

ALONSA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2022

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As the cold weather approaches students are reminded to dress appropriately for the conditions. Younger students in the elementary years will be going outside for recess and noon hours and it is important that they are properly dressed for the weather. Older students need to be aware that they may be outside waiting for their bus and they should be properly dressed. At this time of year all students should be wearing a warm jacket.

Parents that drop off students are asked to not drop off students until 8:30. Students will not be able to enter school until 8:25 due to supervision requirements. When dropping off and picking up students please stay out of the bus loop between 8:30-9:00 and 3:10-3:40.

Once again we will be hosting a community Remembrance Day Service on Thursday Nov. 10. Mrs. Zalluski is busy organizing this and more information will follow.

Students also need to ensure that they are only eating their own lunch and not sharing their lunches because of allergy and dietary restrictions. With the extra junk food, soon to be in circulation, parents are reminded that the school is a nut free area and any treats being sent for snacks must be checked to ensure they are nut free.

Report Cards for students in Kindergarten – Grade 12 will be going home on Monday November 21. We will be conducting Parent/Teacher Interviews on the evening of Thursday November 24 and Friday November 25th in the am. Look for information coming.

I am also happy to introduce Ben Swain. He will be working as an Educational Assistant in the Kindergarten room. We look forward to getting to know Mr. Swain.

We look forward to a great month!

Nathan Dmytriw



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Left We Forget

The month of October has flown by, and students have been hard at work in their various courses. In Grade 9, students have made a lot of progress with their course material. We will be wrapping up our chapter on solving equations by the end of the month, which is one of the more difficult chapters in the course. Students in Grade 7/8 have wrapped up the science unit focusing on the Earth's Crust, and have started looking at our first social studies unit. We have been talking about the shape of the earth, the pros and cons of maps and globes, the basic geography of the earth, and how the natural environment and humans impact each other.

Grade 7/8 students have been learning all about fractions in October. The 7's have been learning to add and subtract fractions. The 8's have been learning to multiply and divide fractions as well as use the order of operations with fractions.

We have continued to complete some music theory during our music classes, and we are continuing to look at French vocabulary that is centered around food. Art has been a mixture of holiday themed art and art related to science



We are at the one-fifth of the school year and heading to end of the first term!!! Students are getting ready for Halloween Parties and Trick-or-Treating as well as thinking a little about the service for the upcoming Remembrance Day.

In Personal Finance, students from Grade 10 study about Economy in general as well as the more local aspects of Economy (Provincial and Regional). They also learnt about different financial institutions, and also why having a bank account is so important in the XXI century.

In Math, Grade 5-6 students finished their first Math test. Grade 5 learnt about decimals (comparing and ordering) as well as finished large numbers. Grade 6, however, investigated positive and negative integers and started to understand mixed numbers.

In Physical Education, all grades taught were focused on Volleyball as most students participated in our school teams. Grade 5/6 students were introduced to the basic volleyball skills (Setting and bumping), Grade 7/8 started to play more organized forms of Volleyball game. Grade 9-10s were practicing their skills and some practiced spiking and jump serves.—Mr. Nogaj

The Gr. 11/ELA 30S class have just finished the Mythology Unit along with the Hero's Journey Unit. Great presentations on writing narrative stories and analyzing films with the hero's journey application. ELA 30S has started their novel study, CodeTalker, which deals with Navajo men in the U.S. enlisting in the Marine Corps during WWII and using their knowledge of the Navajo language to create an unbreakable code for the Allies. Selected Navajo men were trained to be in the American marines along with having trained military individuals be their "bodyguards" to protect them during the battles that they were involved in. It has been discovered that the Canadian government had a similar plan using Cree CodeTalkers from across Canada to assist with the war effort to defeat the Germans and Japanese in WWII. We are looking forward to this novel study along with viewing the film, "The Windtalkers", which is based on the novel. The Gr. 12/ELA 40S class have completed their Poetry Analysis Unit with a final analysis essay of three poems by Margaret Atwood, a Canadian poet and author (think The Handmaid's Tale show). CTFNMI 40S are finishing up their personal Medicine Wheels and looking at portrayal of Indigenous people in the media. Global Issues 40S have completed the topic of the Environment with an essay project dealing with the examination of Lake Winnipeg and the importance of sustaining this important waterway for the present and future. The class will be looking at the roles of the Media and Consumerism as influencing factors in society's positive and negative attitudes towards sustainability. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at dgrimstead@trsd.ca. Have a great November. Stay healthy and safe. Mrs. Grimstead

Over the month of October the Grade 12 Essential Math 40S students completed the Geometry Unit and are currently finishing the Trigonometry Unit. The students then get to look forward to a unit on Precision Measurement.

