#### February 2024

## **Apple Center Newsletter**

As we step into the month of March, I am excited to share some updates and highlights from our school community. February has been a busy one here at our school. We have appreciated all the parent involvement in making the activities and events such a success. At the beginning of the month we had Telus World of Science here with their Science in Motion programs for each grade including the exciting robotics program. Valentine's Day this year was extra special by having our grandparents join us for games and refreshments. The students were thrilled to have a variety of community members come to read to them for Freedom to Read and Book Character Day. On the 100th day of school, the students had a blast as they dressed to impress with 100 day shirts or like 100 year olds! They participated in 100 day stations and then finished the day watching the movie UP. We were blown away by the many acts of kindness we witnessed for Random Acts of Kindness Week and we wrapped up the month with a fun ski trip to Alliance Valley Ski Hill. A special thank you to the Parent Advisory Council for helping with the cost of this trip!

In the coming weeks we have more exciting events and activities lined up, including an in-school field trip for each grade and Career Day. We are looking forward to having our families in to Student-led Conferences on March 19th where students will have the opportunity to showcase their learning as well as meet with their teachers.

As we count down the days to Easter break, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude to each and every one of you for being a part of our Amisk School family. Your support and enthusiasm make our school a truly egg-ceptional place to learn and grow.

Here's to a bright and promising March ahead!

Mrs. Dewald Acting Admin Amisk School



Amisk School Mantra: I Can...You Can...We Can...Succeed!

## **Upcoming Events!**

Check out all the exciting things happening at the Amisk School in the upcoming months.

March 7&8th-

**Teacher's Pet** 

March 7th-

**Hot Dog Hot Lunch** 

March 15th-

No School for students/PD for staff

March 19th-

Parent Teacher Conferences 4-9PM Downtown Library

March 21st-

Career Day
McDonalds Hot Lunch

March 21st-

**Basket of Greatness** 

March 28-

**Easter Celebrations** 

March 29-April 7th

**Easter/Spring Break** 





## **Amisk School Info!**

- Please make sure to check out our website <a href="http://amisk.btps.ca/">http://amisk.btps.ca/</a>.

  Here you can find a calendar with important events, any forms or news from the school and you can also sign up for email notifications to be reminded when our newsletter is released!
- Amisk School collects can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. The collection bin can be found in the office.
- Library happens every week for students in Grades 1-3 on Fridays. Please make sure to return completed books each week so your child is able to sign new ones out.
- Amisk School is a Nut Aware School. For more info check our handbook on the Amisk School website.

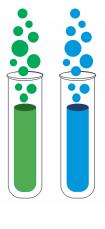














Science in Motion

























Happy Valentine's Day













### Class Happenings!

#### Kindergarten

Wow, this month has flown by. The students have been very busy with many different activities (Valentines Day, Science in Motion, Random Act of Kindness Day, Pink Shirt Day and MC's for the Basket of Greatness)

I am so proud of the students for their hard work on learning their letters and sounds. In Math they are learning to add two sets together and print their numbers. They all love playing with the Math Manipulatives. I am so proud of the wonderful writing projects they have been doing for Random Act of Kindness Day. Their printing is beautiful!!. I hope everyone had a great family day weekend and I am sure we are already for March and some warmer weather. Have a great month of March!!

#### Grade One

This month in grade one was a blast! We finished our count to 100 and celebrated with 100 balloons in our classroom and 100 day activities as a whole school! In Language the students worked very hard on preparing for a play performed at BofG! Everyone did such an excellent job! I can not wait to see the excitement March brings!!

#### **Grade Two**

Wow!!! What a month February was!! We did so many amazing things. We finished up our unit on Meteghan and have just begun our unit on Iqaluit, Nunavut. The students have some great questions about life up in our northern territory. In math we learned about 2-digit addition and have just about mastered 2-digit addition with regrouping. Next month we will dive into 2-digit subtraction!!! We continue to become great readers and writers. We had fun writing about what we thought it would be like to be 100 years old!!! In March we are going to work on developing our descriptive writing skills.

#### **Grade Three**

February brought so many fun events to our classroom! We started the month with science in motion and dress like a scientist day! Students got some hands on experience with coding robots, and used iPad's to code them to draw different shapes. This month we focused a lot of different literacy themed activities. Students have been working on proper paragraph formation using topic sentences, supporting details and conclusions. They have also been progressing in their handwriting skills with weekly practice! Science we tested different simple machines and discussed how they make our lives easier. In social studies we have began our third country study all about Ukraine. We had a blast wrapping up our month with a trip to the Alliance Ski Hill!

### **Basket of Greatness!**

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our B of G ceremony! It is fantastic to recognize the stellar students in our school each month. Thanks again to the Amisk Public Library for your donation of books for our apple award winners!

