



ST. EDMUND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you all enjoyed the long weekend. Here's what's going on this week.

Events this Week & Next Week:

Date	Event	Details
Oct. 18	Cross Country Run	Grades 4, 5 & 6
Oct. 18	Visit from Ecomuseum	Kindergarten students only

Additional Info:

Terry Fox: Congratulations! Our school has surpassed our goal of \$16,000. **We raised a total of \$18,262!!** Thank you so much for your generosity and support during our campaign. This is truly an amazing amount. It takes a village and that was exactly what we saw on Oct. 6th. Thank you to all the parents who came to volunteer along the route. It was a great morning, and we couldn't have done it without your support. A special thanks to our PPO/Home and School for providing apples to the students after the event.

Hot Lunch On Tuesday and Thursday & Pizza Lunches: We are unable to provide utensils for students. All students should have a set of utensils from home on those days. Please be sure to check the schedule, so you know what days you have ordered.

Seasonal Weather: Please dress for the changing weather conditions. All students should have a pair of indoor and outdoor shoes.

Food & Snacks: This is a friendly reminder that parents are not permitted to send in treats/candies/food/loot bags at any time - including special times or holidays (Ex. Birthdays, Halloween, Valentines Day etc).

Late Arrivals and Early Pick-Ups: Late arrivals and early pick-ups are extremely disruptive to the routine of students, staff and the class in general. Parents are asked to ensure their children arrive at school on time and ready to learn. Parents are also asked to refrain from early pick-ups unless there is a legitimate reason (drs appointment, family emergency etc.). Please avoid pick-ups between 2:00-2:30pm as much as possible as the end of the day is a busy time for all.

Parking Lot Safety: As the weather changes, more and more cars will use the parking lot and express drop off lane. This is a friendly reminder to parents that student safety is our first priority. Parents are asked to reduce their speed in the parking lot and allow children and families to the right of way. Parents are also asked to wait until 8:00am to leave the parking lot once parked. Parents who use the express drop off lane are asked to have their kids ready to hop out. Parents should not be exiting their cars to get kids ready in the drop off lane. To help the system flow safely, parents are asked to advance so that 4 cars can park and unload at once. Thank you for your support.

Message from PPO & Home and School:

The **Parent Participation Organization/Home & School (PPO/H&S) Association** is an organization of parent volunteers working in cooperation with the principal and school staff to raise funds and organize activities to help foster a sense of community and promote school spirit!

The money we raise helps to fund music and gym equipment, classrooms, and resource program needs, as well as activities at school such as Movie Night, Duathlon, EdStock, and more!

- Thank you to everyone who joined in as a **PPO/H&S member!**

- Join us on **Friday October 27th at 6 PM in the gym**, for our first ever **Halloween Family Night!**
Space is limited, so don't wait to buy your tickets.
All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Order here: 🍻 [Halloween Family Fun Night: Friday, October 27, 2023 \(tally.so\)](https://stedmundstore2023.itemorder.com/shop/home/)

- Our St-Edmund Spirit Wear is always available at <https://stedmundstore2023.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

Upcoming Events:

Date:	Event	Details
Oct. 26	Governing Board.	7:00pm
Oct. 27	PPO Halloween Family Night	6:00pm. See message from PPO for more

		details
Oct. 31	Halloween	More info to follow shortly
Nov. 3	End of Term 1	
Nov. 16	Report Cards Issued	
Nov. 17	PED Day	School is closed. Daycare is open.
Nov. 17	Grade 6 Entrance Exams	For those who registered
Nov. 23	Parent Teacher Interview Evening	More info to follow shortly
Nov. 24	Parent Teacher Interviews	More info to follow shortly
Nov. 30	Governing Board.	7:00pm. St. Edmund Library

Have an amazing week!

Melissa