

W.J. BEREZOWSKY PUBLIC SCHOOL

"Every Child Matters"

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Vice-Principal Matt Bergen

November 2026

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	3 WJB Dad's Group 9:00 am MADD Presentation Grades 6,7,8 afternoon	4	5 Parent/Teacher Conferences (Pre-K to Gr. 8) 3:05 – 8:05 p.m. Elder Bente - afternoon	6 Remembrance Day Assembly 2:00 p.m.
9	10 WJB Dad's Group 9:00 am	11 No Classes Remembrance Day Observed	12 Elder Bente - afternoon	13
16	17 WJB Dad's Group 9:00 am Retake Day 9:00 a.m. All Classes Sexual Assault Presentation 3:00 – 4:00 pm	18 Intro to Pickleball for Grade 6,7,8's Nov. 17, 18, 19 3:05 pm – 5:00 pm	19 Elder Bente - afternoon	20
23	24 WJB Dad's Group 9:00 am Poet Laureate, Linda Monahan @ WJB – Grades 5-8	25 Intro to Pickleball for Grade 4/5's Nov. 24, 25, 26 3:05 pm – 5:00 pm	26 Elder Bente - afternoon	27
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MESSAGE FROM THE WJB ADMIN TEAM!



As we move into November, we're noticing cooler temperatures, frost-covered mornings, and the first signs of winter. Even as the seasons change, our school continues to be a place where students learn, grow, build friendships, and feel connected. One of the most important ways families can support their child's success is by making school attendance a priority.

Every School Day Counts!

Regular attendance helps students stay connected to their learning, build confidence, strengthen friendships, and feel a sense of belonging at school. When students miss school, they miss valuable learning experiences, classroom discussions, and activities that are difficult to replicate later. Even occasional absences can make it harder for children to keep up with routines and learning.

Whenever your child is healthy enough to attend, we encourage families to make punctual attendance a priority. Arriving on time and being at school each day helps students get the most from their learning and sets them up for success throughout the year. If you are struggling with your child's attendance at school, please reach out to us. Our Mentor Alison can help families create solid plans to overcome barriers to attending school.

Ready for Winter Weather

As the weather gets colder, please help your child come to school prepared for outdoor recess and activities. Fresh air and active play are important parts of the school day, and students go outside whenever weather conditions allow.

Please make sure your child has:

- A warm winter coat
- Mitts or gloves
- Winter boots
- Snow pants
- Extra socks and a change of clothes in their backpack, just in case they get wet



Labelling your child's clothing and outdoor gear can also make it much easier for lost items to find their way back home.

If your family needs support accessing winter clothing, please reach out to the school. We are always happy to help connect families with resources in a respectful and confidential way.

Another Successful Walkathon

On October 2, our school completed our annual Walkathon fundraiser. With your help and support, WJB raised \$4,485 which will go towards our playground and outdoor learning space upgrades. By supporting our school fundraisers such as this, you are actively helping us get closer to our goal! Thank you.

And, finally...

Thank you for your continued partnership in supporting your child's success. By working together to ensure students attend regularly and come comfortably dressed for Saskatchewan's winter weather, we can help every child have a safe, comfortable, and successful school year at W.J. Berezowsky School.

Warm regards,

Ms. L Tretiak, Principal

Mr. M. Bergen, Vice-Principal

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 2026 OPERATION RED NOSE

The Prince Albert Lions Club is sponsoring Operation Red Nose in Prince Albert again in 2026. Community volunteers are the key to the success of the program. In 2025 we provided 166 rides to 341 clients who were impaired or who did not feel fit to drive their own vehicle. They all got home safely.

Although the service is free, clients usually provide donations, which under the provisions of the Operation Red Nose Program must be allocated to youth groups or groups that support youth in Prince Albert and area. The Prince Albert Lions Club selected area schools as the recipients of these donations in 2025 to assist with programming for students. As a result of the campaign a total of \$7,700 was donated to 11 elementary schools in Prince Albert and area.

The program operates on Friday and Saturday evenings. This year will be starting on Thursday, November 27th and run for 4 weekends plus New Year's Eve. We start around 9 pm in the evening and usually run until 2:30 am the next morning. New Year's tends to run a bit later due to house parties.

Volunteers must be at least 19 years of age. They are organized into teams of 3 people, an escort driver, designated driver and navigator. All volunteers require a police background check (provided at no cost) and are insured for liability by our provincial sponsor, SGI. Volunteers do not have to use their vehicle since escort vehicles are provided by vehicle dealerships in the city.

