


Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

Newsletter | June 2013

Principal's Message

June already! It seems with each year the school year flies by faster and faster. As we enter June, our last month in this school year many things are coming to completion and are wrapped up before students leave on their much anticipated summer break. June is always a very busy month in schools. Students are preparing to complete school assignments, activities and in some cases exams to demonstrate their learning and provide their teachers an opportunity to assess their progress in each subject area. In addition planning for the upcoming school year is already underway. Currently much work is being completed in staffing and class preparations for the fall.

May featured many outstanding activities at our school. The drama production Octavia's Garden, led by Ms. Wilson in early May was an outstanding success and showed how talented our students are in drama and music. The volunteer tea held May 3, provided us an opportunity to thank all parents and community members who have given us the gift of their time in providing better learning opportunities for the students in the school. Parents and students in our Paced Learning and Learning and Literacy classes attended our open house May 30, to see their school, class and before they start with us in September.

Students will enjoy sports day in the morning of June 21. June 26 will be the students last day for this school year. Report cards will not be available until 2:30pm on June 26. If parents are leaving earlier and would like the report card sent home, please provide a self addressed, stamped, 8X10 envelope to the school before leaving. Provincial achievement exams are completed in Grades 3 and 6 in June. I wish all of our students well in these exams. I want to emphasize that assessment of each student's progress is an ongoing process and continues from school year to school year and school to school as each student moves into their next grade. Included in their report card will be final newsletter and update that will provide information for school start up, bell times and known staffing at this time.

Volunteers are a vital component of our school and community. EMJ has included a volunteer form to better organize and suit roles with the wishes of our parent community. Please consider taking an opportunity to join us as a volunteer when you can to support and enhance the educational experience within the school. Thank you for all your time and support to EMJ in the past and future!

I am pleased to announce that in the Fall, EMJ will be continuing to host a before and afterschool care program. Adventures program will continue in our school for the 2013-2014 school year. If you would like information about this service please contact our main office.

I wish our Grade 6 students continued success in their new schools and hope they use the lessons learned from their time at EMJ to guide and support them in their success



Important Dates June 2013

- 4 – Gr 5 Field trip to Fish Creek Park
- 4 – Gr 3/4 Field trip to Spruce Meadows
- 5 – Skill & PLP to Special Olympics Sports day
- 6 – Gr 3/4 Field trip to Spruce Meadows
- 11 – Gr 3 PAT LA Part B
- 13 – Gr 3 PAT Math
- 14 – Kindergarten PLT day
– No classes for Kindergarten
- 17 – Gr 6 PAT LA Part B
- 18 – Gr 6 PAT Math
- 19 – Gr 6 PAT Science
- 20 – Gr 6 PAT Social
- 21 – Aboriginal Day
- 21 – Sports Day
- 24 – Kindergarten Grad
- 25 – Gr 6 Farewell
- 26 – Last day of classes – Report cards go home
- 27 – Appeals day
- 28 – Organization day

SUMMER BREAK!

Back to School
September 3, 2013





Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

next year and beyond. We are very proud of the students who attend EMJ and will continue to look for opportunities to catch up on how each are doing when possible. In addition to all the activities that are planned that celebrate the learning of all students, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and community for their ongoing support, suggestions and interest in continuing to have Ethel M Johnson be an outstanding school within the Calgary Board of Education.

Healthy choices,

Tracey

Bus Route Changes

I am pleased to inform all parents and students using our busses from Silverado that bus pick up times will be moved 12 minutes later in the morning **starting June 5**. This is a result of the change in traffic at Lake Fraser Gate on MacLeod Trail that allows our busses to complete their routes faster. Updated route information will be sent home with all students June 3. Please ensure you check the route information and particular stop of updated bus times.

Kindergarten

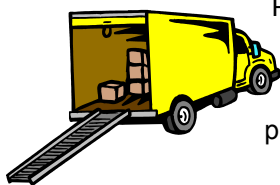
Kindergarten registration is an ongoing process and we encourage our families in the communities of Southwood, Canyon Meadows and Silverado to register their Kindergarten children in school as soon as possible. We would like to welcome each to Ethel M Johnson and the Calgary Board of Education and look forward to beginning the education journey with you in this Fall.



If your child is not a Canadian citizen you will need to contact the Kingsland Centre at 403-777-7373 to register with the Calgary Board of Education.

For more information about the Kindergarten program please see the CBE website at <http://www.cbe.ab.ca/programs/prog-kinder.asp>

Moving?



