



# Balmoral Bugle



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March 2023

## Dates To Remember:

- Mar. 1 - Owl Presentation
- Mar. 1 - Gr. 7/8 Curling
- Mar. 2 - PAC Meeting 6:30
- Mar. 2 - Gr. 7/8 Curling
- Mar. 3 - Skating
- Mar. 6 - No School, Inservice
- Mar. 8 - Gr. 7/8 Curling
- Mar. 9 - Gr. 7/8 Curling
- Mar. 10 - Skating
- Mar. 12 - Spring Forward with clocks
- Mar. 16 - Gr. 7/8 Curling
- Mar. 16 - Virtual PAC Meeting 6:30 pm
- Mar. 13 - Grade 8 Grad pictures 9 am
- Mar. 14 - Divisional Basketball
- Mar. 15 - Divisional Basketball
- Mar. 15 - DI Tournament at River Heights
- Mar. 15 - Virtual Parent education evening 
- Mar. 16 - Last day of Skating
- Mar. 16 - Bookmobile
- Mar. 17 - Happy St. Patrick's Day
- Mar. 20 - Spring begins
- Mar. 20 - Bee Presentation Gr. 2/3 and Gr. 4/5
- Mar. 21 - Gr. 7/8 Curling
- Mar. 24 - Last day of classes Reports go home K-8
- Mar. 24 - SUBWAY DAY
- Mar. 26 - April 3 Spring Break

## Boys Basketball Team



### March is Wellness Month

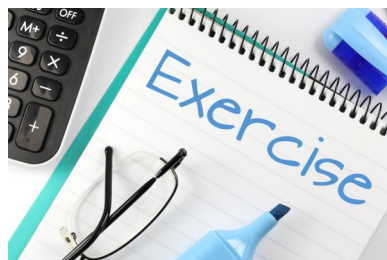
- Mar. 20 - Mindful Monday  
Wear PJ's, mindfulness activities
- Mar. 21 - Gratitude Tuesday  
What are you grateful for?
- Mar. 22 - Wild Wednesday  
Spend time outdoors
- Mar. 23 - Thursday be yourself  
Wear your favourite outfit
- Mar. 24 - Friday-Honour your talents  
Talent Show

Bindi made a visit to Balmoral school on March 1st.



## Looking Ahead:

- Apr. 03, Day 4 Classes Resume for Grade 1-8
- Apr. 04, Day 5 Classes resume for Kindergarten
- April 03 - Day 4 classes resume
- April 04 -Gr. 6 Immunizations
- April 07 - Good Friday-No School
- April 09 - Easter
- April 10 - No School-Inservice
- April 20 - Bookmobile
- April 22 - Earth Day





Please join ISD Clinical Social Worker  
Vicky Brzuskiwicz & Master of Social  
Work Student Jocelyn Mitchell for...

## VIRTUAL PARENT EDUCATION EVENING

where we will discuss parenting strategies,  
connection, trauma & academic success for  
youth in grades 5 - 12.

February 15th - 8:00 - 9:15 PM

March 15th - 8:00 - 9:15 PM

Please register by emailing:

[ummagnoj@myumanitoba.ca](mailto:ummagnoj@myumanitoba.ca)

\*a zoom link will be sent once you are registered\*

Please note: Both sessions will have the same content and  
information. Please indicate which date you will be attending  
when registering.







# Positive Parenting Program

In Partnership with the Community Re-Source Network

**LOCATION:** Participants can attend in-person at Stonewall Collegiate OR attend virtually via Microsoft Teams. Please see below to register

**THIS 6-WEEK PROGRAM OFFERS PRACTICAL TOOLS, TIPS AND SUPPORT TO PARENTS SEEKING TO STRENGTHEN COMMUNICATION AND CONNECTION WITH THEIR CHILD**  
**THIS PROGRAM WILL RUN WEDNESDAY EVENINGS FROM 6:30PM TO 8:30PM**



## - PRESENTERS -

### Tarrah Kirk-Facilitator

Tarrah has 20 years of experience in the social services field and has worked in both the provincial and federal governments. She is passionate about helping others and has extensive experience in dealing with youth, adults, and their families. Tarrah is also an Applied Counselling Instructor for Assiniboine College.

