

December 2023

Apple Center Newsletter

As we get ready to begin our Christmas break, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our entire Amisk School family for all of the support given to us at the school. While Mrs. West is away, I am happy to be the acting administrator of the school and I am able to see how everyone continues to pull together to support each other as we live and learn together. Thank you to all of our Amisk school families for your support during the busy Christmas season. For your support with the 12 days of giving, Christmas concert treats and props, handing in all of those permission slips and the generous gifts. We are already looking forward to seeing everyone again when we return to school on Monday, January 8th!

To all of you, from all of us at the Amisk School, we wish you the Merriest of Christmases and Happiest of New Years!

Mrs. Dewald



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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 23-Jan 7th Christmas Break

Jan 8th: Welcome back students!

Jan 11: C-Store subs hot lunch

Jan 23-24: Science in Motion

Jan 25: Grilled cheese hot lunch/ Book Character Day/ Freedom to Read Day!

Jan 30: Basket of Greatness

Jan 31– Feb 21: No School for Students

Feb 6: Winter Walk Day



Cookies!

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.**



Hot lunch will be happening on January 11th and 25th when we return from holiday break!

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 Facebook and
Instagram

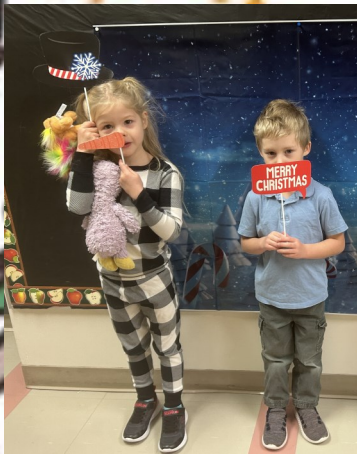
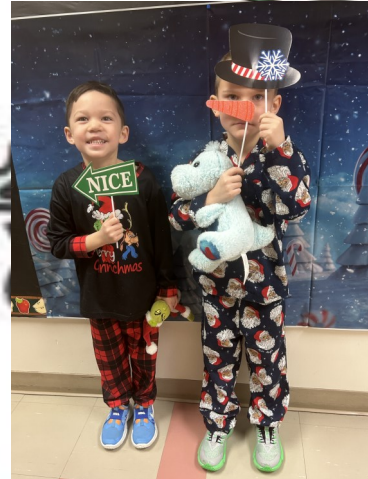
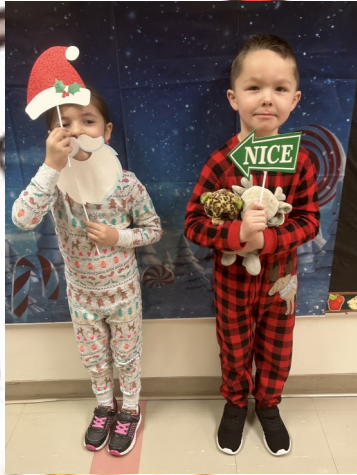
Twelve Days of Giving!

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our school community we donated almost **FOUR HUNDRED** items to the food bank.

Way to go Amisk School students and families



ECS PJ Day And Christmas Party



PJ Day

And Christmas Movie





Welcome back to school students and families! The Scholastic Reading Club is now available for the 2023-24 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



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?

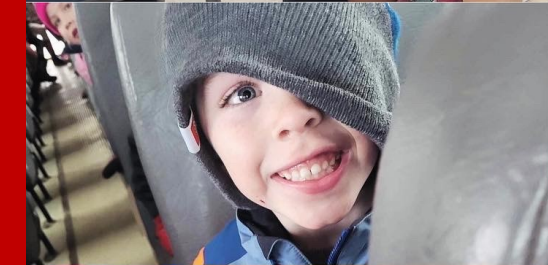
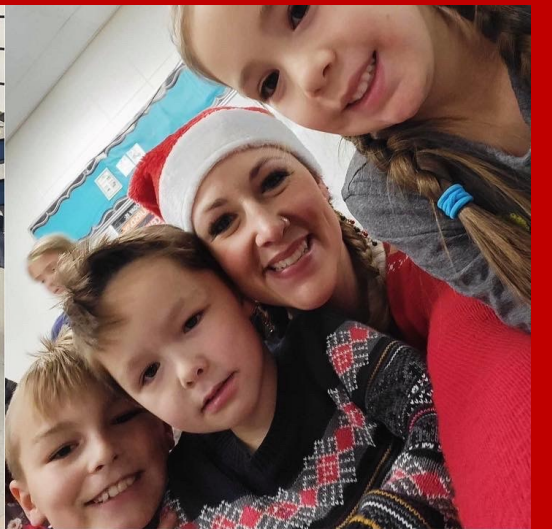
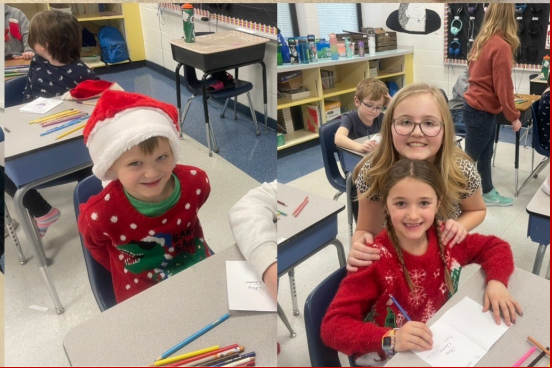
Be sure to contact Mrs. Flaade at the school by calling

