

W.J. BEREZOWSKY PUBLIC SCHOOL

"Every Child Matters"

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October 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 Picture Day (Mon. Wed. Pre-K & Kind. Groups) + Grades 1 - 8 	4 Picture Day (Tues.Thurs. Pre-K & Kind. Groups) 	5	6 WALK-A-THON ALL PLEDGE \$ IN 	7 PLC DAY NO CLASSES
10 THANKSGIVING DAY NO SCHOOL 	11	12	13	14 Immunizations Gr. 6 - 8
17 Muffin Morning 8:30 – 9:00 am	18	19 Community Readers/Guests 12:45 – 2:15 pm	20 21 Education Week "Reaching for tomorrow, celebrating today." OCT. 16 th – 22 nd	
24	25	26	27	28
31 SPIRIT WEEK COSTUME DAY 	SPIRIT WEEK OCT. 31 st – NOV. 4 th			



Happy Halloween!



PRINCIPAL & VICE-PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving is just about upon us. Our second Tipi Teaching is Thankfulness. We learn to give thanks for all the kind things that others do for us and for the Creator's bounty, which we are privileged to share with others. 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 back our students. We are so glad to see them and be back in a routine. The staff is also very thankful for all the families that come out to our Meet the Staff BBQ on September 21st 😊.

On Friday September 30th, all students participated in the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation & Orange Shirt Day. The day consisted of storytelling by Jodi Letendre, a gallery walk with 11 talking stations and a bannock snack made by Georgette Arcand. Thank you to Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Willie for organizing the day. Also, a big THANK YOU goes to Jodi Letendre and Georgette Arcand. Truth and Reconciliation is about continuing to learn and going on a journey with our Frist Nation Families.

On October 3rd is Picture Day for the Pre-K and Kindergartens (Monday/Wednesday group) and grades 1-8. On October 4th is Picture Day for the Pre-K and Kindergarten (Tuesday/Thursday) groups.

On October 7th 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.

On October 19th, grades 4 to 8 will be going to Princess Margaret School in the morning for a presentation from the Canadian School Presenters. The Culture Wheel will be the presentation that the students will be seeing. This presentation themes are on Self-Esteem, Culture, Leadership, Socializing and Dance.

As for the **safety** and **courtesy** of our students and staff, please be aware of the no parking in the staff parking lot 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. D. Court
Vice-Principal



PRE-K

Welcome fall! We have been enjoying these beautiful fall days in our outside classroom! We finally harvested our amazing pumpkin and our tall sunflowers that we planted in the spring. What a wonderful learning experience for our Pre-Ks! Our days have been cool in the morning and hot in the afternoon so dressing in layers is a great way to be sure your little one is ready for the weather. Little mittens from the dollar store are also perfect for first thing in the morning when we are outside. We continue to work on learning routine and following a schedule and also socializing in a classroom setting! Our little Pre-Ks are doing awesome! We are really enjoying getting to know our students and their families.

Mrs. Keller

KINDERGARTEN

Hello Families!

October is here, and the children will begin their fall exploration with leaves and pumpkins. In math, we will also begin our pattern unit and continue to learn the letters of the alphabet. The Kinders are working hard at recognizing and printing their name. I encourage you to practice name writing at home with your child. I am looking forward to this month!

Mrs. Jefferson

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

GRADE 2

What a great start to the year! In grade 2 we have been working on getting settled into new routines and getting to know each other. We have gotten a good start on our first units of work and things have been going great! Some assignments and activities have been added on Edsby, so if you haven't signed in yet, please do! We have many fun and interesting activities planned for this month, so stay tuned! Walkathon pledging is also in full swing and grade 2 has set a class goal of \$500! Please help us reach our goal! As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to make contact. Have a great October!

Mrs. Dansereau



GRADE 3

Goodbye September and hello October! Our first month of school has wrapped up and we have found ourselves settling into a routine. Students have been all given agendas. Please initial the agenda every night to indicate you have read a message written from your child. I may also write a short note to you if I need to communicate with you. Feel free to write a note in the agenda if there is something you would like me to know as well. I would like students to bring their agenda back and forth from home every day, so they will be able to write daily messages.

