

May 2024

# Apple Center Newsletter

Dear Families,

As we approach the end of the school year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the incredible journey we have all experienced together. This year has been filled with learning, growth, and wonderful memories for our kindergarten to grade 3 students.

This past month, students have engaged in a variety of exciting activities. From our hands-on projects and creative writing to the engaging Ranch Rodeo Day that brought learning to life, our students have demonstrated a love for learning that is truly inspiring.

Our dedicated teachers and staff have worked tirelessly to provide a nurturing and stimulating environment for our students including running the after school club 'Girls at Bat,' planning field trips, and organizing engaging educational classroom activities each day for their students. Their commitment to each child's education and well-being is evident in the progress we see every day. I am grateful for their passion and hard work, which have made this year so successful.

I also want to extend my heartfelt thanks to you, our parents and guardians, for your unwavering support. From helping with homework to participating in school events, such as the community breakfast, Ranch Rodeo Day and Basket of Greatness, your contributions make a significant difference in our school community.

As we move into the final weeks of school, we are excited about upcoming events like our school field trip to the Ukrainian Village, and Award's Day for the Kindergarten to grade 3 classes as well as Indigenous Peoples Day, and a swim trip for the grade 1-3's. The school will be a buzz as we wrap up our final learnings and celebrate our achievements.

As we move into the final month of school, I hope we can take time to enjoy and appreciate our final days of the 2023-2024 school year together!

Warmest regards,

Jeanene Dewald  
Acting Administrator



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

# Important Dates

May 31– Beginner Day

June 5– Lakeside Dugout Hot Lunch

June 6– School Wide Field Trip to The Ukrainian Village

June 7– PAC Meeting at 9:15 a.m.

June 12– Awards Day / Formal Day/ PAC Lunch

June 13– Kindergarten last day and McDonalds Hot Lunch

June 14– Last School Library visit (Books due back)

June 18– Last Downtown Library visit (Books due back)

June 21– National Indigenous Day

June 24– Swimming Trip Grades 1-3

June 28– Last Day of School - Grades 1-3



# AMISK SCHOOL BEGINNER DAY

FRIDAY  
May 31  
2024



We are excited to see our future  
2024-2025 ECS students for the day.

Current Kindergarten Students will  
attend school and head to the Grade  
One room for the day.

Grade One students get to stay  
home for the day!!

The grade three class will be hopping on  
the bus and heading to Hughenden  
School, where they will have the  
opportunity to meet the staff, get a tour  
of the school, and begin to prep for their  
transition to grade four in the fall.

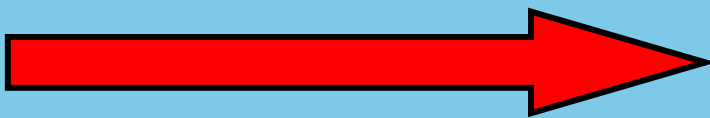
# Amisk School Info!

- Please make sure to check out our website  
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 cans for the Ronald McDonald House. The collection bin can be found in the office.



**June 18th is the last DOWNTOWN Library day of the school year, please ensure your students are returning books over the next few weeks.**

**This time of year our Lost and Found is really filling up. Please make sure to take a look next time you visit our school or let your child's teacher know if you are missing something specific.**



**Find us on Instagram & Facebook to see all the great things happening at our school!**



Amisk School

# Awards Day & BBQ

JUNE 12TH 2024

Lunch 11:30 Am

Awards Assembly 1:00 Pm

We are pleased to announce that Amisk School will be hosting a schoolwide Awards Assembly and BBQ in celebration of an excellent school year! Amisk School PAC with the help of Secure Energy, will be putting on a free BBQ lunch in the Gym, and the Awards Assembly will follow! There will be performances by the entire school and Awards will be presented to every classroom, including the Kindergarten and Grade Three students being honoured as Graduates. Following the assembly parents/guardians are welcome to take their children home, or students can stay for the remainder of the day and go home on the bus.

**All are welcome to join in on the celebration!**

# Hats on for Mental Health Day



# Class Happenings!

## Kindergarten

May has come to an end and June is here. The last month of Kindergarten is full of excitement and extra activities with lots of learning with our friends. The students have been very busy learning all about rhyming words, sounding out words and making sight word booklets. In Math the students are learning all about shapes. We are having lots of fun experimenting with the different shapes. In Health class the students are learning all about healthy eating and healthy bodies. In the gym we will play soccer, baseball and do outside activities. We had fun on our swimming trip and can't wait until we go to the Ukrainian Village. I hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather. Have a wonderful month of June!!

## Grade One

This month in grade one our focus was on the changing of the season, plants and animals. Our focus story was *Up in the Garden Down in the Dirt!* With this story we worked on plant and animal needs as well as life cycles and sequencing. In math we introduced the concept of half and started our end of year math review reinforcing everything we have learned. Finally in social studies we have been focusing on our family history, traditions and values.

## Grade Two

May has flown by again!! We have been super busy in Grade 2. We finished up our unit on Iqaluit and have now begun exploring Saskatoon. Since the Indigenous peoples were the first ones living in the area, we made our own tipi village. Check out the picture below!! There was so much detail put into our village! If you have time, please stop by to have a look at it yourself. In math, we finished our measurement unit and have started to further investigate numbers to 1000. We have been practicing skip counting forwards and backwards - going down is sure a lot harder than going up!!! We continue to work on our writing skills. This month we have tried to add describing words (adjectives) into our sentences. It sure makes our writing more interesting to read. We have also been mastering our STAR words - words we must know how to spell by the end of grade 2. Some of them are pretty tricky like "because" and "awesome" but we have learned some cool tricks to help us remember them. We are excited about our year end field trip and our swimming trip coming up in June.

