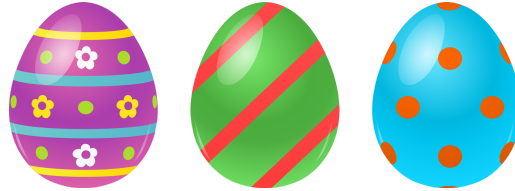




Hawks Highlights

April 2022



Principal's Note:

Spring is in the air. It feels amazing to have the sun shining and warmer temperatures. As we know, this can change quickly and so we ask that you continue to send jackets, mitts, toques, and maybe even extra socks for your kids. As much as I love the change in seasons, spring can (and this year will) get a little wet and mucky.

Thank you to all parents who met with our teachers either by phone or in person at parent teacher conferences in March. We enjoy sharing your child's successes and areas of growth with you. We are seeing our kids really move forward with their learning and we are excited to see what the last three months look like especially since this is the time that we really see our younger students grow by leaps and bounds. Regular attendance is so important for the kiddos to be successful in their learning journey. Thank you for being great partners with us as we continue to teach our kids.

March was a busy month for us. We had a few crazy weather days, fun spirit days and even a few leprechauns sneak into our building and cause some mayhem. Unfortunately, we were

unable to catch them nor did we find the pot of gold. Maybe next year.

March also saw the end of the basketball season and the beginning of the badminton season. Congratulations to our Jr Boys Basketball team who took second place at Districts. It was such a close game! The boys did an amazing job. Thanks Coach B for working with our boys. We have badminton practices happening Mondays & Wednesdays after school - please see the Hawks' Athletics article for more information. Thank you to our many coaches for staying after school and dedicating your time to our young athletes. April looks to be like a fun month. Our librarian, Mrs. Rhonda Plamondon, has been planning our Literacy Week (Minecraft Theme!) and as you all know, it will be filled with fun and learning. Our Literacy Week is from April 4-8, just before Spring Break. Can't wait for the fun. We also have planned a few Spirit Days - please see our calendar for the dates and details. Thank you to our Students' Union and Miss B for keeping our school a fun place to be. Spring Break and Easter celebrations (both) take place this month. Spring Break begins April 9-18 with students returning to school on Tuesday, April 19. We hope that you enjoy the

break. For everyone who is celebrating Easter, we wish you a Happy Easter!

Parent Teacher Interviews

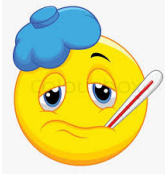


Thank you to everyone who “attended” the Parent Teacher Conferences in March. We had many parents visit with the teachers. If you missed the opportunity to speak with the teacher regarding your child’s

progress, please email them or call the school to arrange another time.

Feeling Unwell? Please Stay Home

As we continue to have students who are ill, we ask that you keep your child at home when your child is feeling under the weather.



AHS continues to have the same requirements regarding illness, testing positive for COVID (both vaccinated and unvaccinated people) and

being a close contact. Please visit the updated information at AHS for further details

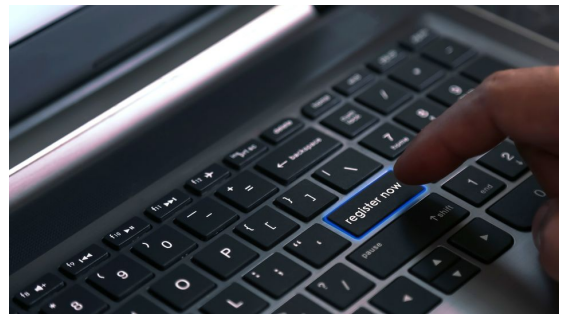
<https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/topics/Pages/e17239.aspx#guidance>

A good rule to follow is when children have been symptom free for 24 hours, then returning to school is possible. Thank you for helping us stay healthy until the end of the year.

Preschool & Kindergarten Registration

Registration opens April 1 for the 2022-2023 school year for all programs: preschool, Kindergarten and grades 1-12.

