

ELGIN IN THE NEWS



Important Dates

- Feb.1**-Sports Jersey Day
- Feb.3**-Spirit Wear Orders Due
- Feb.8**-Dr. Seuss Day
- Feb.14**-Red/White/Pink Day
- Term 1 Report Cards Sent Home
- Feb.15**-Jump Rope for Heart
- Feb.18**-Family Day-NO SCHOOL
- Feb.22**-Comfy Day
- Feb.27**-Pink Shirt Day



Jump Rope for Heart

Elgin's annual "Jump Rope for Heart" Event is set to take place on **Friday, February 15th**. Pledge envelopes were sent home earlier, so collect those pledges and get ready to jump, jump, jump your way to a healthy heart as we help those who rely on the Heart and Stroke Foundation.



Science Inquiry

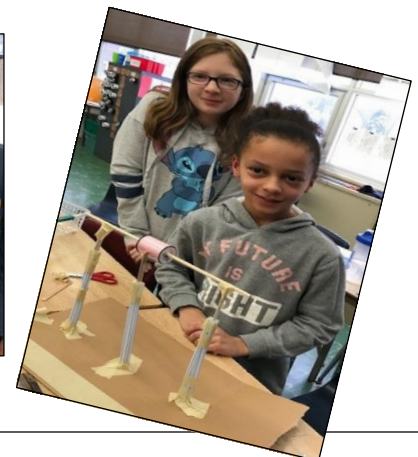
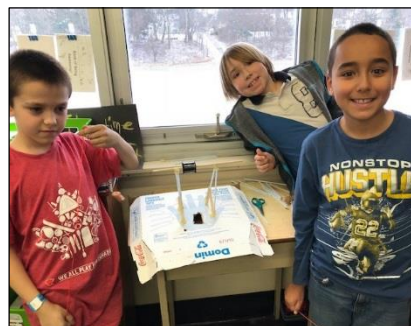
Grade 8 Students have been learning about the properties of fluids, including density and viscosity. They designed an experiment to test the flow rate of a variety of fluids to compare their viscosity.



Grade 7 students were working on the characteristics of solutions and mechanical mixtures.



Grade 4 students learned about the finer points of Simple Machines by building their own pulleys.



Thank you to all our Elgin Families for the wonderful items that were donated. We were able to help the Norfolk Neighbours Outreach provide needed items to people in our community. Below is their thank you to all of you!



Norfolk Neighbours Outreach

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WOW! Look what the teachers and students at Elgin Avenue public school donated to Norfolk Neighbours Outreach! The focus of the month was compassion and they sure did show a lot of it! They collected all these much needed things and chose us to donate to. Thanks so much for everything and know that you have made a difference 💜



Our Winter Wonderland Raffle was a huge success. Congratulations to all the lucky winners! The Elgin Eagles would also like say a big thank you for all the local business that made donations:

Canadian Tire Ruffins Roulstons Dairy Queen
The Apple Place Joy Café The Barrel

We are so grateful for your generosity, which helped us raise over \$200 for the Simcoe Caring Cupboard!



Grade 1~2 Has Spirit!



Crazy
Hair
Day



Career
Day

Elgin Students Have CHARACTER!

Congratulations to these students, who have caring hearts and have shown **COMPASSION** for others in a variety of ways:



The character trait focus for the month of February will be: **INCLUSIVENESS** (the quality of including many different types of people and treating them all fairly and equally).

How will you include others?





Last fall, the Government of Ontario passed the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, Which prohibits smoking tobacco or cannabis as well as all vaping in public areas, including schools.

The new law specifically states that a person can not smoke or vape in or around a school. This includes all indoor spaces and all outdoor areas like playgrounds and sports fields. It also prohibits smoking and vaping in public areas within 20 metres of the property line of a school or School Board facility. For reference, 20 metres equals 65 feet, or the approximate length of 1.5 school buses.

A person caught smoking or vaping in a prohibited area may be charged with an offence and subject to a fine of up to \$1,000 for a first offence, if convicted.

To assist Grand Erie with this change, the local Health Unit will be providing new signage for all schools and Board facility sites. Through our Public Health Nurses, education information will be available for those looking to quit smoking or vaping. The Board will also be removing all traditional smoking and vaping areas.

Understandably, this is a significant change that will require everyone's cooperation. We don't want to see anyone charged. Therefore, we're asking for your support and assistance in ensuring everyone meets the requirements of this new law.

For more information on the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, visit: <https://bit.ly/2FGV4y5>.

Access to Before and After School Care at Elgin Ave PS

We need to know if you're interested in accessing Before and After School Care at our school.

This is your opportunity to tell us whether a program would meet the needs of your family.

If enough parents show interest to run a viable program, a third-party provider will coordinate the service at our school for a fee in 2019-20.

Submit your interest by completing this online survey before February 8, 2019.

<https://snap.granderie.ca/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=154695522222>

Results for schools will be available after March 31, 2019.