## Grade Three

I can't believe the end of Grade 3 is so close and soon this class will be off to Hughenden Public School! We have been busy learning lots of new things this past month. Students are excited to have finished up their Charlotte's Web novel study and will soon begin a book review and spider research project. In science we are learning all about living things and how plants and animals interact with the environment around them. In Social we are learning all about the culture, geography and people of our last country of study, Tunisia. In math students really impressed me in their geometry unit by making "Polygon Picasso" art projects! We will end the school year with the time unit learning how to read a clock. I am looking forward to all the fun that June will bring and the memories we will make together as a class.

# Basket of Greatness!

*Thank you to everyone who joined us for our B of G ceremony! It is important to continue to recognize the stellar students in our classrooms each month. Thanks again to the Amisk Public Library for your donation of books for our apple award winners!*

**May 2024**

## Kindergarten

**Josephine**– Joey is a kind soul and has shown great improvements with her letter sounds and printing.

**Leighton**– She is a kind, caring, and friendly student.

## Grade 1

**Rowen**– He has fit in well with our class,

**Jace**– He has a great sense of wonder and is strong at visualising.

**Wylee**– She is a strong, confident and determined student.

**Spencer**– He is great at solving puzzles and building.

## Grade 2

**Gage**– Is a confident reader and has lots of ideas to share.

**Aurora**– She is a great friend to all students.

**Brayden**– Has shown lots of improvement and is becoming a confident reader

## Grade 3

**Bo**– He is confident and is great at telling stories.

**Aiden**– He has made lots of new friends and has grown in his confidence at school.

**Cub Coupons to: Thomas F, Teal, Layne, Gage, Paetyn, Joey, Wynter, Wylee, Aurora**

**Draw for Walmart \$10.00 gift cards– Leighton & Bo**

## Entertainment

**Grade 3 performed “The Stinky Cheese Man” Reader’s Theatre**





# Happy Bus Driver Appreciation Day

**Thank you for keeping our students safe on the roads, we like the way you roll!**



**THANK YOU!**

**Parent Volunteers**

The staff appreciated having a meal together as a team while you supervised classrooms over lunchtime!

# Happy Teacher Appreciation Day

*Thank  
You!*



**To the incredible educators  
of Amisk School!**

## Thank you

to the Hughenden United Church Thrift Store  
for their continued support of our school and students. Your  
generosity is appreciated by many.



# Amisk School Community Breakfast





Amisk  
School  
Ranch  
Rodeo







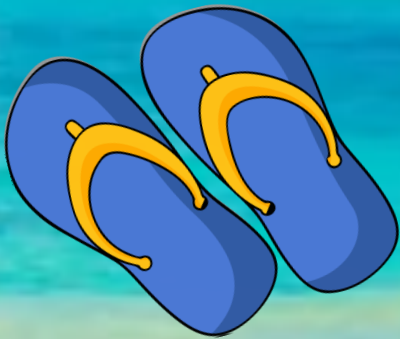
What an incredible Ranch Rodeo Day at Amisk School! Students had a blast trying their hands at a variety of rodeo and ranch activities and it was great to see the gym full of community members for the breakfast. A big thank you to the dedicated volunteers and generous families who brought in their farm friends. Special recognition goes to Miss C and Mrs. A for their exceptional efforts in organizing and planning this amazing event!







# ECS SWIMMING TRIP



# Girls At Bat!



**AMISK SCHOOL**

**UKRAINIAN VILLAGE**

**SCHOOL WIDE FIELD TRIP**

**JUNE 6, 2024**

**BUS LEAVES AT 8:00 AM**  
**BUS RETURNS AT 4:00 PM**



# PRESCHOOL PIRATE CAMP



You are invited to attend a FREE pirate themed pre-school camp with focus on:  
listening, pre-literacy, pre-printing, motor skills and so much more!

**Who:** 3-4 year olds

**When:** August 27-29, 2024

**Time:** 9:00-11:30am

**Where:** Provost Provincial Building  
5419-44 Street, Provost

**Registration opens May 29, 2024**

Children can be dropped off for 9:00 & picked up at 11:30 each day.

Parents are welcome to join us!

We ask that one parent is available from 11:30-12:00 on August 29



To register or for more information, please contact:  
**Children's Rehabilitation Services @ 780-753-6180**

## Pediatric Rehabilitation Resources

Information for community organizations



Alberta Health  
Services

### Child and youth development: Free resources

- For parents and caregivers of children birth to 18 years
- Topics related to child development, health, and wellness.
- Developed by AHS pediatric rehabilitation clinicians: occupational therapy, physiotherapy, psychology, speech-language pathology, and social work.

### Explore our resources



Website

[ahs.ca/pedrehab](https://ahs.ca/pedrehab)



Information for organizations

[Community catalogue](#)

### Display or distribute our information



Poster in full-colour



Printer-friendly flyer



Business cards



Newsletter or social media content

### Engage with us



Stay informed

[Pediatric Rehabilitation Community Connection](#)



Contact the team

[ChildrenYouthHealth@ahs.ca](mailto:ChildrenYouthHealth@ahs.ca)

Supporting Children and Caregivers: Building Skills, Growing Confidence

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# 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](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 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