



Balmoral Bugle

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May 2021

Dates To Remember:

May 07-Fur Trade Virtual Field
Trip Gr. 5/6 Mrs. Lowry
May 10-No School-Inservice
May 11-National Denim Day
May 12-Bookmobile
May 12-Oak Hammock Marsh
Virtual presentation
May 17-Gr. 8 Grad pictures 9 am
May 19-Early Dismissal
May 21-Bird Bits go home
May 24-Victoria Day-No School
May 31-Bird Bits due back

Looking Ahead:

June 01-PAC Meeting 6:30 pm
June 29-Last day
June 29-Farewell to Grads
June 30-Inservice day



Principal's Message:

May 2021

We made it until May! The school hope that families are all healthy and happy. With COVID number on the increase, the school has had conversations in many classrooms to remind students about the importance of mask use. The use of masks is also being encouraged outdoors when students are engaged in activities where 2m of distancing is not possible. Students are encouraged to wear masks if in close proximity or choose recess activities where they can socially distance for a mask break.

Thanks to the Parent Advisory Council for their continued support. Student have been using the new sponsored equipment. See pictures below of out door badminton/pickleball/volleyball nets and soccer nets.





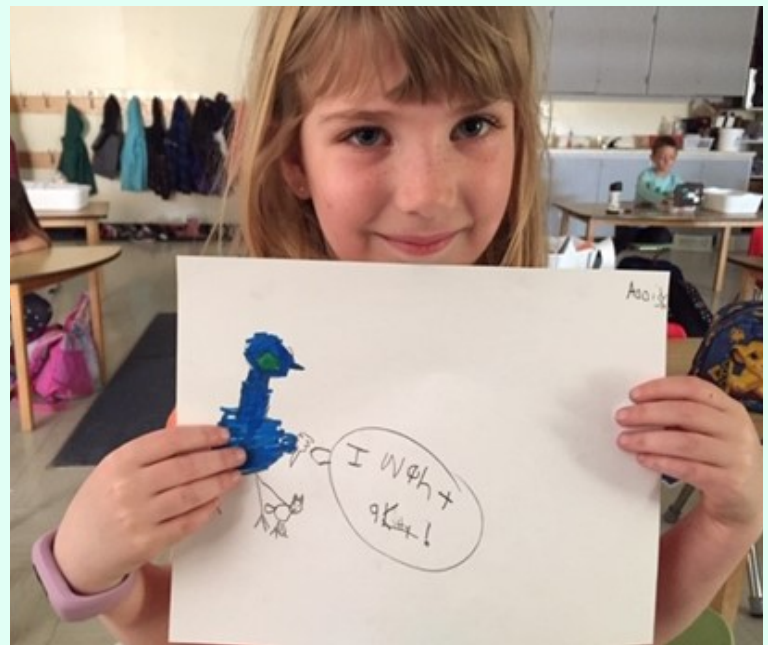
Ms. Loehmer Kindergarten news:



It has been a busy spring so far in kindergarten! We have been learning all about 2D and 3D shapes, and built 3D shapes with toothpicks and marshmallows. In ELA, we have been doing an author study of Mo Willems. We have enjoyed reading all about the Pigeon and Elephant and Piggie! In social studies, we have been learning all about community helpers. We have been lucky to have many family members volunteer their time to tell us about their jobs over Teams. We got to learn about the bus garage, hairdressing, trains, nursing, flying airplanes, science experiments, and more! Thank you to everyone who was able to tell us about their jobs!

In May, we are looking forward to a walking trip to Jackfish Creek to learn all about the creatures that live there.

Eva and Maiti built 3D shapes with marshmallows.



Addisyn wrote about The Pigeon.
“I want a kitty!”



Mrs. Buchan Grade 1 - 2 news!

The Grade 1/2 class was selected by the Winnipeg Jets for this year's Reading Takes Flight visit. Kyle Connor and Mason Appleton joined our class on Monday, April 19th in a video call. Next, they read our class a book, and answered questions. Each student received a copy of the book that the players read, *Whiteout A Winnipeg Jets Story*. What an exciting day! The students later wrote about the day and drew some incredible pictures of Kyle Connor. Go Jets Go!

Doyle



Anna



Duncan



Gabriella





Grade 1 - 2 news continued:

The classroom gets a group shot with Mason Appleton (top) and Kyle Connor.