Thank you to those families who have already sent back the clan shirts from last year and water bottles to the classroom. In the near future we will be having clan activities on various days, where students can wear their clan shirt at that particular time. More information will be sent out at a later date.

Enjoy the month of October. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and watch out for the little spooks and monsters at the end of the month!

Mrs. Winsor



GRADE 4P

Twas the night before Halloween, when all through the haunted house
Not a creature was stirring, not even Mr. Mack dressed as a mouse;
The jack-o-lanterns were carved with the likes of witches on brooms and a scarecrow with
no hair,
In hopes that trick-or-treaters soon would be there;

The grade 4P students were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of chocolate bars, chips, and Rockets danced in their heads;
The staff of W.J.Berezowsky Public School,
Had just settled down for a twilight screening of *The Story of Mr. Tournier: A Legend or a Fool?*,

When out in the graveyard there arose such an eerie cry,
All the staff jumped out of their seat to say, "My, oh my."
Away to the staff windows they flew in a flash,
Only to trip and fall over Mr. Fusick's broom and create a big crash.

The moon on the tipi poles gave a spookish glow,
Why it seemed so haunting, nobody really did know,
When, what to their mostly covered eyes should appear,
But there was Ms. Strom wearing her Wario gear,

With a giggle and a high five, Ms. Cournoyer ran outside to meet her as Princess Peach,
Mrs. Acorn knew that with everything exciting that was going on, she'd never be able to
teach.

So with the help of Mrs. Martens and Mrs. Meyers they decided to call all the grade 4P students back to school for a game,
Using orthographic mapping they called them by name;

"Now, B-R-AY-L-E-N! now, O-L-I-V-ER! Now A-Z-A-L-E-A, now B-L-A-KE and G-E-N-A! Now AR-D-E-N, now M-A-S-O-N and I-S-A-B-E-LLE!

On, C-A-SH! on B-R-AE-L-Y-N! on, R-AY-L-A!, on I-ZZ-Y! On, K-AY-D-E-N and B-E-N-T-L-EY and B-R-I-E-LLE!

All the children came sprinting because they were always up for a thrill!
Until of course they found out the object of the game was running up the hill. ☺

Mrs. Court got involved in all the shenanigans of the night and gave the students quite the fright,

When she told them they had to represent the 'Number of the Day' without any light!
The grade 4s felt like they were in the middle of a nightmare,
And decided teachers would do almost anything for a good scare.

Now Mrs. Winsor felt a little sorry for the students because of all the ghoulish pranks they were being put through,

So she decided now would not be the best time to blindfold them and stick their hands in goo,

Halloween was just becoming too much for the grade 4s,
All they really wanted was to just go home and do their chores.

Thankfully, in the midst of all the Halloween horseplay,

Miss Paterson came along and saved the day,
She exclaimed, "We do not have time for all these hijinks. The students are here to learn about safety, sound, healthy relationships, the 94 Calls to Action documented by the Truth and Reconciliation Committee, mapping sounds, and how to be a part of a team."

"WAKE UP MISS PATERSON! It seems you were having a bad dream."

From all the students in the grade 4P room, "Happy month of October to everyone!"

Miss Paterson

GRADE 4W



It is hard to believe we have finished our first month of school! October is always a favourite month in Grade 4! We will continue working on Spelling and writing and start addition in Math! We will keep wearing our geologist hats in Science as we study rocks and minerals. In Social we have learned mapping skills and we are learning all about Bison! Please remember to send water bottles to school! As the weather gets cooler we will have to dress in layers! Remember to get connected with Edsby! Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and a Spooktacular Halloween!

