

March 2024

Apple Center Newsletter

As we move toward the month of April I am thrilled to share some exciting updates and upcoming events from our school community. Spring is upon us and with it comes new opportunities for growth, learning and connection.

Our young learners continue to amaze us with their curiosity and eagerness to explore the world around them. In March, the students were actively involved with the Teacher's Pet, Scientists at School and Ukrainian Village Easter programs where classes were able to explore curricular knowledge, skills and understandings in engaging ways. Career day brought a lot of excitement as the students were able to learn about a variety of careers while dressed up in what they wish to be when they grow up.

I want to extend my sincerest gratitude for the parents who actively participated in our recent parent-teacher/student led conferences. Your commitment to your child's education and your partnership with our school community is truly commendable and deeply appreciated.

We have an array of exciting events and activities planned for the month of April. From Spring photos to silly hair and jersey day to Kindergarten Open House and Earth day to finally our evening Basket of Greatness and Supper, there is something for everyone to look forward to! I encourage you to stay connected with our school calendar and through our social media pages for the latest updates and information.

In closing, I want to express my gratitude to our dedicated students, passionate educators and supportive parents for their continued commitment to our school community. Together, we will make April a month filled with learning, growth, and memorable experiences.

Jeanene Dewald
Acting Administrator



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

Important Dates!

