



Balmoral Bugle

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March 2025

Dates To Remember:

- Mar. 03 - No School, PD Day
- Mar. 07 - Grad Picture Day Gr. 8's
- Mar. 09 - Spring Forward
- Mar. 10 - Divisional basketball 
- Mar. 11 - Divisional basketball
- Mar. 12 - Cinnamon Buns/Fruit
- Mar. 17 - Happy St. Patrick's Day 
- Mar. 18 - Divisional Curling Bonspiel 
- Mar. 19 - PAC meeting 6:00
- Mar. 20 - Basketball Jamboree Grade 5 & 6's 
- Mar. 26 - BPAC Bake Sale 
- Mar. 28—Term 2 Reports go home for K-8
- Mar. 28 - Last day of classes

Looking Ahead:

- April 07 - Day 3 classes resume Grade 1-8
- April 08 - Kindergarten resumes Day 4
- April 08 - Bookmobile
- April 15 - Grade 6 Immunizations
- April 18 - Good Friday-No School 
- April 20 - Happy Easter
- April 21 - No School Professional Development Day
- April 22 - Celebrate Earth Day
- April TBA - Rockwood Festival of the Arts- Band students



Principal's message:



March into Spring!

Balmoral School had an exciting February with “I Love to Read Month” activities - the theme being “Get your PAWS on a book”, 100 Day, and Valentine’s Day!

We completed another progress conversation day on February 20, 2025.

We are excited for March to bring spring weather. We hope that folks are able to have a restful spring break at the end of the month!

Thanks,

Mark Lawson

"I love to Read Month"

The students read many books during I love to Read. For every book read, their names were put into a draw. Students from each classroom were selected to attend a popcorn party. The popcorn party winners are: Parker, Colton, Nolan, Isla, Miller, Ada P., Kinsley, Maiti, Eva, Mav, Duncan, Kaycie, Merida, Allison, Kylie and Rhiannon.

Chapters gift cards were also given to the top reader from each classroom. Our winners were Nolan, Ada P., Maiti, Duncan and Allison!

Thank you to Mrs. Buchan for organizing the events for I Love to Read Month.

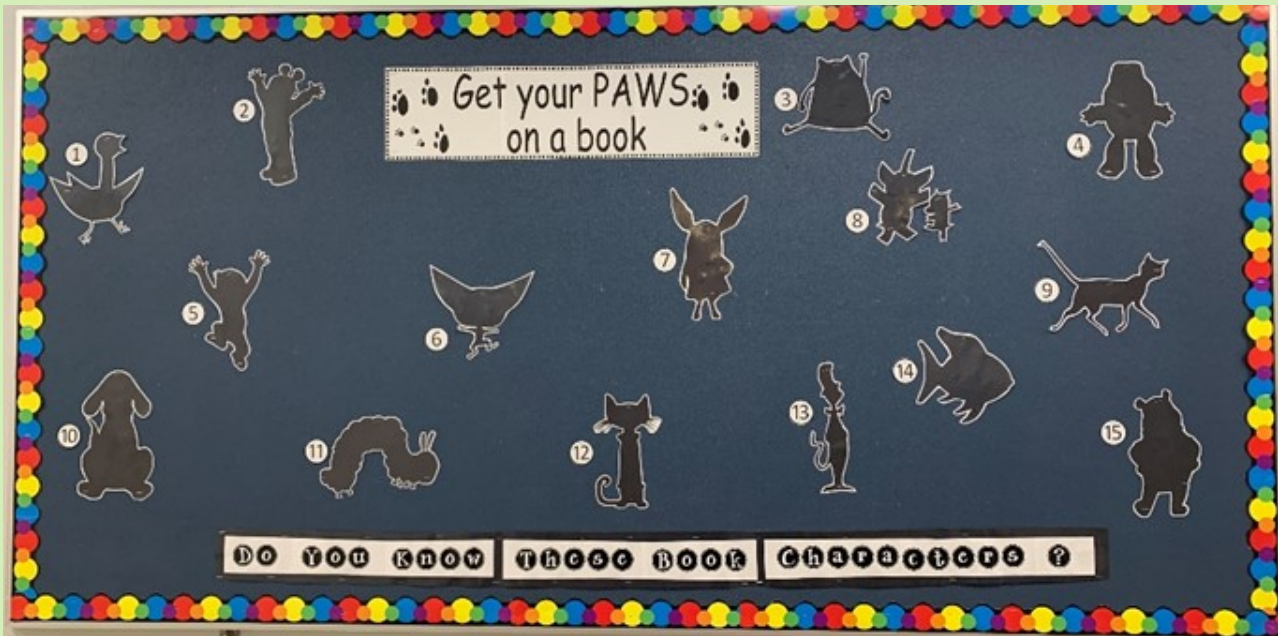


Happy Spring Break !