Please contact the school if you are planning to move or are looking at a different school for your child(ren) for the upcoming school year. Please call 403-777-8500 to inform us of your plans so that we will be able to assist you with this process. Thank you for helping us plan for our students next year.

Lost and Found

Please be sure to have your child check the lost and found for missing items prior to the end of June. All lost and found items still remaining will be donated after June 28.



Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

Ethel M Johnson RSS

Parents receive school information through a number of sources. At EMJ we use teacher blogs, written notes home, email, smartphone app and RSS notifications. All parents please take a moment to register for RSS updates from the school on the front page of our website <http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm> . This way parents will stay connected, regarding school events and activities through an email reminder when new information is posted. Thank you for joining our RSS update so that you are kept informed and updated.

Library

Students are reminded that all library books must be returned before the end of the school year. Beginning the week of June 10th, notices will be sent home with students listing any books they currently have signed-out. We would ask that all library books be returned by June 14th. Grade 6 students are strongly encouraged to return their books by the end of the year as overdue books from Ethel M. Johnson will impact their library privileges in junior high. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Darby in the library.



SKILL Buddies

The SKILL I & II students took their Room 10 Buddies for lunch at Humpty's Restaurant. This event was to thank them for their help and support over the past year.



All of the students would like to thank Humpty's for their generous donation towards the lunch.

We would also like to mention how wonderful the staff were in accommodating our large group and having everything run so smoothly.

Hope For Haiti!

By Sophie & Vicky, grade 6, room 8

Last month, on Wednesday, April 17, the grade 6's had a carnival in the gym. They were hoping to raise enough money to help a small village in Haiti called Terre Casse.

The grade 6's were raising money to help Terre Casse because of the enormous earthquake in 2010 leaving damage, destroying lives, families, and homes. Even though the earthquake was three years ago, Terre Casse can't afford to rebuild their village. The MeToWe group took on the challenge by trying to adopt a village; unfortunately they didn't quite reach their goal of \$2500, but worked their butts off. After the carnival they interviewed some students and got their thoughts and opinions about the carnival and how it went,



Abdel, *"It was outrageously fun for students and teachers. It also was a great cause for Haiti. Every dollar counts!"*

Sheban, *"I would say we helped Haiti a lot. It was amusing to watch people in the gym people play Tug A War!"*




Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

Laine, *"I think the carnival went pretty well. A lot of younger students were having fun at the carnival. I hoped that more parents and people in the neighborhood would show up but they didn't. I'm glad we helped Haiti."*

Jacob, *"I think all our ideas were heard and I think it went great, even the people working seemed to be having fun! The only bad part was, there wasn't enough helpers for sound and music, turned out better then I imagined. We are the change!"*

On the day of the carnival, people in the MeToWe club were performing songs and doing speeches on the stage for everyone to watch and be entertained while waiting to play games. There were games at the carnival for everyone to play and have fun. The games and booths were all based on Haiti and were designed to look like homes in Haiti. They also provided free food, beans and rice, that tasted better then it looked. The students were buying popcorn, juice and bracelets that were a reasonable price. Raising money was challenging but at the end it was for a good cause.

The MeToWe group started a legacy. For next year's MeToWe club, they shouldn't have a carnival because people didn't pay as much attention to what we had to say about Haiti. There was a lot of information about Haiti that no one really seemed to pay attention to, the students just wanted to play the games. We wish more students learned about Haiti. That's what next year's MeToWe group should work on.

Imagine the world when WE are the change. What can YOU do, what can WE do?

It's Sports Day Again at E.M.J!

The theme this year is,

"IMAGINE AND BELIEVE... A Fit and Healthy E.M.J.!"

Date: Friday, June 21st

Time: 9:00 am – 11:40 am



The students are asked to wear runners and comfortable clothes that day. A hat, sunscreen, and bugspray are also very important!

Our Sports Days in the past have been a great success, largely due to the efforts of our parent volunteers! We will be needing volunteers again this year. A separate letter regarding Sports Day will be sent home in June...please keep an eye out for it. We will be asking for volunteers in that letter. You can let us know then if you are able to help! Any and all help is GREATLY appreciated!



Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

Parents, the EMJ Parent Council needs your help for the:

“Rib-Tickling Staff Picnic Lunch”

To be held on: Tuesday June 18, 2013

As the end of the school year approaches, it is time to say a big “Thank You” to the great staff of EMJ. The teachers, aides, administrative and support staff bring so much to the school every day. Through their hard work and dedication they make EMJ a great place for our children to learn.