March 29-April 7: Easter/Spring Break—No school

April 9: Lifetouch Spring/Grad photos/Class photos

April 11: Silly Hair Day
Grilled Cheese Hot lunch

April 16: Downtown Library

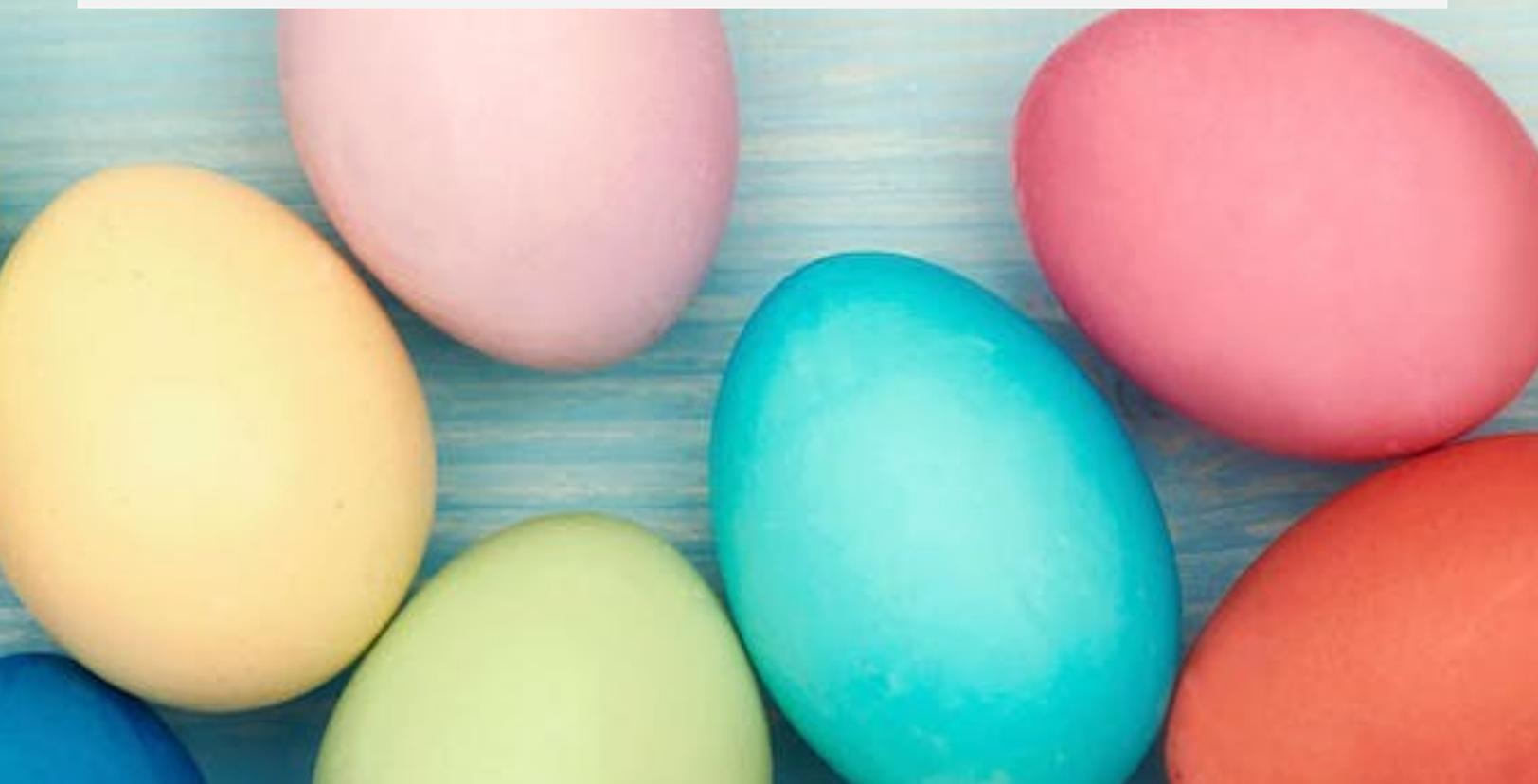
April 18: Subway Hot Lunch

ECS Open House 6:00 -7:00 pm

April 22: No Waste Challenge- Earth Day

April 25: Favourite Team Day (Jerseys)

April 30: Evening BofG (More details to come)



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.**



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

Thank you



Hot lunch will continue on April 11th



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Facebook and
Instagram!**

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 Being Unique, making a beautiful poster all about them. The Ski Trip at the end of February was an excellent experience for the Kindergarten students. They were great skiers. The Kindergarten students have been working hard on learning to print their lowercase letters and working on their high frequency 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, parachutes and having lots of fun. The Last day before Easter Break was so much fun, with lots of different and exciting activities. Wishing everyone a very Happy Easter and have a wonderful break. April will be a great month with lots of learning and fun activities. Hope everyone is enjoying Spring!!

Grade One

It was another great month in Grade One! We began working on Folk and Fairy Tales in Language Arts and completed very fun graphing and shapes units in Math! In science we completed two amazing in school field trips where we built cars out of wood and cardboard! Then we explored the different pathways they can take! In social studies we discussed what we would like to be when we grow up and engaged in the school wide career day! PE was a blast learning different group dances and participating in gymnastics centers. I can't wait to see what April brings!!

Grade Two

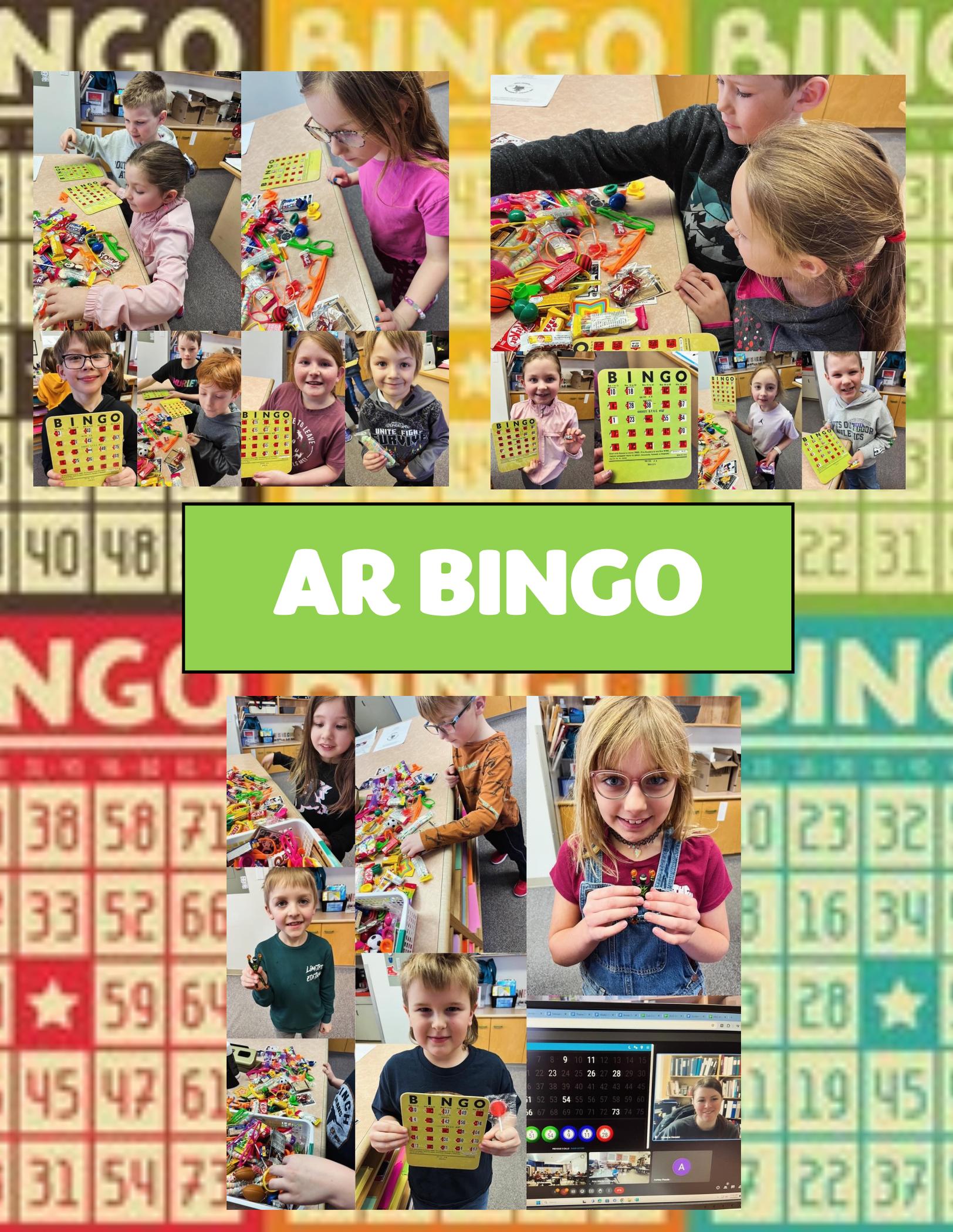
The Grade Two class has been learning about Iqaluit after completing our unit on Meteghan. We started off by taking a flight to Iqaluit, complete with snacks served by our stewardess. It was a great flight. We are continuing to explore the clothes the Inuit wear and will soon be exploring their igloos and the foods they eat. We mastered addition of 2-digit numbers with carrying and now are exploring how to subtract 2 digit numbers with borrowing. We think we have almost mastered that concept!!! We have done some descriptive writing about an alien picture we received. Our last writing task was to describe what our tropical treehouse was like.. We will continue to do more descriptive writing in the weeks ahead.