"I love to Read Month"

During the month of February, our students participated in a pet themed "I Love to Read Month". Students had the opportunity to participate in many fun activities such as wearing animal ears, dressing up as our favourite kind of pet, reading with a pet stuffy, and bringing a picture of our pet to be displayed on our bulletin board. Students were also challenged to identify a variety of book characters by only looking at their silhouette. How many characters can you name? Thank you to all students who filled out book reports and displayed their love of reading.



Students from grades 1-8 that guessed the most correct answers for the book characters. Kenslie, Isla, Nolan, Xavier, Deacon, John, Ada P., Maiti, Allison, Addison, Brynn, Lennyn, Kenna, Merida



"I love to Read Month"



Lucas, Zoe, Austin, Ada E., Abby, Audrey dress in their animal ears.



WEAR ANIMAL EARS!

Kinsley, Fallyn, Emma, Ada P.,

← Picture below: Eva, Addisyn, Danica, Maverick, Maiti



Allison





"I love to Read Month"



Kindergarten and Grade 1 classroom wearing their animal ears.



Kindergarten-Grade 1 dressed up as an animal.



"I love to Read Month"



Mrs. Margetts, Kenna, Mav, Addisyn, Lennyn, Eva, Mrs. Rody...Hanna, Danika, Maiti



Lucas, John, Fallyn, Miya, Ada P, Mrs. Hyde.....Audrey, Ada E., Austin, Kinsley



"I love to Read Month"

"BUDDY READING"





VALENTINES DAY MATH

The Grade 1 class enjoyed graphing some candy hearts for Valentine's Day. First, they were challenged to stack the candies on top of each other to see how high they could build a tower before it collapsed. Next, they sorted the candy by colour and graphed the information.



Jake



Nolan



Isla

GRADE ONE 100 DAYS SMARTER ACTIVITY



Kenslie



Tenille



Xavier



Balmoral Jump Rope for Heart



During the month of February, the theme at Balmoral School was "Jump" as we launched our annual Jump Rope for Heart campaign. Students across all grades participated in various jump rope activities during their gym classes. We extend a big thank you to our Grade 8 leaders who assisted with each station.

We are thrilled to announce that, thanks to the efforts of our students, we raised \$500.00 for Heart and Stroke research! Thank you to everyone who donated.

Thank you
Mr. McLean





"Jump Rope for Heart"





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100 th day of School

The Grade 1's were invited to spend Math class with the Grade 2/3s for the 100th Day of School. We had a lot of fun painting 100 sprinkles on our donuts, counting to 100, and filling in a 100 chart. We even got a special pair of donut glasses to celebrate the day! We continued the donut theme the next day (101 Day) with our Kindergarten friends. We read the story *If You Give a Dog a Donut* and made a matching craft to go with the book. Since it was the 101st day (and it worked really well with our pet theme for I Love to Read), we made 101 dalmatian hat bands!





Grade 2/3 classroom news:

100th Day and Donuts with Grown-Ups

Our Grade 2/3 classroom had a wonderful time at our "Donuts with Grown-Ups" event! It was a great afternoon where we had the chance to share our classroom with our special grown-ups. We ate delicious donuts and proudly showed off the amazing work we've been doing in class.

Afterwards, we enjoyed reading some of our favorite books together and even had a fun photo session with our very own hand-made backdrop! It was a heartwarming event filled with laughter, learning, and memories. Thank you to all the grown-ups who joined us for this special occasion!





Grade 4-5 classroom news: Mrs. Miller

In our social studies class, the grade 4/5 students have been exploring first contacts between Indigenous peoples of Canada and European explorers! We've been focusing on the five treaties in Manitoba and learning about the different Indigenous nations that call this province home. In the pictures, you can see the kids having a great time as they work on a puzzle map of Manitoba, which showcases both the current treaties and the various Indigenous groups. It's been an exciting journey of discovery!



