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March 5, 2021

Important Dates

March 8 - Professional Learning Day - **No Classes**

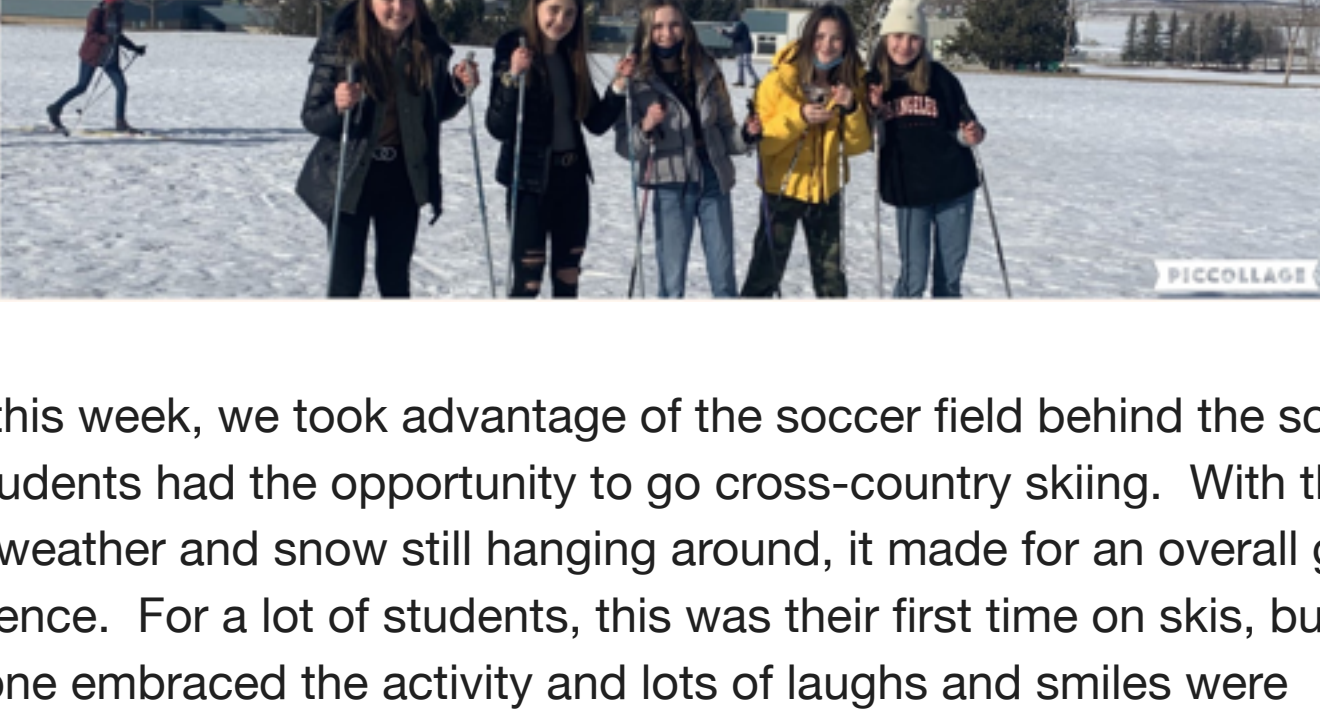
March 11 - 19 - Virtual Book Fair

March 12 - Paul Davis In-class Online Safety Presentations (rescheduled from February)

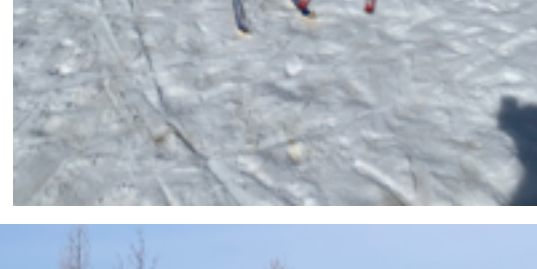
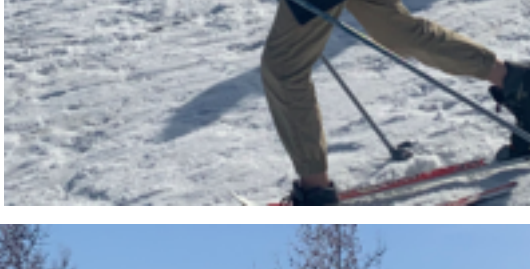
April 2 - 11 - Spring Break - **No Classes**

What's Going On at SMS?