On June 18th, the School Council will be hosting an appreciation lunch for staff. If you can contribute, please complete the form below and return it to the school no later than Tuesday June 11th. We are looking for donations of food, money or your time.

We are having a Rib Barbeque Picnic theme to the luncheon this year. All donations will be greatly appreciated, whether you are inspired by the theme or bring in your own speciality. Please ensure any items sent to school are clearly labeled with your name and a list of ingredients. They will be available for pickup in the staff room after school on Tuesday or anytime on Wednesday.

Please contact Kate Glazebrook (Petra and Timothy Gojsic’s mom) by email at glazebrook.kate@gmail.com or text 403-807-3717 with any questions.

Thank-you in advance for making this luncheon special!

.....(please return the bottom portion to your child’s teacher)

Please indicate below how you can help with the Staff Luncheon on Tuesday June 18:

- I can volunteer on June 18 to help with setup from 10:00-11:30 AM
- I can volunteer on June 18 to help with cleanup from 12:30-2:00 PM
- I will send in money to my child’s teacher to purchase supplies (cash or cheques, please make cheques out to “EMJ Parent Council”)
- I can bring a salad, dessert, potatoes or rice (please circle what you will bring)

Students name and class: _____

Name of parent: _____

Phone or email: _____




Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>
EMJ Volunteer Program Information Sheet

There are many ways you can support your children's education, including volunteering in the school. Parent participation is always needed and appreciated. Some programs in our school have require comprehensive volunteer involvement in place, for example, School Council, field trips and ongoing classroom volunteers for reading support and material preparation. The volunteer program compliments these and other activities within the school.

All volunteers working with children MUST check in with the office to complete Volunteer legal forms. Forms are available at the main office. Please ensure you read the Information for Volunteers in the Calgary Board of Education for information regarding volunteer expectations, routines. Volunteer Forms MUST be completed in the office in person.

Please "check" beside any areas that you would be interested in volunteering.
NAMES AND HOMEROOM OF CHILD(REN) ATTENDING **ETHEL M JOHNSON SCHOOL**.

PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) WHO WILL BE VOLUNTEERING

Name (please print): _____

Phone number: _____ Email _____

Relationship to child: _____

Name (please print): Phone number: _____ Email _____

Relationship to child: _____

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
(Please check the areas in which you would like to volunteer)
(Police Clearance not needed for these roles below)

_____ School Council ___ Fun Lunch ___ Pumpkin Carving Oct. _____ Craft Night Dec.

_____ Fundraising _____ Casino _____ SUTP Fundraising (Sept)

(Police Clearance required for these roles below)

_____ Field Trips _____ Grade _____ Homeroom

_____ Classroom Volunteer Coordinator _____ Classroom Volunteer

_____ Reading Volunteer _____ Library _____ Book Fair (Dec)

Other (Please specify) _____

If you have any questions or concerns please contact our office at 777-8500.




Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr. SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca


celebrate | the end of the school year

The Board of Trustees wants to thank all of our teachers, principals, support staff, parents and administration for their dedication to public education and for supporting our students and schools throughout the 2012-13 school year. It is often said that a school is the heart of a community, and we'd like to express our gratitude to our communities. Our schools would not be the same without their support.

Congratulations to all students on completing another school year. We are continually impressed by the excellent work you do and the amazing things you learn each day. As we visit schools throughout the year, it is our honour to see the wide variety of projects you have completed. Your knowledge, skills and creativity are always showcased beautifully in your schools.

It is fitting as the 2012-13 school year comes to a close for us to reflect on the year behind us and look to the future.

At the beginning of the school year, we made a commitment to focus our efforts this year on improving the way we communicate with parents and school councils. In October, we held the first Council of School Council Meetings, and a second meeting in April. We had the opportunity to meet many of you at meetings in February and we continued to ask for and listen to your thoughts and feedback throughout the year. Thank you to all parents who responded to surveys, attended meetings, and shared their thoughts. We truly do appreciate your efforts and feedback.

This year, we also celebrated the opening of four new schools and the new Career and Technology Centre at Lord Shaughnessy High School. This spring, we were delighted to hear the provincial announcement of six more new schools for our students.

We continue to be focused on student results that reflect the highest standards of learning. We were

delighted to see that CBE students demonstrated strong academic results in the 2011-2012 Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams.

It is our role, as a Board of Trustees, to set the expectations for students in our school system. We call these expectations our Results. We base our Results on the values and expectations of Calgarians. We then evaluate the school system's progress towards achieving those results through annual monitoring reports. More information about our Results and how our students are achieving success can be found on our Report to the Community website.