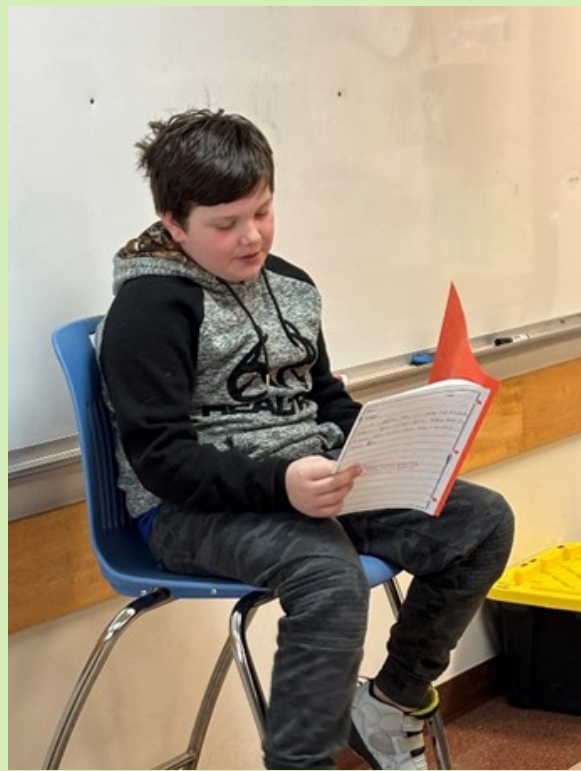
In ELA, students published their own stories! Students were introduced to parts of stories including beginning, middle, and ends. We discussed what information is found in each section and spent time organizing various stories into their proper parts. Then, students began the writing process. They brainstormed, wrote rough drafts, self-edited, conferenced with an adult, and published a good copy of their story. Each story included an appropriate title page and About the Author. There was a range of topics for student stories - everything from princess dances, hockey games, scuba diving, and dinosaur adventures!



Students with their published stories.



Grade 4-5 classroom news: Mrs. Miller



Grayson, Wyatt, Danika and Eva reading their stories to the rest of the class.





Grade 7/8 classroom

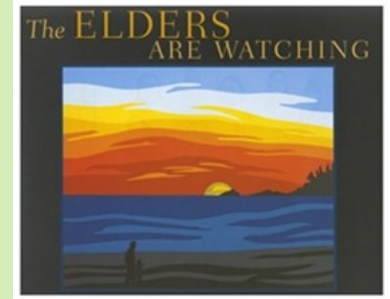
Curling in PE Class

Students have been enjoying learning to curl and practice for the upcoming ISD Divisional Bonspiel on March 18th.



An Author Study – David Bouchard - ELA

Students have now begun an author study of Canadian Indigenous author David Bouchard. They will explore the many stories that David has created and delve into the themes through various activities and enrichment tasks. These activities will enable students to make connections to their own lives.



Graphic Communications – Painting with Lights

In Grade 8 Graphic Communications, we are exploring the concept of painting with light! Using various photography techniques and tools, students are creating unique art pieces. By applying long exposure settings and utilizing editing apps, they have been able to produce striking light trail art. So far, the students have experimented with white light, and they will soon be incorporating glow sticks to add vibrant colors to their creations.





Grade 8 Grad Pictures on Friday, March 7, 2025

- Prior to photo day, students take home a reminder flyer that also lets families order a personal copy of the “Class of 2025” 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

Spring Break

March 31 - April 6

Follow us on Instagram
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and all updates!

An 18+ presentation

ISEE

Parent & Caregiver ONLINE Presentation

THURS, MARCH 20TH

1:00-3:00PM OR 6:00-8:00PM

The Interlake Sexual Exploitation Educators (ISEE) committee is hosting a FREE virtual presentation to parents & caregivers. You may choose to attend the two hour session in either the afternoon or evening which will explore the various ways that children & teens can be exploited virtually. Parents learn the dangers of popular social media and how it can put kids at risk for sexual exploitation and affect their mental health. By providing information and strategies, we hope to empower caregivers to help keep kids safe. Awareness is key!



Visit our website www.interlakesee.ca
for more info about the presentation!



<https://zoom.us/j/98592532327>

Download the
"Zoom" app,
then scan the QR
code or click the link
to join the meeting
on March 20th!

**Chance to win
a gift card!**