

April 2023

Apple Center Newsletter

Principal's Message

This month has flown by, and we are definitely in the home stretch of this school year. It's been a wonderful school year to date. I'm so proud of the hard work I see every day in our school, with students striving to achieve their goals, and staff working hard to help them accomplish to the best of their ability. This month, some of our kindergarten and grade one students got to meet virtually with the BTPS School Board, telling them about all of the things they're learning about, and showing them their favourite book.

Our students and staff have been busy continuing their learning this month. Reading, writing and math take top priority in our days at school, but there's always time for a little fun, like our Fancy Hair Day and Favourite Team Day. It was great to see all of those awesome Oilers jerseys around the school today!

This month I'd like to send a special thank you and shout out to our Parent Advisory Council. They work hard behind the scenes to raise funds for field trips and special events, and to help us out with many projects in and around the school. Our current PAC is a great group of parents who take the opportunity to get involved, see what's happening in their child's school, and have a voice and a chance to help out. If you're interested in being a part of the PAC, please contact me at the school or touch base with Shelby Gill, our current president. Meetings are held every couple of months on a Friday morning for an hour or so, and you can join us in person or online, whichever is more convenient. It's a great opportunity to play a supporting role and get to have a firsthand look at what's happening here at Amisk School.

Take care, and happy Spring!

Mrs. West
Principal



I Can... You Can... We Can... Succeed!

Important Dates!

May 3– Hats on for Mental Health

May 4– Hot lunch (Grilled cheese)

May 5– No School– Teacher PD Day

May 9– Spring/Grad photos

May 10– Earth Rangers

May 17– ECS Swim Trip
Beach Day

May 18-22 -No school

May 25– Hot lunch (Hotdogs)

May 30– Basket of Greatness

May 31– Year End School Wide Field Trip!!!!!!

June 2 – Beginner Day

June 8– Hot Lunch (Mcdonalds)

June 13– Awards Day





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.



Hats On for Mental Health is Wednesday May 3rd! Students are encouraged to wear a hat on this day.



Hot lunch will continue May 4thth & 25th!

SPRING PHOTOS: MAY 9TH

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AMISK SCHOOL

**KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION
2023-2024**



REGISTRATION PACKAGES
AVAILBLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE,
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
YOU!!!!



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Class Happenings!

Kindergarten

Wow, April has flown by and the Kindergarten students have been learning so many new things. The students have been busy learning all about measurement in Math. The kindergarten students have been working so hard at learning their high frequency words and recognizing them in books and around the room. In Social class we have been learning all about being a part of a group, sharing with others in a group and being kind and respectful when working in a group. In the gym we have finished doing gymnastics, playing games with hula hoops and bean bags and we will be learning how to play soccer. This is a very artistic bunch of students, they have shown many talents while sketching, painting and coloring various projects. I hope everyone had a well deserved Easter Break and your month of May is warm and full of sunshine. May will be a busy and active month for the Kindergarten Students!!

Grade One

I can't believe there is only two months of school left! I am looking forward to what the last couple are going to bring! We are starting to learn our long vowel sounds and vowel teams. In literacy we learned about the r controlled vowels ar & or and are starting to learn about open and closed syllables. The students continue to work hard with their reading and are becoming more and more fluent! In writing we are continuing to learn about opinions and facts, and how to write reasons for the opinions we have. In math we finished up patterns and are almost finished learning about shapes! In Social studies we are continuing to learn about our families and the responsibilities we have within our families. In Science we participated in a week long program called Science in motion where we learned lots about the spring time weather!

Grade Two

Wow, there are only 2 months left of school and boy do we have a lot of fun things to look forward to! This month in literacy we are going to be getting our creative juices flowing with some writing activities. In phonics we will be focusing on the sounds of 'ed' and 'le'. We will be completing activities that go along with our new science unit 'Boats and Buoyancy.' In social studies we have started to explore our final Canadian community; Saskatoon. This month we will learn about the landscape, early days, culture and traditions of the area. In math we will be diving into geometry and fractions.

Grade Three

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter Break. We have only 2 months left of school and tons of learning left to do in Grade 3. In Language Arts we have began our new novel study on Charlotte's web. Students will be working on their summarizing and vocabulary skills as we work through the novel! Our students are rocking their spelling program, weekly! Our science hearing and sound test will be May 2. Next we are going to begin our last unit, "all about animal life cycles", Miss. Penman's fav! Social we will be diving into our last country of study—Tunisia. In Math we are half way through multiplication and division!

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!

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Kindergarten

Claire– Works hard and knows all of her letters and sounds.

Bryer– Has a pleant personality and has been working so hard in class on all of his work.

Grade 1

Carter – Has great math skills and a always making us laugh with his great jokes.

Kenna– She is always willing to lend a helping hand to friends.

Paicee– She has a positive attitude and is working hard on her reading.

Grade 2

Kyla– She is a math rockstar!

Bo– He always has a positive attitude in learning.

Grade 3

Rhyse– She is so compassionate and dedicated to her learning..

Brieal– She is very smart and studious! She got 100% on her Ukraine test!

Cub Coupons to: Beckett, Claire, Maverick, John, Layne, Isaac, Paetyn, Rhett, Brayson

Draw for Walmart \$10.00 gift cards–

K-1: Bryer 2-3 Bo

Entertainment by Kindergarten

Bingo!

Mc done by the Grade ones





**Fancy/Funky
Hair Day!**

Staff Spotlight!