Please register early to help us prepare for the next school year.



Northern Lights Public Schools
Care to Learn Preschool
learning through play... together

Registration is now open for the 2022-23 school year!


Our online registration process will walk you through all the steps you need to follow to register your child in our preschool program. For new students, the link can be found on the Registration page of our website.

Existing students can be re-enrolled by logging into the PowerSchool Parent Portal, clicking on School Engage, and then selecting the 2022-2023 Preschool and Kindergarten Re-Enrollment Form.

Once your registration has been approved you will receive instructions on how to pay your deposit.

For detailed instructions and links go to:

nlpsab.ca





Drama Production



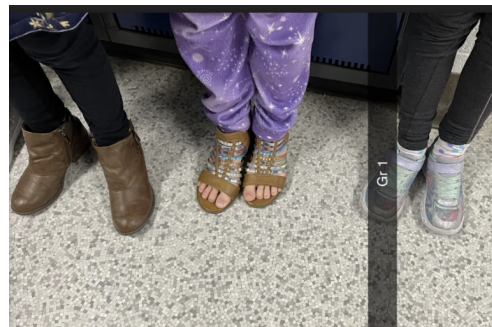
After an almost two year hiatus, the EPS Drama program is excited to take the stage once again. EPS Drama is proud to announce the performance of *Bad Auditions by Bad Actors* at EPS on April 21st at the Zone One Act Festival. We may be looking to present this during an evening at EPS at some point after Spring Break. Stay tuned for more info.

Students' Union:

March was full of exciting spirit days for EPS. We celebrated St. Patrick's Day on March 17th. In the following weeks we had Opposite Day and Best Shoes Day.

In April we are looking forward to Jersey Day on the 6th! We are excited to see all the different jerseys!

On April 19th there will be an Easter egg hunt in the classrooms during the day, and a coloring contest for everyone to compete for prizes. Also on the 19th and continuing until the 22nd there will be an Easter egg decorating competition. Eggs will be provided on Tuesday the 19th and finished projects need to be returned on Friday, April 22.



Preschool

March was a wonderful month full of many activities, warm sunny days outside and lots of fun in our classroom. On snowy days, we went to the gym. Our kiddos just love visiting Mrs. Plamondon in the library!

We celebrated Safron's 5th birthday, St Patrick's day, had backwards shirt day and March 31st was our 100th day of Preschool. We made furry lions, fluffy lambs and feathery roosters. Then we fell in love with anything to do with rainbows and our favourite story was "Pot of Gold". By the end of the month, each of us could read it out loud to the class. We almost finished our HWT numbers and have started playing with mat man/girl.

Registration for Preschool 2022-2023 is now open and can be found on our website. See our Flyer for details.



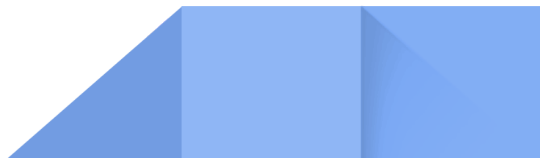
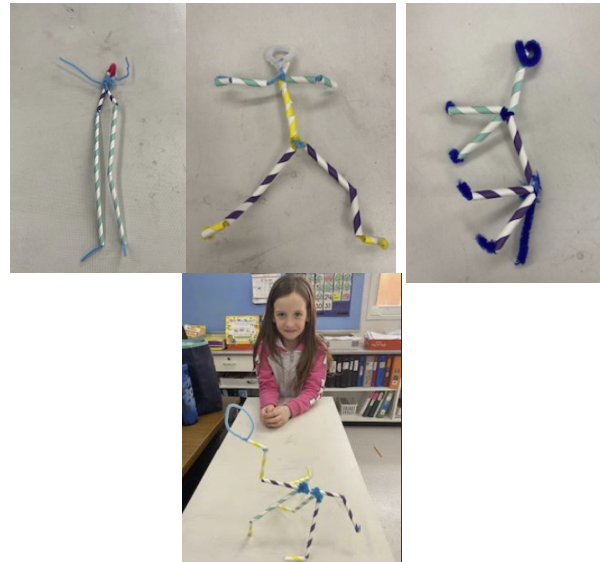
Grade 1