### Jarrett Yaworski-Youth Substance Use Counsellor

Jarrett has been providing addictions services in the Interlake School Division for 15 years. He is a strong believer in person-centred and harm reduction approaches. Jarrett values the importance of building relationships and strengthening community. He provides both counselling services and classroom presentations to grade 7-12 ISD students.

### Cst. Quinn-RCMP

Cst. Quinn has a passion for community policing. He can be found attending our local schools to connect with students and staff and completing presentations that raise awareness to issues of public safety.

1

**UNDERSTANDING THE TEENAGE BRAIN**  
6:30pm April 12, 2023

2

**COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR TEEN**  
6:30pm April 19, 2023

3

**ADOLESCENT SUBSTANCE USE**  
6:30pm April 26, 2023

4

**PUNISHMENT VS. DISCIPLINE**  
6:30pm May 3, 2023

5

**SOCIAL MEDIA & INTERNET SAFETY**  
6:30pm May 10, 2023

6

**BUTTON PUSHING & BOUNDARIES**  
6:30pm May 17, 2023

**REGISTRATION CLOSES APRIL 5, 2023 - CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER:**

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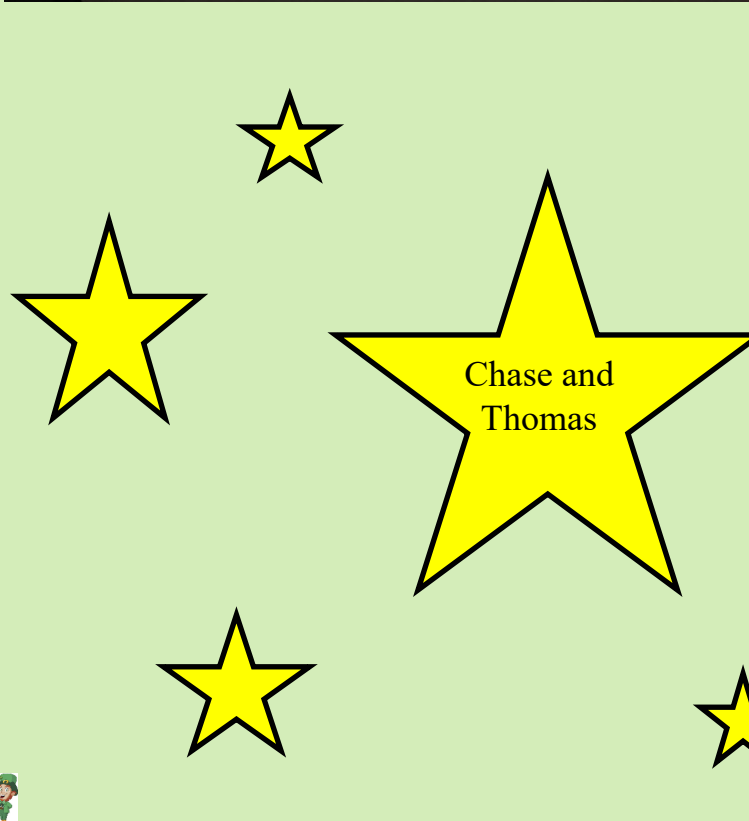
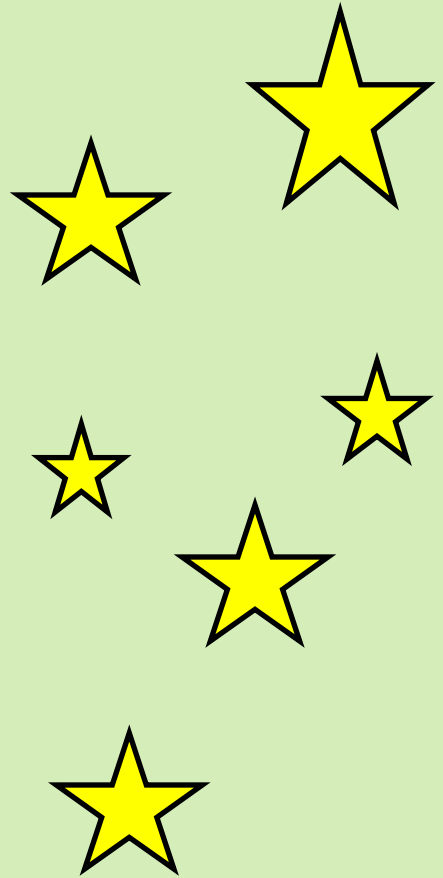
# Reading under the stars for "I Love to Read" month



