.

Nominations of parents and community members interested in standing for election must be submitted on the official form and will be received up to the time of the election. Nominations are available from Caronport Elementary School and can be returned to the school prior to the election or be presented at the election.

Contact: Mrs. Neufeld at 306-756-2212

Email: [Neufeld.leisa@prairiesouth.ca](mailto:Neufeld.leisa@prairiesouth.ca)



## **BABYSITTING COURSE**

### **To: Parents**

One day Babysitting Courses for youth 11 years and older will be offered over the Easter break. The cost is \$ 50.00 and is available on April 4, 2024. The class will be held at Riverview Collegiate using the **EAST** door. Please ensure your child brings indoor shoes. The class begins at 9 am and will be completed at 3:30 pm for prompt pickup.

To register please email at [carolynrk@hotmail.com](mailto:carolynrk@hotmail.com). The registration fee can be paid in cash at the class or ahead of time by e-transfer to the email above. When registering, please indicate which method of payment you will be choosing. Registration information required includes full name of the participant, address including postal code, date of birth and an emergency contact number for when the class is in session.

Remember to bring:

A doll or teddy bear that can be used for diapering and infant care

A nut-free lunch; snack and drink if desired

Indoor shoes

Be prepared to learn and have fun!

Respectfully,

Carolyn Korte, Youth Leader

Canadian Red Cross

[carolynrk@hotmail.com](mailto:carolynrk@hotmail.com)

Text 306-630-3320



**Canadian Red Cross**





## Please Register Now:

[Student Registration – Prairie South School Division #210](#)

Please register as soon as possible to help us better prepare for the fall.

Once we receive your child's registration, we will be in touch with an additional form and information.

## MOVING THIS SUMMER?

Please contact CES at your earliest convenience if your children will be attending another school in the fall.

Thank you.

306-756-2212 or [eby.carol@prairiesouth.ca](mailto:eby.carol@prairiesouth.ca)

### Cell Phones

Our staff recognizes there is a place for student cell phones. We know that students have cell phones to stay connected to you, as parents, before and after school. We also know that students need to concentrate on their learning. For all educational programming, the school provides all technology needed for learning. Students do not require their cell phones during instructional times throughout the day. Therefore, when students arrive at school in the morning, cell phones will be placed in lockers. Cell phones will stay in lockers for the duration of the school day. Students may quickly check their phones as they are getting ready for recess and lunch, but cell phones must be put away and not kept in pockets, taken to public spaces like bathrooms, and are not allowed on the playground, in the gym, or in lunchrooms. If you need to get a message to your child during instructional hours, please call the school office. The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or broken cell phones. Ultimately, we are striving to ensure optimal learning and safety for all students. Thank you for your support in this matter.

# CES STAFF TWO TRUTHS AND AN UNTRUTH CONTEST

## CONTINUES....



### **Mr. McLean - Grade 8 Teacher**

I have a 2015 vehicle with under 80,000 km

I was born in Moose Jaw.

I have had 10 broken bones.

I think the untruth is: [click here](#)

### **Mrs. Rauscher - Student Support Teacher**

I don't like gardening.

I was Saskatchewan's smartest radio listener for one week  
in the spring of 2021.

I practice the martial art of Bojutsu.

I think the untruth is: [click here](#)



### **Mrs. Seaborg - Facility Operator**

I worked in construction.

I rode dirt bikes.

I have eviscerated chickens.

I think the untruth is: [click here](#)

### **Mrs. Doell - Grade 3 Teacher**

I broke my leg in elementary school.

I have been bungee jumping.

Reading is my favorite hobby.

I think the untruth is: [click here](#)



## Medications at School

We have had situations where medications were brought to school without the knowledge of staff. There are very clear guidelines and procedures from the Division that we must follow for safety reasons.

As a school, we ask that all students and families follow these guidelines regarding medications at school. Please refer to the Prairie South School Division's [Administrative Procedure](#) for Administering Medications and Medical Treatment to Students at school.

### **Definitions:**

**Essential Medications** – a physician-prescribed medication that must be scheduled during regular school hours and is necessary for the student's health or well-being. For example, medication for any diagnosis such as ADHD, inhaler for asthma, or an EpiPen for severe allergies.

**Self-administered Medications** – medications that are not prescribed by a doctor but may be needed for health situations like headaches, body aches, cold and flu symptoms, etc. Advil, cough syrup and cough candies are examples of self-administered medications.

### **Essential Medication School Procedures:**

If your child requires essential medication (physician-prescribed) to be administered during the school day, kindly follow the steps below:

- 1) Contact Mrs. Neufeld requesting to have the medication administered at school.
- 2) Request a medical form from the school office that is to be filled out by your family physician **prior** to medications being dropped off at school or administered by staff.
- 3) Return the completed medical form to the school along with the medication in a clearly marked container (preferably the container directly from the pharmacy). Please do not send medications with your child.
- 4) Bring in any refills that may be required. Please do not send refills with your child.
- 5) All medications and physician forms must be updated yearly. Please plan to send all updated information and medications prior to school starting each fall.
- 6) Inhalers may be kept in your child's backpack for quick access however we also ask that a second inhaler be left at the school office as a backup.