In grade one, we began our Building things unit. We started by building leprechaun traps and then with straws and pipe cleaners - turning them into creatures. We are going to build pop up cards, and even some classroom furniture! In math we have been working with numbers to 100 and adding and subtracting to 20.



Kindergarten

It has been a month of green and gold. We have been using manipulatives to make patterns, count, add, and number paths. In Language arts we have been working on our Alphabet and the correlation of sounds. We have also read lots of stories about Leprechaun's and built leprechaun traps. He took our gold and left us a chocolate coin. That tricky Leprechaun!!!



Grade 2



The month of March was a busy month in the Grade Two classroom! We began the month by celebrating 100 Days of School! The children enjoyed exploring the 100 things that their

classmates had brought to school, and they enjoyed writing about what their life will be like at 100 years old. We followed our 100 Day celebration by celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday! We read fun Dr. Seuss stories to celebrate his special day! The middle of the month brought the leprechauns to our classroom. Those pesky little guys played havoc in our classroom, and we tried our best to catch them! Unfortunately, the day ended without anyone catching one of those little fellows! We are finishing up the month by learning about Iqaluit, Nunavut and by learning strategies for adding and subtracting numbers to 18.

Mrs. Landry's Gr. 3 News

The grade threes had a fun-filled month in March! We celebrated our 100th Day of School, Dr. Seuss Day, and St. Patrick's Day. The grade threes even received a visit from a sneaky leprechaun who left a mess in the classroom!

This month the students built castles which was a cross-curricular project. The students planned out their project and the materials needed to complete it. They researched castles in the four

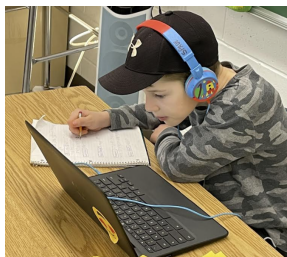
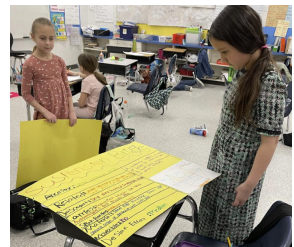
countries we are studying in social studies (Ukraine, Peru, India, and Tunisia). They did a great job and enjoyed decorating them as well!

In April, we are all looking forward to our much needed spring break! The students are excited to celebrate Easter with their family and friends. We will have fun completing some Spring and Easter themed crafts in art class. Let's hope that we can enjoy warmer weather outside, too!



Mrs. Evdokimov and Lien's Grade 3 Class

This month the students have been working on gathering information for their bridge projects which will be presented to the class next month, along with a model of the bridge they constructed at home.



Grade 4 News

I'm so happy to be back in the classroom! It was a long six weeks away from my grade fours. Even though we weren't together for that time, I felt the love from my students through the cards and drawings they sent. Also, as HUGE thank you to Ms. Snydmiller for stepping in and helping the grade fours to continue their learning.

In the past three weeks we have been experimenting with simple machines by building contraptions that include pulleys, wedges, screws, inclined planes, levers and wheel and axles. Mr Ennest in the shop has so kindly allowed us to practice what we have learned by allowing us to visit the EPS shop and participate in hands-on activities.

Ask your child about budgeting and grocery shopping. We have been working on applying our knowledge of decimals and money to real life situations by using the prices of products found in paper flyers and by creating our own mini stores. This has been a real hit in our class.

