



Balmoral Bugle

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April 2023

Dates To Remember:

April 3-Classes resume Gr. 1-8
 April 4-Class resumes for K
 April 4-Gr. 6 Immunizations
 April 7-Good Friday-No School
 April 9-Happy Easter
 April 10-Inservice Day -No School
 April 12-Day of Pink
 April 20-Bookmobile
 April 22-Earth Day

Looking Ahead:

May 02 -Badminton Divisionals
 May 03-Open House Grade 8
 Graduates @CSC gym
 6:30-8:30 pm
 May 04 -Badminton Rain Date
 May 10-Bus Evac. Drill
 May 15-Inservice Day - No School
 May 16-Gr. 5's Bus Evac. Drill
 May 18-Bookmobile
 May 22-Victoria Day-No School



Principal's Message:

Happy April!

I hope folks had a relaxing spring break! March flew by and there were many exciting activities that occurred through out "wellness week" at the end of the month.

We are excited for Spring weather and look forward to the last couple months of the school year!

Thanks,

Mark Lawson

International Day of Pink

It is a day where communities across the country and across the world can unite in celebrating diversity and raising awareness against bullying.

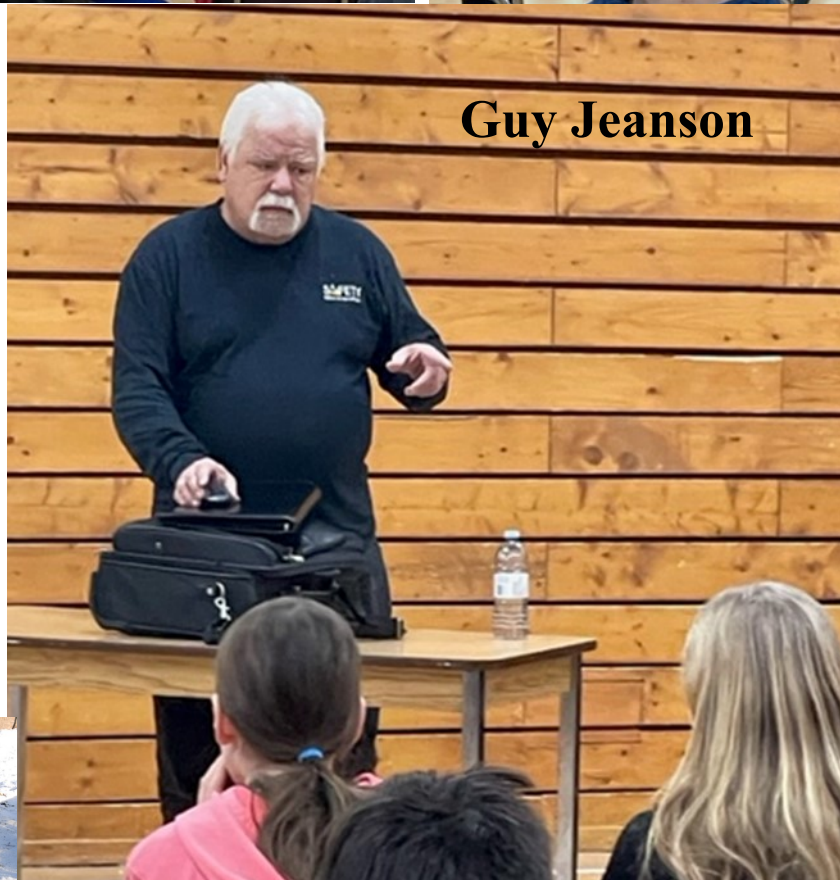
Wear Pink April 12, 2023!





ATV Presentation

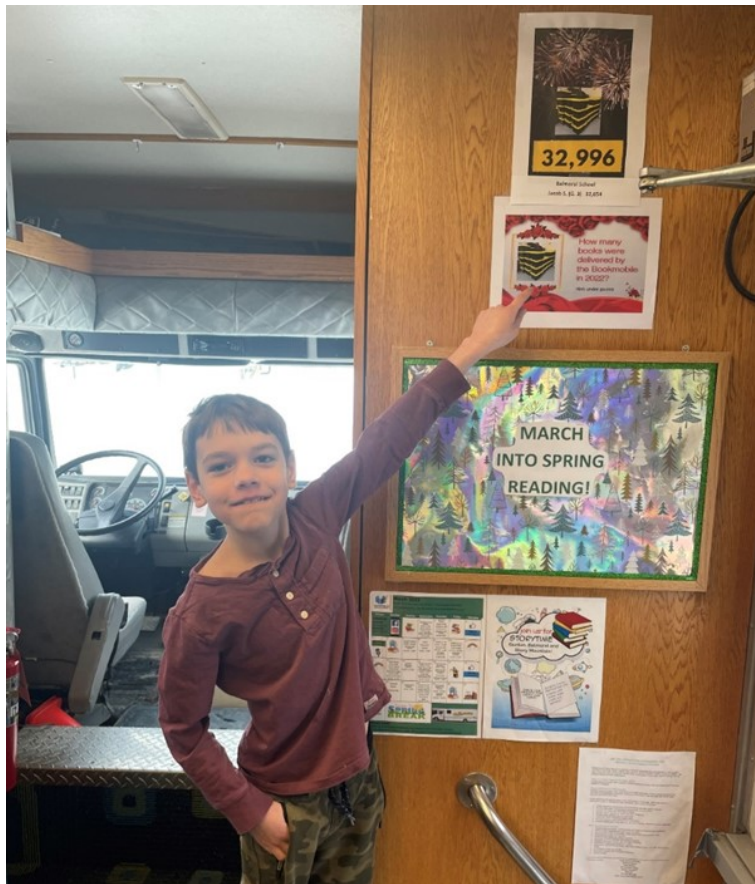
On March 10, 2023 students in grades 4-8 had a presentation from Guy Jeanson from Safety Services Manitoba. They learned a lot about safety and equipment.