The unit on Logic Reasoning came to an end for the Grade 11 Applied Math 30S class. They are currently working on the Statistics unit.

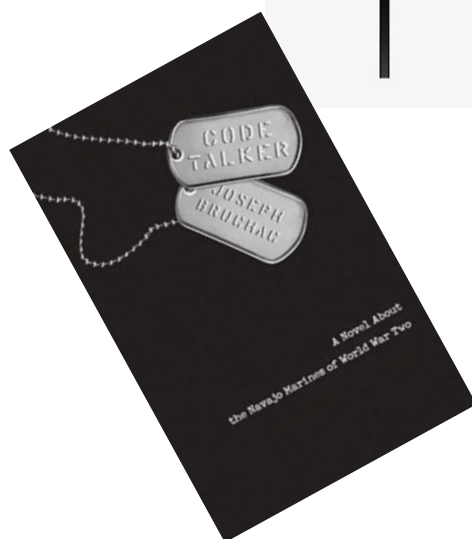
In Grade 11 Essential Math 30S students have completed the 3D-Geometry unit and will soon be completing the unit on Drawing and Design. The unit on Volume is next.

Unit 2: The Digestive System is coming to an end for the Biology 30S students.

Next month students will be learning Unit 3: Transport and Respiration System.

Chemistry 30S students completed their studies on Physical Properties of Matter, as well as, Gases and the Atmosphere.

They currently are studying Unit 3: Chemical Reactions. Mr. Reimer





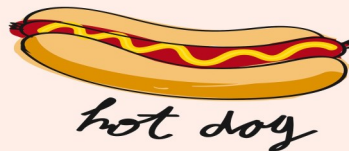
News from Alonsa School Student Council

This year Student Council consists of 18 members!

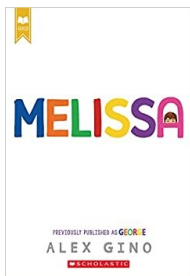
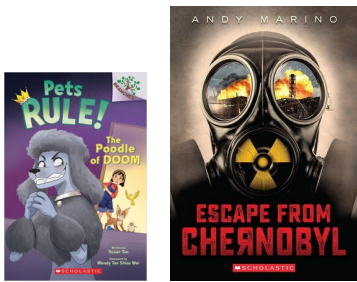
Student council planned a Haunted House for students K-6 and Ghost Volleyball for students 7-12.

Spirit Week was held during the last week of October and the next spirit week will be held in December.

“Friday Hot Dog” sales will start on Friday November 4th, pre-order forms will be sent home Tuesday November 2nd. Hot dog sales will be held every other Friday, so please watch for pre-order forms that will be sent home prior to hot dog day sales. – Summer



Hello from the Library!
It has been busy in the library
this month! We explored books
about fall,
Thanksgiving and pumpkins.
Now Halloween is coming with
much excitement! We enjoyed
dressing up for Spirit Week too.
We have some new titles:



There will be more to come as
we use our profits from Scho-
lastic Book Fairs to make our
library exciting! 'There is always
something to read!'

November 10- Re-
membrance Day Ser-
vice. Will be held in
our gymnasium.
Doors open at 10:30
am. All welcome!
November 11- School
Closed
November 25 – No
Classes due to Parent/
Teacher Interviews