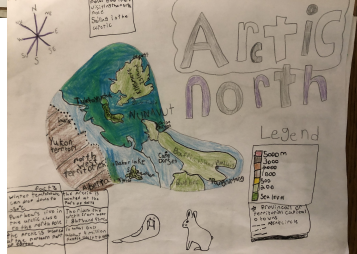
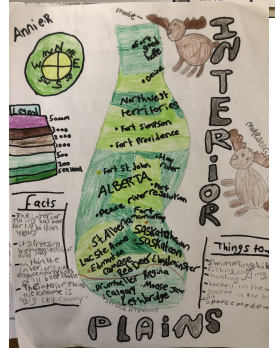
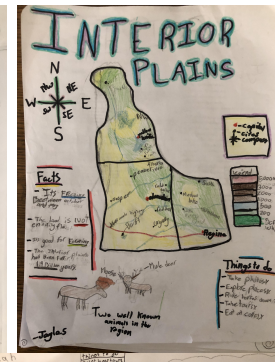
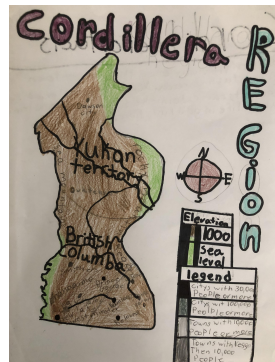
Just before Spring Break, we will be completing our short stories and creating Hay Clay characters to star in our stop motion films. Students are pretty excited for this.

Have a Happy Spring Break!



Grade 5 News

Grade 5 students are working hard to complete current events articles, and they are each working to create maps with fun facts about the regions of Canada.



The Grade 5 class started their poetry unit during the month of March. They have been writing some amazing poems and have also been studying the work of other poets. The following free verse poems were written collaboratively as a class activity and the students did not know what the person before them had written.

Paris

A big tower is there
Paris is the city of love
The Eiffel Tower is tall and shiny
Paris has very good photoshoots
I love the view of the Eiffel Tower
The food is very good and
The city is huge
It has good bread
And Paris is awesome

Cats

Cats are furry and purry
Cats really like hats
Fluffy cats are very cute
Some cats are nice and soft
Cats love to lay in your bed and be lazy
But are sharp, mean pets
Cats are cute when they are born
Cats are so cute and funny

Horses

Ride horses in the sun.
I love the way I am up so high.
A flock of wild horses grazing
are multiple colors and run in the wind.
People ride horses.
Fast horses.
So pretty, lovely and nice.

Grade 6 News

The Grade 6 class began the month by attending swimming lessons. They did very well in their classes and learned some important new skills.

Grade 6 students have been learning about Flight, Air and Aerodynamics. We are learning to build and modify items that fly, and understanding the Bernoulli Principle about the movement of air and the speed that air travels. Grade six has also been working on projects that incorporate Multiple Intelligences, and using lines as a medium for expressing their Intelligences.



Grade 9 Haikus

Sadness in their eyes
A river of tears is seen
Nobody can hear
By: M

Little one stay still
Hear my lullaby and sleep
For I shine with love
By: R



The love for her child
Is stronger than the earth
Nothing can compare
By: S

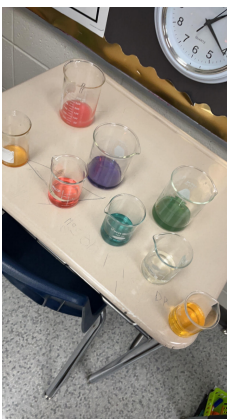
See the birds sparkle
The thought of water flowing
Hearing the sun shine
By: V

The talking tall tree
Covering the light from the sun
The poor grass below
By: T
Excruciating ELA is so boring
Hard thinking,
brain dead
By: D

Grade 10 Science

Students in Science 14 have wrapped up their chemistry unit. They had the chance to classify acids and bases using litmus paper and found the pH of substances using a universal pH indicator. This can be done at home using red cabbage as a natural indicator. Try this fun science experiment out at home!

