



# Shark Bites Weekly Update

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## Principal's Message

Thank you to all the students and staff that participated in our School Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 22. All the money raised will go to support cancer research.

Friday September 29, in the afternoon, we will be having a student assembly to observe National Day for Truth and Reconciliation which falls on September 30, 2023.

A reminder that the weather in the morning is turning a little cooler. Please encourage students to wear appropriate coats, hats and mitts if needed.

Carol Brown, Principal

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

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| Monday, Sept. 25    |  |
| Tuesday, Sept. 26   |  |
| Wednesday, Sept. 27 | Hot Lunch Gr. 1-3 & Mon/Wed Kindergarten     |
| Thursday, Sept. 28  | Hot Lunch Gr. 4-6 & Tues/Thurs Kindergarten  |
| Friday, Sept. 29    | <b>ORANGE SHIRT DAY</b><br>Hot Lunch Gr. 7-9 |

## COMING UP LATER and NEXT MONTH

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| September 30  | National Day for Truth & Reconciliation |
| October 6     | Professional Learning Day – No School   |
| October 9     | Thanksgiving Day – No School            |
| October 11&12 | Bus Evacuation Drills                   |

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## **PARKING**

Parents, when dropping off or picking up your children, please use the Parent Drop Off located at the front of the school on Allard Way or along the street on SouthPointe Blvd.

**Please DO NOT stop, park or allow your child to walk through the bus lane at any time. Please have them go to either end of the bus lane to cross safely.** We also ask parents **not** to park in the accessible stalls at the front of the school or in the staff parking lot. Thank you for modeling safety and respect in this manner.

## **2022/23 Yearbooks Still Available**

We have a limited number of last year's yearbooks for sale at the office. They are \$20.00 each and available on a first come first serve basis while supplies last. Drop in or call the office to purchase.



## **Fundraising Association Update**

Hot lunch this month is Boston Pizza, and the hot lunch days are as follows:

- Wednesday, September 27 - Grades 1-3 and Mon/Wed Kindergarten
- Thursday, September 28 – Grades 4-6 and Tues/Thurs Kindergarten
- Friday, September 29 - Grades 7 to 9



To order hot lunches, we use the [spschool.hotlunches.net](https://spschool.hotlunches.net) website. Parents must create an account and add their children. All parents must go in and select their child's new teacher for this year. To pay for your order the website uses PayPal. There is an option to check out as a guest through PayPal if you do not have an account; doing so this way will not save your credit card information. For those who do not have credit cards there is an option to pay via cash; please bring your printed receipt along with the exact amount to the office prior to the end of school on the last day for orders. Failure to pay for the order by the deadline will result in the order being cancelled.

If your child is sick on the day of their hot lunch, please call the office and let them know. You can either pick up their lunch from the office at your convenience before the end of the school day or you can anonymously donate it to another student. No refunds will be given if a student is absent on the day of their hot lunch.

If you need to cancel or change an order, you must do so before the deadline. A refund will be processed as a credit on your account to be used for future hot lunch orders. Once the deadline has passed orders cannot be changed or cancelled.

Hot lunch orders for September will close on Friday, September 22 at 3:00pm. Please ensure you have ordered and paid before the cut off.

Should you have any comments, suggestions, or questions you can reach out via email at [spschoolhotlunchadmin@gmail.com](mailto:spschoolhotlunchadmin@gmail.com).

## BEAR TRACKS



We are using the same site as we do for hot lunches to pre order bear tracks!

Pick up day is Thursday Oct 19th School loop (U-Haul) 2:30pm to 3:30pm. (Please ensure you do not block the loop. Park your car and the volunteers will help you with your order to your vehicle,) OR pick up at 3:45pm to 6 PM at 4 Becker Cres. If you CANNOT pick up your order at either of these times please text 403-612-9580 or email [president.fass@gmail.com](mailto:president.fass@gmail.com) to arrange a time. \*Please ensure you order is paid for in full at time ordering.

