#### STEFFIE WOIMA



# The Steffie Scoop

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Chinook's Edge School Division #73

> November 2022

#### A Message from our Principal

October has been a busy month at Steffie Woima. With the wonderful fall weather, our students were outside enjoying the warm days and beautiful leaves. A huge thank you to our parents for helping us keep both the front and back loop safe as we moved the buses to the front of the school. Congestion has been reduced in both loops and safety has significantly increased. Please avoid using the alley along the west side of the school. It is two way traffic, quite narrow, and congested creating a dangerous situation for our students. Bylaw will be making patrols and ticketing vehicle



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During this past month, our teachers have been assessing where students are with their reading, writing, and mathematics skills so we know how to best help students move forward in their learning. Teachers are working with their students to ensure that they have 'good fit' books to read. To improve their reading skills, our students need to be reading books at their own level. The books should be ones that they can read successfully with a high rate of accuracy in recognizing words. Reading is an essential foundational skill for success in school and the world of work. I can't emphasize enough the importance of ensuring that your child is reading every night as it makes a huge difference in the development of their literacy skills and long term success.

We have started fundraising to replace our east playground which can no longer be repaired with sections being removed as they are deemed unsafe by our playground safety inspector. We have lost some structures this year and more will be removed in the coming year. As a staff, we are very excited about our fundraising activities this year. We will be having a '**Christmas Store**' (White Elephant Sale) in the gym in December during the last week of school. Students can purchase gifts for their parents or siblings with all items being under \$5.00. We will be looking for donations of gift items for our Christmas Store throughout November and early December. If you have some items you would like to donate, please drop them off at the office. We will be needing some volunteers to work at the Christmas store during class time. Our Environment Club will be helping with this project as it is all about regifting and reusing! Thank you in advance for all of your support!

Have a great month of November!

Ms. Eadie-Gyori-Principal



|        | November Dates                         |
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| 16-24  | Scholastic Book Fair                   |
| 1      | Pajama Day                             |
| 2      | School Picture Retakes (A.M. Only)     |
| 4      | Hot Lunch– Edo (T/T Kinder)            |
| 6      | Daylight Savings– Back 1 Hour          |
| 9      | Remembrance Day at SWES                |
| 10- 11 | Fall Break– No School                  |
| 15     | School Council Meeting                 |
| 18     | Booster Juice (M/ W Kinder)            |
| 23     | December Hot Lunch Order Deadline      |
| 24     | Hot Lunch– Main Street Eatery (T/ T K) |
| 23/ 24 | Grades K-6 P/T Interviews              |
| 25     | No School                              |



Inclement Weather Days Green Day

Red Day

Visit our Inclement Weather Information

https://www.cesd73.ca/parents/inclement-weather

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#### THIS MONTH'S SAFE & CARING MESSAGE

At Steffie Woima we have a school-wide approach for teaching consistent expectations to our students. We use a learning and problem solving approach to support our students in solving problems that arise.

Helping kids acknowledge and learn from their mistakes requires support from both school and home. Parents and staff at Steffie are partners in growing kids! By teaching kids to take personal accountability and owning their part in problems, we teach them that mistakes happen and we can experience regret for our choices but that when those mistakes happen, it's important to learn to fix or grow from them. This helps to instill moral values of right and wrong, even when there is no one watching.

Our school wide expectations were created based on an understanding that there are key expectations that children need to be able to understand and follow in order to be healthy and successful.

Our expectations at school include:

#### I KEEP MY HANDS, FEET, AND OTHER OBJECTS TO MYSELF BECAUSE...



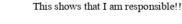
This keeps everyone safe including me!! There are many ways to solve problems when we are upset and at my school the adults are always willing to help me make a plan.

#### • I USE KIND, CLEAN AND COURTEOUS LANGUAGE BECAUSE ...



It shows caring about myself and others! Being kind and polite to others makes them feel comfortable and safe when they are around me. This helps build healthy relationships and friendships.

#### I LISTEN AND FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS THE 1ST TIME BECAUSE...



When I listen and follow directions the first time, I am keeping myself and others safe.

I am also making sure that I can learn and do my best. It allows others to learn and do their best as well.

I WALK IN THE HALLWAYS & WEAR INSIDE SHOES INSIDE AND WEAR OUTSIDE SHOES OUTSIDE BECAUSE I ...

#### Treat others with respect.





This keeps everyone safe when walking in the hallways! It also takes care of our building and shows that we are proud of our school.

Adults having expectations of me and me working hard to meet them is so important because they will help me to learn and grow. They help me make healthy choices especially as I grow bigger and the adults aren't around. I will be better equipped to know how to make healthy choices and boundaries. I will sometimes make mistakes but I keep on trying!!!



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Library News

**Our Book Fair is Back!** 

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#### November 16th-24th!

The Book Fair will be in-person shopping with an opportunity to shop online as well. In person shopping is only open to students and staff during regular school hours. Classes will be shopping during their regular scheduled library times. Classes who do not have a library period scheduled will be provided a time to shop. There is a plan to offer in-person shopping for parents, dates and times will be announced.

In addition to our in-school Book Fair, there is an online option for those students that are not able to come in to shop and any parents who wish to place orders. All orders will be sent to our school, and there will be no shipping charges. If you go to the link before the start date, it shows our book fair dates and some small virtual fliers to look at.

On-line shopping link:

https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5171722

Thank you for your support!



SWES Fundraising

Thank you for the donated veggies from the Farm To School fundraiser, the Sylvan Lake Food Bank was thrilled to receive them. Thank you all for your support with the Farm To School veggie orders and to Janine Waldo, Kate Thomlinson, and Gillian Fraser for their help with unloading and sorting the veggies for pick up. If anyone is interested in helping out with the fundraisers you can call or text me, Christa, at 403.396.0048 and we can make it happen.

We have another fundraiser to look forward to this month at Steffie. It will be the Growing Smiles Christmas Plant sale. Please watch for the order forms coming home soon. The pick up date will be on November 29, 2022 in the school gym with the time to be determined. We will keep you posted.

The next SWES fundraising meeting will be held on November 15, 2022, following the parent council meeting at 7pm. Hope to see you there!

Christa Currier ~

