



# Ecole Good Shepherd School Parent Council

## May, 2023



The beautiful weather has returned! With it comes a renewed sense of excitement and joy. Often, it also becomes a time that our calendars book up quickly! We don't want you to miss out on any of the upcoming Parent Council activities this month, so we've compiled them here for you.

### **Math-A-Thon**

The Math-A-Thon wraps up on **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. Make sure all money has been sent into the school along with your pledge form. You can also send your money through school cash. You'll even receive a donation receipt this way!

<https://christtheredeemer.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/267/18/false/true>

Under Gift Information, from the dropdown menu, choose Ecole Good Shepherd – Math-A-Thon. Don't forget to leave the child's full name (and teachers) in the comment section so they'll receive credit towards the Top Fundraiser as well as their class towards the Top Fundraising Class!

Prize winners will be announced the week of May 8<sup>th</sup>. Prizes include gift certificates to monkey mountain, bowling passes, movie tickets, Boston Pizza, Flight simulator gift cards, The Park passes, The Point passes, books, candy baskets, rec center passes, be a principal or vice principal for a day and more!

### **Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week May 8-12<sup>th</sup>**

Please join us in giving our staff the "Royal" treatment they deserve!

All week long, we are asking our EGSS families to participate in small acts of generosity to help show our appreciation. Parent Council has also planned a week of treats to celebrate all our staff that includes massages, yoga and our "world famous" treat cart! Check out the theme days below and pick what suits you and your family, participate in one or all; it's up to you!



#### **Monday - Royal "tea" or coffee**

Bring in some tea bags or instant coffee to give a little jolt to their Monday!

#### **Tuesday – Delectable Sweet Treats**

What is a treat good enough for a king or queen? Spoil your teacher with a special treat today!

#### **Wednesday – Fancy Flourishing Flowers**

Gift a special staff member with a beautiful flower or plant to brighten their day. You could even draw, colour or craft one!

#### **Thursday – Grand Gestures of Gratitude**

All our staff needs to know how amazing they are! Take some time to write a thank you note, or use the link below to show your gratitude.

<https://artwithcrystal.com/thankful-page/>  
<https://artwithcrystal.com/thank-you-teacher/>

#### **Friday – Pamper to Perfection**

Treat your teacher to a little self-care! A new nail polish, or book, a nice candle or journal, maybe share a family favorite hike they might enjoy! Help your teacher indulge in some much needed "me" time!

## **The Future of Parent Council at EGSS**

Hot lunches, Halloween Dances, Christmas Bazaars, Movie Nights, Math-A-Thon, Teacher Appreciation, Welcome Back BBQs, Parent Teacher Potlucks, Parent Information Sessions, Grade 4 Bibles, Sacraments for Sundaes. All these things happen because of the dedication of the volunteers on our Parent Council Executive.

We have been blessed for many years to have Deanna Whiting serve our Parent Council, currently as chair. She, along with our wonderful Volunteer Coordinator, Hyunjoo Wagner, and our amazing Hot Lunch Coordinator, Maggie MacKerracher, are all graduating from EGGS as their children move on to JPII. **We are so grateful for them and their hard work over the years. They will be greatly missed!**

Our Parent Council Executive Elections are on **Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** in the School Library. The graduation of half of our team has left many positions available and we would love to fill them, so we are able to continue the legacy and traditions of past years and welcome in new ideas and events.

Please consider joining us next year on council in one of the following positions. We know it can seem like a lot of work, especially when you're so busy, but we promise a lot of fun and engagement, an inside track as to what's happening at the school, having your voice heard and we have so many great volunteers to support the team. **You can make all the difference for our school and our kids!**



### ***Positions to consider:***

- Chair
- Vice-Chair
- Secretary
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Social Coordinator
- Fundraising Coordinator

If you'd like to join us in one of these positions, please email us with your name, child's name and grade at [gss-school-council@redeemer.ab.ca](mailto:gss-school-council@redeemer.ab.ca) or to learn more about the details of a position, visit our webpage at <https://goodshepherd.redeemer.ab.ca/school-council>

## **Hot Lunches**

Don't forget to purchase your hot lunches by Thursday the week prior. You can do so at [www.healthyhunger.ca](http://www.healthyhunger.ca)

We also need volunteers to help serve these lunches. If you have a Tuesday or Wednesday lunch hour free, register to volunteer here: <https://volunteersignup.org/Q9PXD>

**Questions, concerns, want to join us?**

**Please email us at [gss-school-council@redeemer.ab.ca](mailto:gss-school-council@redeemer.ab.ca).**

**We would love to hear from you!**

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