

May 2022

Apple Center Newsletter

Principal's Message

The month of May has flown by, and it's hard to believe that we only have twenty days of school left in this school year. Spring has finally arrived, and our students (and staff) are enjoying recesses full of sunshine and warm temperatures. The month of May also brought a lot of learning and growth in our students. Kindergarten students are now reading sight words, letters and numbers with ease. Our grade one students have been working hard to master addition and subtraction (or pluses and minuses as they're known in grade one kid lingo). Grade twos have done an amazing job working with the Sphero robots during their buoyancy and boats Science unit. The grade three class was full of new life, with chicks and butterflies hatching and filling the classroom with colour (and loud cheeping). It's been great to see the students gaining such real world knowledge and understanding.

Our students and staff showed their community spirit by participating in our annual village clean up, and by raising money for the new playground during our popcorn fundraiser. Special thanks to Pork & Pickle for donating the popcorn, oil and use of their popcorn machine. We appreciate all of the support that they've given our school!

Thanks are also going out to the Hughenden Oilmen's Association for their generous donation of \$1000.00 to our Amisk School Parent Advisory Council. What a wonderful show of support that will help our PAC fund special projects and activities for all of our students!

I'd like to also send a special thank you out to Cherise and Brenna Bartley for donating the plants that are growing in our front flower bed, and also to Brenna for showing her green thumb by planting them for us. It's nice to see fresh greenery growing instead of the weeds and old sunflower stalks that were cropping up!

The month ahead will be a busy one. We have our new kindergarten students joining us on Friday for Beginner Day. Swimming trips are happening for all students, our field trip to Czar Lake is coming up on June 9, and our annual Awards Day and graduation celebration will take place on June 15. We hope to see many parents, grandparents and community members joining us to celebrate the amazing growth in our students, and the wonderful school year we've almost completed.

In closing, I'm wishing all of our students, staff and families a wonderful month of June. I hope all of us find some time amidst all the busy activities and events to stop and reflect on the school year that is swiftly coming to a close; recognizing the hard work and effort that everyone put forth, and celebrating the growth and achievements of our students.

Take care,

Mrs. West
Principal

P.S.
GO OILERS!!!



Amisk SCHOOL

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

JUNE 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31 Basket of Greatness 11:08	1 Class Picture Stuffy Day Kinder Swimming Trip	2 Hot lunch Hot Dogs	3 Beginner Day	4
5	6	7	8	9 Year End Field Trip	10	11
12	13	14	15 Awards Day / Formal Day	16 Last Day of Kindergarten	17	18
19	20	21 Hot Lunch Pizza	22	23 Swimming Trip Gr 1-3	24	25
26	27	28 Hot Lunch Hot Dogs	29 Last Day Gr 1-3	30	1	2

Important Dates

1– Class Picture / Stuffy Day / Kindergarten swimming trip afternoon.

2– Hot lunch: Hot dogs

3– Beginner Day

9– Year End Field Trip- Czar Lake

15– Awards Day / Formal Day

16– Kindergarten last day

21– Hot lunch: Pizza

23– Swimming Trip Grades 1-3

28– Hot lunch: Hot dogs

29– Last Day of School - Grades 1-3



Beginner Day

June 3rd 2022

Beginner Day is June 3rd 2022. This is a great opportunity for students to become familiar with their new classroom and teacher and ease some worries as we move into the next school year.

- Pre-school students will be invited to the Kindergarten classroom on this day. The students will arrive at school by bus and stay for the whole school day (8:50 to 3:12) and then return home on the bus. The only thing each child will need is their lunch, snacks and indoor shoes for the day.
- Kindergarten students will be invited to the Grade One classroom on this day. They will ride the bus and go all day to school (8:50am to 3:12pm) just like a regular Kindergarten day. They will need lunch and snacks for the day.
- Grade One students will have the day off! They will stay home on this day.
- The Grade Two students will have a normal day in their classroom.
- The Grade Three class will travel by bus on the morning of June 3rd to Hughenden Public School. We will have a tour of the school, meet staff and get familiar with the Grade 4 classroom. We will also complete some activities with the Grade 4's. Students will return to Amisk by bus before lunch on this day.

