

W.J. BEREZOWSKY PUBLIC SCHOOL

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March 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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6	7	8	9	10
		Ribbon Skirt/ Ribbon Shirt Day 		
13	14	15	16	17
		Parent/Teacher Interviews 3 – 8 pm		Convention No Classes Happy St. Patrick's Day 
			Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser March 16 th - March 29 th	
20	21	22	23	24
PLC Day No Classes		Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser March 16 th - March 29 th		
27	28	29	30	31
Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser March 16 th - March 29 th		End of Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser		

PRINCIPAL & VICE-PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we begin to approach the month of March, we are hoping to be blessed by Mother Nature with warmer temperatures. This will give us a great opportunity to enjoy outdoor activities.



Our teachers have been busy assessing students in preparation for parent teacher interviews on March 15th. Reminder: there will be no report cards sent home at this time. The interviews are to inform you on how your child is doing in various subject at school. Interviews will run on March 15th from 3:00pm - 8:00pm. More information about interview night will be sent home shortly - Stay Tuned.

Why it is important to read with your child?

Reading to children **stimulates their imagination and expands their understanding of the world**. It helps them develop language and listening skills and prepares them to understand written words. Reading to a child has been proven to improve cognitive skills and aid in cognitive development. We challenge all parents to read daily with their children.

On March 16th, the SCC is starting their annual Co-op gift card fundraiser. This fundraiser runs from March 16th to March 29th. Please consider supporting the WJB SCC with purchasing Coop Gift Cards.

Mr. Tournier
Principal

Mrs. Court
Vice-Principal



PRE-K

March always brings the hope of spring even though we still have a lot of snow outside. In Pre-K we will be busy learning about gardening and planting inside where it is warm. We have our garden tent set up and ready for our plants so we will be busy in the next few days digging in the dirt and planting seeds. We will try and get a head start on the growing season. It is always so much fun for us to work in the dirt together! We will continue to enjoy playing in the snow outside as long as the weather permits. Hopefully spring is just around the corner!

Mrs. Keller



KINDERGARTEN

March is Here! We will continue to care for our plants and watch them grow daily. We will also continue talking about the plant life cycle and soon be talking about the butterfly life cycle to prepare for our class set of caterpillars. In math, we will begin discussing the concept of more and less. In ELA, we will continue practicing our letter sounds and building words. If anyone has large yogurt containers that you would like to donate to our class garden, please send them with your child. I am looking forward to this month of school!

Mrs. Jefferson



GRADE 1

We are already into March. Only four more months left in our school year. I am seeing incredible effort in learning coming from the students and an even bigger support coming through from the students' families. Thank you again for all that you do to support your child's learning. Students continue to focus on letter blending and sentence structure to help them become more efficient with their reading. Students have new goals to get them through to the end of the year. They will be working on writing sentences with capital letters, proper finger spaces and periods. Please encourage your child at home to sound out each word while they practice writing out sentences. Reading and writing practice at home will always be valuable time spent. We have just wrapped up a math unit on measurement. The students had fun comparing objects that share the same attributes, such as length, area, volume and mass.

Students are continuing to learn about what makes a good friend and how kindness plays a huge role in our lives and how we respect others. Here's to a great March. ☺

Ms. Wintringham

GRADE 2

Happy Spring! With any luck this month we'll see a change of season and some nicer weather!

We are very excited for spring in grade two; we have many fun spring time activities planned including some hands-on learning in science, spring time art projects and some St. Patrick's Day fun!

Our home reading program is going very well- a FYI for parents; students can read books that they have at home and add them to their reading logs. Keep on reading grade two! I'm so pleased with the progress you've been making!

A reminder to families- WJB is a nut free zone. Please ensure that your child's lunch does NOT contain peanut or nut products. This includes Reese's cups and other treats. Nut products are very dangerous to people with nut allergies.

We will continue to have "Show and Tell" on Fridays. If your child would like to bring one item to share with the class, they are welcome to bring it Friday. Please ensure your child is not bringing toys to school on other days. Some students have been bringing toys to school and they are a major distraction during class time.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at the school by email bdansereau@srsd119.ca or by phone. Have a great month!

Mrs. Dansereau



GRADE 3



I hope you all had a wonderful February break and enjoyed some time to spend with family and to relax. As we settle back into our routine, the focus this month in our classroom is about luck, leprechauns, and pots of gold! Our reading and writing will be on St. Patrick's Day, Irish traditions, and folklore. In social studies we will be studying the country of Ireland. Multiplication is our focus in math. Students are practicing math games which can also be played at home. Thank you again for all that you do to support your child's learning.

Sláinte (slawn-Cha): "Good health to you!" is an Irish Gaelic phrase. Best of luck for the month of March!

Mrs. Winsor

GRADE 4P



Welcome to the month of leprechauns, four-leaf clovers, and pots of gold at the end of rainbows. In our classroom we are also welcoming learning about: fractions; the ways in which First Nations and Metis people are governed; the differences between an antonym, synonym, and homophone; the qualities of a good friend so we are able to create an advertisement seeking a new friend; and how to separate a word into syllables and morphemes to help us decode it.

Every morning we hold a morning meeting in our classroom to help build a sense of community amongst the students while incorporating some aspect of the curriculum. One of our favourite activities is called a "Snowball Activity". This activity involves the students answering a thought-provoking question I have presented them with in a complete sentence, and then sharing their answer with their classmates by throwing their paper around the classroom like a snowball. The students get a chance to pick up the other snowballs and read what their classmates wrote. One particular question the students were presented with was:

GRADE 4P (Con't)

Would you rather stay up late playing board games for hours OR play video games for one hour and be done by 7:00 p.m.? Why?