Grade Three

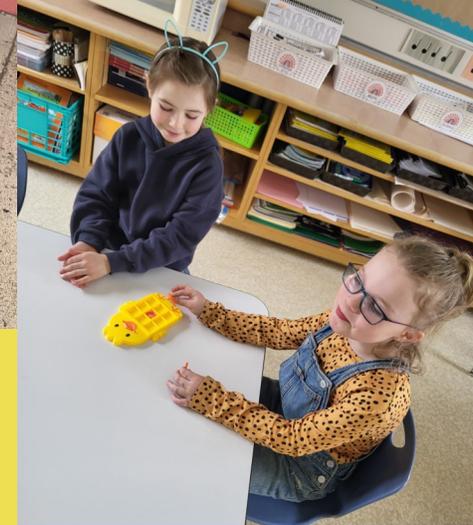
March has been a fun-filled month! We have begun our novel study on the classic Charlotte's Web, and students are strengthening their vocabulary, comprehension and summarizing skills. Students have learned how to look up words in a dictionary and I am very impressed with their speed! In Science we have enjoyed learning about changes to the earth and had a neat presentation from a geologist all about fossils! In social studies we are learning about the culture of Ukraine and students created informative presentations to teach their peers about the different holidays and traditions in Ukraine. In math students have been exploring fractions and have been working hard on opening their own ice cream parlors. We are excited to celebrate our fraction projects with an ice cream Sundae party! Welcome spring and warmer weather.



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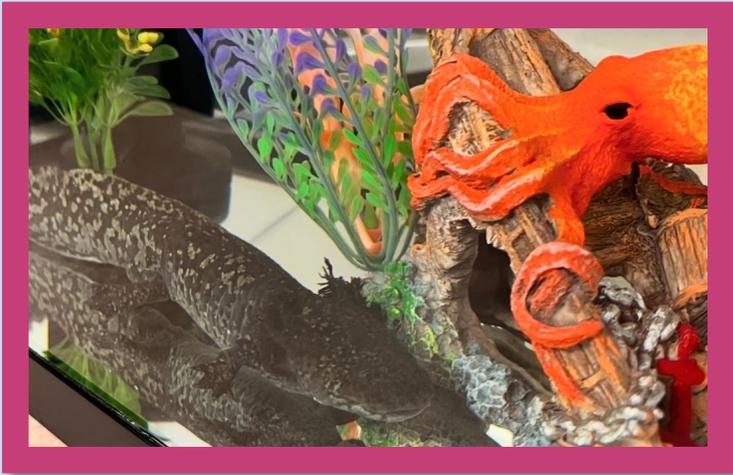
HAPPY EASTER

Thank You!



