

October 2022

Apple Center Newsletter

Principal's Message

It's hard to believe that October is nearly over, and Halloween is upon us! This has been a whirlwind month, with lots of great learning and fun activities happening around the APPLE Center. Our students have been busy reading, writing, and learning about numbers in Math. We are ending our month with some fun Halloween activities in individual classrooms, and together as a whole school at the end of the day.

As November approaches, our thoughts turn to parent teacher interviews. These will be happening on November 15 and 17. Parents will be able to sign up for spots by accessing the booking function on our school website. Bookings will be available to select starting November 1; watch for more information coming soon about how to reserve your parent teacher interview spot.

As October ends and November begins, we see a return to colder weather. Winter is definitely on the way. Please be sure that your child has appropriate winter wear here at school, as our recesses will continue to be outside unless the temperature dips below -25° C. Recesses are more fun when your fingers, ears and toes are warm!

Mrs. Tanya Johnson has taken over as breakfast program coordinator this year, and the students are loving the healthy treats she prepares for them on Tuesday and Thursday mornings! This morning's breakfast was a spooky Halloween ghost banana pop.....yummy and spooky, all at the same time!

Tomorrow morning at 9:15 a.m. we have our October PAC meeting. Parents are welcome to attend in person or virtually through this link: meet.google.com/qef-cjsn-gqf. PAC meetings are a great opportunity to find out all of the latest happenings at the school, have a voice in fundraising activities and PAC sponsored events, and find out about volunteer opportunities.

Before I sign off, I'd like to extend my thanks and appreciation to all of our parents for continuing to monitor your children for illness symptoms and keeping those who are sick at home. While we are seeing fewer students absent lately because of illness, we know that cold and flu season is upon us, and staying home when ill is one of the most important ways we can help keep others healthy.

Mrs. West



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

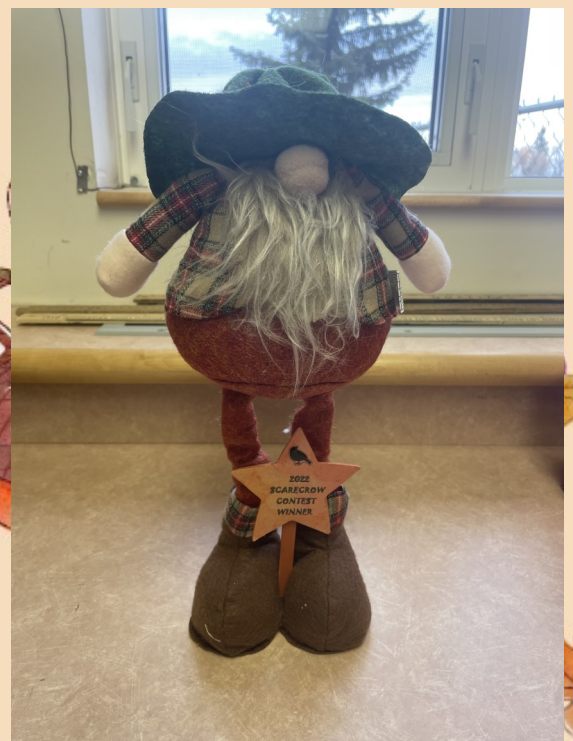
Dress Like A Scarecrow Day



Scarecrow Competition



Thank you to the Village of Amisk for putting on a great Fall Festival! We are excited to say that we won the Scarecrow competition! The students spent a fun afternoon being creative and working together to make Scarecrows!





NOVEMBER

November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Picture retakes Remembrance Day Ceremony 11:00 a.m.	4	5
6	7 Fall Break No School	8 Fall Break No School	9 Fall Break No School	10 Fall Break No School	11 Fall Break No School	12
13	14	15 4 p.m. Parent Teacher Interviews	16	17 Hot lunch (Grilled Cheese) 4 p.m. Parent Teacher Interviews	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 Basket of Great- ness at 11:10 a.m.	30			



BTPS PINK SHIRT DAY

T-SHIRT DESIGN LOGO CONTEST

ORDER INFORMATION



WINNER OF THE 2023 BTPS PINK SHIRT DAY LOGO CONTEST
EVA SLAWSON - DR. FOLKINS COMMUNITY SCHOOL



ADULT ONLY



YOUTH ONLY

PINK SHIRT DAY 2023 IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023

T-SHIRT ORDER INFORMATION

Orders can be placed online at www.12thirtyfour.ca/campaigns - Pink Shirt Day.

All T-Shirts are \$20.00. Payment options are Credit Card or E-Transfer.
 Youth and Adult Sizing available!

All orders will be sent to 12 Thirty Four Marketing in Wainwright, AB. The shirts will then be sent to the necessary school via the van run. BTPS family orders will then be sent home via students. Community members who order will need to make arrangements to pick up their orders at 12 Thirty Four Marketing in Wainwright.