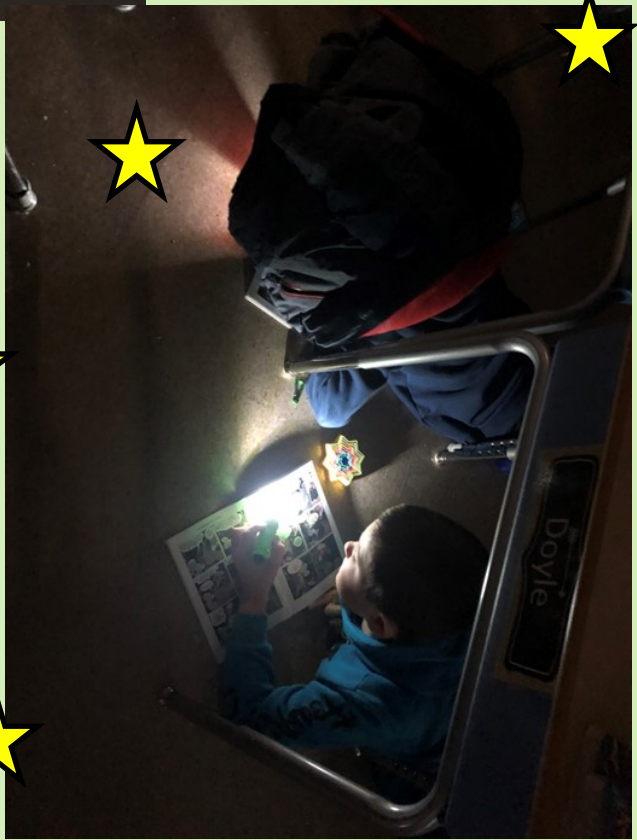
Kaycie

Elliott

Ryder R.



Chase and Thomas





# Burn Awareness Presentation K-3

On February 3, we had two fire fighters come to Balmoral School to do a fire safety presentation to our Grades K-3 classrooms. There was also a colouring contest.



Mrs. Loehmer





# Colouring pictures at the Stonewall Fire Hall on display



## Winners for grade

Two / Three

Left to Right ↘

Rogan-Grade 2

Eric-Grade 3

Maverick-Grade 2



## Winners for Kindergarten/Grade 1

Bottom

Left to Right

Miller-Grade 1

Kinsley-K

↓  
Fallyn-K





# Kindergarten & Grade 1

February has been a busy month in the K/1 class!

We have been celebrating I Love to Read month, and our class especially loved “reading under the stars” with flashlights!

We learned about letter N for New Zealand penguins. We found out how tall each type of penguin is, and got to see how we measure up!

Letter O was for owls. We were very lucky to have the opportunity to dissect an owl pellet! We learned that owls eat mice, and what a mouse skeleton looks like.

Letter P was for panda. We learned about rare animals, and what makes a panda a mammal.

In science, we completed our mold experiment. We rubbed slices of bread on a variety of surfaces around the school to see which had the most germs.

On 100 Day, we got to have a party with the Grade 2/3 class to celebrate 100 days of learning! Our theme was outer space, to go with our I Love To Read Month theme. We created space shuttles, used 100 items to build space stations, and did 100 exercises to train to be astronauts.

We can't wait to learn more in the next 100 days of school!



Lucas reads with a flashlight.

