

March 2022

Apple Center Newsletter

Principal's Message

March has flown by so quickly! We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of spring weather, now that the season is officially here. Reminder to parents to make sure that your child has an extra set of dry clothes in their backpack, just in case the spring puddles become too hard to resist! Spending the day in wet clothes is no fun! Also, please be sure to put your child's name inside their rubber boots and spring wear. You'd be amazed at how many pairs of identical rubber boots will be found on our boot racks, and how similar spring coats and jackets can be to each other.

Our month was a busy, fun one! We had visits to the downtown library, went on a fantastic ski trip to Valley Ski Club, and had a very successful Career Day. It was great to see all of the many occupations that our students are considering. The presentations by our guests were interesting and informative, with lots of hands-on activities and experiences. Thanks to all of the parents and community members who volunteered to do presentations for our kids....Career Day wouldn't have been nearly as much fun without your involvement! I'd also like to send a shout out to all of the parents who joined us on our ski trip. It was amazing to see how everyone worked together and organized the kids into different groups for their lessons, and how everyone jumped in and helped out on the slopes to make sure our little ones had a fun, safe afternoon of skiing. Special thanks goes out to Mrs. Dewald as well, for all of her hard work and effort in planning and organizing the ski trip, and to Mrs. Philp for planning the Career Day for our kids. Many hours of behind the scenes work goes into pulling off a successful field trip or event day, and we appreciate all of our staff's efforts to ensure that our kids get to experience such awesome events!

This evening, parents will join us for spring parent teacher conferences, and students will have the opportunity to share their learning with their parents during student led conferences in the gym. Next Wednesday evening, we are hosting an open house for our prospective kindergarten students and their parents from 6:00—7:30 p.m. If you know any families with students who are kindergarten age next year, please let them know that they are welcome to stop by and check out the kindergarten room and school!

Mrs. West
Principal



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

Important Dates!

March 30: Parent-Teacher Conferences

April 5: ECS Open House
6-7:30 pm

April 6: Hot Dog Hot Lunch

April 7-16: Easter-Spring Break—No school

April 20: Fancy Hair Day-
Pizza Hot Lunch

April 25: BofG

April 27: Favourite Team Day (Jerseys)

May 9: Lifetouch Spring/
Grad photos



Amisk School Info!

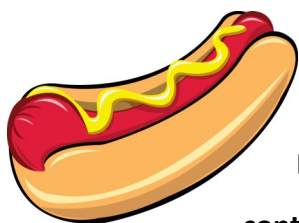
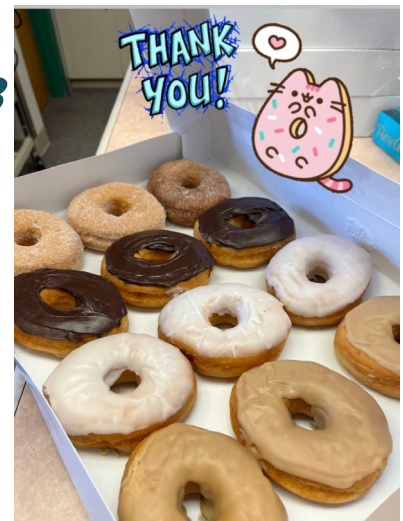
- Please make sure to check out our website <http://amisk.btps.ca/> . Here you can find a calendar with important events, any forms or news from the school and you can also sign up for email notifications to be reminded when our newsletter is released!
- **Amisk School collects can tabs for the Ronald 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.**



The Amisk School enjoyed a special treat thanks to the East 13 Rural Crime Watch committee

A reminder to please avoid parking in the bus loading zone when dropping your students off or picking them up during school bus times.