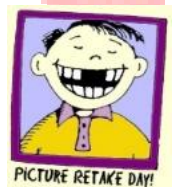
Volunteers can choose to work one night, a weekend or the whole season. Come as an individual or put together a team of 3 people. We find New Year's Eve is one of our busiest nights. Volunteers are provided with food, coffee and camaraderie during the evenings they work.

Help make the city roads safer over the holiday season.

If you are interested in helping out with Operation Red Nose, please contact me at (306)763-7434, (306)425-7804(cell) or by email at rbraaten@sasktel.net.



RETAKE DAY - Tuesday, Nov. 17th @ 9:00 am (all classes).



Thank you "Fitness For 10" for gifting WJB with pizza & juice boxes on Wed. Oct. 28th to all students & staff!!



W.J. BEREZOWSKY PUBLIC SCHOOL WALK-A-THON HELD ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2nd

A huge thank you to students who went out and received
Walk-a-Thon Pledges!!!

The grand total brought in was **\$4,485.00!!**

All WJB students will receive:

\$1000 brought in - receive an extra recess

\$2000 brought in - receive a movie & popcorn

\$3000 brought in - receive a gym blast

\$4000 brought in - Top contributor in each grade get to throw a pie in
their homeroom teacher's face!

Taetym Northey (Pre-K)

Avery LaHaye (Grade 3)

Brielle Bond (Kind.)

Parker Krauss (Grade 5)

Elliot Brown Nelson (Grade 1)

Connie Iron (Grade 6)

Blaikley Dorval (Grade 2)

Aubree Pearson (Grade 7)

Lawson Morey (Grade 8)

Also: Top contributor in grades Pre-K - Grade 3 gets to throw a 2nd pie in
Ms. Tretiak's face! Taetym Northey (Pre-K)

Also: Top contributor in Grades 4 - 8 gets to throw a 2nd pie in Mr.
Bergen's face! Parker Krauss (Gr. 5)



Top Contributor Each Grade



(From Left to Right)

Elliot Brown-Nelson (Gr. 1), Connie Iron (Gr. 6), Parker Krauss (Gr. 5), Avery LaHaye (Gr. 3),
Lawson Morey (Gr. 8), Brielle Bond (Kind.), Blaikley Dorval (Gr. 2)

WALK-A-THON WINNERS

Top Contributor (Pre-K to Gr. 4) - \$100 Walmart Shopping Spree

Taetym Northey (Pre-K) (\$575.00)

Top Contributor (Gr. 5 - 8) - \$100 Walmart Shopping Spree

Parker Krauss (Gr. 5) (\$570.00)

Draw Winners - Walmart \$50 Gift Card (Pre-K to Gr. 4)

Taetym Northey (Pre-K)

Blaikley Dorval (Gr. 2)

Draw Winners - Walmart \$50 Gift Card (Gr. 5 - 8)

Connie Iron (Gr. 6)

Rayla Henderson (Gr. 8)

WALK-A-THON TOP CLASS CONTRIBUTORS

CONGRATULATIONS TO GRADE 2 - MRS. COERTZE'S CLASS WHO
WERE THE TOP CLASS CONTRIBUTORS!!

THEY WILL ALL RECEIVE A ICECREAM SUNDAE BAR
WELL-DONE GRADE 2!!



Grade 2 Class

(Back Row Left to Right)

Mrs. Coertze, Noah Campbell, Eva Misponas, Blaire Umpherville,
Brooklyn Bottrell, Reco Bird, Noa Brass

(Front Row Left to Right)

Marcus Sylvestre, Addison Cook, Gabrielle Daigneault, Blaikley Dorval,
Brielle Bond (Kind. - Gr. 2 student for the day!)

WALK-A-THON

PIE IN THE FACE ASSEMBLY
FRIDAY, OCT. 24TH





PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher Conferences will now be booked using your Edsby account. If you have not yet signed up for Edsby, please call office for sign up information. Conferences will run from 3:05 p.m. - 8:05 p.m. with the following exceptions:

Pre-K (All Classes) - (3:05 - 8:05 pm available).

Band class - specific time slots (3:05 - 5:35 pm available).

Grade 5 class - specific time slots (3:05 - 5:35 pm available).

Kindergarten class - there will be no conferences as Mrs. Donaldson is unexpectedly away.

