

W.J. BEREZOWSKY PUBLIC SCHOOL

"Every Child Matters"

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October 2019

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1	2	3	4
	After School Program Grades 5 - 8 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grade 1 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grades 2 & 3 3:00-4:15 WJB Walk-a-thon Meet The Staff Breakfast	PLC DAY NO SCHOOL
7	8	9	10	11
After School Program Grade 4 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grades 5 - 8 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grade 1 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grades 2 & 3 3:00-4:15	NO SCHOOL
14	15	16	17	18
THANKSGIVING DAY NO SCHOOL	After School Program Grades 5 - 8 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grade 1 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grades 2 & 3 3:00-4:15	SCC Family Movie Night 6:00 – 8:00 pm
21	22	23	24	25
After School Program Grade 4 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grades 5 - 8 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grade 1 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grades 2 & 3 3:00-4:15 Taco-In-A-Bag Fundraiser – Band 	
28	29	30	31	
After School Program Grade 4 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grades 5 - 8 3:00-4:15	After School Program Grade 1 3:00-4:15	No After School today  Happy Halloween!	

PRINCIPAL & VICE-PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving is just about upon us. As we think back on the month of September and ahead to October, we realize how much we have to be thankful for. We have welcomed many new faces into our school over the past five weeks.

Our Walk-a-thon campaign has been a great success so far, and we would like to thank all of our dedicated students as well as our parents for all of the pledges that have come in. So far students have raised a whopping **\$1515.50** and students are still collecting! There are some incentives that have been achieved so far. For raising \$1 000, the students from K-8 have earned themselves an extra recess. For raising \$2 000, Mr. Smith will do a Gym Blast with all the students from K-8. If students reach the \$3 000 mark, they will be treated to a movie and popcorn in the gym! If \$4 000 is raised, students from K-4 will have the opportunity to throw a pie in Mrs. White's face and the students from grade 5-8 will have the opportunity to throw a pie in Mr. Tournier's face. Having raised nearly **\$1515.50**, this is a real possibility. Our walkathon will be held at 10:00 am on October 3rd, right after our Meet The Staff Breakfast.

Our Meet The Staff Breakfast will be held on October 3rd from 8:30 - 9:30 am. Please consider coming out and sharing a meal with your children and the school staff here at W.J.B. An important part of the education of children is the partnership between the school and their families. We are so excited to have you over for a meal!!!

On October 4th, there will be **no classes** that day as our teachers will be networking with other teachers to better your child's education experience here at W.J. Berezowsky Public School.

As for the **safety** and **courtesy** of our students, please be aware of the no parking and handicap parking areas. Please remember that if the curb is painted yellow, that indicates that that is a **NO PARKING** area. The Prince Albert City Police have been patrolling around our school writing up tickets for these violations.

We are very thankful to have an opportunity to be involved with your children and their educational endeavors. We would like to remind you that in order for your child to experience as much success as possible, it is very important that he/she attend school regularly and arrive on time. We appreciate your efforts in making this happen.

We wish you all a happy and safe Thanksgiving!



Mr. D. Tournier
Principal

Mrs. M. White
Vice - Principal

NOTE: We will be doing a practice School Lock Down drill on October 1st and 16th at 10:30

SCC

There will be a Family Movie night on Friday, October 18th at 6 pm. We will send out a letter closer to the date with the movie title and canteen list.

The SCC will be having our 5th Annual W.J. Berezowsky School Christmas Craft and Bake Sale on Saturday, December 7th from 10 am to 4 pm. Vendors are needed, please contact Kaela Readman at (306)314-2025 or k.knoke15@gmail.com for more information.

Our next SCC meeting will be on Monday, November 4th at 5:30 pm. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

GRADE 6

Wow! September flew by! Thank you to all of the families who signed up for our class email. If you would still like to receive class updates, but haven't signed up yet, please email Mrs. Penner-Henry at cpennerhenry@srsd119.ca to join the group. Have a fantastic October!

Mrs. Penner-Henry



GRADE 1

September rolled by in a blink of our eyes. Our grade 1 students have been learning about Tipi Teachings each morning and so far we have learned about obedience. We are starting our second pole which discusses respect. These teachings allow the students to improve their social skills, develop strong internal control, builds thinking skills for making positive choices to solve problems and ultimately builds skills to live a positive life-style. I am excited to see where the students direct the discussion this month. Have a great October. ☺

Ms. Wintringham

CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country- It has been a great season for all of our athletes! We competed in three mini-meets and had excellent results at each meet. It was wonderful to see our athletes improve at each meet! Good at luck at Extravaganza and thanks for a fantastic season! Special thanks to all our staff who stayed afterschool to help with our meet!

Mrs. Willie/Ms. Wintringham

GRADE 4

We have had a busy month! We have established many classroom routines. One of those is writing in our agendas every morning! Parents please check and initial the agenda every night! Students will earn a reward when they have their agenda initialed twenty times! We are looking forward to a wonderful October of learning!

Mrs. Willie

SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Hello parents and guardians of our Senior Girls Volleyball athletes. Hope everyone is well and warm. This note is a reminder that the Senior Girls volleyball team players received the schedule for the volleyball matches for the remainder of the year. Game and tournament schedules were sent home with the athletes on Monday, September 30th. Thanks for supporting our student athletes and feel free to come out and cheer them on.



