

Alonsa School Newsletter

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Principal's Message

January Greetings from Alonsa School.

Here we are just one month into the calendar designation of winter and one month since the Christmas break. The outside temperatures right now are anything but the normal January winter. However, with the pleasant temperatures are other issues such as freezing rain and icy roads.

Now that we have the variable winter weather, we ask parents to ensure that their children are appropriately dressed before getting on the bus. Students do not go out when the temperature is -25°C or less. However, students need some exercise and fresh air as a break from the classroom work. Inside the school is not a good option when the temperatures are milder. Mitts, hats, winter coats, boots are a must for bus rider safety and recess breaks.

We are only a few days away from the regular school examinations for the Grades 9 to 12 students. This year because many courses are run over the entire year there

are few examinations to write. As a result, there are fewer days needed for the writing of the exams. All exams will be written in the gym for the two days of the exam period. There are exams scheduled for the afternoons and mornings of January 28 and 29.

Students once finished their exams can go home if they have a note. Otherwise any student writing exams is to be in the designated study room.

There are no parent/teacher interviews after these reports. However, interviews can be arranged should any parents want to speak with the teachers concerning the progress of their children. Should there be any concerns, please contact the school by phone or in person. Arrangements can be made with staff to meet with parents at a prearranged time and date.

We are planning a March Dinner Theatre that will feature local community and student talent. The tentative day is March 18. Any community members interested in taking part in the Dinner Theatre are welcome to do so. We would like the entries to be confirmed by Feb. 6, 2015 so that planning and preparations can begin.

Yearbooks

There are five yearbooks left for sale at the cost of \$25.00. Anyone who is interested can contact Mrs. Anderson at 204-767-2168 or banderson@trsd32.mb.ca Thanks.

Dates to Remember

January 28 and 29: Grade 9 to 12 exams

January 30 - Admin Day (no classes)

February 2 - First day of classes for Semester 2

February 3 - Division Curling

February 3 - Grade 9-12 reports are handed out

February 6 - Last day for talent entries for the March Dinner Theatre

February 6 - 100th day of school

February 16 - Louis Riel Day - No Classes

February 17 - 20 - Book Fair

February 16 - 20 - I Love to Read Week



Grade Two/Three News

The grade twos/threes have been busy working up a storm since the Christmas break.

We have started our school skating this month. It will be taking place on Tuesday mornings from 10:45-11:45. I welcome any parents that wish to join us. The K/1s will be joining us again this year.

February is a very busy month. We will be having reading activities throughout the school as it is **I Love to Read Month** and we are also celebrating our 100th day of school on February 6. Valentine's Day will also be celebrated this month. We will be having our party on February 13.

We will be going to the Festival du Voyageur this year on February 19. We will be taking part in all kinds of fun activities such as sleigh rides and candy making. The K/1s will be joining us on our trip.

Keep a sharp eye out for all the activities that are coming up. I hope everyone has a great month.

- Ms. A. Caruk



I am excited to announce our next Scholastic Book Fair will be held in February! The theme for this Book Fair is, "Book Fair Under the Sea: Explore an Ocean of Books!" What a great way to promote reading to our students by supporting this important literary event!

We invite your entire family to participate by purchasing the latest and greatest in children's and teen's books. We also feature adult best sellers at the Book Fair too!

The Book Fair will be held in the Alonsa School Library beginning on Tuesday, February 17 from 9:00-3:30 and open after school for the Parent Evening from 3:30-5:00; Wednesday, February 18 from 9:00-3:30; Thursday, February 19 from 9:00-3:30; and our final day will be Friday, February 28 from 9:00-1:00.

Once again I will be holding many classroom contests for Pre-School to Grade 8 where your child could win a poster or a book from the book fair. There will be a High School contest for Grades 9-12 where participating students have a chance to win a \$10.00 gift certificate to use at the book fair! Each participant in these contests will receive a small prize just for handing in their entry!

We also will be having the "Parent Event" draw on the first day of the book fair in support of our Parent Evening. You can enter your child for the draw where a student will win \$25.00 in books for themselves and \$25.00 in books for their classroom! This contest is open to Pre-school to Grade 8 students attending Alonsa School. Look on your child's book fair flyer for the ballot that parents can deposit during the Family Event.

