



ALONSA COMMUNITY REPORT

2023/2024

MISSION STATEMENT

To recognize, encourage and celebrate student learning.

SCHOOL MOTTO

To make a difference through empowerment.

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Alonsa School is a community-based Kindergarten to Grade 12 school with an enrolment of 114 students. Our school has a teaching Principal, a teaching Resource teacher, 9 Teachers, and 8 Educational Assistants. We also have a secretary, a librarian, a custodian, a cleaner, a community connector, a community connector support worker and 5 bus drivers.

Alonsa School offers programs in Human Ecology, Woods, Automotive, Electrical, Resource and a wide range of Academic Studies. We offer full time kindergarten, a nursery program that runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays, a school social worker clinician, speech language services and student services. Our school Social Worker Clinician is shared by the division and is in our school two times per month, our Speech and Language Pathologist visits our school a few days a month, while Education Assistants work with students the remainder of the time. Alonsa School has a Smart board in every classroom, a portable iPad cart, two portable Laptop carts, a designated computer lab and 4 touch TVs.

Alonsa School, with the support of Turtle River School Division, prides itself on its ability to keep up with technological advances. Grade 9 students receive a new laptop for use and can keep it if they graduate from Turtle River School Division.

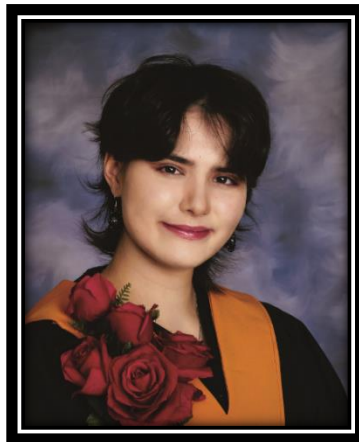
2024 ALONSA SCHOOL GRADUATES



Lucius Edwards



Sam Gurke



Christina Strong

Congratulations Graduates and Good Luck With Your Future Endeavors!

SCHOOL PRIORITIES

1. LITERACY

By June 2024, 75% of students in grades 1 to 8 will be either reading at grade level or have gained at least one full grade level of reading achievement – a grade level is equivalent to 3 reading levels (based on the divisional reading assessment)

2. NUMERACY

By June 2024, 70% of students in grades 4-9 will demonstrate an understanding of 70% or more of the “Essential Outcomes” in math.

3. MENTAL HEALTH

By June 2024, 75% of grade 7-12 students will report low levels of anxiety and 75% of students grades 7-12 will report low levels of depression.

PROVINCIAL ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Gr. 7 Provincial Assessment Results – Number Sense and Number Skills

		Not Meeting Mid-Grade 7 Level of Performance	Approaching Mid-Grade 7 Level of Performance	Meeting Mid-Grade 7 Level of Performance	Out of Range - below
Student has a conceptual understanding of number and of some of its representations	Student orders fraction	2	5	6	1
	Student orders decimal numbers	0	3	11	0
	Student understands that a given number may be represented in a variety of ways.	0	3	11	0
Student solves mathematical problems using knowledge of number patterns and mental math strategies	Student uses number patterns to solve mathematical problems.	3	9	0	2
	Student uses a variety of strategies to calculate and explain a mental math problem.	1	4	9	0

Grade 8 Provincial Assessment Results -Reading Comprehension and Expository Writing

		Not Meeting Mid-Grade 8 Level of Performance	Approaching Mid-Grade 8 Level of Performance	Meeting Mid-Grade 8 Level of Performance
Student Comprehends a variety of grade-level texts (fiction and non-fiction)	Student understands key ideas and messages in a variety of texts.	0	0	7
	Student interprets a variety of texts.	0	2	5
	Student responds critically to a variety of texts.		2	5
Student writes expository texts for a variety of audiences and purposes (to inform, describe, explain, persuade, state an opinion, etc.)	Student generates, selects, and organizes ideas to support reader's understanding.	0	2	5
	Student chooses language (word choices and sentence patterns) to make an impact on the reader.	0	3	4
	Student uses conventions (spelling, grammar, and/or punctuation) and resources (spell-checker, thesauruses, dictionaries, etc.) to edit and proofread to make meaning clear.	0	6	1

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

This year has been busy at Alonsa School. Students attended presentations and special events, participated in sporting events, and enjoyed many different school activities.

