

# W.J. BEREZOWSKY PUBLIC SCHOOL

*"Every Child Matters"*

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## September 2019

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	3	4	5	6
<b>Labour Day</b> 	<b>Classes Begin</b>			
9	10	11	12	13
After School Program Grade 4 3:30-4:45	After School Program Grades 5 - 8 3:30-4:45	After School Program Grade 1 3:30-4:45	After School Program Grades 2 & 3 3:30-4:45	
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23	24	25	26	27
After School Program Grade 4 3:30-4:45	After School Program Grades 5 - 8 3:30-4:45	After School Program Grade 1 3:30-4:45  <b>SCC Meeting 6:30 p.m.</b>	After School Program Grades 2 & 3 3:30-4:45  <b>Hot Dog Sale – Sponsored by Gr. 3</b> 	
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After School Program Grade 4 3:30-4:45  <b>Orange Shirt Day</b>  <b>Walk-a-Thon</b> <b>All Pledges In</b> <b>Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup></b>  <b>Picture Day</b> 				

## ADMINISTRATION MESSAGE

It is indeed a pleasure to welcome you to the 2019-20 school year at W.J. Berezowsky Public School. Today, the W.J. Berezowsky Public School Staff accepts into our outstretched arms the most precious commodity anyone can receive, our community's children. We accept this responsibility with humility, vigor, compassion and courage. We pledge to you our passion for the individual security, safety and success of each child. We offer our unfailing desire to serve our students and our community and to give them the necessary skills to become competent problem solvers and outstanding citizens!

Our school goal is reading this year and we are hoping to have all our students reading at grade level by the end of June. Some children may have individual goals that meet their needs, but we are still expecting that everyone will reach their goal. Mrs. Carla Penner-Henry is our Dreamcatcher coach again this year and she works with staff and students to help everyone meet their goals.

What parents value or believe defines what is important to their children. When you value education and believe it is important, so will your children. Our partnership with you in this shared value is critical. Your child's education is our priority! The W.J. Berezowsky Public School staff, parents, and surrounding community share a common vision.

High quality classroom instruction, students who are highly motivated to learn, a warm and nurturing learning environment, and a supportive and encouraging parent community make Shellbrook Elementary Public School a wonderful place to learn and work. It is our goal that all students will leave W.J. Berezowsky Public School able to read, write, and compute at successful levels that will enable them to experience academic success at the next level and beyond.

To ensure this success, the W.J. Berezowsky Public School staff is dedicated to the use of sound instructional practices and high quality instructional materials, including the integration of technology throughout the curriculum. Our instructional programs combine explicit skill instruction, cognitively guided instruction in math, and literacy instruction that is embedded within a meaningful context through the workshop model in reading and writing. Students have the ability to go beyond the "basics," through the use of technology and through an intentional focus on meeting the needs of each individual student.

We will be having our annual walk-a-thon this year on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pledge sheets will be sent home. We will also be having a Meet the Staff/ Walk-a-thon Kick-Off Breakfast on October 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at 8:30 am. We look forward to seeing all our families at the breakfast. The walk-a-thon will begin at approximately 10:00 am. If you want to join your child on the walk, you are most welcome.

I am excited to be working with such talented and dedicated staff in a school where parents are supportive of our efforts. Children are our greatest natural resource. We take seriously our responsibility to nourish, protect and develop children to their fullest potential and thank you for your trust in us!

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome six new staff members to our school – Mrs. M. White (Vice-Principal), Ms. E. Lavoie (Kindergarten Teacher), Ms. L. Wintringham (Grade 1 Teacher), Ms. B. Cournoyer (Grade 5 Teacher), Ms. K. Deschambeault (Grade 7 Teacher), Ms. L. Shaw (0.5 Education Associate), Ms. E. Summach (Education Associate). We are pleased to have you join our team to make it even stronger than before!!!

2019-2020 will be a wonderful, exciting school year; filled with new friends, old friends, and fantastic learning!

Yours in Education,  
Mr. D. Tournier  
Principal

## REMIND APP

W.J. Berezowsky Public School will be continuing to send information and reminds thru the REMIND APP. It is important for you, as a parent, to sign up to receive these messages from the school through a text message. In an EMERGENCY situation, the school will inform those parents that signed up for the REMIND APP, as soon as possible.