A big thank you to the Hughenden United Church as well as our Amisk School PAC for donating money towards our easter celebrations! We appreciate the continued support!

Thank you HPS students, for the delightful Easter ornament! Your thoughtfulness has brought a touch of magic to our celebrations!



Meet our new school pet Axel the Axolotl



Career Day

Thank you to all our volunteers



AMISK SCHOOL

APRIL
18TH, 2024
6:00 PM- 7:00 PM

KINDERGARTEN

OPEN HOUSE

2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

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

COME AND SEE
WHAT
SERVICES ARE
AVAILABLE
FOR STUDENTS
SUCH AS
OT, SLP, PUF, ETC



REGISTRATION PACKAGES ARE AVAILBLE AT
THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR CHECK OUT THE
ONLINE LINK AT

[HTTPS://WWW.BTPS.CA/DOWNLOAD/365836](https://www.btps.ca/download/365836)

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
YOU!!!!



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Parent Teacher and Student Led Conferences

We had our second round of parent teacher conferences, along with student led conferences in the gym. Students had a chance to show their parents all of the hard work they've been doing, and celebrate all of their progress and learning. Thanks to all of the parents (and siblings) who phoned, "zoomed" or attended in person to learn more about their child's school journey this year. Way to go Amisk School Families!



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 26th 2024

Kindergarten

Rory– Pleasant personality and has been working hard in math with additions!

Molly– She has a positive attitude and has shown great improvement with letters and sounds.

Grade 1

Reeves– He is a hard worker who always has fun science facts.

Bryer– He shows lots of excitement and pride for his hard work.

Thomas– He is a great leader!

Grade 2

John– He is a helpful student and is becoming a confident reader and math whiz!

Wynter– She is a confident reader and writer. She works hard in math.

Grade 3

Blakely– She always puts in 100% effort and is kind to all!

Cub Coupons to:

**Emma, Elyse, Jace, Carter D, Porter, Kyla, Deklan, Tucker, Reeves, Rowan, Allie,
Kylie, Bryer**

**Draw for Walmart \$10.00 gift cards donated by Nutrien
Molly & Wynter**

Entertainment by the Grade Two Class

Poem– Jessica Erica Steeze

Entertainment by the Kinder Class

Easter Bunny Boogie



Congrats Kids!



Thank you to Students and Families

Thank you students and families for your fantastic generosity for the Random Act of Kindness Toy/Book Drive. The kindness you have shown by giving 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 Hearts,
Amisk School Teachers and Support Staff**



Teacher's Pet
Support. Enrich. Inspire.

**Thank you
PAC!**

Thank you to the amazing parent council for organizing fundraisers, providing Easter treats and crafts, funding field trips/ bussing, bringing in fun experiences to our school, and so much more!





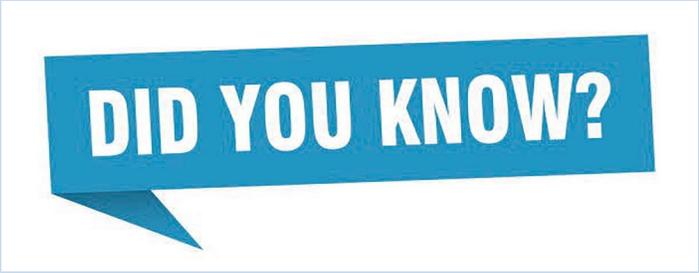
SCHOLASTIC

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 Scholastic orders.

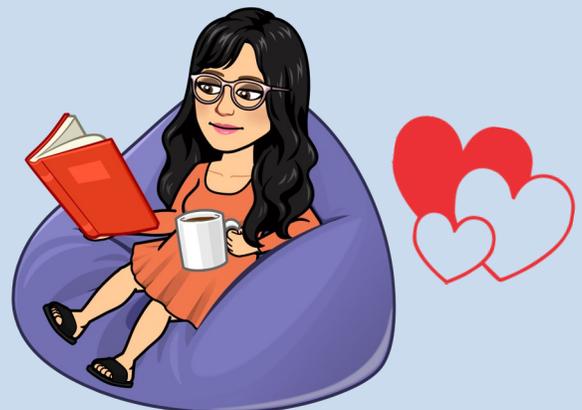


DID YOU KNOW?

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 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.

Thank you, Amisk School Teaching Staff