Cross Country Skiing



In PE this week, we took advantage of the soccer field behind the school and students had the opportunity to go cross-country skiing. With the warm weather and snow still hanging around, it made for an overall great experience. For a lot of students, this was their first time on skis, but everyone embraced the activity and lots of laughs and smiles were shared. The skis will remain at SMS for another few weeks, so every student will have an opportunity to try out this activity!



House Teams!

Teams continue to strive for the top with lots of participation and kind words and deeds. As of the end of this week **Fire** is still leading the way, followed by **Wind**; **Rock**; and finally, **Water**!

Virtual Book Fair

Mark your calendars! The fun and excitement of a Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school!

To adapt to our changing needs, Scholastic has developed a Virtual Book Fair to provide an opportunity for our students and families to experience the joy of reading together. So save the date! Our Scholastic Virtual Book Fair will take place **Thursday, March 11th through to Friday, March 19th**.

When it's time to shop, visit our school's Virtual Book Fair site using this link:

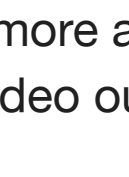
<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5156388>

Before our Fair begins, click the link and: • SAVE it to your browser • WATCH videos of popular new titles • PREVIEW our Featured Books.

Watch for news leading up to our Scholastic Virtual Book Fair!



Bilingualism



Springbank Middle School takes great pride in our French Immersion Program. If you're interested in finding out more about bilingualism, please go to the following link to view a Ted Talk video outlining the many benefits:

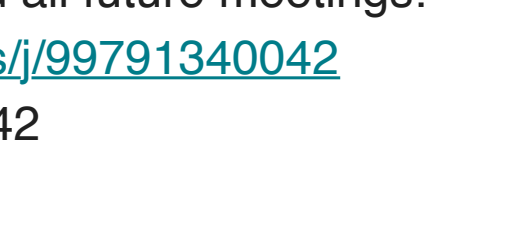
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Fees

Fees for electives have now been applied and are due for Term 2. Please visit your SchoolCash account to pay any outstanding fees for Term 1 and/or 2. Please go to the following link to view instructions on how to set up your account if you're a first-time user; or to access your existing account.

https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/assets/school-cash-online-fees-permission-forms/at_download/file

If you have any questions, please contact Bev Montieth in the main office.



School Council

The next meeting of School Council is Wednesday, April 14 at 7:00 P.M. Until further notice, there will be no in-person attendance.

Zoom link for April 14 and all future meetings:

<https://rockyview.zoom.us/j/99791340042>

Meeting ID: 997 9134 0042

Passcode: 896396

Please email Council in advance with any items you'd like to be addressed at an upcoming meeting.

If you're interested in volunteering, please email

sms_volunteers@outlook.com

Arlene Abboud & Amal Jomaa

On behalf of the SMS Council

FRIENDS OF SPRINGBANK MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIETY (FOSMSS)

Unfortunately, due to Covid, the Casino has been canceled. This is a fundraiser that typically brings in \$60,000+ for SMS. We've been very grateful for these funds as they've enabled us to accomplish so many wonderful things and purchase much needed equipment and resources.

If you're able, and wish to support our continued efforts, donations can be made directly to the school, via the following link - it works now! *Please select Springbank Middle under the Fund dropdown menu:*

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/rocky-view-schools/>

FLIPGIVE!