Ms. Willie

GRADE 5

September is gone and October has arrived! I have enjoyed getting to know all of my students and look forward to continue to grow and learn with them. I am excited for fall and Halloween - as we can do some fun activities that relate to both. In math we are learning about patterns, equations with variables and expressions. Please practice these skills at home as it will only help you comprehend and master those skills. Also, students should be reading for 20 minutes every evening! 😊

Ms. Cournoyer

GRADE 6

This month was full of excitement and learning. The students have settled in nicely and routines have been established. We are off to a fantastic year full of personal growth and success.

In LA, we have been reading an imaginative philosophical novel called, The Bridge to Terabithia. We have been focusing on vocabulary skills and comprehension questions. We completed a descriptive writing piece called, The Best Part of Me. Excellent written descriptions of themselves! In Social Studies, we are learning about the countries of Canada that border on the Atlantic Ocean. We have been discussing cultural diversity and assimilation. Many great conversations have evolved around the subject of racism.

Just a reminder, students should be reading every night a novel of their choice that is at their reading level. They will be doing a book report as a homework assignment due on Oct. 21st Each child has received their outline. Please support your child with this assignment. Encourage your child to continue to read every day as this assignment is approaching soon. As well, dictation tests will happen every Friday, so please make sure your child is practicing their weekly words.

The walk a thon is underway, so please make sure to get out there and raise some money for our school. The money raised is put towards technology and field trips ect. The students are really excited about the possibly of getting a chance to 'pie' the admin team or their classroom teacher in the face!! So, let's make this happen!!

Please parents make sure to sign into ClassDojo to stay informed on your child's homework and activities going on/or upcoming in the classroom. If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact the school or message me through ClassDojo.

It's been a wonderful start up!! Keep up the amazing work Grade 6!

Where did September go? Welcome Fall!

Mrs. Donaldson



GRADE 7

We have been so busy learning in the classroom that September just flew by! We started with some basic grammar and punctuation in ELA. I have already seen improvement and will continue throughout the year! That is our goal! The grade 7s have completed their first math unit on integers already! The students done amazing! We are now moving onto fractions, decimals and percents. A little more challenging which makes it more fun and exciting for me! I LOVE MATH! Our classroom is becoming a great work environment for ALL students to learn! I love it!

Ms. Deschambeault

GRADE 8

The month of September is already over and as we move into October our academic calendar is full of assignments and projects. The grade 8 class is working on learning about cells, gaining a deeper understanding of marketing, and have already nearly completed an essay on Greek Mythology. Just a reminder to parents/guardians that Edsby can be used to keep track of assignments handed in. I would encourage you to stay up to date on your child's progress so they don't get behind. Most of our work will be done on Google classroom so there is never any excuse not to get work completed on time!

Ms. Strom

BEEPS

Join in on the fun for Berezowsky Spirit Week!

Monday Oct 31- Costume Day

Tuesday Nov 1st - Pajama Day

Wednesday Nov 2nd- Twin Day

Thursday Nov 3rd- Jersey/Sport Day

Friday Nov 4th- Whacky Hair Day

Ms. Deschambeault and Ms. Wintringham

CROSS COUNTRY

The cross country running team has been training hard for the extravaganza that will be held on Tuesday, October 4th at Spruce Home Public School. Good luck to all runners!

Coach Wintringham and Coach Mack



VOLLEYBALL CO-ED LEAGUE

This year W.J. has entered the Grade 7/8 Volleyball Co-ed league. The students have been enjoying practices and games. The majority of our league games will be on Wednesdays. We are very excited, and are looking forward to a great season.



Coaches

Darcie Court & Tom Mack

PICTURE DAY - Monday, October 3rd - All Classes including Pre-K & Kind.
(Mon. Wed. Groups)

PICTURE DAY Tuesday, October 4th - Pre-K & Kind. (Tues/Thurs. Groups)



Registration for School Cash Online is now available! Please visit www.srsd119.ca/school-cash-online/ for instructions.

We're very excited about this new program as it creates a faster, faster and easier way for parents to pay. The system is also designed to make the reconciliation process easier for secretaries. The success of this system will depend on the participation of parents. This is where we need your help to get the word out and encourage parents to sign up and pay online. Secretaries have the ability to print off a report for you to view your school's participation rate and which students have/have not register. This a valuable report to help you and teachers promote the Online Cash System and increase the participation rate.