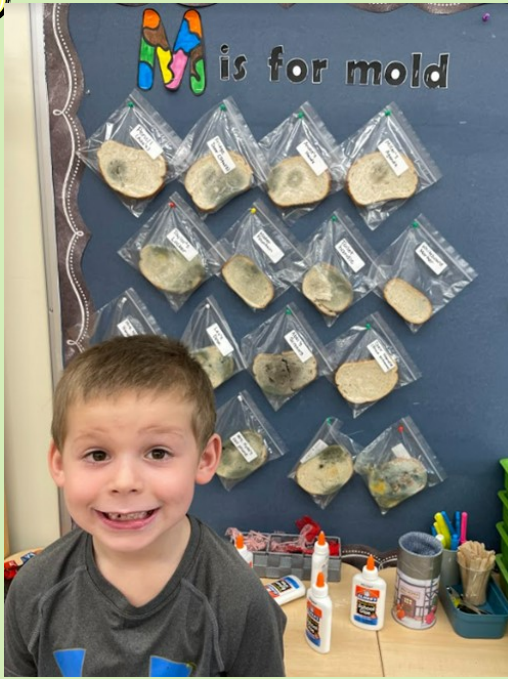


Lex is taller than an emperor penguin!





# Kindergarten & Grade 1 continued...



Jack shows of the results of our mold experiment.



Mason and Andie examine an owl pellet.



Mason and Emmett prepare to fly their space shuttles.

Rogan, Hanna, Eva and John work to construct a space station.







# Grade 2/3 news

February was a busy month! We managed to find some time between skating and reading to learn about patterns and shapes, multiplication, Nunavut, properties of matter and more! Our class wrote 263 UFO book reports. This month the RM of Rockwood fire department came to do a presentation about fire safety! Congratulations to Rogan, Maverick and Eric for winning Chamber Bucks.

We were one piece of this great big puzzle! One small action created such a beautiful masterpiece. Similar to the actions Rosa Parks took to make history. We also learned about the Canadian hero, Viola Desmond.







# Grade 4/5 news

Earlier this month, students had the opportunity to learn from Murray Gillespie, who runs a program called ThinkWild Adventures. He is a local retired biologist who goes to various schools to teach them about his adventures and experiences. Throughout his presentation, Murray taught students about the wildlife in Northern Canada, how they adapt to different climates, and ways of life of the Indigenous populations in the area. He brought in a ton of items for students to explore including various skulls, hides, bones, hooves, etc. It was an incredibly rich learning experience!



**Mr. Gillespie  
Presenting to the  
4/5 classroom.**







# Grade 4/5 news continued ....



Examples of items that Murray brought for the students to explore.



Chase and Merida demonstrating how a polar bear hunts a seal.