In the Order Notes section, please make sure to indicate your school.

Amisk School Info!

- Please make sure to check out our website <http://amisk.btps.ca/>. 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.**
- **Parent Teacher Interviews** are happening Nov 15+17! Sign up to meet with your child's teacher on our school website. Information on how to sign up coming soon!
- Scholastic Book Fair is booked for the week of November 14-18th, more details to come.



November 17th is
Grilled Cheese Hot Lunch

Find us on Twitter
Facebook and Instagram
 @AmiskSchool

A friendly reminder, the school's staff is not on supervision until the early bus arrives at 8:20am in the mornings. Therefore students arriving before this time will not be permitted into classrooms and need to remain outside.

Thank you for your cooperation

Operation Christmas Child

Amisk School is a drop off for the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox campaign. Check the website for how to pack a shoebox.

<https://www.samaritanspurse.ca/pack-a-shoebox/>



THANK YOU!

Thank you to the Amisk PAC for the delicious
Thanksgiving cupcakes



Check out our WEBSITE!



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Quick Links

I Can...You Can...We Can...SUCCEED!

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Did you know we have an Amisk School website? Our website contains a lot of important information and is a good place to reference if you have a question about upcoming events or the happenings at our school.

Visit: <https://amisk.btps.ca/>

Thank you  **Nutrien** for your generous donation to support our Basket of Greatness prizes for our monthly assemblies!





A BIG thank you to Monica Hill and Amy Walters for organizing the Amisk School Running Club!



See something that looks familiar?
Let your child's teacher know and we will get it home to you!



Class Happenings!

Kindergarten

Wow, the end of October! October has been a very busy month in the Kindergarten classroom. The students have been working so hard on learning their uppercase letters and sounds.. The students know 6 new sight words. In math we have finished up our pattern unit and have started learning all about numbers in our number unit. In Social we are learning about being unique. In Health we have learned about bus safety, fire safety and Halloween safety. We are so excited about dressing up in our Halloween costumes and having our Halloween Party!! We will be painting pumpkins in Kindergarten on Thursday! We wish everyone a very Happy and Safe Halloween from the Kindergarten Room. November will be packed full of fun and learning!!

Grade One

The last two months flew by! In language arts this month we finished up learning about short vowel sounds and started to learn about digraphs (th, ch, sh, wh, qu, ck). We have been putting our knowledge of short vowel sounds and digraphs to good use when reading decodable texts! In writing we are learning how to plan out our ideas with a beginning, middle and end as well as stretching out our words and writing the sounds we hear. In math we finished up learning about numbers to 10 and started on numbers 11 to 20. In Social Studies we are learning all about the different groups we belong to, and why it is important to feel like we belong. In Science we have been learning about Fall and Colors! We also started to do some grizzly bear research! Ask the students what they have learned about grizzly bears so far.

Grade Two

In language arts this month we have been reviewing and learning some secret stories (long and short vowel sounds, babysitter vowels, and mommy e), and practicing our reading through daily 5. We have also been working at descriptive writing. It has been a lot of fun thinking of juicy words (adjectives) to make our writing more exciting. In math we have finished up our 1st unit on numbers and will continue to build on our number sense up to 1000 throughout the year. In November we will be working on patterns. The students will be building and recognizing patterns with up to 4 elements as well as increasing and decreasing patterns. We are finished up our Magnet unit with building a toy/game that uses a magnet in some way and are excited to get to try them on Halloween! In social we are wrapping up our unit on mapping and will be starting to learn about the culture, geography, daily life, and traditions of the Acadians of Meteghan, Nova Scotia!

Grade Three

Wow, we are busy in Grade 3!! We have been gaining lots of gumballs to help fill our gumball machine, working towards our class prize! Thanks for all the hard work in class and to those who have been sick catching up at home, I greatly appreciate everyone's efforts!! In math we are working on our number sense exploring place value all the way up to ten thousand! In science we just finished our rocks and minerals unit, and will be moving on to Building with a Variety of Materials up until Christmas! In social studies students have been enjoying to learn what life is like in India. Language arts this month we will be continuing with our descriptive writing unit, spelling word practice, and building up our grammar knowledge! As well as wrapping up nouns, verbs, and adjectives! Students have been enjoying partner time working with their word ladders!

Have a great month everyone! Stay warm! - Miss. Penman

Basket of Greatness!

Thank you to everyone who tuned in to our Google Meet 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!

October 25th, 2021

Kindergarten

Koven Johnson– Great job writing and printing his name and is a kind and caring student.

Carter Middlemass– Doing his very best work and printing his name.

Grade 1

Jayden Stankievech– Always giving one hundred percent and is very kind.

Layne Flynn– Has a positive attitude and is doing a great job with her writing.

Grade 2

Allie Stoodley– Puts in lots of effort in getting her work done.

Isaac Vuylsteke– Determined and hardworking. He is a great listener and student!