### **Self-administered Medication School Procedures:**

If your child requires pain relief medications (Advil, Tylenol, Midol), cough syrup and/or cough drops, or any other type of medication not prescribed by a doctor, kindly follow the steps below:

- 1) Ensure the medication is for 1 day only. Please do not send a bottle of Advil, Tylenol, etc.
- 2) Email your child's teacher and school principal to inform them your child will be bringing medication to school. Your child's teacher will store this medication in their desk for the day or leave the medication at the office and will administer as needed.
- 3) Please reinforce with your child(ren) the importance of asking an adult for medication, not fellow students.
- 4) Students offering medication to other students is strictly prohibited.

Thank you for your attention to this important school procedure.



## Student Representative Council



Dressed in **green & gold** for  
St. Patrick's Day.

Staff Representative  
Mrs. Smith

### Join the CES Facebook Group!

Open the camera on your phone and hold it over the QR code below. Click on the link in the pop-up that appears once the app detects the QR Code. This will take you directly to our Facebook Group.

Click 'Join'.

It's that easy!



### SchoolCash Link

[https://  
prairiesouth.schoolcashionline.com/](https://prairiesouth.schoolcashionline.com/)

This link can also be found  
on the CES Website.



In light of a few students with peanut and tree-nut allergies, we ask that any food brought from home is nut free. Thank you.





## **DRESS FOR THE WEATHER!**

Please continue to help your child come dressed appropriately for the daily weather conditions. Students are expected to go outside for breaks and will need to be dressed suitably. In the next month that may mean rubber boots, rain pants and a full dry set of clothes, or it may still continue to mean a little warmer layer at times of snow pants, mitts, a scarf or face covering and boots.

Purchase the  
CARONPORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
Yearbook

[https://  
www.treering.com/  
purchase?](https://www.treering.com/purchase?)

## **We are running a Mom's Pantry fundraiser**

in April, and would love for you to support our on-going fundraising for landscaping and developing the outside play areas of CES. One catalogue per family has been sent home, but all orders will be collected online.

When filling out your order, you will need the following information:

Order # - 388612  
Group Passcode – 24491  
Caronport Elementary School  
Fundraiser Group Pick-Up



Please order by Friday, April 12th.

If you haven't had Mom's Pantry before, you're in for a treat!!

Cheryl Crocker  
SCC Chair

## Daily Schedule

8:50	Bell to Enter School
8:55-9:30	Period 1
9:30-10:00	Period 2
10:00-10:30	Period 3
10:30-10:45	Recess – Bell at beginning & end
10:45-11:15	Period 4
11:15-11:45	Period 5
11:45-12:10	Lunch Dismissal – Bell at 11:45
12:10-12:30	Students Outside
12:30	Noon Hour Ends—Bell
12:35-1:05	Period 6
1:05-1:35	Period 7
1:35-2:05	Period 8
2:05-2:20	Recess—Bell at beginning & end
2:20-2:50	Period 9
2:50-3:25	Period 10
3:25	School Dismissal - Bell

## Student Absences

Please **contact the school** by email [eby.carol@prairiesouth.ca](mailto:eby.carol@prairiesouth.ca) or phone (306-756-2212) when your child/ren are going to be **absent or late**. In an effort to keep the most accurate attendance records, it's best if we have a reason for your child's absence.

## Congratulations to the Winners of our March Staff '2 Truths and an Untruth' Contest:

**Mr. Loveridge's Untruth: I have a 1969 Shelby Mustang car in my garage that I am restoring.**

**No Winner: No correct guesses**

**Mrs. Leister's Untruth: Basketball is my favourite sport.**

**No Winner: No correct guesses**

**Mrs. Walker's Untruth: I enjoy gourmet cooking.**

**Winner: Sabina Wiensz**

**Mrs. Neufeld's Untruth: My favorite food is turnips.**

**No Winner: No correct guesses**

**Prizes may be claimed at the CES office.**

# Help Control Head Lice

## What Are Head Lice?

Head lice are small insects that live on the scalp. **Anyone can get head lice.** They are common in classrooms and day care centres because children play closely together.

Head lice are not dangerous and they do not spread disease, but they are contagious and can be a very pesky problem. Having dirty hair does not cause head lice. Head lice cannot fly or jump and you cannot get them from your pets.

While they may be **found anywhere on the head**, they prefer to live on the scalp along the neckline and behind the ears. When lice bite the scalp they cause itching.

## How Can I Tell If My Child Has Head Lice?

Children may say they have a tickling feeling on their head or may be very itchy on their scalp.