Below is a sampling of some of the activities:

Meet the Teacher	Orange Shirt Day	Down Hill Skiing
Christmas Concert	Spirit Week	Halloween Activities
Remembrance Day Service	Parent/Teacher Interviews	Tubing
Breakfast with Santa	Live Different Presentation	Valentine Activities
Career Fair Brandon	Jump Rope for Heart	Bill the Dog Presentation
Pow-Wow Presentation	Earth Day	Town Clean-Up
Field Trips	Awards Day	
Red River Trades	Oak Hammock Marsh	
Symposium	Presentation	

COMMUNITY CONNECTOR MRS. GURKE

Community Schools-2023-2024

This school year has seen the return of many of our favorite programs. Daily breakfast is served along with a once-a-week free hot lunch, Breakfast with Santa, Christmas Dinner, Christmas Store, numerous presentations and evening programming

Our entire school once again participated in Orange Shirt Day in the spirit of hope and reconciliation to honour and remember residential school survivors, their families, and communities. We also took part in Pink Shirt Day as a reminder to stand against bullying.

We were fortunate to have Mr. Jason Parenteau join us again for several days to teach us about Treaties as well as plants and medicines. Mr. Parenteau also guided us through our second annual Pow Wow Presentation that had several of our very own students and community members participating.

Our grades 7-12 students participated in the Live Different Assembly. This year's assembly theme was "The Power of Possibility-Building hope and resilience through Self-belief" The assembly explored how our beliefs shape our identities and influence our perception of the world. Within the interactive one-hour event. Our grades 9-12 also participated in a one-hour "Deeper Dive" workshop after the assembly.

We are celebrating the end of the school year with our annual barbeque alongside our second annual awards day ceremonies.

The annual summer programming will continue this summer with free transportation to and from swimming lessons at the McCreary Swimming Pool!

As we look to September, we are excited to be receiving the Building Student Success with Indigenous Parents funding as well as the School Nutrition funding. These additional funds will allow the school to offer some new and exciting programming as well as expand on our already popular nutrition program.

We want all of our students and families to know that although the school year has come to an end, we are still here to provide supports where we can throughout the summer months. Should a family find themselves in need of assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to Amanda Gurke our Community Connector - (204)870-0726.

Please have a safe and fun summer!!

SPORTS NEWS

The students of Alonsa School trained hard this year and represented our school well at all of the competitions. The Senior Volleyball Boys Volleyball Team came in First at Single A Provincials. The team consisted of boys from Alonsa School and McCreary School. On the team from Alonsa School was Sam Gurke, Colt Anderson, Hunter Oleschak, Tyson Flett, Liam Kitching and Ethan Dayholos.

Colt Anderson attended Cross Country Provincials in September.

We also had DJ Whitford, Jade Wall, Liam Kitching, Ethan Dayholos, Colt Anderson, and Christina Strong compete at Track and Field Provincials in June. All athletes made a good showing.

Our junior teams also worked hard this year. Our mixed soccer team place 4th at divisionals, the girls' volleyball team placed 3rd, the boys' volleyball team placed 5th, the girls basketball team placed 2nd, the boys team placed 4th, the mixed curling team placed 1st and 2nd and badminton we had a few students place 2nd.

A huge thank you to all of the staff who work tirelessly coaching the different teams!

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

We would like to send best wishes to Mrs. Asham, Ms. Ferland and Ms. Janz. They will be missed. We are excited to welcome Mrs. Miranda Wardle, Mrs. Cindy Reimer and Mrs. Trina Wardle. Mrs. Miranda Wardle will be teaching Grades 6/7. In Grade 3/4 teaching ELA and Math will be Mrs. Cindy Reimer and also teaching Grade 3/4 will be Mrs. Trina Wardle. We are also excited to have Ms. Caumartin as our Resource Teacher next year.

PRINCIPAL'S FINAL THOUGHTS

It has been a very busy year and it has gone by extremely quickly! I hope everyone has a great summer and we look forward to seeing all the students back on September 4th!