Grade 4 News

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School Colour Day



Buddy Reading



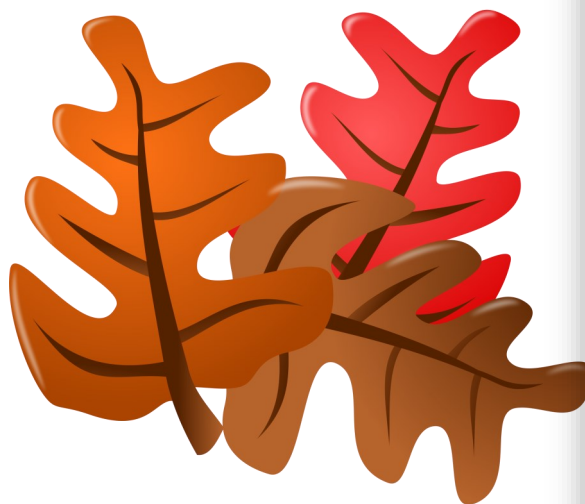
What We Are Learning

ELA: We are continuing with Daily 4 routines including Word Work, Read to Self, and Writing. We just finished our read aloud novel "The Wild Robot" and are starting the sequel!

Math: We are starting a new unit on fractions and will hopefully moving on to representing decimals soon.

Science: Learning about animal adaptations and completed an endangered species project.

Social Studies: Finishing our mapping unit on Canadian regions provinces, territories, and bodies of water.

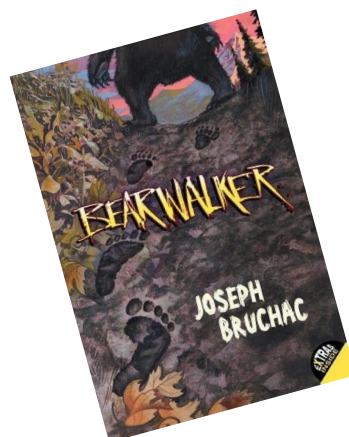


Happy Halloween!! Hope everyone got lots of candy and had an awesome costume!!

What has happened in the Grade 5/6 classroom? To start the ELA class, we have started a novel study on the book *Bearwalker*. In Art class, they have worked on a pumpkin project that has to do with line art. In Science class, we are working on the human body and all of the systems that make the human body work. In Social Studies, students are learning about the 7 regions in Canada and the land from those 7 regions.

In Physical Education class, the k-2 classes are working on throwing over and underhand with the proper footing and the proper way to perform the transport skills. With the grade 3-4 class. We are working on team low-organized games, and if they are having problems with each other to talk it out before coming to the teacher.

In the Sports world, it was a good month for the Alonsa Aces. With winning Divisionals, and the Ste. Rose Clash Tourney for the Senior Boys Co-op team with McCreary. They also got 2nd in the Souris tournament. They defeated the Number 1 ranked team Hamiota at the Souris tournament, and they re-seeded the rankings. We then defeated the Number 1 ranked team Glenboro at the Ste. Rose Clash tourney the following week. We are hoping those victories will give the team momentum going into Zone 8 playoffs, and Provincial qualifiers in the upcoming month of November. With the Senior sports out of the way, we have started Volleyball practice for the Juniors (Grade6-8). It looks like we will have enough for both a girl's and boys' team this year. Games will start on November 10th and will go on till November 30th. - Mr. Schwarz



Once we get off the buses, we the grade 3 students start our day off with a lovely breakfast made by Mrs. Pettit. We have had pancakes, frozen banana pops and so much more goodies. After breakfast we do our daily math before we start learning new information in our Jump Math books. We have learned about number patterns, place value and regrouping all information we need to help us before we start multiplication. At times math can be challenging but other times we catch on to the new information very quick. Our English Language Arts class we work on different spelling words each week, we write sentences in our journal and we read books on Epic once a week we do budding reading with grade 4 class. In science class we have been learning about plants. We have talk about the basic needs of plants, the different parts of a plant, the plant life cycle and how plants and animals need each other.

Mrs. Schultz and the Grade 3 Class



Community Schools

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We are excited to have our grade 7-12 students take part in the Robb Nash-Stories of Life Through Darkness, A Living Curriculum! Our students, along with 25,000 students across Canada, will be part of a new online mental wellness program. A Living Curriculum is a student-focused mental wellness curriculum that uses real-life stories and music to support social and emotional learning. The objective of the program is to foster an environment of empathy and hope, and nurture a community of support!

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REMEMBER

OPEN VOLLEYBALL
THURSDAYS 7PM-8PM

2

REMEMBER

DAILY FREE
BREAKFAST FOR ALL
STUDENTS

3

REMEMBER

WEDNESDAY
FREE HOT LUNCH



GLASSES

Those students that required glasses will soon be receiving them. Huge thanks the Mobile Vision Clinic for visiting our school! The first school outside of Winnipeg to have this service offered to our students and their families!



