



Balmoral Bugle

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October 2022

Dates To Remember:

- Oct. 04 - Picture Day
- Oct. 05 - Cross Country -Teulon
- Oct. 06 - Golf MB presentation K-8
- Oct. 06 - Hot Lunch-Kiln
- Oct. 07 - Inservice No School
- Oct. 10 - Thanksgiving-No School
- Oct. 13- Book Fair (in person)
- Oct. 20 - Bus Evacuation drill
- Oct. 21 - No School - Inservice
MTS PD Day
- Oct. 27 - Progress Conversations
- Oct. 31 - Halloween classroom events
- Oct. 31 - Happy Halloween



Looking Ahead:

- Nov. 04 -Picture Retakes pm
- Nov. 11 - Remembrance day
No School
- Nov. 14 - No School-Inservice Day
- Nov. 16 - PAC Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Nov. 17 - Healthy Kids Fit Kids Gym
Blast
- Nov. 29 - Divisional Volleyball
- Dec. 01 - Div. Volleyball Snow Date



Principal Message:

September flew by. In September we enjoyed our annual Terry Fox Run and our week of activities for the National Day of Reconciliation.

The early years teachers have been engaged in professional learning on changes our early literacy focus. ISD is focusing on structured literacy, making sure that students are gaining decoding skills and phonemic awareness.

Cheers,
Mark Lawson



Staff Listing 2022-2023

Classrooms

- Kindergarten/Grade 1
- Grade two/three
- Grade four/five
- Grade five/six
- Grade seven/eight
- Early Literacy Support
- Guidance
- Grade 4-8 French, Gr. 6-8 Art
- Gr. 5/6 Science + Social Studies
- Band
- Music
- Sewing
- Graphic Communications
- Principal
- Administrative Assistant
- Custodian
- Library Clerk
- Educational Assistant
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- Educational Assistant (3 hour)

Teachers

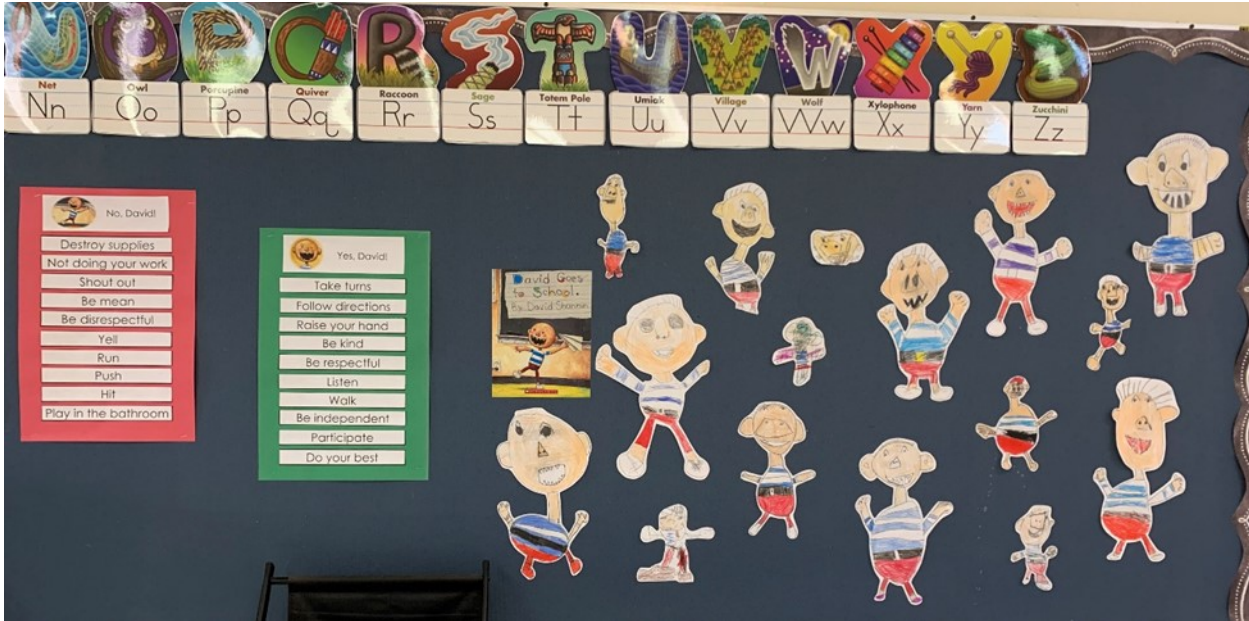
- Mrs. D. Buchan
- Mrs. A. Hyde
- Miss. K. Poirier
- Mrs. D. Rody
- Mr. C. McLean
- Mrs. T. Procter
- Mrs. D. Rody
- Mrs. K. Loehmer
- Mrs. K. Loehmer
- Ms. C. Novakowski
- Ms. L. Johnson
- Mrs. K. Farmer
- Mr. C. McLean
- Mr. M. Lawson
- Mrs. K. Kelpin
- Mr. J. Gear
- Mrs. A. Bruce
- Mrs. C. Kaegi
- Mrs. K. Kachur
- Mrs. D. Prochner
- Mrs. J. Margetts



Kindergarten-Grade 1 news:

02

The Kindergarten/Grade 1 students have been learning all about the new routines in our classroom. We read *No, David!*, and *David Goes to School* which was the perfect way to get us talking about expected and unexpected behaviours at school. The students also drew David by following my step by step instructions. They did an awesome job!