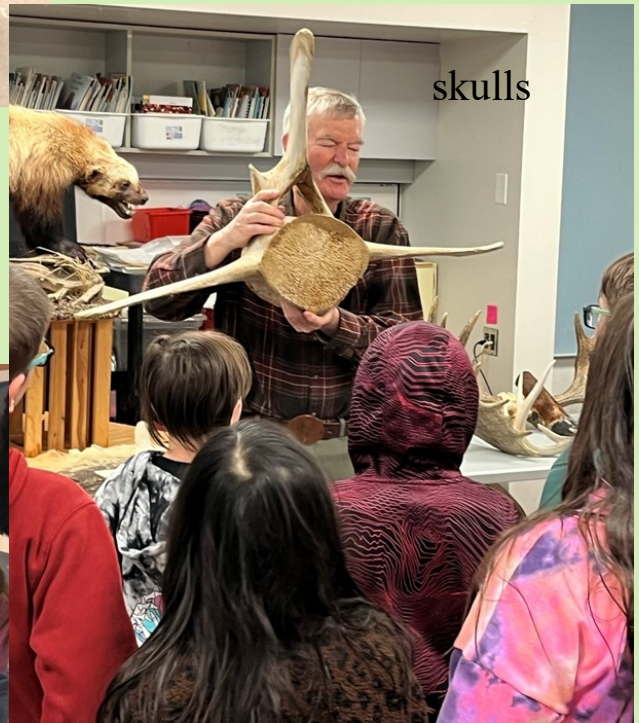


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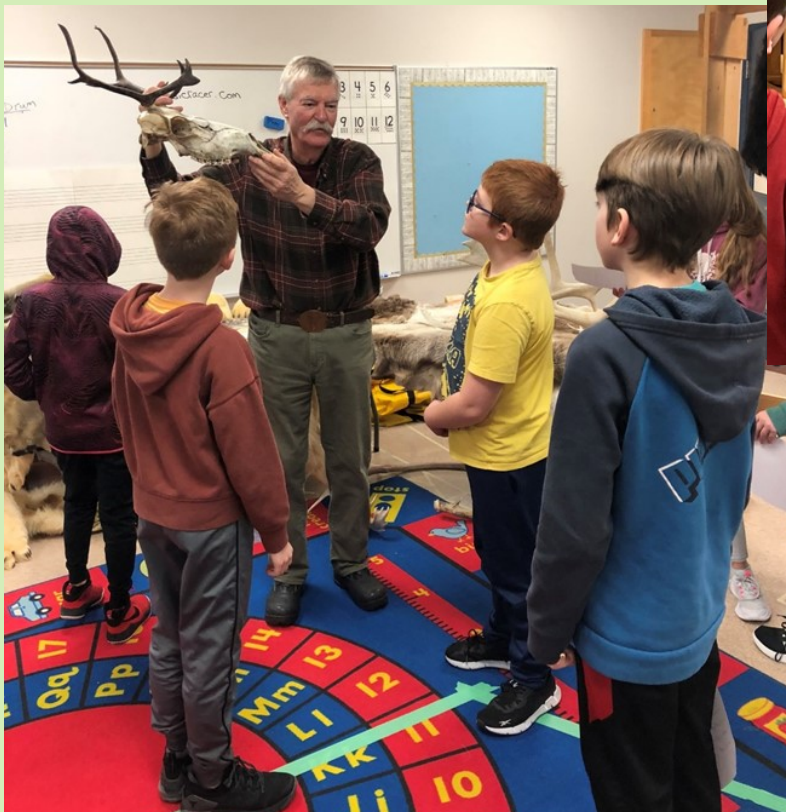