Anna watching Kyle Connor



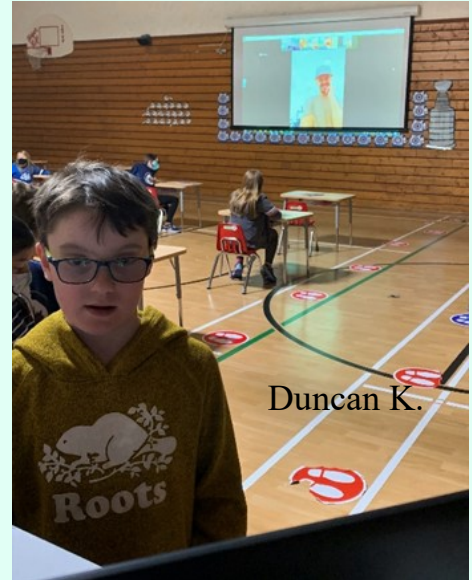
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Appleton reading.



Gabriella



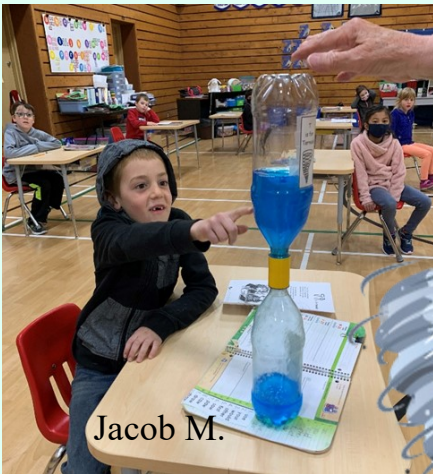
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Grade 1 - 2 news continued:



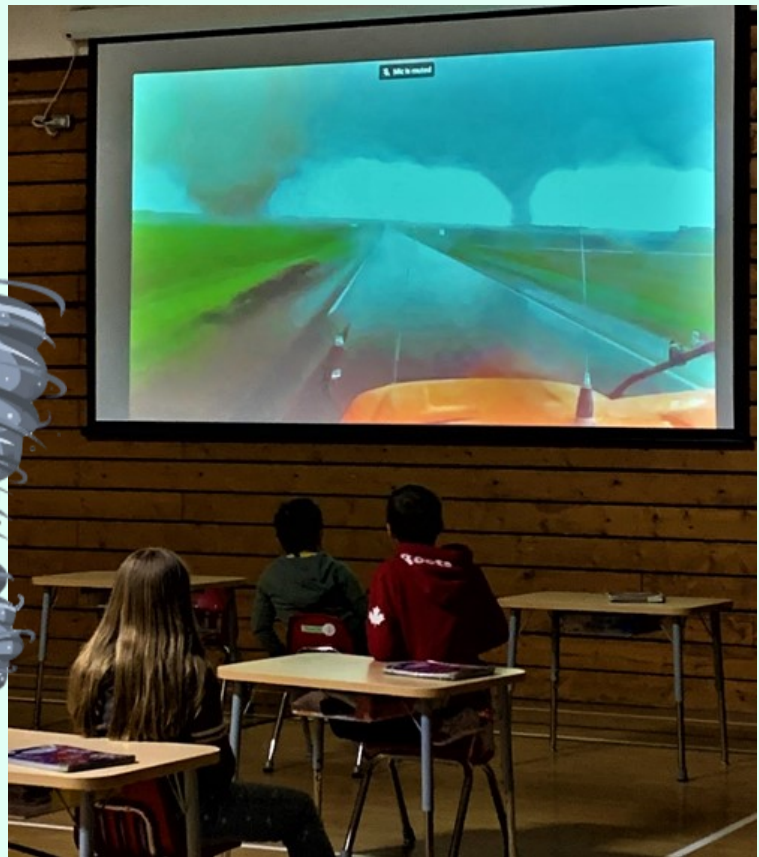
The Grade 1/2 class also enjoyed their tornado presentation by Chris Chittick. Chris is part of team Tornado Hunter, the only professional storm chasing team in Canada. The presentation taught us about severe weather and to respect the weather. We learned safety tips about what to do in a tornado. When the presentation was finished, we worked on our next letter in our ABCs of Science by completing the T is for Tornado experiment. We were able to recreate a tornado by using two pop bottles, and some liquid. Our last Science unit will be Growth and Changes in Animals. We are looking forward to having a video presentation from Oak Hammock Marsh about critter dipping in May.



Jacob M.



Merida



The classroom watches an actual tornado.



Ms. Poirer Grade 3-4 news!

In the spirit of the Masters, our class has been practicing their golf skills during our gym classes. We have learned how to drive a ball, use an iron to move a ball down the fairway, and putt the ball into the hole. A special thanks to PAC for providing us with new gym equipment for our outdoor classes!



Ryder R. and Ryder B.
practice putting.



