

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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