(8:15-8:45 am & 3:00- 3:45pm) Thank you

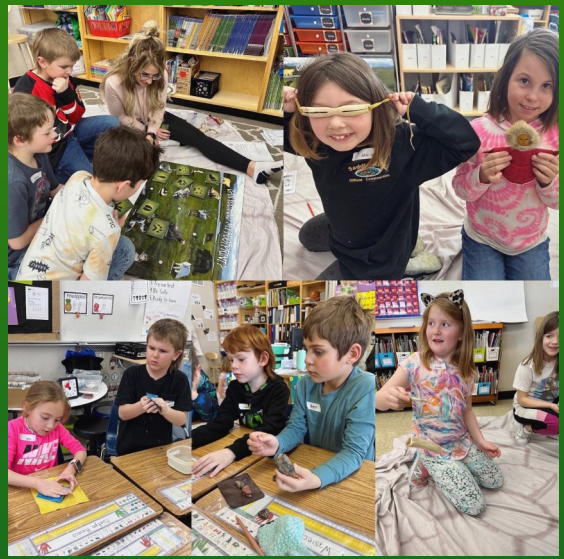


Hot lunch will
continue on April 6th!

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and Instagram!

@AmiskSchool

TEACHER'S PET



Class Happenings!

Kindergarten

Wow, March has flown by. The kindergarten students have had a very busy month. They enjoyed the Teacher's Pet Presentation and learned a lot about numbers. The Ski Trip was an excellent experience for the Kindergarten students. They were great skiers. St. Patrick's day started off with a very messy classroom from the Leprechauns that visited Amisk School. The rest of the day was fun with games and party activities. The Kindergarten students have been working hard on learning to print their lowercase letters and working on their sight words. In Math, the students have started the Measurement unit and are measuring everything in the classroom. In gym class the students have been doing gymnastics, and having lots of fun. April will be a great month with lots of learning and fun activities. Hope everyone is enjoying Spring!!

Grade One

I can't believe March has come and gone! It seemed like it would be a slower month, but it still flew by! In literacy this month we finished with our VCe words, and glued sounds (ing, ang, unk, ink, ect.) The students continue to work hard on their reading and sight words! In writing we have started to learn about opinion writing. In math we worked on patterns, and started to learn all about shapes! In science we have started to learn about building things and have learned the difference between a fastener and a building material. In social studies we are starting to learn about our past.

Grade Two

Wow, March really flew by! What a fun month of learning we have had! This month we have really gotten into our novel Freckle Juice. We are eagerly anticipating what will happen to our main character. In science we are finishing up our hot and cold temperature unit with planning and executing the building of a hot chocolate insulating device. Our goal is to use our knowledge to create a device that will keep hot chocolate hot for at least 15 minutes. This month in social we have been learning all about the Inuit in Iqaluit. We have been learning about their culture and traditions. Next we will be learning about natural resources, goods and services found in Iqaluit. In math we have shifted to 2-digit subtraction where we will be working on a variety of strategies to aid in our computations.

Grade Three

March has been a fun-filled month! Some highlights were Teacher's Pet, the ski trip and St. Patrick's day. We are so lucky to have our helpful EA Ms. U in our classroom and students have been enjoying all of her fun and creative learning activities. In science students have been working on our hearing and sound unit and how to protect our ears! In math we wrapped up our measurement unit. And starting our multiplication and division unit! Social studies we are studying the country Ukraine and creating our very own Country's posters summarize our learning. In Language Arts we have been studying our Novel Study—Charlottes Web. It has been so nice to have parents back in the school and I look forward to seeing more of you as the school year continues!

Thank you to all our volunteers



Career Day



AMISK SCHOOL

April

5TH 2023
6:00pm- 7:30pm

KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

Come and see what
services are available
for students such as
OT, SLP, PUF, etc

COME TOUR THE SCHOOL,
CHECK OUT SOME OF THE FUN
WE HAVE PLANNED FOR THE
UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR, AND
MEET THE ECS TEACHER



REGISTRATION PACKAGES
WILL BE AVAILBLE,
WE LOOK FORWARD TO
SEEING YOU!!!!



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If you have a child who will be 5 by December 31, 2023 and want them to be part of the Amisk School kindergarten class next year, we welcome you to check out the open house! 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 2. Please share this information with other families who have children who are kindergarten age. Thank you!