We started to work on our ABCs of animals in Science. A is for alligator! We learned that alligators are reptiles, their babies are called hatchlings, and that they are carnivores. Did you know that alligators have a u shaped snout while crocodiles have a v shaped snout?

Emmett

Ada

Kinsley

Luna





Kindergarten-Grade 1 news:

03

As part of our Social Studies curriculum, the students will be exploring traditions and celebrations throughout the year. The Grade 1 students learned about International Day of Peace (September 21st), and the K/1 class celebrated National Tree Day (September 22nd). After our discussion about trees and why they are so important to us, we headed outside to show our appreciation of trees by giving them a big hug! We are looking forward to learning about Thanksgiving and Halloween!



Abbi



Andie



Jack



Zoe

Kindergarten-Grade 1 news:

04

On Tuesday, Sept. 27th, students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 headed out to the playground to participate in our annual Terry Fox Run. It was fantastic to have all of the students run together as they completed laps around the course. Thank you to everyone who donated and/or participated. Donations and pledges are due back Oct. 3rd. A special thank you to Mrs. Tervoort and Mrs. Margetts for speaking to the students about this special cause and helping to cheer the students on!

Orange Shirt Day, Sept. 29/22



Reminders For All Families!

Water Bottles: Please send a water bottle to school with your child. There are water fountains available for use, but many students also like having water at their desks.

Cutlery: Please send cutlery in students lunches. We do have some available for emergencies. For some students it has become something needed daily to be able to eat their lunch. We would like to reduce the amount of plastic being used.

Warm Clothing: The weather is changing. We ask that you please send your child with proper outdoor clothing. They have two outdoor breaks so extra socks, mitts and dressing in layers would be beneficial. **All student will be going out for recess!** Fresh air and outdoor exercise is great for keeping folks alert and ready to learn.





Grade 2-3 news

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Our first month flew by so fast! In September, we accomplished so much already. We have been learning about animals in Science and our community in Social Studies. We've already been able to work through a few Daily 5 sessions for reading and writing. Computers are a hit in math class! So far, we've been practicing our math skills on Prodigy, XtraMath and SplashLearn.

We've also started our year-round project, with Mrs. Margetts, called 'Kid Quotes'. Each month, Mrs. Margetts will be joining our class with a theme in mind. A question will be asked by Mrs. Hyde and the class will have to answer individually. There will be a craft and writing piece to accompany our discussion.





Cross Country

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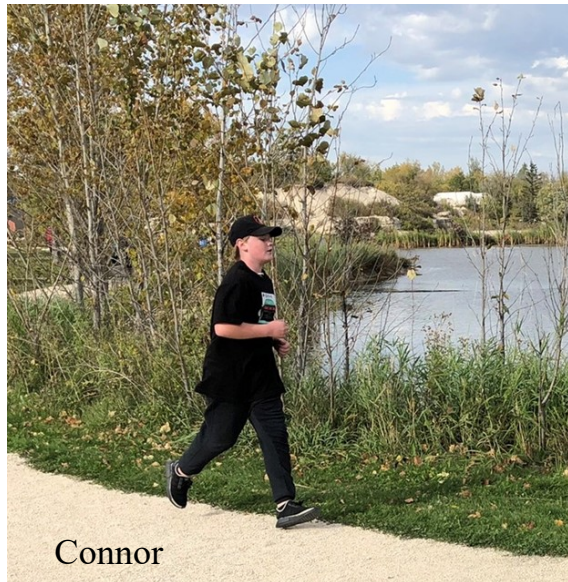
An Exhibition Meet was held on September 28th at Quarry Park in Stonewall. Students got a good practice in for their Divisional Run on October 5th. The Divisionals are held in Teulon at Green Acres Park. Good luck to our runners!



Junior and Intermediate boys at the starting line.



Jake



Connor



Cross Country

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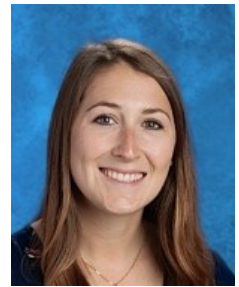
Elliott



Quinn

Congratulations to all cross country athletes for doing a great job in their Divisional races on October 5, 2022. Both the Junior (Gr. 7's) and the Intermediate (Gr. 8's) got second place for their teams. Congratulation to Dylan F. for coming in second in his race.