#### February 27th 2024

#### **Kindergarten**

**Teal-** Great improvement with knowing her letters and sounds.

**Forrest**— He is a kind, friendly and helpful student. Great work with his letters and sounds.

#### **Grade I**

**Levi-** He is a very hard working student who challenges himself!

#### Grade 2

<u>Carter</u>— He is becoming more responsible and is working hard in addition with regrouping.

<u>Myla</u>— She is learning her additions with regrouping and is a great helper.

#### **Grade 3**

**Dixie**—She is a great helper and is working hard in math!

**Isaac-** He is a creative student who loves to write.

Cub Coupons to: Sarah, Wren, Paicee

#### Draw for Walmart \$10.00 gift cards-

Teal & Myla

#### **Entertainment by the Grade One Class**

The Mitten and The Hat

#### The Kindergarten Class did a fantastic job being the MCs















## PINK SHIRT DAY











### **Amisk Junior Curling**

Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped with the junior curling club this season. A big thanks to Miss C and Ms. J for coaching and organizing, as well as all the parents who helped out on the ice!







#### Freedom To Read

### **Book Character Day**

A big thank you to everyone who came into the school and read to the students

















## MSCHOLASTIC

The Scholastic Reading Club is now available for the 2023-24 school year. At the start of this month one member from each family should have received a paper copy of our scholastic flyer. The online version of the flyer (Digi-flyer) will be included in each month's newsletter as well as sent by email for easy online ordering.

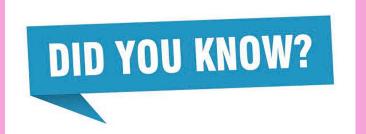
# If you are new to Scholastic you will need to sign up an account online.

To set up a new account, go to <a href="scholastic.ca/rc/digiflyer">scholastic.ca/rc/digiflyer</a>. On the left side click Reading Club, then click Create an Account. Follow the links and instructions. Purchases are by credit card; no more cheques are to be made to Scholastic Canada

It is important to note Scholastic is no longer accepting payment by cheque; a credit card will now be required to pay for any Scholastic orders.

**Have Questions?** 

Be sure to contact Mrs. Flaade at the school by calling



By using the code RC272526 you can support the Amisk School and help us to buy books for our students! All orders will require the code when you get to the cart to checkout and it will remain the same for the entire year.







2024 Fees:

**U9 & Below** \$50

**U11 & U13** \$65

**U15 & Above** \$100

AGM @ HPS, 7pm Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Season runs April to June (U11 & Up)

Season runs May & June (U9 & Below)

Registration Questions Contact Monica @ 4035061288



Registration Link

https://forms.gle/6kWqnqWoyAi1JYRY9

#### **Report cards and Parent Portal Information 20223-24**

This year we will be continuing with online grade reporting. If you have not already please make sure you register to access your child's report cards by calling Ashley at the office!

#### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

- 1. Will there still be printed copies of report cards for each reporting period? No, there will not be printed copies of report cards sent home for each reporting period for Grades 1-3.
- 2. When are the reporting periods for Kindergarten? There are 3 reporting periods; December, March and June.
- 3. Will there still be Student-led Conferences (Parent-Teacher Interviews)? Yes, Amisk School and BTPS believe that parent-teacher communication is vital in our quest to maximize student learning. There will be interviews scheduled in the fall and spring.
- 4. How do I get the information I need to set up a BTPS Parent Portal account? Contact your child's school to verify your e-mail address in our software program and let them know the child/children you are needing to set up an account for. The school will then request the Student Information Services Department to email the information to you.
- 5. Do I need a different account for each child? No, you will be able to create one account, choosing your own username and password. Once you are logged in, you will be able to access all the children that you linked to the account.
- 6. Can parents each have their own account? Yes, as long as the accounts are not created with the same email address.
- 7. Can students access the portal? Yes, they log in to the same portal, but they use their BTPS network login. They do not need to request information to create an account and they only see their data, not data of siblings.
- 8. Is the BTPS Parent Portal only available as web pages? No, there is also a mobile app called PowerSchool Mobile which is available for download in the App Store or on Google Play. Our district code for the app is GFST.
- 9. What information can I see in the BTPS Parent Portal? You will be able to see attendance, marks, comments, teacher email addresses, BTPS Transportation fees and BTPS tuition fees (not individual school fees), student demographic information, public messages on the School Bulletin and general school information.
- 10. Why is BTPS moving to electronic reporting of marks? There are a number of reasons:
  - \* 24/7 access to mark and comment information will promote student-parent-teacher teamwork based on current assessment data.
  - \* Mark and comment data will be accurate, timely and informative.
  - \* Teachers will be commenting on individual assignments to give guidance for upcoming assignments: effective and timely feedback is a critical component of success.
  - \* Alberta Education and post-secondary institutions are moving to electronic reporting and we want to help prepare parents and students.

For further information please contact the school at 780-856-377 I.

Thank you, Amisk School Teaching Staff