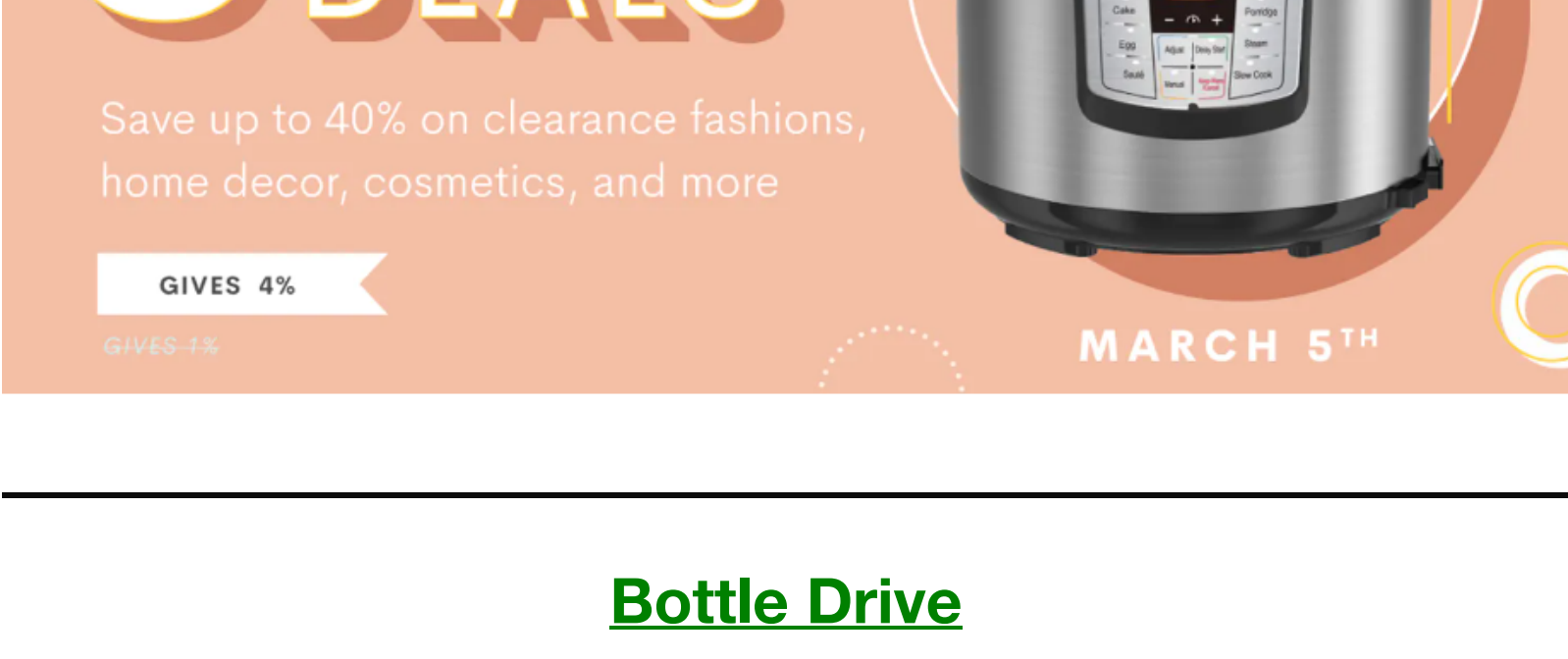
We also encourage everyone to join our **FlipGive** fundraising campaign: All you need to do is shop for your everyday household items, groceries, gifts, etc. through **FLIPGIVE!** Every time you make a purchase Springbank Middle gets a percentage in the form of a rebate. **You pay nothing extra.** Shop from the comfort of home using the app or any other preferred device. There are hundreds of vendors available, e.g. Safeway, Sobeys, Sportcheck, Indigo, Sephora, Tim Horton's, and more! Most vendors offer rebates on both merchandise and gift cards. All you need to do is create an account and start shopping!!! To date, Springbank Middle has collected \$1,047 in rebates. Thank you to those who are already using FLIPGIVE!!

