

W.J. BEREZOWSKY PUBLIC SCHOOL

"Every Child Matters"

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SEPTEMBER 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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			FULL-TIME CLASSES BEGIN K2 - 8	
5	6	7	8	9
Labour Day 				
12	13	14	15	16
		PRE-K STARTS	PRE-K STARTS	
19	20	21	22	23
		Meet the Staff BBQ 5:00 – 6:30 PM 		
26	27	28	29	30
		Walk-A-Thon Sept. 26 th – Oct. 6 th		Orange Shirt Day 

PRINCIPAL/VICE-PRINCIPAL's MESSAGE

It is indeed a pleasure to welcome you to the 2022-23 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!

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 W.J. Berezowsky Public School a wonderful place to learn and work. It is our goal that all students will leave 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 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.

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 the following staff - Mrs. S. Acorn (Band/Music), Mrs. S. Donaldson (Gr. 6 Teacher), Mr. T. Mack (PE Teacher), Mrs. L. Chester (Librarian), Miss. E. Nykiforuk (Gr.8 Intern), Mrs. Peterson (Returning EA) and Mrs. K. Olson (Returning EA). We are pleased to have you join our team to make it even stronger than before!!!

Yours in Education,

Mr. D. Tournier
Principal

Mrs. D. Court
Vice Principal



PRE-K

Welcome back! Summer has flown by and we are getting our Pre-K classroom ready for all of our new and returning students. We are busy making phone calls and preparing our classroom for startup on Sept. 14th for group 1 and Sept 15th for group 2. We are still accepting applications for 3 and 4 year olds for our program. If you have any questions about our program please feel free to call me. We are excited to see all of our Pre-ks and their families.

Mrs. Keller

KINDERGARTEN

Hello!

After a fun and hot summer, September is here! Our primary focus this month will be on the rules and routines of the classroom, school, and playground. Your child will be given the opportunity to play and learn about their fellow peers. We will also begin recognizing, building, and writing our names. In math, we will begin with sorting objects and learning about patterns.

I am looking forward to getting to know your child this month!

Mrs. Jefferson

GRADE 1

I am so excited to welcome our students back for another year of learning. We get to have a pretty normal start, one in which we have not had for over two years. I am excited to see what this new year will bring. I look forward to many great and exciting adventures with the new grade one class. Happy New School year, everyone!

Ms. Wintringham

GRADE 2

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a safe and fun-filled summer break! My name is Mrs Bonnie Dansereau and I will be teaching grade two. This is my third year at W.J. Berezowsky Public School and I am excited to see everyone and to get started! This year will be a little different than the last few years without COVID restrictions in place. I will be sending home additional information with my students explaining what parents and guardians can expect this year. As always, if questions or concerns arise, please don't hesitate to contact me through Edsby or by phone at the school. I'm looking forward to working with all of you this year!

Mrs. Dansereau

GRADE 3

I hope you had a wonderful summer and enjoyed your break. Welcome to grade three! There are many challenging, yet rewarding activities planned for the classroom. Besides academics, the focus this month will be settling into a routine and getting to know each other. I am excited to spend time together as we learn and grow throughout the school year.

Mrs. Winsor

GRADE 4P

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Warm wishes from the grade 4P classroom. I hope this note finds everyone well rested after a wonderful summer. Please let me take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Rayanne Paterson and I am very excited to be your child's teacher this year. I wish everyone a huge "WELCOME" to our classroom and to our school community. I have many interesting and educational activities planned this year that will be challenging and rewarding for all of the students.

A theme we will be concentrating on throughout the school year will be, *What Good Readers Do*. Within this topic are many of the comprehension strategies we will be focusing on in grade four to help the students understand what they are reading. Please keep the following strategies in mind when reading with your children at home.

Good Readers:

- Have a purpose for reading.
- Think about what they already know.
- Make sure they understand what they read.
- Look at pictures when possible.
- Predict what will happen next.
- Form pictures in their mind.
- Draw conclusion about what they read.
- Practice.



Dates to watch for in September include: Monday, September 5 there will be no school due to Labour Day; and Wednesday, September 21 will be the Meet the Staff BBQ at the school from 5:00 - 6:30 pm. Please watch for a detailed note to go home with the students in the coming weeks outlining some of the particulars regarding schedules, routines, and activities in our classroom, and school.

Ms. Paterson

GRADE 4W

Welcome to Grade Four! We are going to have an amazing year! This is my fifth year teaching at WJB and I am very excited to see familiar faces and welcome new ones who have joined our school community! I will be teaching your child all subjects except Music and Gym! Gym will be taught by Mr. Mack on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays! Music will be taught by Mrs. Acorn on Fridays! Please ensure your child has athletic running shoes for gym class. We also encourage all students to have a water bottle marked with their name on it to keep on their desk. Your child will have a student agenda which will be brought home every night in a communication folder. Please make sure to check the agenda nightly and initial the day so I know you have read it! I will send out emails as I introduce new learning items to our classroom! I am looking forward to a fantastic school year! Never hesitate to contact me at school if you have any questions!