## PHOTOS

Just a reminder that when you are taking photos of your child during school events, please DO NOT post photos of other children on the internet (ex. Facebook), as we need to respect the privacy of others.

## SCC

The SCC would like to invite all parents to join our first meeting at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, September 25th. Welcome back, it's going to be a great year!

PICTURE DAY - Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

RETAKE DAY - Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m.

(Please note the change in date from original calendars that were sent home in June with report cards - retake day is changed from Mon. Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> to Thurs. Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> - this date is changed in order for the Pre-K & Kind. Tues. Thurs. group to have pictures.)



## END OF THE DAY PICK UPS

Just a reminder to parents picking up their children at the end of the day: **please do not park in the bus area in front of the school, please refrain from parking in the school parking lot** as this can be very dangerous because vehicles cannot see little people walking between the cars, and **please be mindful of the cross walk area and children crossing the road**. As a community, we can all work together to keep our children safe when leaving the school and walking home. Thank you so much.

## HOT LUNCH SALE

Grade 3 class will be sponsoring a hot dog lunch on Thursday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>.



## CELLPHONES

Students often bring their cellphones to school as they feel it is the best way to stay in touch with their friends and family. This is not an issue if the cellphones stay in their backpacks. Students are not allowed to use their cellphones during the school day unless they have received special permission by their classroom teacher or the administration. If a student is using their cellphone in the school without special permission their cellphone will be taken to the principal's office until the end of the day. If this happens repeatedly, parents will be asked to come in to pick up the cellphone.



## OUR STAFF FOR THE 2019-2020 YEAR IS AS FOLLOWS:

Principal - Mr. D. Tournier

Vice-Principal - Mrs. M. White

Prekindergarten - Mrs. N. Keller

Kindergarten - Ms. E. Lavoie

Grade 1 - Ms. L. Wintringham

Grade 1 - Mrs. M. Winsor (a.m. split)

Grade 2 - Mrs. C. Martens

Grade 3 - Mrs. H. Bradbury

Grade 4 - Mrs. M. Willie

Grade 5 - Ms. B. Cournoyer

Grade 6 - Mrs. C. Penner-Henry

Grade 7 - Ms. K. Deschambeault

Grade 8 - Mr. D. Gobeil

Phys-Ed - Mr. G. Smith

Band/Music - Ms. Amanda (Amy) Timm

Education Associates - Mrs. B. Meyers, Mrs. K. Wawro, Mrs. J. Peterson, Mrs. Emily Summach, Ms. L. Chasse-Carey, Mrs. V. Voluta, Ms. L. Shaw, Mrs. K. Olson, E. Summach

Secretary - Ms. A. Haughn

Librarian - Ms. D. Vickers

Social Worker - Ms. S. Wright

Ed Support - Mrs. J. Huddlestone

Custodians - Mr. K. Fusick



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR 2019/2020 SCHOOL YEAR

1. Due to fire regulations, there will no longer be microwaves in the schools. All household microwaves must be removed to meet the fire safety standards of the Ministry of Education. Starting Sept. 3, 2019, the students will not be able to heat their food in microwaves as they have been removed from the school.

2. The school day times have been changed. Starting Sept. 3, 2019, to meet the needs of the Sask. Rivers Transportation Dept., WJ Berezowsky Public School hours for students will be:

8:35 am - First Bell

8:40 am - Second Bell (all students should be in their classrooms)  
Attendance & Breakfast Snack

9:00 - 9:50 am - 1<sup>st</sup> Period

9:50 - 10:40 am - 2<sup>nd</sup> Period

10:40 - 10:55 am - Recess

10:55 - 11:45 am - 3<sup>rd</sup> Period

11:45 - 12:30 pm - Lunch

12:30 - 1:20 pm - 4<sup>th</sup> Period

1:20 - 2:10 pm - 5<sup>th</sup> Period

2:10 - 3:00 pm - 6<sup>th</sup> Period





## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Welcome back! Hope everyone had a great summer. It's so nice to see all the smiling faces in the hallway.