<https://web.stanford.edu/~ajspakow/downloads/outreach/ph-student-9-30-09.pdf>



Grad News

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 @ 7:00pm via ZOOM.

Checklist: Have you completed the following:

- Paid Grad Fees - \$100
- Paid & Picked Up Hoodie - \$12
- Guest Speaker - Fill In Google Form
- Pictures for Slideshow Handed In
- Keeping on TRACK with grades

Meal: To Be Decided

Scholarship Information:

There are many scholarship opportunities for students - please look at the NLPS website for more information, check out post secondary institutes or come and see Mrs. Grygus. Deadlines are fast approaching.

Learning Commons

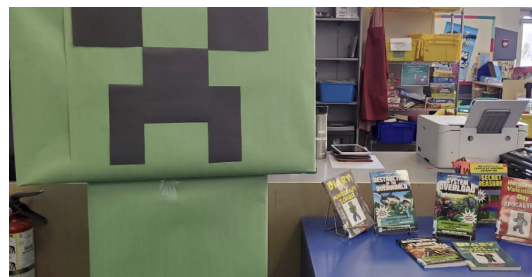
Hello, Everyone!

Thank you very much to Alicia Haxby and Zoey Forbes for their donations of Perler beads and trays. They have been enjoyed by many students the last few weeks.

April is going to be a very busy month in the Learning Commons!

We have our annual Literacy Week Celebration coming up..this year's theme will be

MINECRAFT



We will be hosting a Minecraft team reading challenge, to be happening at home and at school. Students will be keeping track of their reading minutes and books read to win cool prizes.

This week will also include some scavenger hunts, obstacle courses and other fun activities.



Tuesday will be Dress Up as Your Favourite Character Day. We are hoping to see lots of cool characters roaming our school.

Thursday is PJ's and story time..wear your favourite P.J.'s, bring your blankie and enjoy books and cookies in the library.

Friday will have a special Minecraft surprise for our students..we think you will

love it!



Plamondon Youth Council Opportunity



Hawks Athletics

Hawks Basketball Spirit



After an inactive and lazy two years, compliments of Covid, a gloriously out-of-practice team of junior greenhorns came together to try their hand at basketball. Coming out, they were atrocious, it was

clear to any onlookers. However, they had spirit and they had grit. After only a handful of practice sessions, the improvements were vast and undeniable. With new-found confidence, they set out for Wards, aiming to stand above all others and demonstrate their b-balling prowess. All their efforts weren't for naught! They came with sights set high and the skills to back them up, absolutely dominating the

competition and snatching first place, earning a plaque for our school. On to Districts! Spirits soaring, hope kindling, and a few well-utilized practices later, the day was upon them. Like a generic indie game made on a whim, the further the Junior Boys progressed, the tougher their match-ups proved to be. Game one was won leisurely, giving no cause for worry. Game number two was a hard-fought clencher, both teams staying right on each other's tails, with our boys emerging victorious in the end. Game three was much like its predecessor, but even more so. The energy on and around the court was a hurricane of heartfelt cheers, encouragement, and pure unadulterated screaming. It was absolutely stressful and heart attack-inducing. Every point, foul, and inbound had the game riding on it; the pressure was definitely felt. Putting everything on the court, both teams played with total determination and an unrelenting hunger for victory. The result was bitter and hard to swallow, as we lost by a small margin, but there was nothing to be ashamed of. They played hard and they played well, still winning us another plaque. With heads held high and something to be proud of, we look forward to next year. The Junior Boys did great, but an honorable mention goes out to the coaches of the team! To Head Coach Hailey Babcock for her amazing tutelage and outstanding (as well as passionate) guidance! And to her two supporting Assistant Coaches, Safron Egoroff and Maxim Egoroff!