Read the following responses and see if you can guess which one your own child wrote:

I would rather...

- ... play for one hour because if I stay up past 9:30 I will be tired in the morning for school.
- ... play video games for one hour and be done by 7:00 p.m. because if I stay up late I would sleep in and be late for school.
- ... stay up and play video games for an hour because if I play board games for hours I would be tired.
- ... play video games for one hour and be done by 7:00 p.m. because all the time left I can play with my brother.
- ... stay up late and play video games for one hour because I am gonna play with my dad.
- ... stay up late and play board games for hours because if I play video games I would only get to play for one hour.
- ... play video games for one hour because I don't like to stare at the tv for too long.
- ... play video games for one hour because my family never plays with me and one hour is plenty enough time to get a few quests done on Hogwarts Legacy.
- ...play board games because I can spend time with my family and friends.
- ... stay up for an hour playing video games because when your done you can talk to your friends.
- ... play video games for one hour and be done by 7:00 p.m. because I've been playing since I was a baby.
- ...play one hour.
- ... stay up and play video games because it keeps me busy.

Hmmm... it would seem playing video games is the clear favourite.

Important dates to watch for in March include: Parent Teacher Interviews will be held during the evening of Wednesday, March 15. There is no school on Friday, March 17 due to Teachers' Convention, as well as there being no school on Monday, March 20 due to a PLC. Best of luck for the month of March. ☺

Ms. Paterson



GRADE 4W

Cheers to spring being around the corner! In Grade Four we are going to be busy learning division in Math! Knowing our multiplication facts makes division so much easier! Please continue to practice those facts at home! We'll be starting our first novel study soon in E.L.A. and we will be working on some poetry writing! All year we have been working hard on learning new spelling words. Please take ten minutes to practice these words at home. I would also encourage reading every night also. This could be you reading with your child. You could tackle a book together where you take turns reading pages! A trip to the public library is always a great outing! In Social Studies we will be finishing up our learning about treaties and will start learning about agriculture in Saskatchewan. Registration for spring activities are open, so don't forget to check out all the great things offered in our community! If you need any help our Dream Broker is here to help you! Have a wonderful month and remember to sign and return those agendas!

Mrs. Willie



GRADE 5

March already! Time is just flying. We have started a new unit in math - fractions and decimals. Remember to be practicing those math facts!

Ms. Cournoyer



GRADE 6

Welcome back!

I hope you all have had an enjoyable and restful February break. This part of the term is a busy one. We have a lot to cover and learn as the year is progressing very quickly. I hope that you are as excited about March as I am. We are beginning our Country research reports, this will be a very fun and engaging activity for the students. Students should be reading their novel daily for a minimum of 20 minutes at home. This will help them to be prepared for upcoming assignments and improve reading skills. Students will continue with narrative writing this month, building super sentences and paragraph writing. We will continue with our weekly grammar lessons and in addition to reading be sure your child is studying their focus words for Friday's dictation.

I look forward to meeting with parents/guardians again on the evening of the 15th to discuss your child's academic progress thus far. Please feel free to contact me with any concerns or questions.

Hang on! Spring is almost here!

Mrs. Donaldson



GRADE 7



Spring is on its way!! The grade 7's started two new units that they absolutely enjoy! In health we are learning about substance use and additions. In ELA, students are on their persuasive unit with a popular culture theme and they sure are loving to disagree with the technology persuasive writes we have been reading in class! I love the discussion and debates that are happening.

The grade 7 students have been introduced to google classroom, our health unit has been uploaded and shared with the students, and they can access this anytime they need at school or at home to complete assignments.

Ms. Deschambeault



GRADE 8

I hope March brings renewed energy as the days are getting longer and the weather begins to warm up! We are just finishing up our writing unit and the class has produced some awesome murder mysteries. We are learning about buoyancy and pressure in science and have been expanding our knowledge of why we are so lucky to live in Canada. Reminder to all students to make sure to get all your assignments handed in.

Ms. Strom

BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the grade 4-5 and grade 6-8 basketball teams! Both teams played weekly league games last month and developed many new skills!

Coach Huddlestone and Coach Mack



BADMINTON

Badminton season is now underway for the grade 6-8 team. League games will be played on Wednesdays.

Coach Jefferson

Coach Winsor

Coach Mack



- The badminton schedule is not released till next Monday

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Co-op cards will be sold from March 16th to March 29th. There will be treats for handing in forms and also prizes to be won for selling. There will be more information closer to March 16.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent-Teacher in-person interviews will be held on Wednesday, March 15th from 3:00-8:00 p.m. A note will be sent home beginning of March for interview request times.

Please update your contact info and emails by phoning the school so that we have the most accurate information.

No report cards in March; final report cards will be sent home end of June.

WJB CLOTHING

There are extra WJB clothing for sale. We have an assortment of sizes and colors available @ the office. If you are interested, please phone school or stop in at the office.



T-Shirt - Youth & Adult

Youth and Adult Sizes (S,M,L,XL) - Light Grey or Black - \$20.00
(Short Sleeve)

Hoody - Adult

Sizes (S,M,L,XL) - Light Grey or Black - \$40.00

Hoody - Youth

Sizes (S,M,L,XL) - Light Grey or Black - \$30.00

Sweat Pants - Adult

Sizes (S,M,L,XL) - Light Grey, Black - \$35.00
(Closed/Elastic Bottom)

Sweat Pants - Youth

Sizes (S, M, L, XL)- Light Grey, Black - \$25.00
(Closed/Elastic Bottom)