Mrs. Willie

GRADE 5

Welcome Back! I hope you all had a fantastic summer break. I look forward to seeing all WJB Berezowsky students. Hope you are ready for a fun filled year!

Ms. Cournoyer

GRADE 6

Welcome back to a new and exciting school year! My name is Mrs. Donaldson and I will be teaching grade 6 this year. I am a wife, a mother of two daughters, and a dog lover. I am a life-long learner of health and wellness. I enjoy hiking in the mountains, boating at Waskesiu and travelling to my favorite place Hawaii. I am so excited to be jumping in to my 22nd year of teaching. As I am new teacher to Berezowsky Public School, I am thrilled to begin connecting with new and familiar faces. I look forward to working with you and your child this year. We have so much planned and so much to accomplish. Working together, I know your child will have a successful school year. I am looking forward to seeing all of your smiley faces and excited to get started! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the school directly or by email at sdonaldson@srsd119.ca.

Mrs. Donaldson

GRADE 7

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a fun and relaxing summer! In the grade 7 classroom, September is going to be about relationship building and setting literacy and math goals! I want to see the grade 7's challenge themselves this year!!! I hope you are as ready as I am to start another school year!!

Ms. Deschambeault

GRADE 8

The start of a new school year is upon us and I am excited for it to start. I can't wait to see all the familiar faces from last year and meet any new students. This year most of our assignments will be on Google Classroom. Parents/Guardians, I would recommend that you check regularly with your kids to make sure they are getting their assignments handed in. You can always check their account to see if anything is overdue as well as check what marks they are receiving on EDSBY. What has given Mr. Bubbles nightmares since elementary school? Come see me if you think you know the answer. Prizes will be awarded!

Ms. Strom

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING

Do you love to run? Sprint? Jog? The cross country running season will begin for any grade 4-8 students starting Tuesday, September 6. All practices will be during the noon-hour. Please bring runners and a water bottle!
Coach Wintringham and Coach Mack



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Welcome back! Hope everyone had a great summer. It's so nice to see everyone.

This is a just a notice that the After School will be back up Each mand running on Monday October 3, 2022. There will be a new permission form sent home. Mondays and Tuesdays will be with Mrs. Wawro. Mondays will be for Grade 4s. Tuesdays will be Grade 5-8. Mrs. Voluta will be doing the After School Program Wednesdays and Thursdays. Grade 1&2s will be together on Wednesdays. Grade 3s will be every Thursday. There is no After School Program on Fridays. We will be excepting the first 10 permission forms each month. It will run from 3:00pm - 4:30pm.

Thank you for your patience. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the school. Have wonderful autumn.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Wawro & Mrs. Voluta

After School Program Coordinator

Mrs. Wawro & Mrs. Voluta

After School Program Coordinators

LIBRARY

I am Leann Chester and will be the new librarian at Red Wing and W.J. Berezowsky. I am looking forward to being a part of this amazing school and meeting all of the students and staff. I am married and have three children and a crazy dog named Bella!!! I love books, reading, and travelling especially to the lake in the summer. I'm excited to see all of your beautiful faces and get to know all of you!!! I have been inducted into the "Wolves Clan" so I am excited to meet my fellow Wolves. Please come visit me in the library 😊

APPROPRIATE DRESS FOR OUR STUDENT WORK ENVIRONMENT

Dress code can best be described as appropriate for a work day at school and should be respectful of staff and students. **This includes no rude, offensive, or violent words and pictures on clothing, no bandanas or what may appear to be gang-related symbols.** Unless it is unusually cold, children are expected to play outside before school and during recess and should, therefore, be dressed for the weather which includes appropriate footwear. Clothing should be marked so that if it becomes misplaced it can be identified and returned. Short-shorts, bralette tops, bathing suits and bare feet are not considered appropriate nor safe for a work day at school. Thank you for your support.

CLAN INTRAMURALS

This year WJB will be hosting Clan Intramurals during recess time. All students are required to bring their clan shirts back to school so that they are available on their Intramural Days. We look forward to a fun and exciting year.

CELLPHONE

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 or locker. 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. Students will be allowed to use their cellphone during their recess and lunch breaks. If a student is using their cellphone inappropriately (taking and/or posting pictures and videos) or using their cellphone during class time without permission, their cell phone 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.



MUSIC/BAND

Welcome to a new school year! My name is Mrs. Acorn and I am so excited to be teaching music and band at WJ Berezowsky Public School. I have many fun and exciting things planned for us to do throughout the school year, and am looking forward to meeting each of my new students. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the school, or send me an email [sacorn@srsd119.ca].

