



School Council

September 23, 2025 @ 5pm

Welcome to our first School Council Meeting!



Consideration of Proposed Agenda

Consideration of Proposed Minutes - [April 8/25](#) (last meeting)

Acclamation of new 2025-2026 School Council - Alysha McDonald, Blake Piche, Melissa Harrison

Past Chair - Alysha McDonald

Past Vice Chair - Monika Issar

Nominations - Co-Chair Alysha McDonald & Melissa Harrison
(confirmed - Sept 23, 2025)

[AB Ellis Constitution](#)

[Contact Information](#)

Agenda

- Fundraising Plan
- Enrolment/Classroom Organization
- What's NEW at Ellis
- Dare to Care
- Reflex Math
- PIC Meetings
- Mark Your Calendar
- School Council Dates
- Agenda Items for Next Meeting



Fundraising Plan



Terry Fox Run - online donations only, we have currently raised \$435.00 for cancer research

Breakfast Club - Northern Legacy BBQ opportunity in August

Subs & Pizza- Beginning in October

Little Caesars - supports our 7/8 trip to Toronto in 2026-2027

Krispy Kreme Donuts - Sports Equipment Shed & Student Activities

Funds for school trips, student activities and sports expenses.

Enrolment = 257

JK/SK - Beneteau/Bourcier

JK/SK - Tobodo

Grade 1/2 - Bulloch

Grade 2 - Maloney/Cyr

Grade 3 - Lacasse

Grade 4 - Tilston

Grade 4/5 - Morrow

Grade 6 - Gray

Grade 6/7 - Casement

Grade 7/8 - Hodgins

Grade 7/8 - Van Rassel

ISP - Prior

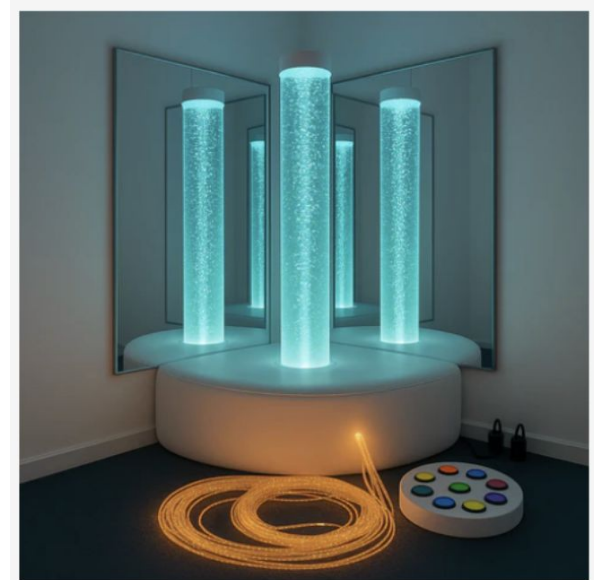
ISP - Grexton

ISP - Leclair



What's New

- new location for ISP room with snoezelen room (a therapeutic space designed to stimulate & relax individuals through controlled sensory experiences - visual, auditory, tactile and sometime olfactory)
- two Kindergarten classrooms this year
- Indigenous Support Work (ISW) position is filled - Ms. Daviau



Sensory Bubble Tube
with Fibre Optic Seat –
Calming Corner Essential

Dare to Care Program



Dare to Care is a unique program regarded as Canada's most comprehensive and practical bullying prevention program. Dare to Care enables schools, sports organizations, community groups, and workplaces to mobilize and maintain a caring community.

All returning users who have previously enrolled on the [AB Ellis Public School](#) page have had their subscriptions extended through **September 2026**. No new registration steps are required — they can continue using the program as usual. [Sign In Here](#) [Program Overview Here](#)

Parent/Guardian access is free for the current school year!

([59 sec video](#))



Reflex Math Gr. 3-6 - Home Support for Fact Fluency

- Reflex Math is an online, game-based program designed to help students build and improve their math fact fluency for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. This program adjusts to each student's ability level, offering more targeted practice where needed. Reflex Math tracks student progress through a comprehensive reporting system that provides teachers with detailed insights into each student's development in math fact fluency.
- Parents can access reports through their Reflex parent account, including specific facts their child has mastered.
- The goal is to practice three to five times a week for about 20 minutes per session until the student reaches their green light.
- Reflex Math is a great tool that allows students to have targeted fact fluency practice at school and home that teachers and parents can track.
- Here is a [parent letter](#) that can be sent home to parents on school letterhead along with their child's Reflex Math login information. The letter introduces the program and explains how families can support their child's progress in building fact fluency.
- To learn more about Math Reflex click [here](#).



Tuesday, December 2, 2025
Topic: Parents Reaching Out Grants and
School Success Stories

Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)

Meetings



Tuesday, January 27, 2026
Topic: Attendance and Lates
What you can do at home

1st PIC Meeting, October 14, 2025 @ A.B. Ellis

Tuesday, March 3, 2026
Topic: Thrive/Thrive Together

**Annual General Meeting (in-person) and
Election of PIC Executive – 5 pm
Welcome from the Director of Education – 5:30
pm**

Tuesday, April 21, 2026
Topic: Safe and Caring Schools

**You and Your Child Learning Together
Hands-on Activities – 6 pm to 7:30 pm**

Tuesday, May 19, 2026
Topic: Planning for 2026-2027

Mark Your Calendar

Orange Shirt Day - September 30



The entire A.B. Ellis Public School community is encouraged to wear orange on Monday, September 30th to commemorate National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. A moment of silence will be observed during morning announcements to remember the children that never made it home from residential schools. Classes will engage in a variety of opportunities to learn about Orange Shirt Day, residential schools and the Calls to Action through read alouds, discussions, writing tasks and infographics. Students will also develop an understanding of empathy, highlighting why Every Child Matters. Additionally, a group of intermediate students will represent A.B. Ellis at the Espanola Rec Centre to participate in a walk with Noojmowin Teg Health Centre to honour National Truth and Reconciliation Day.

Terry Fox Walk - September 23 - 11:30-12:30**

Picture Day - October 6, retake November 5

IEPs (select students) home - October 16

Progress Reports home - October 29

Teacher Interviews - October 30

PA Days - September 26, October 20, and November 28

Follow our [School Google Calendar](#) of Student Events



Proposed School Council Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, October 14/25 - PIC Meeting

Tuesday, November 4/25

Tuesday, February 3/26 (optional)

Tuesday, April 7/26

Meeting start time 5pm, like last year?

Agenda Items Next Meeting



- Christmas Baskets
- School Improvement Plan / EQAO Results
- Buddy Bench

Next meeting November 4/25 @5pm