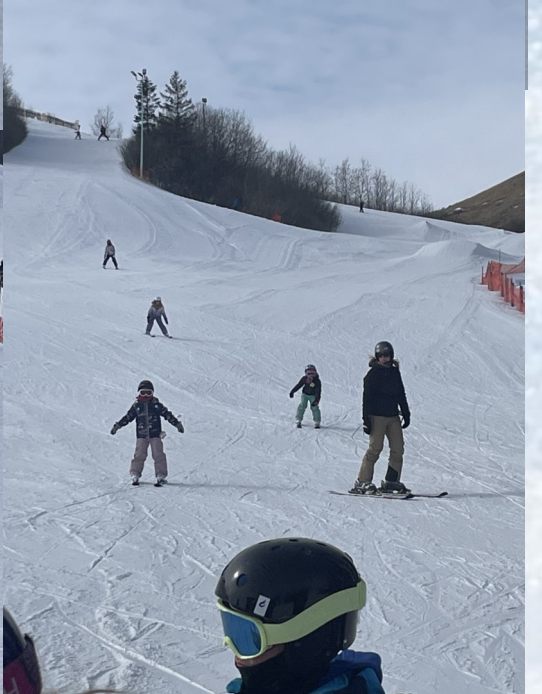
Ski Trip Fun!



We had a BLAST at our ski trip to Alliance Ski Hill. Huge thank you to all of our fantastic volunteers for helping out with the day and ensuring it ran smoothly. And BIG thanks to PAC for providing the bussing.









Neon Day & AR Glow Party



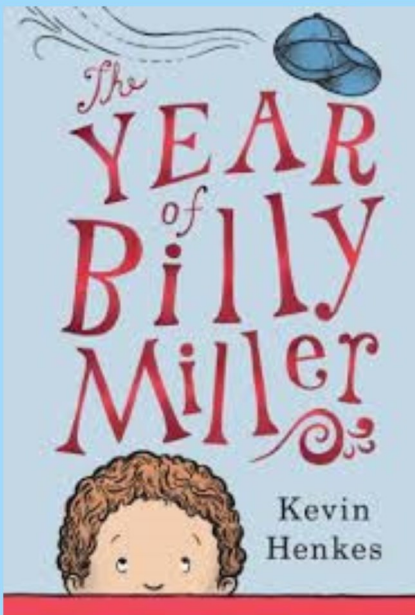
BOOK CLUB

Who: Grade 2's & 3's

Where: Grade 1 room

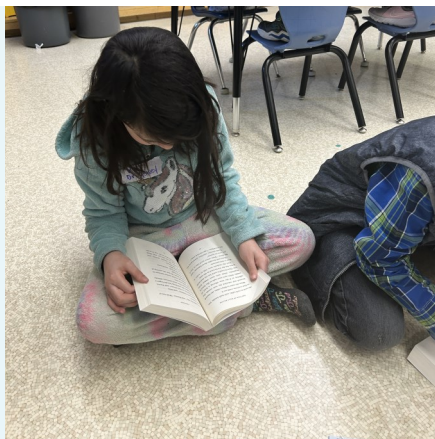
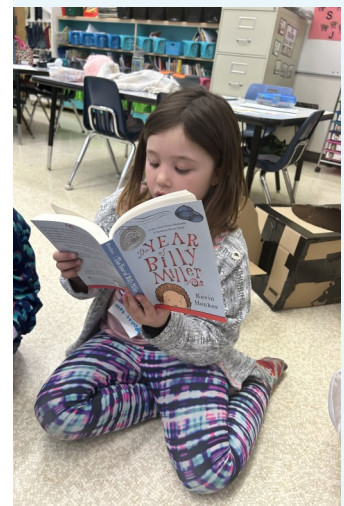
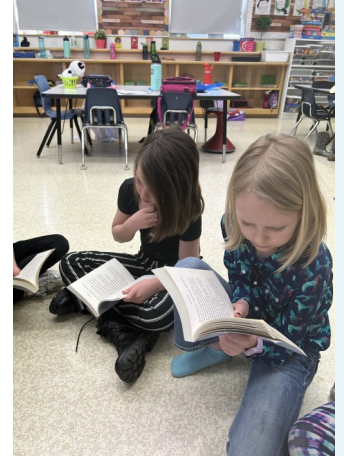
When: One lunch recess a week

Book: The Year of Billy Miller by Kevin Henkes



About the book:

Come join Billy Miller in his second grade adventures! This is a funny story about friendship, sibling rivalry, and elementary school.