Grade 3

Dylan Blue– Understands deeper concepts and is very helpful.

Moe Allard– Determined and a flexible learner.

Cub Coupons to Spencer, Wylee, Wren, Wynter, Rumer, Estelle, TC, Wyatt, Logan

Draw for Walmart \$10.00 gift cards– Isaac and Jayden

Entertainment by the Grade One Class

I. Monsters Poem



Fire Safety!



Fire Safety Presentation from our local fire departments.



SCHOLASTIC

Welcome back to school students and families! The Scholastic Reading Club is now available for the 2022-23 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 **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.

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

Have Questions?

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

780-856-3771!



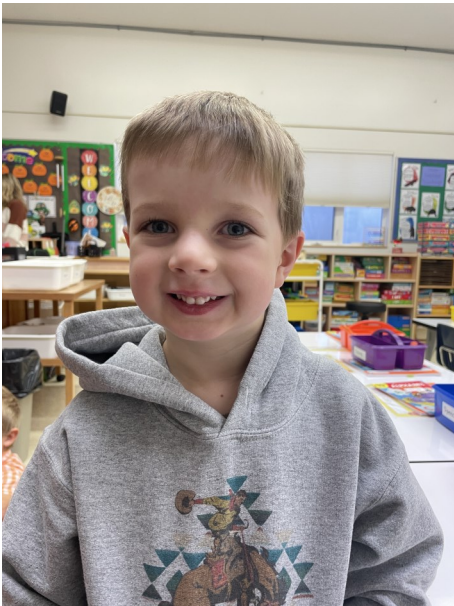
Roots of Empathy Spotlight!

This year the grade ones are participating in a program called Roots of Empathy. Roots of Empathy's mission is to build caring, peaceful and civil society through the development of empathy in children and adults. This year the grade ones get to spend time with Amie Roadhouse, Brooke Whitehead and baby Charlie to build their empathy towards other and ourselves!



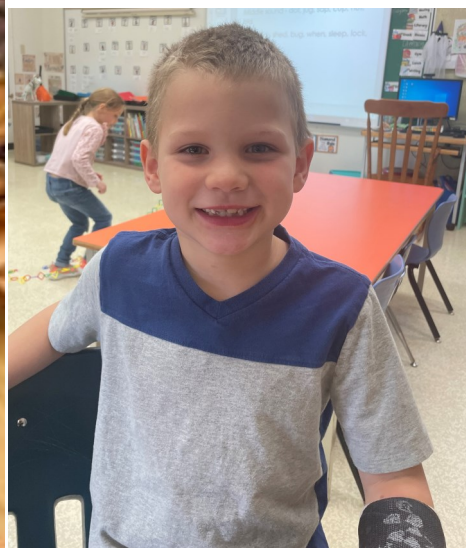
I asked some Apple Center students their favorite candy to receive on Halloween!

I like rockets!



Reeves

Bubble gum is my favorite!



Maverick

I can't choose just one. I like all of them!



Rhyse

**CHECK
THIS OUT!!!**



OPEN HOUSE

Come see what's 'rockin' at the
Amisk Rec Center!

Join us for
Snacks &
Refreshments

**EVERYONE
welcome**

NOVEMBER 3 @ 7:30PM

Register for the
2022/2023
curling season

- *Mens
- *Ladies
- *Open Mixed
- * Junior curling

Skating
lesson
info!



2022
Father Daughter
GALA

**Saturday,
November 19, 2022**

Wainwright Elks Hall
1401 1st Ave., Wainwright

Tickets: \$20/person
available at Wainwright RCMP
Town Office and MFRC
Reserve seating recommended

Registration: 5:00 pm
Dinner: 6:00 pm
Dance to follow

Theme "Winter Wonderland" 

Early Bird Draw October 14th
A high-end "Gold Detailing Package" courtesy of **NORRIS FORD**



Staff Spotlight!

All About Mrs. Bowman

Name: Destiny Bowman

Position at Amisk School: EA in Gr.2

Time at Amisk School: 2 Months

Hometown: Taber, AB

Zodiac sign: Gemini

Favourite movie: Grease

Favourite food: Ham and Scalloped Potatoes

Favourite Colour: It is hard to pick just one-GOLD!

Favourite book when you were a child:
All Robert Munsch

Favourite kid's book now: Wonky Donkey– I love listening to my daughter giggle while I read it

Favourite band/music: I love country music

Favourite activity: Golf

Favourite holiday: Christmas

If you could choose to stay one age for the rest of your life, what would it be? 29

If you could choose anyone to be your mentor, who would it be? Shania Twain

What would be your dream vacation? A trip to Fenway Park with my husband, Also Nashville!

When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up?
A nurse



Welcome to Amisk School
Mrs. Bowman!!!

We are so excited to have
you join our school family!

Report cards and Parent Portal Information 2022-23

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 780-856-3771.

Thank you, Amisk School Teaching Staff