Maxwell, Kardyn, Sebastian, Sawyer and Ryder R.
practice driving.



Macey practices
putting.



Maxwell, Rhiannon,
Macey and Dominic
practice driving.



Allison and Addison
practice putting.



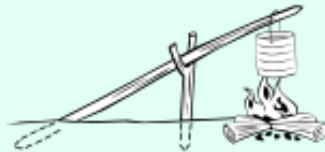
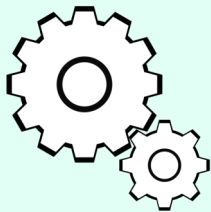
Mrs. Lowry Grade 5-6 news:



Ella, Caleb, Jake and Hudson
In the background

Simple Machines

“The grade 5/6 class wrapped up a unit on Simple Machines in Science, by building Rube Goldberg machines. Each group was to first come up with a simple task that they were to achieve through a series of actions involving simple machines. They needed to include a wheel and axle, lever, screw, inclined plane, pulley, and wedge to complete their simple task. It was a big undertaking, but through teamwork and a lot of trial and error, the groups were able to get it done!”



Hadley, James, Solomon, David,
Jake, Maci O. and Wyatt M.





Mr. McLean Grade 7-8 news:

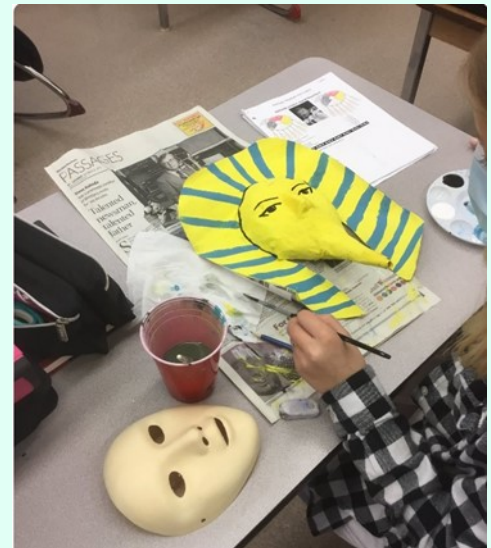
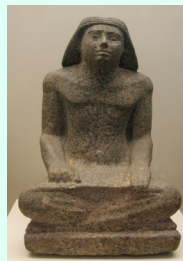


Outdoor Pickle Ball Tournament:

We have started an outdoor pickle ball tournament in gym class. We really like our new 3-1 outdoor nets. The nets can be used to play pickle ball, tennis and badminton.

Ancient Egypt - Pharaoh Masks:

In our Ancient Egypt unit, we built Pharaoh masks that were buried in the tombs with the Egyptian kings.



Hilton



Digital Tools to Animate:

We recently started using a digital drawing tablet to animate in Graphic Communications class. This equipment works with many different programs, and allows for the students to draw using digital tools.



news:



A big thank you to Mr. Chapiel and Mr. Bainbridge for coming to Balmoral School on April 27th to do our Spring Bus evacuation drills. We appreciate their time and thank them for driving the buses for the Interlake School Division.



Oak Hammock Marsh
Classrooms will enjoy a virtual presentation on May 12/21

Fur Trade Presentation
Gr. 3/4 Mrs. Lowry will enjoy a virtual presentation on May 7/21



**Transportation for Grade 8's
Going to High School
Next Year**

Any students from grade 8 that are attending High School next year and do not currently take the bus but will require transportation next year, please notify our Transportation Department Admin. Assistant, Meechelle Best at 204-467-8730 or email mbest@isd21.mb.ca

For Kindergarten students coming to Balmoral School in the fall 2021

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We usually have an orientation evening however, due to Covid, we now mail out the Kindergarten packages and an interview date is in the package for parents to come in with their child in the fall. If you have any questions please contact the school at 204-467-2501.

For the birds!

Once again, Balmoral School will be participating in the annual Bird BITS Challenge. This is where we record all of the different birds that we see during the May long weekend (booklets will be sent home before the long weekend) and are to be returned on May 25th along with a tally of approximately how many of each kind.

Once the booklets are returned, Balmoral School will total all of the birds recorded and send our numbers into the Green Schools program, to be included with schools from all across Canada.

We appreciate everyone's support with this!

Enjoy the birds!





Best wishes:



Mrs. Rody's last day was Friday, April 30th. We sent her off with two cuddly sheep for the babies. Pink one for her girl and white one for the other baby whether it's a boy or a girl. We wish her well with the delivery of her twins.



Mrs. Sigvaldason and Mrs. Rody taken March 2021



Mrs. Rody and Mrs. Sigvaldason taken April 30, 2021