As we end the school year, best wishes to the graduating class of 2013 and to all our returning students and their families, we hope you have a safe and restful summer.

contact | Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees wants to hear your ideas or concerns about public education in Calgary. You can also visit cbe.ab.ca to learn more about the Board of Trustees and upcoming public board meetings. By ward, here are your trustees:

1 & 2	Joy Bowen-Eyre
3 & 4	Lynn Ferguson
5 & 10	Pamela King
6 & 7	George Lane
8 & 9	Pat Cochrane
11 & 13	Sheila Taylor
12 & 14	Carol Bazinet

e | BoardofTrustees@cbe.ab.ca
t | 403-817-7933



Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca



| register | online fee payment

Paying your child's school fees online is quick, easy and convenient.

To set up an account, your email address must match what the school has on file and you will need your child's CBE student ID.

- 1 | ensure you are listed as the legal guardian for your child
- 2 | visit cbe.ab.ca and click on [online fee payment](#) to register for a My CBE Account
- 3 | add your child(ren) using their CBE student ID

Once you register for a My CBE Account you can:

- pay for noon supervision, transportation, instructional supplies and materials and many other student fees
- register for noon supervision

Questions?

We are here to help.

t | 403-817-7888

onlinefeepayments@cbe.ab.ca





Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

ADVENTURES CHILDCARE
Before and After School Care

Adventures Child Care is a recreational-based before and after school program offered right in your school's gymnasium. Open to students from grade 1-6, our fully licensed program is staffed by members chosen for their dedication, professionalism and passion. The program works alongside your child's school schedule to ensure your child is taken care of year round.

7am to start of school, after school to 6pm

Adventures Child Care is open for before school care from 7am to start of school and after school to 6pm. The monthly fee includes all professional development days, teachers convention and spring break.

Flat rate of only \$380/month

Adventures Child Care staff members have all attained child care qualifications that meet the Child Care Licensing Act. Staff members all carry a current criminal check and standard first aid.

Contact us today to register.
Ask about our popular summer program!

Kirsten Durant - Acadia Program Director
403 478 5544 acadia@adventureschildcare.ca

Danielle Flaherty - Ethel Program Director
403 478 5509 ethel@adventureschildcare.ca

Ricardo Choo-Yin - President/Owner
403 483 1272 rchooyin@adventureschildcare.ca

"Adventures has been so supportive of my family. The flexibility they provide is outstanding. Adam loves going to after care, he enjoys the time Ricardo is able to play with him. He often shares of the times when he beats the staff at basketball. Adam loves the variety of activities, ranging from sports to crafts. The attention Adam gets from all staff is exceptional."
~ Alison Hillaby

"Ricardo and his staff have taken very good care of Leif and provide enjoyable and interesting programming for the children. Leif always prefers to stay as late as possible even if he doesn't have to. That is pretty awesome! I have no reservations in recommending this program to anyone. I have been more than satisfied with the level of care, programming and staff."
~ Meredith Hendriks



Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca

60's **50th** **90's**

1963 Anniversary 2013

Le Roi Daniels School

70's *A Golden Past A Brilliant Future!* **00's**

Please Come Join Us in Celebration
October 10, 2013
(Times TBA)

If you wish to submit a picture, story or other memorabilia, please clearly mark on the back the necessary return information and drop it off at the school or send it to:
Le Roi Daniels School
477 Fyffe Road SE
Calgary Alberta T2H 1B9

Electronic Submissions can be sent to LeRoiDaniels@cbe.ab.ca
Visit our [Facebook Page](#) and the school [web site](#) for more information.

80's **10's**



Ethel M Johnson School

255 Sackville Dr.SW, Calgary, AB T2W 0W7

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b310/default.htm>

t | 403-777-8500 f | 403-777-8502 | ethelmjohnson@cbe.ab.ca



Join our event page on Facebook!

Please bring a donation for the Calgary Food Bank to the event.

Come out for an afternoon of FREE fun in south Calgary!

A family friendly oriented event, however everyone is welcome to come visit. We will be touching up our Paint the Pavement project from a couple of years ago. On location activities will include: a bbq, petting zoo, face painting, bouncy castles, and more. There will be an on location aspect - a variety of City departments, organizations, businesses and artists will have tables set up at the event to engage and interact with those attending the event. Mac's Froster Street Team will be on location. Live music and more.

Saturday June 15th from 2-5pm

Community Hall and Grounds @ 11 Sackville Drive SW

Robert Dickinson
rob.dickinson50@yahoo.com

Southwood Community Association