Grade 7 class - there will be no conferences as Ms. Deschambeault is unexpectedly away.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the office @ (306-763-7404)



Our Roots Group- *Growing Together Through Connection, Friendship, and Support*- Our Roots is about bringing people together, building meaningful friendships, and creating a space where we can connect, encourage, and empower one another. We know that being a parent isn't always easy. Parenting can be beautiful, challenging, exhausting, and overwhelming all at once. Sometimes, we all need someone who understands, someone to talk to, a helping hand, or simply a reminder that we aren't alone.

This is a new group that will be starting for parents that will be based around community connection. We will be starting with **Dads/Grandpas/Mushums. On November 3rd at 9am.** Dog Warrior will be coming in to facilitate the first session. Dog Warrior is a men's group that is based around cultural connection to empower men. Come for coffee snacks and a supportive environment.

Sexual Assault Center will be coming on November 17th to present to our students about consent, healthy relationships and internet safety. They will be presenting throughout the morning to grades 4-8. As an added bonus, they will be coming back at 3:00 pm to present to any parents that are interested. We will have a staff in the gym to take care of any kids that need to be watched so you can focus on the presentation. I know internet safety is a huge topic for families, our presenters will be able to answer any questions you may have. Hope to see you there! Check out the poster on Edsby.

Mr. Adam Horachek - WJB Social Worker





**INTRODUCTION
TO PICKLEBALL
GRADE 6/7/8**

**WHEN: NOV 17TH, 18TH, 19TH
3:05 PM-5:00PM**

WHERE: WJ BEREZOWSKY GYM

**FOR: GRADE 6/7/8
WJ BEREZOWSKY STUDENTS**

LIMIT OF 14 SPOTS AVAILABLE

CONTACT MR. BOND OR LAURIE HUET FOR MORE INFORMATION
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**INTRODUCTION
TO PICKLEBALL
GRADE 4/5'S**

**WHEN: NOV. 24TH, 25TH, 26TH
3:05 PM-5:00PM**

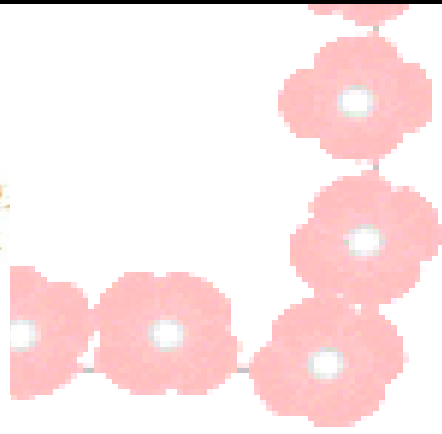
WHERE: WJ BEREZOWSKY GYM

**FOR: GRADE 4/5 WJ
BEREZOWSKY STUDENTS**

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BUILDING SKILLS FOR LEARNING, LIFE, & BEYOND

A MESSAGE FOR OUR FAMILIES

A New Role at W.J. Berezowsky!

This role supports the development of important everyday skills that help students become **confident, capable, independent, and successful learners.**

Our message to students !

- You are capable
- You can learn new strategies
- You can work through challenges
- You can ask for help
- You can make mistakes & try again
- You can become more independent

HOW WE WILL SUPPORT STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

The Student Engagement Teacher will work collaboratively with classroom teachers to support students through:

- **Classroom routines & activities**
- **Explicit teaching & modeling**
- **Real-life learning experiences**
- **Strategies & tools that fit each students' needs**

This is not a separate program, but an intentional focus woven into everyday learning

What are Executive Functioning Skills?

Executive Functioning Skills are the brain skills we use every day to learn, organize ourselves, manage emotions, solve problems and reach our goals

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| 1.Focus and Attention | 2.Follow Directions |
| 3.Time Management | 4.Organization |
| 5.Emotional Control | 6.Problem Solving |
| 7.Flexible Thinking | 8.Goal Setting |
| 9.Keep Trying | 10.Perseverance |

Why Are These Skills Important?

- Support learning and academic success
- Help students manage responsibilities
- Build positive relationships
- Encourage independence
- Help students work through challenges
- Prepare them for future education, workplaces and life beyond school

These are skills for school... and for life!

How Families Can Help

Families play an important role! You can help at home by:

- Giving your child age-appropriate responsibilities
- Asking, "What is the first step?"
- Talking about plans & routines
- Encouraging problem-solving
- Celebrating effort and progress



Small conversations make a big difference

**We are not only helping students learn for today...
we are helping them build the skills they will need for learning, life, and beyond.**