Year End Field Trip

June 9th 2022

We are excited to kick off the end of the school year with a school wide field trip to Shorncliffe Lake! Students will enjoy time mini-golfing, playing at the splash park, on the playground and visiting the museum. On this day we will also have lunch provided by our parent council. Please see permission slip for all important information and volunteer opportunities. We look forward to a fun filled day!

Awards Day

Who: Amisk School K-3 Students

What: A celebration of all of our achievements!

When: Wednesday June 15th, 11:00AM

Where: Amisk School Playground

Please join us for our Awards day celebration Wednesday June 15th at 11:00 AM! We are excited to celebrate and recognize all of our students' achievements this school year as well as the Kindergarten and Grade 3 graduates. Following the assembly please stick around for a BBQ lunch courtesy of our amazing Parent Council.



Amisk School Info!

Amisk School Parent Council Meeting is Friday June 3rd @ 9:30 AM! Topics of discussion include Amisk School 22-23 budget and school budgeting process, celebration day, and year end field trip. Parents are also invited to join the PAC WhatsApp group to join the conversation about PAC initiatives and school events. Please contact Katie Redekop to be added.

This time of year our Lost and Found is really filling up. Please make sure to take a look next time you visit our school or let you child's teacher know if you are missing something specific.



**Hot lunch will
continue June 2nd,
21st & 28th!**



Find us on Twitter!

@AmiskSchool

It's that time of year once again, when we start planning for next year and look forward to having new kindergarten students join our school family!



NEW 2022-2023 Kindergarten registrations

are welcome at Amisk School

If you have a child who will be 5 by December 31, 2022 and want them to be part of the Amisk School kindergarten class next year, please call 780-856-3771 to arrange for a registration package.

Please have your student registration in to Amisk School by May 15, 2022.

An orientation day for new kindergarten students will be held on Friday, June 3.

Please share this information with other families who have children who are kindergarten age.

Thank you!

Class Happenings!

Kindergarten

May has come to an end and June is here. The last month of Kindergarten is full of excitement and extra activities at lots of learning with our friends. The students have been very busy learning all about rhyming words and making sight word booklets. In Math the students are learning all about shapes. We are having lots of fun experimenting with the different shapes. In Health class the students are learning all about healthy eating and healthy bodies. In gym we will be playing soccer and doing outside activities. We are looking forward to our swimming trip on Wednesday and our Field trip on June 9th. I hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather. Have a wonderful month of June!!

Grade One

What a busy month we had! It flew by and I cannot believe we are down to one month of school! We will start to wrap things up with solidifying our addition and subtraction within 20. We have started a bee research project that we will finish up and complete some informational writing. We are continuing to learn about vowel teams and using our reading strategies. In May we started learning about our past in our community and will wrap that up in June. We have lots of fun and exciting things happening in June and I know that it will fly by! I am so proud of the grade one's! They all have come so far since the beginning of the year!

Grade Two

Wow, we are onto our last month of grade 2! This month we will be wrapping up a lot of our learning and having a lot of fun activities in between. In math we will be finishing up on our 2-digit addition and subtraction unit and then working on our final unit: 2D shapes and 3D objects. In language arts we are working on writing comics and will be moving on to creating 'Diary of a ____' where the students will choose an animal of their choice and write about their fictional lives. We are finishing our Boats and Buoyancy unit with a fun project using Sphero robots and our knowledge of boats and buoyancy to carry some coins across water. Our final unit in Science will focus on small crawling and flying animals. It is always a fun way to get outside and explore the different characteristics of these animals. Saskatchewan and the Ukrainian culture has been a lot of fun to learn about! Next we will discuss their natural resources, goods and services. Our final learning in social will be about communities in the past.