Murray shows  
hides to the  
students

antlers



skulls



Bindi





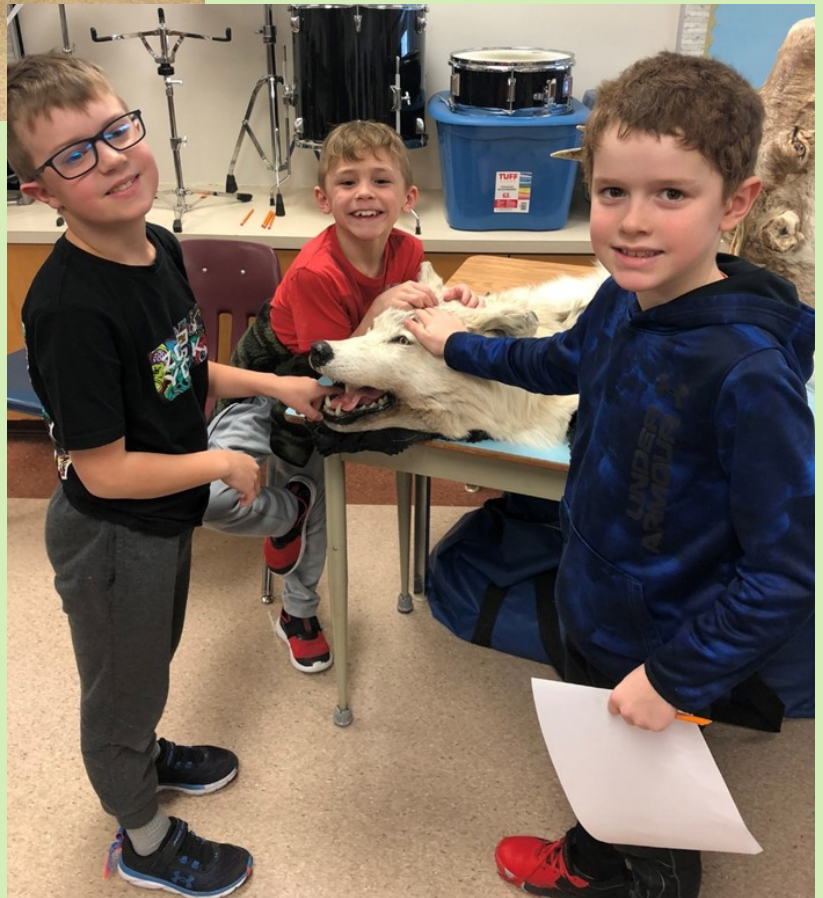


# Grade 4/5 news continued ....



Doyle showing the size comparison of these antlers against himself

Deacon, Jase and Morley  
Feeling a wolf





# Grade 5/6 news

This month in grade 5/6 we were busy reading the novel "Hoot" by Carl Hiaasen. This novel featured endangered burrowing owls in Florida. As part of our unit, we were lucky enough to have Mrs. Margetts share her knowledge about owls with us. As parent of this presentation, we dissected owl pellets from Mr. Jim Duncan. Some of the interesting facts what we learned about owls included:

Owl Fact - "An interesting fact about owls is that their eyes take up most of the space on their heads. Their eyes are as heavy as a golf ball." - Addison Mclean Calder

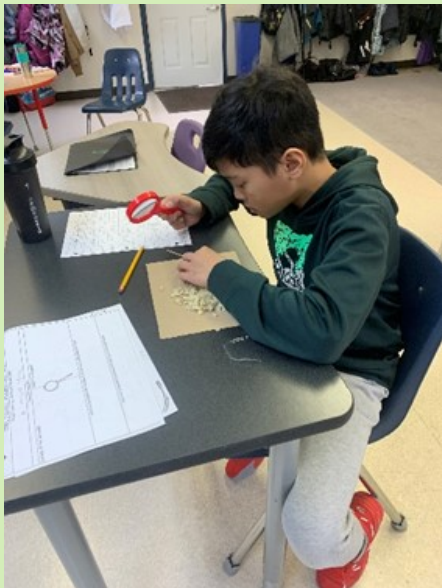
Owl Fact- "Owls can only turn their heads 270 degrees."- Kohen Joyce

Owl Fact - "Owls can be traced back to 30 000 years ago as seen in a cave in France that's fill of wall paints."- Rhiannon James

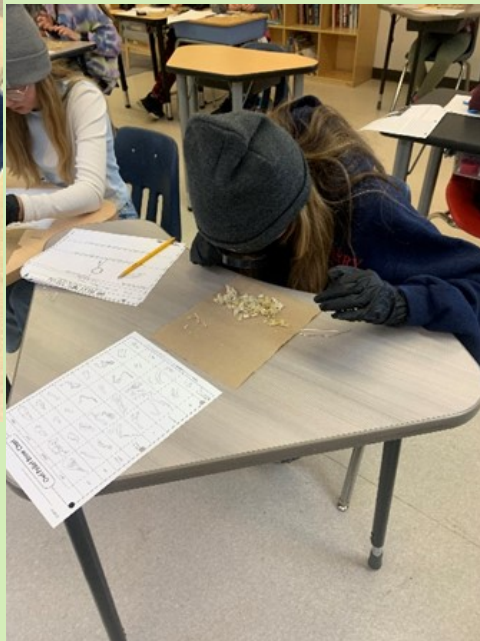
Owl Fact - "An interesting fact about owls is that if their eyes are brown their nocturnal, orange means they hunt at twilight and yellow means they are diurnal."- Coral Billings

We also had the opportunity to see a real live burrowing owl during our school wide owl presentation by Alexandra Froese.

