

December 2021

Apple Center Newsletter

Principal's Message

Happy December to everyone!

It's hard to believe that Christmas is only 2 days away. Our school has been filled with the hustle and bustle of Christmas activities and preparations. The students have been wonderfully well behaved, considering how exciting this time of year is.

I want to send out a special thank you to all of you for the incredible generosity we saw during our Amisk School Twelve Days of Giving. Our students were so excited to check the chart every day, looking to see how many items we had collected. The food bank is going to be able to help many more families, thanks to the donations we received. We collected over 600 items, and nearly \$200 in cash donations for the food bank!

My wish for all of you, as we near Christmas break and the end of 2022, is that this holiday season finds you doing the things you love most, with the people who are nearest and dearest to you. May the joy of the holiday season touch each and every one of you, and may you find a peaceful moment or two, amidst all the hustle and hurry, to reflect on the many blessings that fill your lives. I'm hoping that 2023 will be a year of calm and hope, as we embrace the return to "normal", and enjoy some of the events and activities that we've been missing the past few years.

Take care, and we'll see you next year!

Mrs. West



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.

Dec 24-Jan 9th Christmas Break

Jan 12: Hot lunch (Subs)

Jan 19: Book Character Day

Jan 24: Basket of Greatness

Jan 26: Hot Lunch (Hotdogs)

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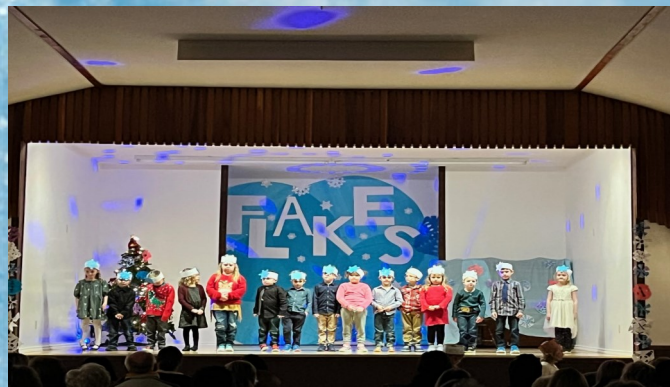


Santa hat and Christmas Sweater Day



FLAKES

The Musical performance by Amisk School

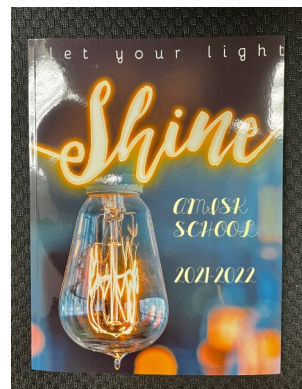


Amisk School Info!

- 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 Friday's. 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.**

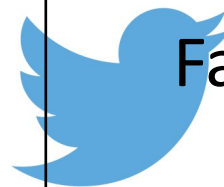


Thank You to the incredible parent volunteer Mrs.S for all her hard work and effort that she put into our YEARBOOK!



Hot lunch will be happening on January 12th and 26th when we return from holiday break!

Find us on Twitter,
Facebook and
Instagram



Twelve Days of Giving!

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our school community we donated over SIX HUNDRED items to the food bank and close to \$200! Way to go Amisk School students and families



Thank you!



PJ Day And Christmas Movie





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. 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

A blue speech bubble graphic with the text "DID YOU KNOW?" in white, uppercase letters.

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!



The Czar Skating Club

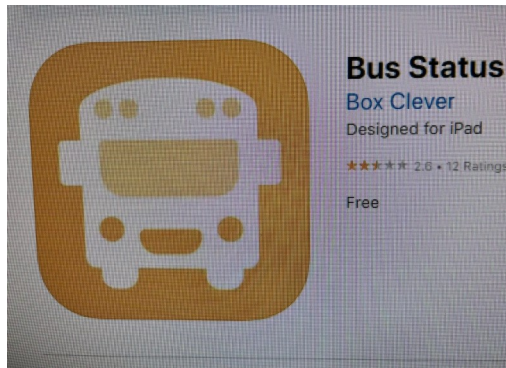
Skating Lessons

Contact: Giselle Fletcher 918-233-4888 for more information or to register

Starting January 16th 2023

<p>Monday & Tuesday</p> <p>Learn to Skate: 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Pre-Beginners: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Beginner: 6:45 pm - 7:45 pm Youth: 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm</p>	<p>Monday & Wednesday</p> <p>Power 4/3: 4:30-5:30 pm Jr. Power: 5:45-6:45 pm</p> <p>*All class times subject to change</p>
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MERRY CHRISTMAS



Did you know that BTPS has an app that will show you in real time whether your child's bus is running or not? The app can be very handy during these winter months, when bus cancellations are a real possibility. You can download the app directly from the Apple App Store or Google Play store. Visit the btps website, click on the bus icon at the top right hand side of the home page, and click on either the App Store or Google Play icon, depending on which type of phone you have. Once you've downloaded the app, choose BTPS as your district, select your child's bus or buses, and the app will show you the status of those buses in the "My Buses" section.

BuffaloTrail PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

12THIRTYFOUR Marketing
EST. 2021

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.

BUFFALO TRAIL PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS COMMITTED TO MAXIMIZING STUDENT LEARNING IN A SAFE AND Caring ENVIRONMENT, SUPPORTED BY A HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEAM.



Junior Curling at Amisk Arena will

begin in the new year!

Notes will come home with

students after the

Christmas Break



YOU ARE INVITED!

BTPS FOUR YEAR EDUCATION PLAN

EDUCATIONAL STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENTS

To create our next Four Year Education Plan for 2023-2027, BTPS is hosting five stakeholder engagements in January and February. Four will be in person and one will be online. These sessions will allow all BTPS stakeholders, including parents/guardians, teachers, staff and education stakeholders across the division to meet and discuss future priorities for our Four Year Plan. At these sessions, you will have the opportunity to share strengths and wishes for our division as we gather input to set priorities for the next four years.

DATES

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Provost Public School

Thursday, January 19, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Wainwright Elementary School

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Kitscoty Elementary School

Thursday, January 26, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Vermilion Elementary School

Wednesday, February 1, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | **ONLINE SESSION**

LINK WILL BE SHARED THROUGH YOUR SCHOOL

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

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.