This school year I will be doing the After School as per usual from Grades 4-8. The Grade 4 classroom will be together on **Monday's** of each week and Grade's 5-8 will be together on **Tuesday's** of each week. If you are new to our school, each month I will come to each classroom and hand out permission forms. If your child would like to join, they need to bring back the form signed by their guardian with a contact number by the deadline date on the form. There is no cost to join. Every month we do a different activity. For example, cooking, baking, crafts, science experiments, games in the gym, etc.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the school. Hope to see you in the After School Program.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. K. Wawro  
After School Program Coordinator



## PRE-K

We are still accepting applications for our Pre-Kindergarten programs. In the next couple of weeks we will be contacting families regarding home visits and student start up dates for Pre-K. If you have any questions about our Pre-K programs please call us at the school or stop in to the classroom to see us. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Mrs. N. Keller

## GRADE 5

Welcome back for a magical year of learning and fun!

Ms. B. Cournoyer

## GRADE 6

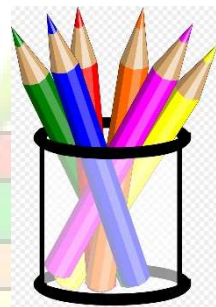
Welcome to another fantastic year at WJ Berezowsky Public School! The grade 6 class will have a month filled with exciting electricity activities in science class, learning about power, authority and voting in social class, and how to cope with the changes and challenges we face as we grow and learn in ELA class. Have a wonderful September!

Mrs. C. Penner-Henry

## CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING CLUB

Next week we will have sign-up for our Cross-Country Running team. The team is open to students in grades 4-8! We will practice running at noon and compete in several mini-meets afterschool. There will be an information note available next week after the coaches meeting!

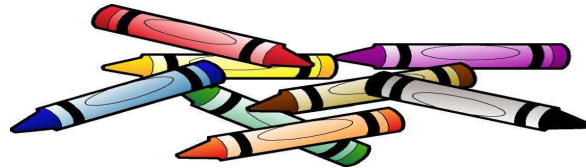
Mrs. M. Willie/Ms. L. Wintringham



## GRADE 2

I would like to welcome all new and returning students and hope that everyone had a terrific summer. I love to see how excited the students are to start a new school year. I am so excited to teach grade two this year and have so many exciting things planned for the year. We will be starting the green bag reading in a couple of weeks, so please take some time to read with your child. Feel free to drop in or call if you have any questions or concerns.

Mrs. C. Martens



## GRADE 1 (split a.m.)

Welcome back! I am half of the grade one teaching team at WJB. In the mornings I will teach ELA and Math and I am so excited to meet Mrs. Winsor's wise owls.

Mrs. M. Winsor

## PLEASE REMOVE FOOTWEAR

We are asking everyone who enters WJB Public School to now remove their footwear at the front doors. Thank you.

## GRADE 3

Welcome back! I Hope everyone had a great summer! I am looking forward to another great year of learning and fun in Grade 3!

Mrs. H. Bradbury

## GRADE 1

Welcome to a new school year! I am now teaching at Berezowsky Public School. I am the full day grade 1 teacher and I am very excited to be part of the Bear's Team! Have a great year and I look forward to meeting you.

Ms. L. Wintringham

## GRADE 8

Hello everyone - hope you had a safe, wonderful and relaxing summer. I am looking forward to teaching the grade 8's and grade 7's phys-ed. This year I will be coaching Sr. Girls volleyball & basketball. It will be a fun year with plenty of learning taking place. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's academic and social well-being, please contact me at the school.

Mr. G. Gobeil

Back to School

# East Flat Band News

❖ September 2019 ❖



## WELCOME BACK!

### What is the East Flat Band Program?

The East Flat Band program consists of bands from W. J. Berezowsky Public School and Princess Margaret School. There are 3 bands at each school: Grade 5 students are Beginner Band, Grade 6 students are Intermediate Band, and Grade 7/8 students are Senior Band. These groups are led by myself, Ms. Amy Timm. Together we form larger bands for trips, festival, and concerts. Here's an idea of the events you can expect for the 2018-2019 school year:

- ❖ SRPSD Beginner Band Clinic (September)
- ❖ East Flat Band Winter Concert (December)
- ❖ Prince Albert Kiwanis Music Festival (March)
- ❖ SRPSD Massed Band Concert (May)
- ❖ Year-End Band Trips (May-June)
- ❖ Fundraisers (throughout the year)



If you have a child entering Grade 5 or Grade 6—congratulations! All Grade 5 and 6 students get the opportunity to take band, and it is my hope that they will become hooked on making music. Playing a musical instrument increases reading and comprehension skills, develops discipline, increases fine motor skills, encourages personal expression, develops patience, and builds confidence. Being a part of an ensemble encourages teamwork, promotes social skills and accountability, and provides a sense of belonging.

Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division is a firm believer in music education, therefore all students of the East Flat Band program are able to be a part of band free of charge, with no fee for borrowing an instrument, consumable supplies, or repairs! ***This is an incredible and unique opportunity for your child.*** They will spend 2 years discovering and developing their musical abilities through a host of events and opportunities. Once students enter Grade 7 and 8, parents/guardians and their children can take time to decide whether they wish to continue band or pursue other opportunities.

### SRPSD Beginner Band Clinic

Beginner Band Clinic is an annual event in which all grade 5 (or first year players) take their first step into the band world. Students from across the division come together to make new friends and get some excellent beginner instruction. Alike instruments will be paired together and placed with a professional who plays the same instrument while learning basics such as how to correctly put their instrument together and take it apart, maintenance, tips and tricks for success, the first few notes, and maybe even a tune or two! If you have a Grade 5 student in your home, expect a permission note with more details to be coming home soon.

### Practice Club

Practice Club is open to all band students grade 5-8 and will take place in the music room on Wednesdays from 3:00-4:00 pm. This is a great opportunity for your child to bring questions or struggles, share their successes, or get extra help with their instrument. Permission notes will be going home periodically.

### Fundraising and School Band Trips

Each band student in grades 5-8 will have the opportunity to go on a band trip. There will be fundraisers held throughout the year to cover costs of the trip, as each child needs to earn their own way through these initiatives.

*Feel free to contact me at [atimm@srsd119.ca](mailto:atimm@srsd119.ca) with any questions or concerns or come talk to me in person at our Walkathon Breakfast October 3<sup>rd</sup>. I'm looking forward to a great year of music making!*

*Musically yours,*

♪ Ms. Timm ♪

## GRADE 7

Welcome back students. I am the new grade 7 teacher, Ms. Deschambeault. I am excited to be a part of the best school in Prince Albert!! Let's have a great school year!

Ms. K. Deschambeault

## PHYS-ED

Welcome back WJB students. I hope you all had a restful and fun summer holiday. Gym classes will be starting right away and I am looking forward to another exciting year in the gym. This year, as in other years, students will be required to achieve various outcomes defined by our provincial curriculum in a variety of ways including exciting fitness activities, game skills such as volleyball or basketball skills, in-class discussions, power-point presentations, quizzes, fitness plans and other activities that emphasize the development of cardiovascular and muscular endurance, muscular strength, flexibility, and health related concepts.

Most classes will consist of ten to fifteen minutes of activities that address over-all fitness as mentioned previously, and a main lesson focus which includes a skill, game, or movement concept-related activity. However, students will be expected at various times during the year to meet in a classroom setting to address important health or physical concepts as set out by the provincial curriculum.

Students will all be required to come to gym class prepared to participate. Students will need proper footwear to wear. Running in socks or bare feet leads to accidents in the gym, and an inability to perform activities satisfactorily. As always, safety in the gym with students moving at higher speeds and moving in different directions is of paramount importance. In addition, students in higher grades are strongly encouraged to bring a change of clothes for gym so that they can compete and perform activities optimally and comfortably. As well, all students are expected to participate in all activities. If for any reason, a student is unable to take part during phys-ed class, a note from home, or phone call to the school is required stating the reason. The WJB phys-ed motto during gym class is: *Be prepared, play hard, play fair, play safe, and show respect to all*. It's going to be an awesome year!

Stay tuned: Cross country running and volleyball will be starting soon so stay tuned for announcements for these start times. Come out and join a team. Go Bears!!

Now that school has begun, another fun season of volleyball and cross-country running is upon us. With this in mind, coaches will be meeting with students soon to get the ball rolling. I look forward to seeing you get involved.

Mr. G. Smith

## GRADE 4

We are excited for a great year in Grade Four! There are many wonderful events to look forward to this year! Grade Four will be participating in swimming lessons in December, the annual Agriculture Fair in the spring, and many other exciting events! We have a wonderful group of students and can't wait to demonstrate how "sharp" we are! Cheers to the start of the year and stay tuned for details of upcoming events!

Mrs. M. Willie

## KINDERGARTEN

Welcome Berezowsky Students and Families. I am very excited to be teaching Kindergarten this year at your school. Let's make this a great year and have fun!

Ms. E. Lavoie