By Safron Egoroff

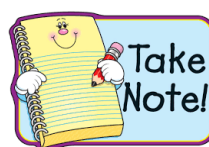
Hawks Badminton Team

★ Practices are twice per week though March and April

*Monday & Wednesday for Junior's & Senior's - 3:30 - 5:00 pm

If you have any questions regarding the Hawks Badminton Team, please contact:
EPS Athletic Director - Steven Reid at 798-3840 or steven.reid@nlsd.ab.ca

Dates to Remember



Please check out our April Calendar at the end of the newsletter for important dates and fun activities.

May Dates:

- May 3 & 4 Author Visits
- May 6: No school for students
- May 10: Kindergrad and Class Photos
- May 17 & 18: Author Visit
- May 20: Family Friday
- May 23: Victoria Day - No School

KidSport Lac La Biche presents

SECOND CHANCE GEAR UP

Sport Equipment Exchange
Bottle Drive + BBQ

Saturday, April 23, 2022
10 AM - 4 PM
Bold Center • Curling Rink

Equipment Drop-off:
Thursday, April 21 + Friday, April 22
9 AM - 4 PM, 5 - 9 PM



After School Activities at BOLD: Check out these great opportunities



teen chill zone
A FUN NIGHT OUT FOR TEENS!

SKATE NIGHT

EAT, SKATE, SOCIALIZE!

Join us after school for a skate, then we'll head upstairs for supper and some end-of-the-week socializing!
Helmets are required for everyone under 18 years old.
Let us know upon registering if you need to borrow one.

BOLD CENTER • FRIDAY, APRIL 8 • 4:00 - 7:00 PM

AGES 13-17 • FREE • PREREGISTER BY WED. APR 6, 2022

To Register:
Call 780-623-3829, or go to Bold Center front desk.
For more information:
Text or call 780-520-7183, or email christine.martin@laclabichecounty.com
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teen chill zone
A FUN NIGHT OUT FOR TEENS!

BUBBLE SOCCER

BOUNCE, EAT, SOCIALIZE!

Now's your chance to let loose and have some fun as you bounce around the fieldhouse during this silly and fun Chillzone! After Bubble Soccer, we'll head upstairs for supper and even more socializing!

BOLD CENTER • FRIDAY, APRIL 22 • 4:00 - 7:00 PM

AGES 13-17 • FREE • PREREGISTER BY THUR. APR 21, 2022

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TEEN SKILL ZONE

NOT JUST ANOTHER TRIP TO THE STORE

Did you know that every time you go to the grocery store, you are learning and developing in the following areas

- Math and finances
- Social skills
- Organization & planning
- Nutrition knowledge

Join us for an afternoon of interactive learning as we take a trip to a local grocery store and learn how to make the most of our time and money! These are skills you WILL need in the future!

Saturday, April 23 • 1-4 pm • McArthur Place • Free

Register by April 21 to attend.
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For more information: Text or call 780-520-7183, or email christine.martin@laclabichecounty.com

APR. 23
AGES 13 - 17

April 2022 Activity Schedule
PL Center
After School Club

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 DIY Whoopie Cushions	2
3	4 Build A Robot	5 Complete Build a Robot	6 Robot Origami	7 Tp Roll Bots	8 Freeze Bots	9
10	11 Spring Break! Easter Activities	12 Spring Break Easter Egg Hunt!	13 Spring Break Egg Coloring	14 Spring Break Easter Activities	15 CLOSED Good Friday	16
17	18 Spring break! Easter Activities	19 Origami Flowers	20 Handprint Animals	21 Egg And Spoon Race	22 Hatching chicks	23
24	25 Pet portraits/ show and tell	26 Build a pet	27 DIY Pet Tags	28 Pet Fish Project	29 Pet Crafts	30

REMINDER: Please provide your child with extra snacks and a water bottle!

Deadline to pre register for spring break no school days will be April 7th! Please register by contacting us on facebook, instagram, or email pwrhrs@gmail.com



GRASSLAND OUTDOOR SOCCER ASSN.