780-856-3771!





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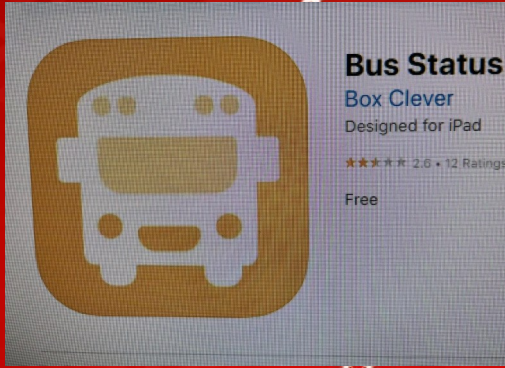
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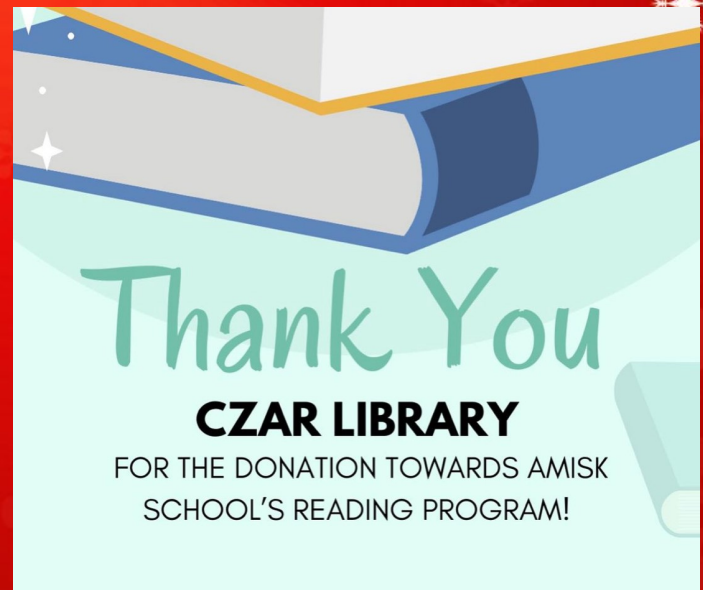
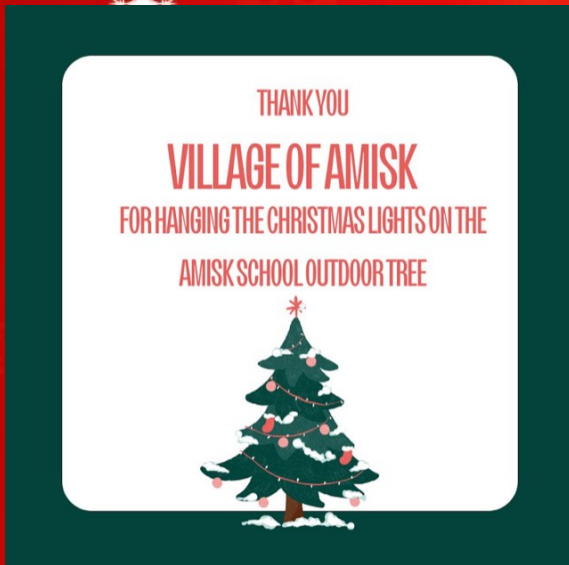
Wishing you a Christmas full of
peace, love and good cheer.
All the best for the New Year!

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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.



Junior Curling at Amisk Arena will begin in the new year!

Report cards and Parent Portal Information 2023-24

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.