All About Mrs. Walters

Position at Amisk School: Kindergarten Educational Assistant

Years at Amisk School: 3 (as a sub and in different classrooms)

Hometown: Czar

Zodiac Sign: Taurus

Favourite movie/TV Show: The Greatest Showman

Favourite food: Salmon

Favourite Color: Purple

Favourite book when you were a child: Amelia Bedelia

Favourite kid's book now: The Pout Pout Fish

Favourite band/music: One Republic

Favourite activity: Camping, spending time with family/friends, watching my kids play sports

Favourite holiday: Christmas

If you could choose to stay one age for the rest of your life, what would it be? 33

If you could choose anyone to be your mentor, who would it be? My Grandma Flynn

What would be your dream vacation? Bora Bora

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



FAVORITE TEAM JERSEY DAY





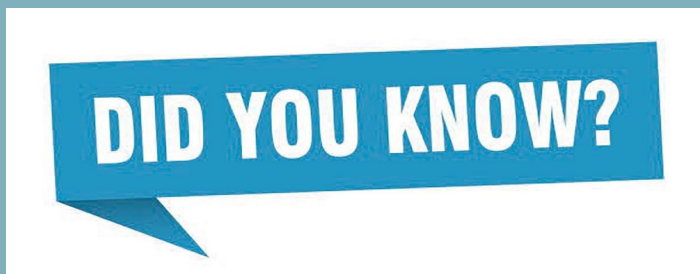
SCHOLASTIC

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

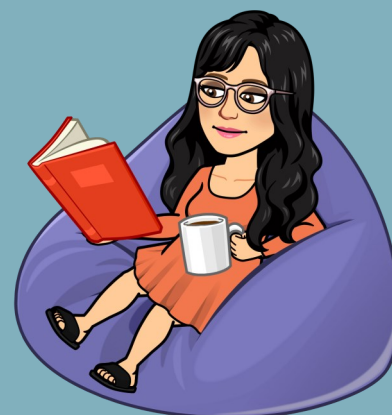
It is important to note Scholastic is no longer accepting payment by cheque; a credit card will now be required to pay for any Scholastic orders.



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 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!



to



May 14th, 2023

Time: 9:30- 11:30

First 50 ladies will receive a flower



Breakfast Buffet: Sausage, scrambled eggs, hash browns, pancakes and all the trimmings. Juice, Coffee, Tea

Adults: **\$10.00**

Children 10 years old and over: **\$10.00**

Children under 9 years old: **Free**



Sponsored by the Amisk Agricultural Society



Mother's

DAY

Breakfast

At

Amisk Hall



Students from Kindergarten and grade one attended a virtual school board meeting with Mrs. West as well as other students/schools from around the division. They shared what their favorite part of school is and presented their favorite books to the board members

Staff Spotlight!

All About Mrs. Dewald

Name: Jeanene Dewald

Position at Amisk School: Grade 2

Years at Amisk School: This is my 12th year at Amisk School.

Hometown: Killam

Zodiac Sign: Taurus

Favourite movie/TV Show: WALL-E

Favourite food: Pizza

Favourite Color: Turquoise

Favourite book when you were a child: Robert the Rose Horse

Favourite kid's book now: Love You Forever

Favourite band/music: Ed Sheeran

Favourite activity: Camping

Favourite holiday: Easter

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?
Miss. Frizzle

What would be your dream vacation? Greece/Italy

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





Miss. Allan

Miss. Allan is new to the Buffalo Trail Public School Division. Her role as a Wellness Coordinator is working within the Hughenden and Amisk schools for the BRITE Program (Building Resilient Individuals Through Empowerment). This program is designed to provide tools and information for everyday life. Building awareness and support around obstacles you may face. Relating to relationships, respect, and boundaries.

Miss. Allan is originally from Riviere Qui Barre, AB but moved to Wainwright in the summer of 2018. Since being here she has grown to understand, appreciate and love these rural communities. Her experience in Mental Health has not only given insight but also a foundation of passion on the subject. She looks forward to getting to know students, teachers and community members as she branches into this opportunity.

About Her:

Miss. Allan has a bubbly, compassionate and corky personality who is always looking to lend a hand. She is an introvert by nature and enjoys unwinding to a good TV show. But when feeling active; she enjoys cooking, painting, board games, playing with animals and golfing as a newly found hobby.

Personal goals are to learn French, travel to Ireland and meet Gordon Ramsay.

As a Wellness Facilitator, Sarah's role is to provide programming, education, support and awareness to students and families in all areas of wellness; she works with the school and community to create programs and activities and provide support and services to students and families and they reach their wellness potential and find success with their mental health.



BRITE program providing an information table for **Canadian Mental Health week**.
Each day will be themed in correlation with this topic.
Feel free to swing by the table for resources and information.

Monday:

Theme: Kindness

Kindness Jars are placed in each classroom.

Tuesday:

Theme: Nutrition

Easy healthy recipes and AHS food guidelines will be printed and available for the staff and students who may be interested.

Wednesday

Theme: Self Kindness and Self Care

Being kind to yourself can be tricky. BRITE has tools for sleep, jokes to have a laugh and coping strategies available at the information table.

Thursday

Theme: Getting active

**BRITE will be doing a mindful lunch break walk along with using bubbles to blow our worries away and talk about ways we all get active.
For the staff and students interested; meet Miss. Allan in the school yard on the lunch break.**

****Weather pending****



GIRLS AT BAT

Is back for the 2023 baseball season!

*Thank
You* 

**Amisk School PAC
for the yummy treats
made by Wildrose
Cinnamon Buns**



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