



# H. HARDCASTLE SCHOOL

Challenging the Future



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## Principal's Message

April has come to a close, and we are turning the page to May. We are appreciative of the many opportunities available to our students and community, and we look forward to the growth that spring brings. Whether through attending interviews, participating in drama festivities, connecting over a badminton game, or coordinating spring field trips, we are reminded of the strong collaboration between school and home.

April was a full and rewarding month, even with the Easter holiday built in. It brought success in the classroom, preparation for Track and Field, and early planning for June celebrations for our students. Our community continued to show its support in countless ways: through volunteering, providing baking and soup for school events, and contributing to fundraisers for our students. A heartfelt thank you goes out to our community for supporting the Region #8 Drama Festival. The adjudicators were beyond impressed by the warmth, compassion, and welcoming spirit they experienced. Hosting this event was a significant undertaking for our drama group and our school, and its success was made possible through your support. Thank you!

As we move into the final stretch of the school year, we are all looking forward to warmer weather and more time outdoors. The next two months will focus on finishing strong, completing year plans and encouraging students to continue challenging themselves. Preparations for Track and Field are in the works, and this event remains an important and valued part of our school community. The ongoing support we receive is always appreciated and never taken for granted.

As the snow melts and the days grow warmer, I hope your spring is safe, enjoyable, and filled with meaningful family time.

Sincerely,  
Roberta Moriarty



## Bows & Bouquets

- Thank you to the Curling Club for their donation of cups, syrup and pancake mix to our Breakfast Program.
- Thank you to Louise Blais for her donation of an inflatable gymnastics mat to our Elementary Phys. Ed program. We cannot wait to put it to use.
- Thank you to Cassandra Vivian, Heidi Jamieson, Alice and Dave Stuart, Elaine Wouters, and MJ Blaquiere for volunteering their time to partner read with our students. We are grateful to have community members who volunteer their time so graciously and our students are enriched because of it.
- Thank you to the School Community Council for providing us with volunteers to help prep, cook and serve our hot lunches each month. These school wide lunches would not be possible without your help and extra hands.

## Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair was held March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Through parent and student purchases, a total of \$957.00 was earned in new Scholastic book titles for the library. Thank you for believing in literacy and for supporting this great fundraiser for the Anne Olson Memorial Library. Maverick Orchison was the lucky winner of the Door Prize draw. He won \$25 in products from the Book Fair, as well as \$25 for his classroom teacher, Ms. Adair. Congratulations, Maverick and Ms. Adair.



## ***Supervillains Anonymous Production***

Our Grade 6 drama year has come to a close following our Spring Dessert Theatre on Monday, April 13th. The Grade 6 class stole the show with their punchy lines, physical comedy, and great costumes. A remark I heard frequently that week was, “I could watch that play again!”

To our students - thank you. You took on the gargantuan task of drama, and you did it. You grew in confidence, strengthened your stage presence, and developed your acting skills. Your costumes were excellent, your timing was spot-on, and the laughter was immense.

Thank you to Ms. Jolene Sittler for helping with drama this year. Your extra set of hands made a world of difference in bringing this production together. Finally, thank you to our parents for supporting your children in learning their lines, getting them to practice on time, and helping them be ready for the 13th. Your desserts were delicious, and you helped make the evening a true success.



## ***The Cast List* Production**

Our festival play has come to a close. We presented our play *The Cast List* on Monday, April 13th to a full gym of 211 people, and again on Thursday, April 16th, to a crowd of 250 people at the Edam Community Centre. Throughout the week, our students showed tremendous growth in both their performance and their confidence. They should be very proud of the hard work they have put in to reach this point as it truly showed on stage.

At the festival, our students received a number of awards in recognition of their hard work, including the following:

**Merit Awards for Acting** - Hudson Gateley and Jakob Babcock

**Technical Award for Acting** - Reid Olson

**Runner up to Best Stage Manager** - Joey Siegel

**Best Technical Production** - The cast and crew of *The Cast List*

**Most Courteous Cast and Crew** - The cast and crew of *The Cast List*

We are incredibly thankful for this experience and the memories made along the way. Thank you to our families for their continued support of our drama program—whether it was helping with costumes, providing desserts, ensuring students arrived at practice on time, or everything in between.

We are thankful for this experience and the memories that we made along the way. Thank you to our parents for their support of drama- costumes, desserts, getting to practice on time, and everything in between. A big thank you to Mrs. Troesch for helping with ticket sales.