St. Patrick's Day the Luck of the Irish!

Mr. McLean and Mrs. Kelpin got into the spirit of celebrating St. Patrick's day



BOOKMOBILECONTEST

"I Love To Read Month"

Jacob S. in grade 3 made an awesome guess that was the closest of everyone's as to how many books went out last year 2022 from the bookmobile.

His guess was: \$32,654

The answer is: 32,996

Congratulations Jacob !





Mrs. Loehmer's Kindergarten - Grade 1 Classroom News

In March, the K/1 class had a lot of things to do and learn.

In science, we learned about light and how rainbows are formed. We used prisms, mirrors, and flashlights to make rainbows in our classroom.

For Saint Patrick's Day, we used our teamwork and problem-solving skills to design and build leprechaun traps. But we weren't lucky enough to catch that leprechaun!

We also met Bindi the owl this month. She was adorable and helped us learn all about burrowing owls. We loved getting to pet her!

We have also been enjoying the last of the winter weather. We were lucky to have some of the grade 7/8 class help us with a winter scavenger hunt and snowshoeing!



Ada makes a rainbow with a flashlight.



Austin, Lucas, and Emmett work on their Leprechaun trap.



Kindergarten - Grade 1 classroom news continued

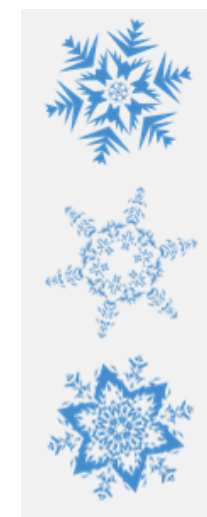
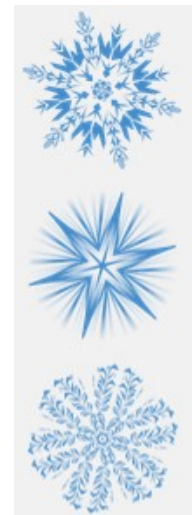
Miller pets Bindi.



Kinsley pets Bindi.



Emma enjoying snowshoeing





Mrs. Hyde's classroom news....

Grade 2/3 was a funny and busy month, filled with a few visitors. We ended February with a visit from Mrs. Margetts. She helped us make really cool masks that are a lion and a lamb. We voted what type of way March was going to come in and have been keeping track of the lion and lamb days.

Mrs. Margetts also invited Alex and her Burrowing Owl, Bindi!

Before Spring Break, we welcomed Marg Smith, a beekeeper! She shared wonderful facts about bees and honey. We even had the opportunity to try honey from various areas!





Destination Imagination

Our Destination teams competed in the provincial tournament on March 15th. Students worked so hard leading up to the tournament and all of their hard work truly paid off!

Each of our teams brought home an award!

Three of our teams participated in the Engineering Challenge this year. This challenge was where students had to design a rollercoaster built out of certain materials that made a golf ball travel as fast and far as possible. Students also had to create a launching mechanism for their rollercoaster design and a play that showcased the experience of their roller-coaster.

Thomas the Tank Engines team (Ryder B., Max, Thomas M., Kolby, Chase, and Braxton) came in first place and The Big Bang team (Elliott, Deacon, Dom, Kohen, Doyle, Duncan and Ryder R.) came in second place! Blood, Sweat, and Duct Tape team (Malachi, Hayden, Macey, Rhiannon, and Zoey) won an award for going above and beyond in their team creation!

One team participated in the Fine Arts Challenge this year. This challenge was where students had to flip a fairy tale and present the tale from a completely different point of view. They had to use technical methods to showcase a background/character change while also incorporating literary devices into their play.

The Red Hood (Brynn, Kylie, Addison, Ava, Sawyer, and Coral) won an award for going above and beyond in a component of their presentation!

DI GROUP PICTURE





Destination Imagination continued ...

Team Thomas the Tank Engines ready for their performance (Kolby, Max, Braxton, Thomas M., Ryder, and Chase) with their rollercoaster creation and props.



Thomas the Tank Engines

Team accepting their first place banner!



Destination Imagination continued....

The Red Hood team (Addison, Ava, Sawyer, Brynn, Coral and Kylie) in their costumes and with their props – ready for their presentation!



The Red Hood team
accepting their award!