Please join the Springbank Middle School team and encourage your friends and family to do so as well. Join today by clicking on the following link:

[https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?](https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?fundraiser_name=Springbank+Middle+School+&joincode=7V9MZM)

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If you're prompted for a "Join Code" please enter this code: **7V9MZM**

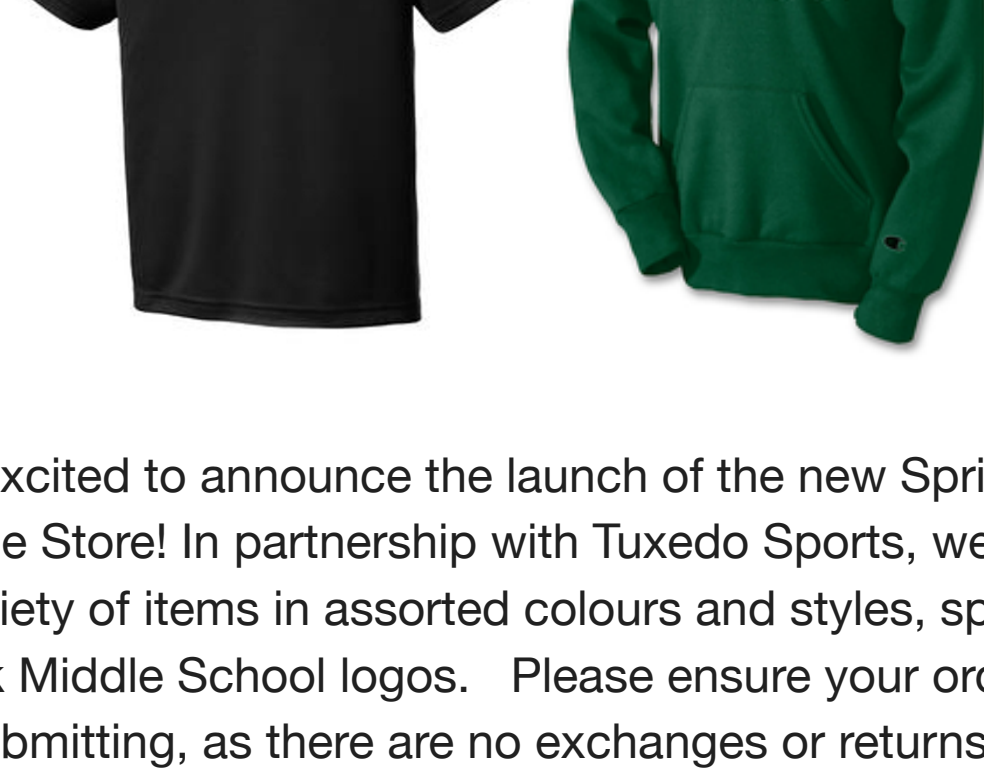


Bottle Drive

The next date for the bin to be at the school is Wednesday, April 13. The bin will be dropped off at approximately 7:45 A.M. and picked up at 4:15 P.M. You can also take bottles to Springbank Bottle Depot and ask to have the proceeds credited to Springbank Middle School's account.



Springbank Middle School Online Store!



We are very excited to announce the launch of the new Springbank Middle School Online Store! In partnership with Tuxedo Sports, we are offering a wide variety of items in assorted colours and styles, sporting the Springbank Middle School logos. Please ensure your order is correct before submitting, as there are no exchanges or returns. Go to the following link to start shopping! The school earns \$3 for each item purchased.

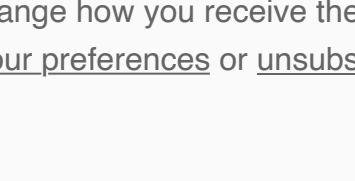
<https://tuxedo.itemorder.com/sale>

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**Alberta Health Services
Community Education Service**

Please click on the following link for a list of upcoming, free webinars offered by AHS, Community Education Service.

<https://community.hmhc.ca/sessions/?p=online>



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