The grade 5/6's also participated in a rugby present from Ruby Manitoba. The kids learned some of the rules associated with the sport and practiced the skills by playing flag rugby.



Sebastian



Addison

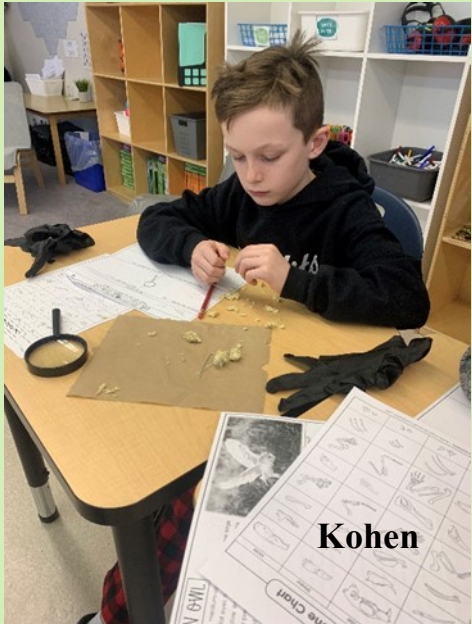


Zoey





# Grade 5/6 news continued...



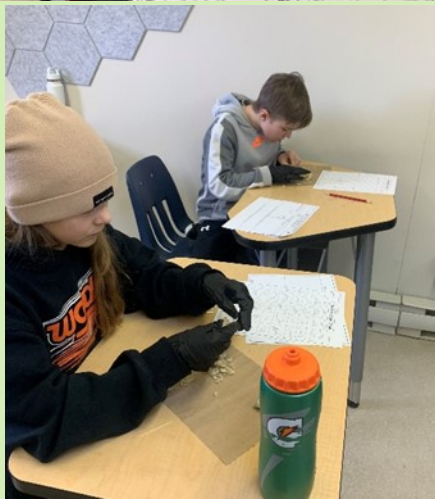
**Kohen**



**Brynn and Kylie B.  
Mrs. Margetts**



**Owen**



**Alexandra  
Froese  
with Bindi**

**Ryder B. and  
← Sawyer**

**Mrs. Margetts with students  
showing the wing span of an owl.**







# Grade 5/6 news continued...



Students in the Grade 5/6 classroom with Alexandra Froese and Bindi the Burrowing Owl.







# Grade 5/6 news continued...



## Rugby Manitoba Presentation







# Students enjoying outdoor fun!



Morley, Duncan K., Jaylene, Max, Doyle and Jacob S.

On February 13  
Students had fun  
building snow  
forts and enjoying  
the outdoors.

Kardyn and Emily  
standing in thier  
snow fort.







# Students enjoying outdoor fun!



On February 17  
Kylie S., Merida,  
Anna, Adree  
And Gabriella take  
time to pose for a  
picture!



Kenna, Lennyn and Jacob M.  
team up to build a fort.



Allison, Maiti, Greyson,  
Kaycie and Deacon  
Are having fun and  
working together.





### Grade 8 Grad Pictures on Monday, March 13, 2023

- Prior to photo day, students take home a reminder flyer that also lets families order a personal copy of the “Class of 2023” Composite. Orders for the composite should be given to the photographer on photo day.
- Four different poses are taken of each student, however there is no obligation to purchase.
- A week after Picture Day, proofs will be shipped to the school to be distributed to the families.
- There will be an **Order Due Date** indicated on the proof sheet. Orders should be placed online or returned to the school prior to this date to avoid shipping or late charges.
- Completed portrait orders are shipped to the school.
- Retakes are **not available** for this program.

Lifetouch



Grade 8 Grad Pictures

### OWL PRESENTATION ON MARCH 1ST

Students really enjoyed the visit from Bindi the Burrowing owl and Alexandra Froese.

If you would like to make a donation to the Burrowing Owl foundation then go to:  
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/souris-river-watershed-district>

If you would like to purchase an owl book then contact the office and I will make an order. Please send

Cash and Cheques payable to Alexandra Froese for \$25.00. Thank you.

## March 25-April 2