The only way to be sure a person has an active case of lice is to find live lice. Children can have a few nits (lice eggs) without actually having an active case of head lice. Usually children have no more than 10 to 20 live lice.

Lice are not easy to see and can be hard to find. They are about the size of a sesame seed. They are usually greyish white or brown.



Nits are small, oval and blend into the color of the hair. Each nit is firmly attached to a hair. They cannot be washed out or flicked off like dandruff. Finding nits does not mean the individual has a current infestation and they should not be treated based on finding nits.



*Pictures courtesy of CDC/Dr. D D Juranek*

## How Do I Check for Lice?

1. Apply ample hair conditioner to dry hair, enough to soak from the scalp to the end of the strands.
2. Remove tangles with a regular comb.
3. Start behind the ears and comb the hair section by section. Separating the hair with hair clips is helpful.
4. Place the lice comb against the scalp and pull to the end of the hair.
5. Check the comb for lice after each pull.
6. Wipe the comb with a tissue each time and look for lice.
7. Place the tissue in a bag.
8. Check all the hair over the entire head.
9. Repeat combing for every part of the head at least 5 times.
10. Once finished, tie the bag with the soiled tissues and throw it in the garbage.
11. If lice are detected and treatment is required, make sure that all conditioner is washed from the hair prior to treatment.

## What is the Treatment for Head Lice?

**Overtreatment and misdiagnosis are common.**

Do not treat anyone with a head lice product unless you find live lice in their hair. The presence of nits indicates a past infestation that may not be active.

Check everyone in the home for head lice.

There are a number of very effective treatments for head lice. Most contain an insecticide that kills the lice. They are pyrethrin (found in R&C™ shampoo/ conditioner), permethrin (Nix® or Kwellada-P®) and lindane (PMS-Lindane™ shampoo).

A non-insecticidal treatment called isopropyl myristate/ cyclomethicone (Resultz™) has been approved for use in Canada for individuals **4 years of age and older**. It works by breaking down the waxy exoskeleton ('skin') of lice. The lice get dehydrated and die.

**All of the above products require a second application 7 to 10 days after the first treatment.**



Tell the pharmacist if anyone needing treatment is pregnant, breastfeeding, under six years of age, has allergies or a serious health problem.

A pharmacist, doctor or public health nurse can help you choose the best product for you.

If live lice (not nits) are found in the hair 24 to 48 hours after a treatment with one product:

- Treat right away with a different treatment product;
- Repeat this treatment 7 – 10 days later.

Examine all of the household members for head lice every day for 3 weeks after the first treatment.

### Do Other Treatments Work?

Many home recipes and products sold in stores are based on mixtures of essential oils (eucalyptus, lavender, tea tree, etc.), salts or other natural substances. Some people have used oils like mayonnaise, olive oil and Vaseline or hair gels to try to smother lice. There is no proof that any of these work.

### How Can I Help the Treatment Be More Effective?

Each product is different and has detailed directions for use. For example one product might say it should be put on dry hair while another should be put on wet hair. Each will say how long it should be left on the hair before rinsing out.

It is very important to read and follow the package directions carefully.

Home treatments, such as vinegar rinses, should not be used as they may make the treatment less effective.

Avoid unnecessary contact with the product since it can be absorbed through the skin.

Children with head lice should be treated and can attend school or child care as usual.

'No-nit' policies that keep children with head lice away from school are not necessary because:

- The presence of nits indicates a past infestation that may not be currently active;
- Head lice are common among young children;
- Head lice do not spread disease;
- Cases of head lice are often misdiagnosed;
- Children can have head lice for several weeks with no symptoms.

### How Can You Prevent the Spread of Head Lice?

- Teach your children how head lice are spread - by direct contact with the head of someone with an infestation and to avoid this kind of activity.
- It is a good idea to teach your children not to share brushes, combs or head gear such as hats, bandanas, etc.
- Check your child's head for live lice once a week all year long and daily during an outbreak.
- Head to head contact may be less if long hair is braided or tied back.

### What Cleaning Needs to Be Done?

Lice cannot live for more than 2-3 days away from the scalp so excessive cleaning is not necessary. Choose the best method to clean the following items (washing in hot water for 15 minutes or running through a drier on the hottest setting):

- All personal hair care items such as combs, barrettes, etc. Repeat this daily until the lice are gone.
- Items that have been in prolonged or intimate contact with the child's head (bedding, hats, etc.) at the time of first treatment.

For items that cannot be washed they should be placed in a sealed plastic bag for two weeks or for 48 hours at -10° C.

There is no need to vacuum or wash floors, carpets or furniture.

Do not use household sprays or lice sprays. They do not work and may be harmful to people.

For more information contact your local public health office, your physician, nurse practitioner OR HealthLine at 811.

References: Infectious Diseases and Immunization Committee, Canadian Pediatric Society (2014); Kids Health (2015); Harvard School of Public Health (2007); American Academy of Pediatrics (2010); Nova Scotia Public Health Services (2008)