P.O. Box 57 Grassland, Alberta T0A 1V0

Outdoor Soccer Season 2022

Registrations deadline: April 30

Start date and End Date: May 5 to June 23 (May 5 is tentative start date depending on state of the field and weather)

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Times: tentative start times are 5:30-6:30pm

Where: Grassland School field

Fees: U5-\$55, U7 - \$80, U9 - \$80, U11 - \$90

*tournament fees not included

Coaches: We are in need of coaches at all levels! If you can spare an hour or so each week please register online or contact Sally. Some coaching courses may be needed. Criminal Record check is required.

Equipment: Soccer shin-pads, secured and covered with socks are mandatory for all players. Soccer shoes are recommended but running shoes are ok too.

Online registration link: [Grasslandoutdoorsoccer.rampregistrations.com](https://grasslandoutdoorsoccer.rampregistrations.com)

If you need a paper registration form or have any questions, please contact Sally 780-404-3552 or ksally22199@gmail.com or Grassland School @ 780-525-3733

*Fees include the cost of a team t-shirt. Parent participation is critical to the success of this program. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend practices/games with their children. Children in the U4, U5 and U7 groups must have at least one parent/guardian or caregiver stay with them for the duration of the practice/game.



April

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Preschool & Kindergarten Registration	2
3 Literacy Week 	4 Classroom Door Decorating & Lego Challenges Interactive Reading	5 Dress as your Favorite Character! 	6 Jersey Day 	7 PJ Story Day 	8 Minecraft Surprise! 	9 
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17 	18 	19 Easter Egg Hunt Coloring Contest 	20 SR Badminton Qualifier 	21 HS One Act Competition In LLB 	22 Earth Day 	23
24 Russian Easter	25 JR Badminton Wards (LLB) 	26 First Aid	27 SR Badminton NE Zone Championships 	28	29	30 JR Badminton LSAA (LLB) 

Active April 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 <p>4 Eat healthy and natural food today and drink lots of water</p>	 <p>5 Turn a regular activity into a playful game today</p>	 <p>6 Do a body-scan meditation and really notice how your body feels</p>	 <p>7 Get natural light early in the day. Dim the lights in the evening</p>	<p>1 Commit to being more active this month, starting today</p>	<p>2 Spend as much time as possible outdoors today</p>	<p>3 Listen to your body and be grateful for what it can do</p>
<p>11 Set yourself an exercise goal or sign up to an activity challenge</p>	<p>12 Move as much as possible, even if you're stuck inside</p>	<p>13 Make sleep a priority and go to bed in good time</p>	<p>14 Relax your body & mind with yoga, tai chi or meditation</p>	<p>8 Give your body a boost by laughing or making someone laugh</p>	<p>9 Turn your housework or chores into a fun form of exercise</p>	<p>10 Have a day free from TV or screens and get moving instead</p>
<p>18 Try a new online exercise, activity or dance class</p>	<p>19 Spend less time sitting today. Get up and move more often</p>	<p>20 Focus on 'eating a rainbow' of multi-coloured vegetables today</p>	<p>21 Regularly pause to stretch and breathe during the day</p>	<p>15 Get active by singing today (even if you think you can't sing!)</p>	<p>16 Go exploring around your local area and notice new things</p>	<p>17 Be active outside. Dig up weeds or plant some seeds</p>
<p>25 Have a 'no screens' night and take time to recharge yourself</p>	<p>26 Take an extra break in your day and walk outside for 15 minutes</p>	<p>27 Find a fun exercise to do while waiting for the kettle to boil</p>	<p>28 Meet a friend outside for a walk and a chat</p>	<p>22 Enjoy moving to your favourite music. Really go for it</p>	<p>23 Go out and do an errand for a loved one or neighbour</p>	<p>24 Get active in nature. Feed the birds or go wildlife-spotting</p>
					<p>30 Make time to run, swim, dance, cycle or stretch today</p>	

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