Grade Three

One of our most exciting months in Grade 3 yet! We have been learning all about animal life cycles and students got to experience the start to finish of both a butterfly and chicken life cycle. The baby chicks and butterflies have been a fantastic addition to our class family. In Language Arts we have been working through our Charlotte's web novel with a focus on summarizing and vocabulary skills. Soon students will begin a spider research report. In Math we have moved on from measurement to explore 2D and 3D shapes. Social studies is centered around the country of Tunisia and students are enjoying comparing the life of somewhere so different to their own. The end of the school year brings good weather and lots of fun celebrations! I look forward to a fun-filled June with a great group of kids.

Basket of Greatness!

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

May 2022

Kindergarten

Maverick– Works hard to learn new concepts!

Travis– Comes to school with a big smile!

Claire– Works hard everyday and has a positive attitude.

Grade 1

Kylie– Hard worker and always has a positive attitude.

Noah– For being kind and brave. Always working hard.

Grade 2

Rhyse– Kind and sweet demeanor.

Jace– Math superstar!

Grade 3

Aiden– Treats everyone with the utmost kindness and respect.

Georgia– Big smile. Leads with kindness.

Madisyn– Loyal friend. Loves to lend a helping hand

Cub Coupons to: Paicee, Rayna, Kendra, Paetyn, Rhyse, Lakyn, Ellin, Logan, Maris, Gauge, Hudson, Ara, Harper, Callie, Madi, Jacob

Draw for Walmart \$10.00 gift cards– Kylie & Aiden

Entertainment by Grade Three

Hot cross buns

Old Town Road

Thank you to everyone who supported our popcorn fundraiser!







SCHOLASTIC

Welcome back to school students and families! The Scholastic Reading Club is now available for the 2021-22 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 [scholastic.ca/rc/digiflyer](https://www.scholastic.ca/rc/digiflyer). 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.

DID YOU KNOW?

By using the code **RC846230** 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.

All purchases will be sent directly to your home or the post office.

Have Questions?

Be sure to contact Brenna at the school by calling 780-856-3771!



Supports for Families with children 0 to age 18 years of age.

During this very difficult time that we have been experiencing, I know it can be challenging to provide medical and dental needs for students. I have listed a couple of free programs that parents can access to allow children to continue to receive medical care, eye glasses, dental and other daily needs. I encourage you to review these programs.

The **Alberta Child Health Benefit** <https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-child-health-benefit.aspx> covers health benefits for children in low-income households. This health plan is for children up to 18 years of age. Children who are 18 or 19 years old also qualify, if they are living at home and attending high school.

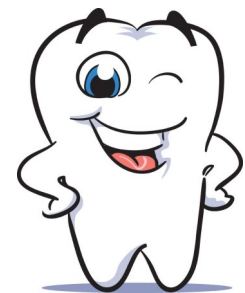
What's covered?

- Dental care
 - basic and preventative services like fillings, x-rays, examinations and teeth cleaning
 - Optical benefits
 - Eye glasses every year
 - Prescription drugs
 - The list of eligible prescription drugs found here:



[Interactive Drug Benefit List](#)

- ✦ Some over-the-counter products, such as children's vitamins
- ✦ Ambulance services
 - Emergency ambulance trips to the nearest hospital
 - Diabetic supplies



Diabetic supplies such as injection supplies, testing strips and lancets

Talk to your doctor, dental provider, optical provider or pharmacist to learn which items are paid for by this health benefit plan.

Dental Outreach of Red Deer Program

Free urgent dental care service is available for clients ages 5 - 18 years who have: no dental insurance, lower income or trouble paying; and, who have pain, infection, visible decay or broken teeth.

Services offered are income eligible and include:

Report cards and Parent Portal Information 2021-22

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 Patti 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 780-856-3771.

Thank you, Amisk School Teaching Staff