We will take a break, have a rest, and be ready to start again in the fall.



## Region #8 Drama Festival

Our Region #8 Drama Festival has come to a close. We had a wonderful weekend of memories made alongside our cast and crew. Students made new friendships, learned new skills, and stepped outside their comfort zones to try new things. Our community was energized by the presence of 160 additional people, a boost that was felt in local businesses, on the streets, and throughout the Community Centre

Special thanks to so many for a beautiful weekend of fun:

- Derek Klassen and Donna Challis for their support of drama through their roles as adjudicators. Much was learned by all.
- Edam Community & Recreation Centre Board for their help and support. They helped with late night set-ups, and early morning phone calls to ensure the important details were taken care of.
- Saskatchewan Drama Association for ensuring that we had everything we needed to ensure the weekend was a success.
- Nancy Cote for ensuring that our kitchen was stocked and available for our concession.
- Tyrone Bird for DJ'ing a rocking dance for our drama students on Friday night.
- Graydon Troesch for his time volunteering to help with tech in rehearsals.
- Joey Siegel for her time spent ensuring that tech was ready at the rink, as well as her availability to help out during both the productions and adjudications.
- Edam Credit Union for their donation of water for our participants and adjudicators.
- Our volunteers for working the door and collecting admissions.
- Our kitchen volunteers for ensuring that our concession was open, prepped and available to serve.
- Our community volunteers who donated baking, vegetables, soup and chili.
- Janelle Olson, Andrea Thom and Juliette LaClare for helping paint our set.
- The Edam Handivan Committee for catering our Banquet on Saturday before the Awards program.
- Andrea Thom and Megan Baillargeon for their help in brainstorming and planning.
- Our drama parents for helping with set-up and clean-up both at the school, and the Community Centre.

Weekends like this are important to our community as a whole. The support our school received for this event was second to none, and we are grateful to everyone who came out. Whether you attended the plays, stopped by for lunch, coffee, or a snack, volunteered your time, or provided food, your contribution made a difference.

We are truly appreciative of the care and support shown. The welcoming atmosphere was felt by all and deeply valued by the participants. Once again, our small town shone brightly for all to see. Thank you for being part of it.



**THANK YOU  
FOR VOLUNTEERING**

“THE SMALLEST ACT OF KINDNESS  
IS WORTH MORE THAN THE  
GRANDEST INTENTION.”  
- OSCAR WILDE

## Junior Badminton – Miss Hutchings & Mr. Mason Blais

Congratulations to the Junior Badminton team on a fantastic and successful season! We had an incredible thirty-seven students sign up this year, and we are so proud of the dedication, effort, and sportsmanship each athlete demonstrated throughout the season. There were many highlights, including an outstanding performance at the Paradise Hill tournament. Mckenna and Teal captured gold in Girls Doubles, while Kannon and Brylee earned gold in Mixed Doubles. Chloe also had an impressive showing, bringing home a silver medal in Girls Singles.

Several of our athletes advanced to Districts, including Chloe, Memphis, Bryn, Klay, Kannon and Brylee. Congratulations to all of them for their hard work and for representing HHS with pride and professionalism.

Well done to everyone on a great season!



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for Volunteers for our  
Elementary Track Meet on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

If you are able to help out,  
please contact the school office.

## Outdoor Air Quality

The Northwest School Division has introduced a new protocol to support the health of students and staff during periods of poor air quality. Air quality will be monitored regularly, and outdoor activities (including Track & Field Meets) may be reduced, moved indoors, or postponed when conditions are not considered safe.

These decisions follow division guidelines to ensure consistency. Staff will refer to the Real-Time Air Quality Map by PurpleAir to access the air quality in the specific area where outdoor activities are scheduled.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain a safe and healthy environment for our students and staff.