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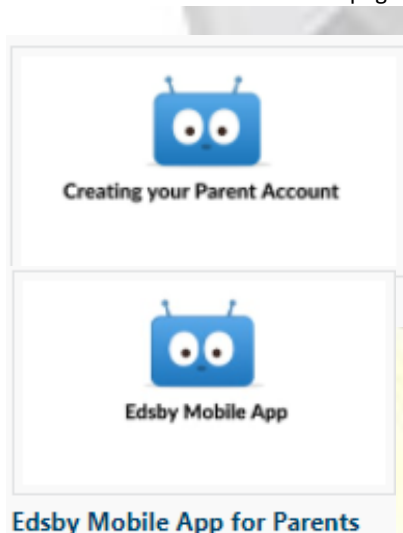
EDSBY

In June, we announced that Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division would be using Edsby as a communication tool and learning management system. Edsby keeps everything safe and secure within the confines of our school division. If you would like to learn more about Edsby security, there is a lot of information here: <https://www.edsby.com/privacy-policy/>

Creating an Account

We will send you an invitation link to the email address that you have shared with the school with instructions to sign up for Edsby. **Your username will be your email address.** Now is the time to ensure our school secretary has your current and correct email address. Edsby provides each parent with their own account so all parents are encouraged to share their email addresses. This is the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division Edsby site: srsd119.edsby.com You will use this link to login to Edsby. Here is a link to Edsby's parent supports with instructions: <https://www.edsby.com/help/parents/>

Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on the video instructions:



<https://vimeo.com/144798060>

If you have more than one child attending our schools, you can use the same information to log in and see information for all of your children.

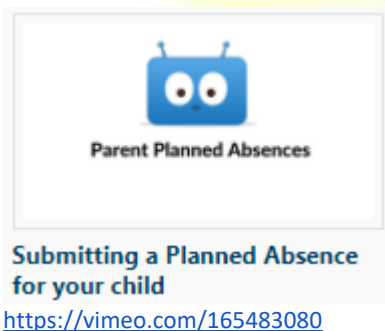
Edsby also has a free app for all iOS and Android smartphones. If you're using a Blackberry, Edsby works great within your browser as well. The power of Edsby while using your smart device means you'll have up-to-the minute access regarding school information anywhere, anytime.

Use the same link for Edsby's parent support and scroll down to the bottom of the page and click this video: <https://www.edsby.com/help/parents/>

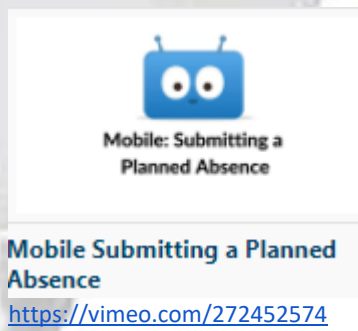
Logging an Absence:

Parents/caregivers can use Edsby to communicate a child's absence. Instructions to log a child's absence using a computer or a cell phone can be found by clicking this link <https://www.edsby.com/help/parents/>

Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click for video instructions:



<https://vimeo.com/165483080>



<https://vimeo.com/272452574>

Parents/caregivers can continue to call the school to log a child's absence.

Edsby has many features. We will continue to provide instructions so that you will learn how to use these features to stay up to date with school and classroom activities and most importantly your child's learning. You are also able to explore much of this information by accessing Edsby's parent help page <https://www.edsby.com/help/parents/>.

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KIDS HAMPERS

W. B. Berezowsky Public School was fortunate enough to have kids hampers donated to the school from Prince Albert Food Bank. These hampers were given out to the first 200 students @ our Meet the Staff BBQ held on Wed. Sept. 21st.
Thank you P.A. Food Bank!



**TO ALL OF OUR
W.J. BEREZOWSKY FAMILIES....
FROM W.J.B. STAFF**





HAPPY
HALLOWEEN!