Coming soon....

Stay tuned for a special upcoming announcement regarding a music program at Alonsa Community School!

Drawing Contest

The town of Alonsa is turning

100

years old and we need your help!



Draw something that represents the town of Alonsa. It can be from the past, the present or a combination of both.

This contest is open to everyone!

RULES

Paper type: 8 1/2 x 11, white

Can be either landscape or portrait. (horizontal or vertical)

Medium: pencil, pencil crayon, thin lined markers

Name and phone number must be on the paper.

If your drawing is selected, it will be reproduced. Please make sure your lines are clear and crisp!

Entry deadline is Friday, Dec. 2, 2022 @ 1pm.

Winner will be announced on Friday, Dec 9/22

Entries can be handed into the Alonsa Post Office.

Prizes

1st prize: Free weekend pass to the 2023

Homecoming

August 11-13, 2023

One souvenir of your choice with your drawing on it!

Good Luck!



PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Scheduling Form

Parents'/Guardian's Name(s): _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Please check the box of the Teacher(s) you would like to meet with:

- Mrs. Wendy Zalluski** - Kindergarten and Grade 1A
- Ms. Kendell Caumartin** – Grades 1B & 2
- Mrs. Alexandra Schultz** – Grade 3
- Miss Kyla Janz** – Grade 4
- Mr. Jeffrey Schwarz** – Grades 5 & 6 ELA, Social Studies, Science, French, Art/Music, K-Grade 4 Physical Education/Health
- Miss Sarah Doran** – Grades 7 & 8 Math, Social Studies, Science, Art/French/Music, & Math 10F
- Mrs. Amanda Asham** – Resource, Grades 7/8 ELA & Keyboarding 25S
- Mr. Michal Nogaj** – Grades 5/6 Math, Personal Finance 20S, Physical Education/Health Grades 7/8 & 10F/20F
- Mrs. Darlene Grimstead** – ELA: Comprehensive Focus 30S & 40S, Global Issues: Citizenship & Sustainability 40S & Current Topics in First Nations, Inuit & Métis Studies 40S
- Mr. Matthew Reimer** – Essential Math 30S/40S, Chemistry 30S, Biology 30S
- Mr. Nathan Dmytriw (Principal)** – Visual Arts 15S, Geographic Issues of the 20th Century 20F, World of Religions 40S

Do you prefer to meet with teachers in a Group Meeting?

Or to meet with a teacher individually?

Preferred Date: Thursday, November 24, 2022 (5:00 PM-8:00 PM)

Friday, November 25, 2022 (9:00 AM-12:00 PM)





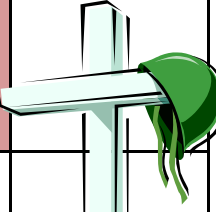
All meetings will be in person.
Virtual/Telephone Meetings will be offered upon request if you are unable to meet in person. If you require a telephone or virtual meeting, please contact the school at 204-767-2168 or email banderson@trsd.ca

***Please return this form by Friday, November 18, 2022
or email a copy to: banderson@trsd.ca***

November 2022

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SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

	1 Day 6	2 Day 1	3 Day 2	4 Day 3	5	
6	7 Day 4	8 Day 5	9 Day 6	10 Day 1  -Remembrance Day Service -Jr. Volleyball @ Ste. Rose (leave at 3:20 PM)	11  Remembrance Day School Closed Sr. Boys Volleyball @ Dauphin	12
13 Sr. Boys Volleyball @ Dauphin	14 Day 2	15 Day 3 Jr. Volleyball @ Laurier (leave at 3:20 PM)	16 Day 4	17 Day 5 Jr. Volleyball Glenella @ Alonsa (4:00 PM)	18 Day 6	19
20	21 Day 1	22 Day 2	23 Day 3	24 Day 4 Parent-Teacher Interviews 5- 8 PM	25  Parent-Teacher Interviews 9AM-12 Noon Admin - PM No Classes	26 
27	28 Day 5	29 Day 6 Jr. Volleyball McCreary @ Alonsa (4:00 PM)	30 Day 1 Jr. Divisional Volleyball -Girls @ Glenella -Boys @ McCreary (All Day)	