Mrs. Shelly Acorn
Band/Arts Ed Teacher

W.J.B. STAFF LIST 2022 - 2023

ADMINISTRATION

Dwayne Tournier
Darcie Court

Principal
Vice-Principal

TEACHERS – PRE-K – GRADE 8

Nancy Keller
Brittany Jefferson
Lori Wintringham
Bonnie Dansereau
Marcie Winsor
Rayanne Paterson/Darcie Court
Melanie Willie
Brandi Cournoyer
Susan Donaldson/Darcie Court
Kim Deschambeault
Daygen Strom
Tom Mack
Brandi Cournoyer
Shelly Acorn
Jennifer Huddlestone
Carol Martens

Pre-Kindergarten (2 Classes Alternate Days)
Kindergarten (2 Classes Alternate Days)
Grade 1
Grade 2
Grade 3
Grade 4 (R. Patterson - Dream Catcher Coach .3)
Grade 4
Grade 5
Grade 6
Grade 7
Grade 8
Phys. Ed
Phys. Ed – Grade 5
Band/Music (.60 at WJB)
Ed Support Teacher
In-house Literacy Coach

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF

Bev Meyers
Kirsti Olson
Jan Peterson
Lana Shaw
Violeta Voluta
Krista Wawro
Annette Corrigan
Susanna DeWinnaar

Educational Associate
Educational Associate (Pre-K .5)
Educational Associate
Educational Associate (.5)
Educational Associate
Educational Associate
Educational Associate (Pre-K)
Educational Associate (Extra Help)

SUPPORT STAFF

Andrea Haughn
Adam Horachek
Leann Chester
Jessica Morey
Janet Benvenuti
Sean Arcand
Laurie Huet

Secretary
School Social Worker (WJB .4)
Librarian (WJB .5)
Nutrition Co-ordinator
Mentor
Mentor
Dreambroker

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM CO-OR.

Krista Wawro
Violeta Voluta

Mon. & Wed.
Tues. & Thurs.

CARETAKER

Kenton Fusick

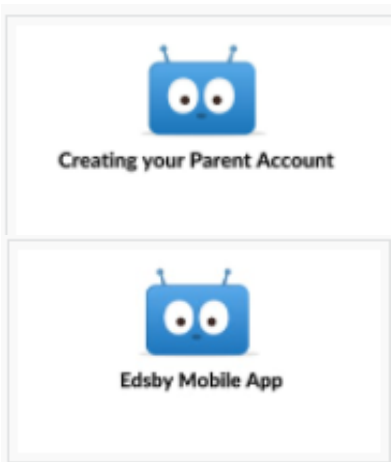
EDSBY

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/>

Edsby Mobile App for Parents

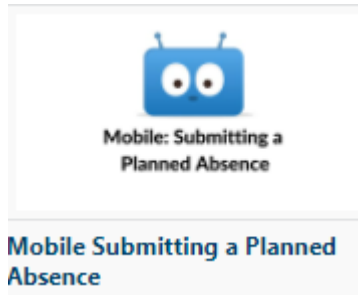
Logging an Absence:

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.

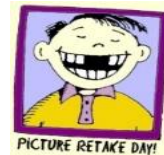
Edsby has many features. We will continue to provide instructions so that you will learn how to use these features to stay up to date with school and classroom activities and most importantly your child's learning. You are also able to explore much of this information by accessing Edsby's parent help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

PICTURE DAY - Monday, October 3rd
Grades 1-8 Pre-K/Kind. (Mon.Wed. Class)



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

RETAKE DAY - Thursday, November 4th
(includes Pre-K/Kind. (Mon. Wed. Class))



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.

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.



Make online payments with
SchoolCashOnline

- ✓ Field Trips
- ✓ Sports Events
- ✓ Activity Fees

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School Cash Simplified



DREAM BROKERS

Dear Parent or Guardian,

My name is Laurie Huet and I am W.J. Berezowsky and Princess Maragret Public School's Dream Broker Consultant. The Dream Broker Program initiates and sustains the participation of children and youth in new or existing sport, culture and recreation opportunities that promote positive outcomes. As a Dream Broker Consultant, I work with children, youth and families to help remove potential barriers to participation, such as: registration fees, lack of transportation and the cost of equipment. Our goal is to provide opportunities that will help each child develop skills that will benefit them throughout their lives.

SaskSport, Lakeland District for Sports Culture and Recreation, Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association and Sask Culture in conjunction with Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division, Prince Albert Catholic School Division and the City of Prince Albert have all made this program possible.

Please find attached a list of activities currently accepting registrations and some free of cost programming in Prince Albert. If you would like to find out more about how the Dream Broker program can assist your family with some of these activity costs, please contact me by phone at W.J. Berezowsky (306)763-7404, Princess Maragret (306)763-5217 or email lhuet@srsd119.ca. I will also be at each school for parent teacher conferences or you can stop by any time if you have questions. I look forward to working with you and your family.

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