[ORDER Bear Tracks Ice Melter](#)

## BOTTLE DRIVE

**\*We are still searching for volunteers! Without volunteers we will have to cancel!\***

A Bottle Drive will take place on September 30. We will need 15 volunteers to hand out flyers on September 27 & 28. We will need 7 volunteers to pick up bottles on September 30. We also will need 2 people to stand with the truck that day. Bottle drive will take place from 10 am till noon. Please email [president.fass@gmail.com](mailto:president.fass@gmail.com) or [vicepresident.fass@gmail.com](mailto:vicepresident.fass@gmail.com) if you are available to help.

## FASS Secretary

We are looking for a volunteer to join the FASS team come October! If interested, please contact Laelia at [president.fass@gmail.com](mailto:president.fass@gmail.com). This is a great way to get involved with the school.

## ONGOING FUNDRAISERS

### COBS (Fort Saskatchewan location only):

- Just mention Southpointe School when you are making a purchase.
- Cobs gives back 5% of what we spend! Last year \$350.00 was given back to the school from this fundraiser!

### FLIPGIVE

- Perfect timing to start Christmas shopping!
- For online shopping! (Old Navy, Indigo, Canadian Tire, Walmart, Home Depot, Starbucks and more!)
- You can even get/reload your gift cards here!
- Just download the app, use the code K2TQ9X and start shopping!

## **Pay School Fees online!**

School fee information for the 2023-24 school year will be posted on the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) in late September. All fees are due within 30 days of being posted. To access your fee information, simply log in to the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) and go to “Student Fees.” There you can view your fees and pay online using a credit card.

Don't forget to log in to the PowerSchool Parent Portal regularly throughout the year. Fees are often added to your child's account to cover the cost of certain school activities such as field trips, class projects, athletic-team fees and more. Additionally, junior high and senior high fees can change as courses are added and deleted.

If you're unable to pay your school fees, you can apply to have certain [fees waived](#) by submitting an [Application for a Waiver of Fees](#). The application deadline is Dec. 15, 2023.

For more information about school fees, waivers and payment deadlines visit [eips.ca](#). Alternatively, contact Mrs. Chantelle Grieve, Business Manager, at SouthPointe School, at (780) 998-2747.

## **Update your PowerSchool information**

The EIPS Correction and Verification Form is available online through your [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). Use the form to access and update your child's records information—including address, parent and guardian information, emergency contacts and medical information. Reviewing the form and submitting updates ensures the school has the most up-to-date information regarding your child.

When reviewing the form, pay close attention to all listed phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact information. Also, if you recently moved, now is the time to ensure the Division has your updated address. Throughout the year, the Division and school uses the listed information to communicate with families about important information, including updates, the latest news and events.

[EIPS Correction and Verification Form](#)

**Review and update the form by Sept. 22, 2023.**

For more information about the PowerSchool Correction and Verification Form, contact the school office at 780-998-2747.



# FREE POW WOW DANCE CLASSES

Every Wednesday, Starting  
September 20, 2023  
at 6:00pm  
**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

## LOCATION:

Ecole Park Elementaire School  
9607 Sherridon Drive  
Fort Saskatchewan, AB.

**INDIGENOUS SOCIETY  
OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN**

*Presented by:*



**CITY OF  
FORT SASKATCHEWAN**

September 30, 2023

Elder: Jesse Morin



# Round Dance

FORT SASKATCHEWAN



Honouring our Ancestors

4:30pm Pipe Ceremony

Feast and Round Dance to follow

MC: Adrian LaChance

Legion, Fort Saskatchewan

9964-93 Ave

Stickman: Darcy Goodrunning

First 10 Drummers paid

Wear your Ribbon Skirt



# FORT SASKATCHEWAN FAMILY GATHERING



**AN EVENT BRINGING TOGETHER  
FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS, AND INUIT  
FAMILIES IN THE FORT**

An evening to sit in circle with an Elder and other special friends for conversation, connection and cookies.

Bring a lawn chair to visit and share in our community.

**SEPTEMBER 26 | 6PM TO 7PM**  
**TURNER PARK GAZEBO**