Basket of Greatness!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our B of G ceremony! Thanks again to the Amisk Public Library for your donation of books for our apple award winners!

March 28th 2022

Kindergarten

Jace- He has had great improvement with learning his letters and letter sounds!

Wylee- She follows classroom rules and is a kind/respectful friend to all of her classmates.

Grade 1

TJ- He is always kind hearted and is working hard on his sight words.

Grade 2

Paetyn- She has shown great effort and improvement in her writing!

Grade 3

Abel- He sets an excellent example for others. He is kind, has great manners, and he is funny!

Brayson- He always puts 100% into his work. He is an encouraging and positive classmate.

Layla- She is a keen math learner. She has done a wonderful job in the measurement unit.

Cub Coupons to:

Draw for Walmart \$10.00 gift cards donated by Nutrien

Jace Gilbertson and Abel Walters

Entertainment by the Grade Two Class

Lollipop Tree

Cup Coupon Recipients for the month:

Jace, Bryer, Thomas, Aubree, Jayden, Deklan, Dixie, Lakyn, Brial



Congrats Kids!



Thank you to Students and Families

Thank you students and families for your fantastic generosity for the Random Act of Kindness Toy Drive. The kindness you have shown by giving toy donations to others that may not have toys to play with was over the top and so very generous.

The toys were donated to three groups in close proximity to our area that are in great need of these toys. The toys have all been delivered to these groups and will be used when needed.

**Thank You from the Bottom of our Heart,
Amisk School Teachers and Support Staff**



Teacher's Pet
Support. Enrich. Inspire.

**Thank you
PAC!**

Thank you to our amazing parent council for organizing fundraisers, providing Valentine's Day Treats and Crafts, funding the bussing for our field trips, bringing in fun experiences to our school, and so much more!



All About Mrs. Flaade

Name: Ashley Flaade

Position at Amisk School:

Administration Assistant-Librarian

Time at Amisk School: 1 year

Hometown: Hardisty

Zodiac sign: Capricorn

Favorite movie: Jack Frost and The Titanic

Favorite food: Pasta

Favorite Color: Black or Purple

Favorite book when you were a child: Rainbow Fish

Favorite kid's book now: RED- A crayon's story

Favorite band/music: Anything acoustic and Ed Sheeran

Favorite activity: Photography, crafting, and camping with family/friends

Favorite holiday: Christmas!!!!

If you could choose to stay one age for the rest of your life, what would it be? 30

If you could choose anyone to be your mentor, who would it be? I have been blessed with many amazing people in my life that help guide and mentor me to be the best person I can be. If I had to choose one I would say my late Gramma

What would be your dream vacation? Anywhere laying on a beach next to the ocean

When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up? I wanted to be a Mom and to be a wedding planner or wedding dress designer.





SCHOLASTIC

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

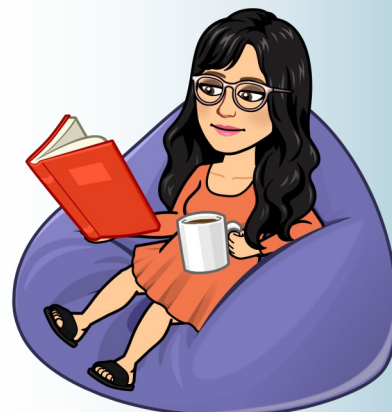
It is important to note Scholastic is no longer accepting payment by cheque; a credit card will now be required to pay for any Scholastic orders.

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.

Have Questions?

Be sure to contact Mrs. Flaade at the school by calling 780-856-3771!



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