Health Risk	Air Quality Health Index	Health Messages		School Messages for Outdoor Activities
		General Population	At Risk Population	
Low Risk	1-3	Ideal air quality for outdoor activities	Enjoy your usual outdoor activities	All planned activities can proceed
Moderate Risk	4-6	No need to modify your usual outdoor activities unless you experience symptoms such as coughing and throat irritation.	Consider reducing or rescheduling strenuous outdoor activities if you are experiencing symptoms.	All planned outdoor activities can proceed.
High Risk	7-10	Consider reducing or rescheduling strenuous outdoor activities if you experience symptoms such as coughing and throat irritation.	Reduce or reschedule strenuous outdoor activities. Children and the elderly should also take it easy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recess and lunch breaks can proceed but allow the option of coming indoors.</li> <li>- Consider moving strenuous Physical Education/Wellness classes indoors.</li> <li>- Consider postponing or adapting extra-curricular events with clean air breaks.</li> </ul>
Very High Risk	11	Reduce or reschedule strenuous outdoor activities, especially if you experience symptoms such as coughing and throat irritation.	Avoid strenuous outdoor activities. Children and the elderly should also avoid outdoor physical exertion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Allow for indoor recess and lunch breaks.</li> <li>- Outdoor Physical Education / Wellness classes should move indoors.</li> <li>- Extra-curricular events should be postponed or moved indoors, if possible.</li> </ul>

# 5th Annual Book Swap

Thursday, May 28th

Book Collection May 19<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup>

Students may receive up to 5 books in exchange for books dropped off!

Please ensure that books are in good shape, relevant, age appropriate, and engaging!

Students will receive 'Book Bucks' to be exchanged for new books..



🌸🍪 **GRANDMA'S KITCHEN** 🍪🌸

🤍 Community Connection Time 🤍

📍 Edam Heritage Hall 📅 Every Tuesday 🕒 3:15 PM – 5:00 PM

🌟 All ages welcome! 🌟

Come join us for a warm, friendly gathering where community comes first. Our goal is to build friendships and connections for both adults and children in a relaxed, welcoming space.

☕ Coffee 🍎 Snacks 🗨️ Visiting 🎮 Games  
🎤 Karaoke fun

☀️ New to the community? ☀️

We would love to meet you—come by, bring your kids, and feel at home!

⚠️ **IMPORTANT GUIDELINES** ⚠️

👤 Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult

✔️ That adult must have permission from the child's parent each time

**NEW REQUIREMENT:**

- 📄 All children attending must have a signed permission form from their parent/guardian confirming:
- The parent takes full responsibility for their child's safety
  - The parent knows and trusts the supervising adult present that day

🤍 A place to gather, laugh, and belong. 🤍

We can't wait to see you there

Contact Tasha for details: 306-893-7525

## GRANDMA'S KITCHEN COMMUNITY PROGRAM

### PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT & WAIVER FORM

Location: Edam Heritage Hall Event Centre

Program Name: Grandma's Kitchen

Child's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Medical Conditions/Other Important Information:

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### Consent & Acknowledgment

I, the undersigned parent or legal guardian, give permission for my child named above to participate in the "Grandma's Kitchen" community program held at the Edam Heritage Hall Event Centre.

I acknowledge and agree to the following:

- I am responsible for ensuring that my child arrives safely to the program and returns home safely after each session.
- I give permission for my child to attend each day of the program under the supervision of a designated adult whom I know and trust.
- I confirm that the designated supervising adult has my child's name, my contact information, and any other necessary details required to ensure my child's safety and well-being during the program.
- I understand that while program leaders and volunteers will make every reasonable effort to provide a safe environment, unforeseen incidents may occur.
- I agree that I will not hold liable the program organizers, volunteers, supervisors, or the organization affiliated with "Grandma's Kitchen" for any injury, loss, or unforeseen incident that may occur during participation.
- I understand and accept that the primary responsibility for my child's safety and well-being rests with me as the parent or guardian.

### Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## May 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Day 2 K	2
3	4 Day 3	5 Day 4 K	6 Day 5 Persephone Theatre Drama	7 Day 6 K Village Clean- up @ 10:45am	8 Day 1	9
10	11 Day 2 K	12 Day 3	13 Day 4 K Hot Dog Lunch  High School Track	14 Day 5	15 Day 6 K Taco Salad Hot Lunch  Michael Harrison Ventastic @ 1pm Gr. K-6	16
17	18  <b>No School</b>	19 Day 1	20 Day 2 K  Central Track	21 Day 3  & Field Meet @ Turtleford	22 Day 4 K	23
24	25 Day 5	26 Day 6 K  District Track	27 Day 1  & Field @ Meadow Lake	28 Day 2 K  K-6 Book Swap	29 Day 3  School Wide Breakfast	30
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**Upcoming Dates:**

**June 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>** – Provincial Track Meet @ Saskatoon

**June 9<sup>th</sup>** – Elementary Track Meet

**June 18<sup>th</sup>** – Awards Ceremony @ 1:45pm

**June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>** – Final Exams

**June 30<sup>th</sup>** - Graduation