Coach Miss. Poirier



Grade 4-5 news:

Leading up to Truth and Reconciliation Day, students learned about and discussed Residential Schools. We discussed their impact and how we can work to show reconciliation. Students had the chance to choose four rocks of their liking and paint them. They then wrote kind, encouraging messages on each one. Once all students are finished, we will take a community walk and place these rocks where we think people might see them. This is our small gesture to show that we care about those around us. Our hope is that our rocks will brighten someone's day!





Grade 4-5 news:

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We have spent time learning about the Circle of Courage and how all four quadrants (Generosity, Belonging, Mastery, and Independence) work in our lives. When we have all four quadrants in sync, our circle is complete. When we have one or more quadrants out of sync, it throws off the harmony and we have to work to bring our circle back to balance. Students have shared ways they show each trait and how each trait makes them feel. We have also learned the various ways the Circle of Courage is related to Indigenous cultures and what else the four quadrants represent. We are currently working on creating our Respect Agreement based on the four quadrants.



We also have the pleasure of welcoming Brenda Margetts into our room to do an activity called, “What’s in my Pocket?”. Mrs. Margetts places an object in her pocket and provides students with 10 different clues. Using those clues and their inquiry skills, students try to determine what is in her pocket! The first object was arrowheads. Students had a chance to create their own arrowhead, choosing traits that best represented them. They then had a chance to research answers to their own questions. Students learned more about how arrowheads are made, if they are still used today, what arrowheads were used for in the past, and where they can be found. We cannot wait to see what is in her pocket in October!



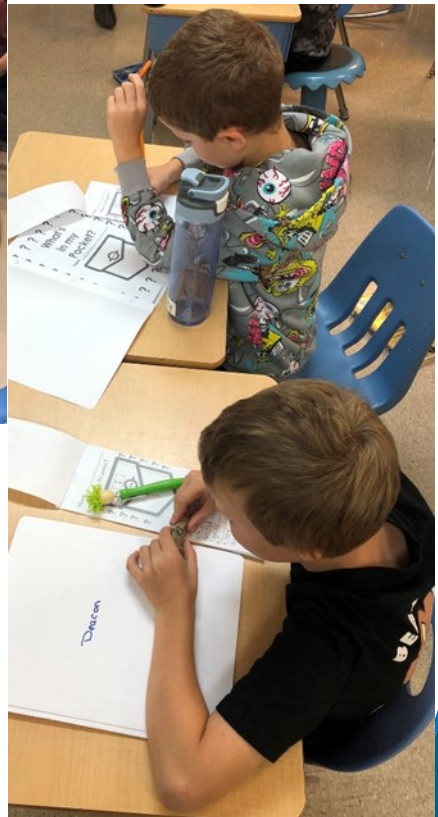
Grade 4-5 news:

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Examples of arrowheads and the clues given to students.



Students asking questions to learn more about arrowheads.



Deacon and Morley examining examples of arrowheads.



Virtual Book Fairs

Reminder: Book Fair is Coming!

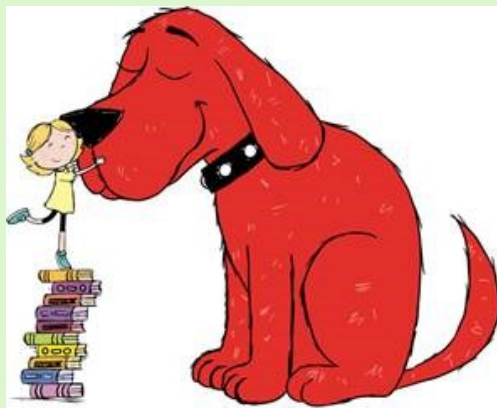
Dear families,

Don't forget, our school is hosting a **Scholastic Book Fair** on October 27, 2022.

The **Book Fair** is a fantastic way to continue to give our students access to the books they want to read. We're excited that you will be able to shop in person and select the books that inspire your readers.

All purchases benefit our school and earn **Rewards** that can be redeemed for books and Education Resources for our school's classrooms and library.

Happy reading!



Let's continue to spread the love of reading! Come join us at our in person Book Fair October 27th



Progress Conversations

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On Thursday, October 27, 2022 you will be invited to Progress Conversations with Balmoral School staff. This year these conversations will be in person, via Teams, or by phone. This gives students, parents and teachers an opportunity to talk about the learning that takes place. The conference will be about 10 minutes and the purpose is to support learning by talking about strengths and areas of progress, discuss work samples and to do some goal setting. We look forward to seeing all the parents/guardians.

Parent Advisory Council-PAC

2022-2023

President: Rebekka Stemp

Treasurer: Kelly Farmer & Laura Kirby

Secretary: Tiffany Perreault

Hot Lunch Co-ordinator: Cindy Schaeffer

The next PAC meeting will be on:

Wednesday, November 16th at 6:30

In person or virtually (watch for an emailed MS Teams link!)

New ISD Speech Website!

Please check out the new ISD Speech website. It has information on what services that schools and the ISD Speech Clinicians can provide.

<https://www.interlakesd.ca/speech-test/>