Destination Imagination continued...

The Big Bang team (Kohen, Elliott, Deacon, Duncan, Dom and Ryder) ready with their props and rollercoaster for their performance.



The **Big Bang** team accepting their second place certificate!





Destination Imagination continued....



Blood, Sweat, and Duct Tape team

(Zoey, Hayden and
Macey M.)



**A big thank you to Miss Poirier for organizing this event and
doing all the hard work behind the scenes.
Organizing drivers, supervising, purchasing all the materials for
the DI projects, and for filling in the crazy amount of
paperwork to send in.**



Girl's Basketball



"A GREAT SEASON ON THE HARDCOURT!"

With great enthusiasm the Balmoral Girls Basketball teams took on teams from across the division in the regular season and in the end of season tournament. With great direction from Balmoral alumni coach Keira Willey, they finished the regular season with 2-7.

The girls entered the divisional tournament ready to shake up the standings. The girls played a close opening game against Warren Wildcats, but unfortunately were not able to pull out the victory. The next game in divisional was the B- Side semi finals against the Stonewall 7's. The girls came out strong and won a buzzer beater of game making a last second basket.

In rematch of a great regular season game, the girls took on the Stonewall 8's in the B-Side finals. The girls played hard and pushed their opponents all game long, but were unable to overcome the deficit at the final buzzer.

The girls had great season of learning, growing and experiencing middle years basketball. Thank you to Keira and Mrs. Farmer for coaching the girls this year. Also, a big thank you goes out to our special assistant coach Abigail Baker who enjoyed coaching with Coach Keira.



Graduating Players

Backrow: L:R : Annalicia H., Hadley M., Alexa D., McKenna F., Zoey P., Ella L., Keira Willey (Coach). 2nd Row: Macey Mc., Kylie B., Maci O., Alexa L., Abigail Baker



Divisional Curling Teams

"CURLING EXCELLENCE AT BALMORAL RINK"



Its with great effort and sportsmanship that the Balmoral Curling teams did a great job at the divisional bonspiel on March 22nd and 23rd. The boys and girls both played excellent making all the way to the championship game. Both teams suffered close loses, but they made the school and the community proud with their dedication and hard work.

The Balmoral mixed team, made up of only grade 6 & 7 students played amazing, challenging each opponent every end with lots of rocks in play and many great shots. The young team was unable to make it past the semi finals, but already have their sights on next years bonspiel.

Students in Grade 7 & 8 all participated in gym class curling and the divisional teams practiced during this time. We owe a HUGE thank you to Mrs. Cindy Schaeffer for coming out and helping us with technique and strategies, as well as being the coach for the boy's team during the tournament. We would like to thank Mrs. Kezia Loehmer for coaching the girls and mixed team during the tournament.

As well, a big thank you goes to Geoff Snell for all of his hard work keeping the ice in great shape! Margaret for all of her great cooking at the 236 Café'. As well, for the Balmoral Curling Club for the use of their facility.



L to R: Tyler Loehmer, Dylan Fox, Connor Prochner, Bronsen Slater, & Duncan Schaeffer



L to R: Alexa Loehmer, Maci Otter, Hadley Moscall, Ella Loehmer & McKenna Farmer



L to R: James Georgison, Sawyer Fox, Solomon Billings, David Moffatt, & Jackson Wallace



BALMORAL SCHOOL CLOTHING IS BACK!

I have attached a link to the website if you are interested in ordering some Balmoral Bandit hoodies or t-shirts. www.kcswansoncustomclothing.ca

These will be available to purchase until April 14th.

We also have some hoodies and t-shirts in various sizes at the school if you would like to check sizes or purchase the product. **As well, certain items can be personalized (online only).**

If you have any questions please contact Mr. McLean @ camclean@isd21.mb.ca



Balmoral Bandits AUGUSTA SPORTSWEAR WICKING FLEECE HOODIE
\$50⁰⁰



Balmoral Bandits Heavyweight Blend 50/50 Hoodie
\$40⁰⁰



Balmoral Bandits Letterman Heavyweight Blend 50/50 Hoodie
\$40⁰⁰



Balmoral Bandits Letterman Cotton T-Shirt
\$20⁰⁰



Balmoral Bandits Personalization



Balmoral Bandits Sportsman

We are looking for

*** In Science, we are in need of empty 2L pop bottles with lids. If you have any to spare that could be sent to school that would be greatly appreciated. ***

**Thank
You**

Thank you to Mrs. Cindy Spruyt who donated a large supply of craft material to our school for Art projects etc. We appreciate it!

grow!

A wellness expo for children who will be attending Kindergarten in the Interlake
School Division during the 2023/2024 school year.

April 20th, 2023 3:00pm - 7:00pm

Drop in anytime.

Hosted by: École R.W. Bobby Bend School
Stonewall

Display booths will include information on:

Nutrition
Speech & Language
Dental Health
Fine Motor Skills
Gross Motor Skills
Self-Regulation
Sensory needs
and more!!



*Health Care Practitioners available to answer questions. *
(i.e. OT/PT/SLP/Nurses/Dietitian)