



## ST. EDMUND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Congrats on a great first week! This week promises to be a hot one. Let's work together to keep the positive vibes going strong and the kids cool.

### **Events this Week & Next Week:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Details</b>
Sept 5	School Assemblies	POSTPONED DUE TO THE HEAT. We will reschedule for next week.
Sept 7	AGA & Curriculum Night	Please see the attached document for details.
Sept 8	Spirit Rally	Time TBD. For all students. Weather Permitting.
Sept 13	Corn Rast	2:30-4:30pm. Outside in the Kindergarten area. All parents and students are welcome! There is no cost to parents or students.
Sept 14	Picture Day	To be held in the gym. The students are expected to wear the school colors.

### **Additional Info:**

**Attendance and Lates:** It is very important to a positive school routine that students attend school and arrive on time. The entry time for students is 7:50am-8:00am. Parents are asked to have their children at school before 8:00am.

**School Routine:** This is a friendly reminder that students should be following their regular school routine. We are unable to accept last minute changes.

**Fire Drills and Lockdown:** It is that time of year where we prepare students for fire drills and a simulated lockdown. This is an essential part of our Emergency Preparedness Plan and is required by law. We will be doing several of these drills in September. Rest assured that when we do drills, it is done in a positive, age appropriate fashion. The students are prepared ahead of time and are made to feel comfortable about the drills. Parents are encouraged to talk to their children about the importance of emergency preparedness.

**Extreme Heat Guidelines:** It's going to be a hot one! Please see the communication sent out to the LBPSB community yesterday regarding the extreme heat forecast for this week. In addition to those recommendations staff at St. Edmund will be doing the following:

- Turning the lights off
- Opening windows and classroom doors
- Scheduling breaks and calm down time
- Modifying phys ed classes - avoiding exertion and scheduling breaks and water time.
- Encouraging students to sit outside in the shade
- Reducing high exertion activities at recess and lunch
- Frequent Water breaks
- Keeping an extra eye on students physically. Any student displaying symptoms of heatstroke will be sent to the main office for further assessment/monitoring. Symptoms can include: headache, dizziness, nausea, lethargy, confusion, redness, dry or damp skin.
- We will make use of all St. Edmund fans. We will have the big fans going on each level to help circulate the air.

Teachers will also be encouraging students to:

- Wear a sunhat
- Apply sunscreen in the morning before school starts.
- Bring a full water bottle to school
- Wear light, comfortable clothing
- Bring an ice pack (stored in the child's lunch box that can be used to help kids cool off at lunch time)

**Upcoming Events:**

Date:	Event	Details
Sept 19	Home and School/PPO Meeting	7:00pm. To be held in person in the St. Edmund Library. All Parents are welcome.

Sept 22	LBPSB PED Day	School is closed. Daycare is open.
Sept 21 (TBC)	Governing Board Meeting	7:00pm. To be held in the St. Edmund Library.
Sept. 29	Orange Shirt Day	More details to follow shortly.
Sept 29	Attestation Day	More details to follow shortly.
Oct 6	Terry Fox Run	More details to follow shortly.

Have an amazing week!

Melissa