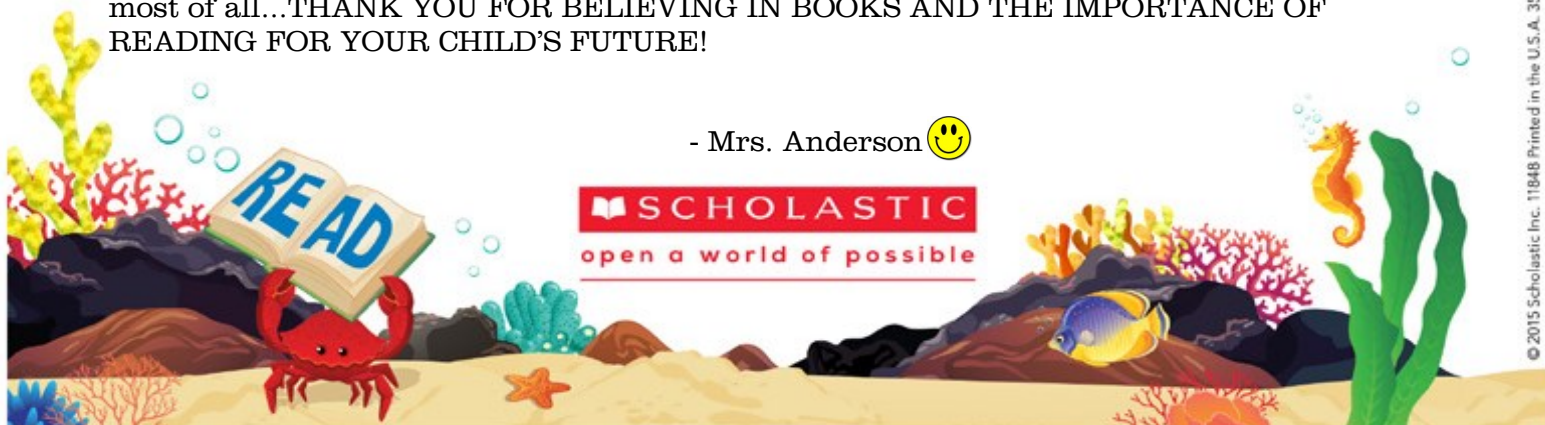
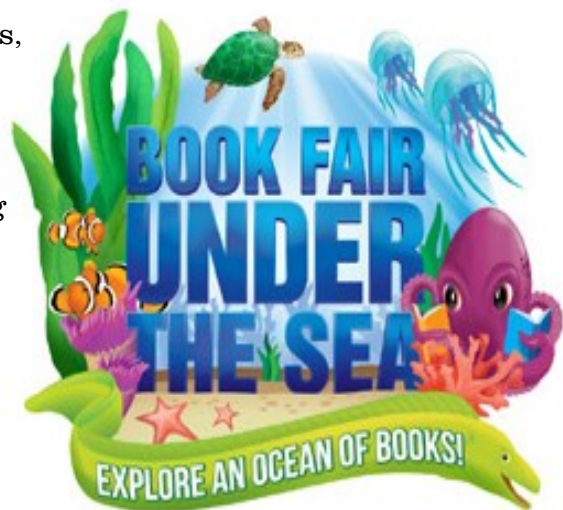
One more fun contest for Parents and Students alike is to guess how many Sea Creature Crackers are in the bowl! The student with the closest guess has a chance to win a poster or a book from the book fair and the parent with the closest guess will also win a selected prize on display at the book fair!

Book Fair flyers are coming home soon. They provide a FEW of the books available at the book fair. Look for the QR code on the front of the flyer that you can scan with the QR reader on your device to get detailed information on the books available or you can also visit Scholastic's website at www.scholastic.ca/bookfairs/ for more information on the books available and you can also watch the "Book Tube" video which shares book trailers, author interviews and literacy ideas!

I am looking forward to seeing you at our book fair and want to thank you in advance for supporting this literary fundraiser. Did you know for every \$10 you spent at the book fair, we have the potential to earn up to \$7 in books for our school? That's right! Since this is our second book fair and we are having it in February, we have already earned a 20% bonus, giving us the potential to earn 70% back in sales if we reach our goal! But, most of all...**THANK YOU FOR BELIEVING IN BOOKS AND THE IMPORTANCE OF READING FOR YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE!**

- Mrs. Anderson 😊

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Beginning of Semester 2</i>	3 <i>-High School Report Cards -Sr. Divisional Curling-All Day at McCreary</i>	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14  <i>Happy Valentine's Day!</i>
15	16 <i>Louis Riel Day - School Closed</i>	17 <i>Book Fair - 9 AM-3:30PM & Family Event from 3:30-5:00PM</i>	18 <i>-Book Fair 9AM-3:30PM -Gr. 4-7 to Festival du Voyageur - leave at 7:30 AM -Sr. Boys Divisional Basketball-All Day at Glenella</i>	19 <i>-Book Fair 9AM-3:30PM -K-Gr. 3 & Gr. 8 to Festival du Voyageur-leave at 8:15 AM -Grad Photos</i>	20 <i>-Book Fair 9AM - 1:00PM</i>	21
22	23 <i>P.D. - No Classes</i>	24	25	26	27	28
<h1>I Love to Read Month!</h1>						
						