Coaches Ms. Ross and Mr. Gobeil

GRADE 1 (A.M.)

Winsor's wise owls have had a busy month learning patterns in math and sounds in Jolly Phonics.

Mrs. Winsor

PRE-K

Pre-K is excited to have our new outdoor classroom in the front of our school. We will be using our new space every day. We have been enjoying our new sandbox and we are looking forward to using our new plant boxes.

Pre-K still has some spots available for new students. If you have a 3 or 4 year old that would like to attend Pre-K, please fill out an application form and drop it off at the school office.

Mrs. Keller

GRADE 7

October is bringing a fun, filled, spooky month of reading and writing in the grade 7 class!

Ms. Deschambeault

GRADE 2

I would like to take this time to welcome Mrs. Ross to our classroom. Mrs. Ross is doing her internship with the grade two class up until December. She has been a wonderful addition to our classroom and the students have been so welcoming and eager to learn. We have had such a busy month of September. We have been working hard at learning poetry, patterning, and learning about our school community to name just a few things. Good work boys and girls!

Mrs. Martens



GRADE 3

We have been very busy in Grade 3 and it has been a great month of learning! I am looking forward to seeing families at the "Meet the Teacher" breakfast on October 3rd.

Mrs. Bradbury

KINDERGARTEN

It has been a busy month in Kindergarten, but we are settling in nicely and finding a good routine. Looking forward to the months ahead! Just a reminder that our Meet the Staff Breakfast is this Thursday from 8:30-9:30 am with our Walk-A-Thon to follow. Parents and guardians of both K1 and K2 are welcome to join, but K1 will be under the care and supervision of their own families. Hope to see everyone there!

Ms. Lavoie

PE

Volleyball season is in full swing at WJB School. Both the boys' and girls' 7/8 teams are busy practicing and playing matches. The boys practice Tuesdays and play Wednesdays with Mr. Smith as their coach, while the 7/8 girls practice Mondays and play matches on Thursdays with Mr. Gobeil as their coach. Also, 5/6 volleyball will be starting soon coached by Mrs. Wintringham and Mrs. Deschambeault. Feel free to come on out and cheer on our teams.

Mr. Smith

GRADE 5

WOW, it is already October. The grade 3's are looking forward to starting our novel study on Harry Potter mid October. It is going to be a magical journey!

Ms. Cournoyer

TACO-IN-A-BAG

The East Flat Band will be holding a Taco-in-a bag fundraiser on Thursday, Oct. 25th



OCTOBER IS DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH!

Having a child diagnosed with dyslexia can be a traumatic experience. **While dyslexia can make reading more difficult, with the right instruction, almost all individuals with dyslexia can learn to read.** Many people with dyslexia have gone on to accomplish **great things**. Among the many dyslexia success stories are Thomas Edison, Stephen Spielberg, Hans Christian Anderson, Jim Carrey, Whoopi Goldberg, and Albert Einstein.

Dyslexia is a neurological condition caused by a different wiring of the brain. There is no cure for dyslexia and individuals with this condition must learn coping strategies. Research indicates that dyslexia has no relationship to intelligence. **Individuals with dyslexia are neither more nor less intelligent than the general population.** But some say the way individuals with dyslexia think can actually be an asset in achieving success.

You may be dyslexic if you...

- Read slowly and with much effort
...But are often the one to solve the problem
- Can't spell; have messy handwriting
...But your writing shows terrific imagination
- Have trouble remembering dates and names
...But you grasp the big picture and demonstrate out-of-the-box thinking
- Have difficulty retrieving and pronouncing spoken words
...But have excellent vocabulary and ideas

Source: [Decoding Dyslexia.org](http://DecodingDyslexia.org)

Please feel free to come and talk to me or the classroom teacher if you have any concerns regarding your child's ability to talk, read, and/or write.



East Flat Band News



❖ **October 2019** ❖

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)
- ❖ SPRSD 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 was a great success with over **300 beginner band students** attending from across Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division over the two days of clinics. Students arrived with an instrument and excitement and left with even more excitement, a better understanding, and a few notes under their belts. A big thank-you to all the clinicians that shared their time and expertise to give our beginners the best start possible!

Practice Club

Practice Club is open to all band students grade 5-8, and will take place in the music room on **Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 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 this month.

Fundraising and School Band Trips

Each band student in grades 5-8 will have the opportunity to participate in a **year-end 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. Stay tuned for upcoming fundraising initiatives.

Music Stand Order

I will be making an order for wire music stands this year. These are a great tool for home practice as it encourages good playing posture and focus. Students wishing to purchase a stand need to bring **\$13 along with their order form** by the end of the October. The order will be placed soon afterwards.

Instruments and the Cold

As the weather begins to cool down, it is important to make sure our band instruments are kept in good shape. Corks, pads, etc. on the instruments can shrink and warp with cold/hot environment changes leaving instruments leaky and frustrating to play. **Please ensure that your child's instrument is kept in room temperature and NEVER leave an instrument in a vehicle or outside overnight.** Following this simple rule will avoid costly repair bills which hurt our band programs. Please help keep our instruments in good shape for years down the road!

As always, please contact me at atimm@srsd119.ca with any questions or concerns! -- ♪ Ms. Timm ♪

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING
TO ALL OF OUR
W.J. BEREZOWSKY FAMILIES....**

FROM W.J.B. STAFF

