

Alonsa School Newsletter

October 2015



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Principal's Message

October Greetings. It's nice to see that the nice weather continued into the fall. A day of sun and warm temperatures means one less of snow and cold.

The 6 period day is a change from the previous year. Periods 1, 2, 3 and 4 are 45 to 50 minute classes that go the entire year. Periods 5 and 6 are 72 minute classes that run for only the semester. As a result of these changes there will be fewer exams written at the end of January and so fewer exam days will be needed for writing the end of course exams. The timetable was arranged based upon requests of staff for time increments, requests of students for options and requests from parents to reduce the impact of students missing classes due to illness, weather and presentations.

Students are becoming adjusted to the time changes for breaks and lunch. The lunch break begins at 12:05 PM and continues till 1:00 PM. It is hoped that the planned changes will have positive benefits for student success in all areas—courses, athletics and community participation.

The grade 7 and 8 students are under the high school time schedule of courses. They have a regular rotation of class schedule and teachers. Their courses run all year but they will not have final exams. Their marks will be based upon classwork performances.

On September 21 there was a meet the staff night. Staff was joined by students and parents for hotdogs, chats and shopping for books at the book fair. We at the school say thank you to the parents and community members who came out and to the students who have helped to prepare for the evening.

For those who are not familiar with the school staff we have had some changes to staffing for this school year. Mrs. Asham is the Resource Teacher. Other teaching staff and assignments are Ms. A. Caruk teaching K/1, Mrs. W. Zalluski teaching Grade 2, Mr. T. Bales teaching Grades 3/4, Mrs. S. Starr-Roulette teaching Grades 5/6. The remainder of the staff Mr. N. Dmytriw, Mr. M. Reimer, Mr. B. Dupasquier, Mrs. D. Grimstead, Ms. B. Gabel and Ms. A. Hancharyk are teaching various subjects to students in Grades 7 to 12.

-Mr. Vern McMichael

Dates to Remember

October 12 - Thanksgiving Day—School Closed

October 26 - Picture Day for all students

October 23 - Provincial Professional Development Day—No school for students

October 30 - Progress reports will be distributed to all students

October 31 - Happy Halloween

Divisional Cross Country Results

Sr. Boys

Caleb R. - 2nd

Grade 9/10 Boys

Ty R. - 1st

Dylan D. - 2nd

Bryce J. - 3rd

Grade 9/10 Girls

Brooklyn K. - 2nd

Grades 5/6

Rhiannon R. - 2nd

CONGRATULATIONS!

Kindergarten/Grade One

Welcome back to School!!!! I hope everyone's first month of school was full of fun and excitement. We have a combined Kindergarten/Grade One this year!!! This is a new grade for me this year but I am really having a lot of fun.

Welcome to our Kindergartens:

Aloyse Summer Riley
Robert Joseph

We also welcome a new student to our Grade One Class: Bladen.

Our class educational assistant is Mindy Zalluski. I hope she has a lot of fun with our class. We have some birthdays for the months of September and October: Robert, Cameron, Nathaniel and Makenzie.

For the month of September and October, the students are learning to adjust to routines, to become better listeners and to be kind and respectful to others. The Kindergartens have been working on learning their alphabet, colours and numbers through games and play. The grade ones are also reviewing their alphabet along with sounds, proper formation, colour words, and numbers and number words from 0 to 10. The K/1s have also begun working on an All About Me Unit which is in their Social Studies Curriculum.

Some activities planned for October will be Fall, Thanksgiving and Halloween so watch out for some fun!!!



Hello Everyone:

I hope there is excitement in the air as you return to school. I wish to thank the parents, the Board of Trustees, the staff, and most importantly the students for allowing me to educate, and to be part of Turtle River School Division.

The parting gifts are sincerely appreciated and I say thank-you.

Look after yourselves and each other.

Best wishes in where ever your lives take you. Please remember that whatever you choose to do, you always have a choice. It becomes your responsibility to make the right choice.

Once again, many thanks.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Henry



OCTOBER LIBRARY NEWS!

Hello Parents, Guardians, Community Members, Staff and Students! I would like to welcome to our new students and staff members to Alonsa School!

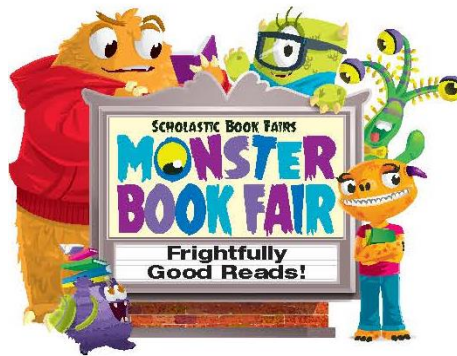
I am looking forward to another busy month in the library. September brought the Book Fair and our Meet the Teacher/Open House and it was a very busy month. I love October's beautiful colours and crisp days. Thanksgiving, Picture Day, and Halloween are all coming up in October. Just a reminder that our Picture Day is on Monday, October 26 in the morning and we will begin at 8:30 AM for staff members and the students will begin right after O'Canada at 8:50 AM. Hopefully we will be all finished by lunch.



Library Days for this year are:
Monday – Kindergarten & Grade 3
Tuesday – Grade 1 & Grade 5
Wednesday – Grade 2 & Grade 6
Thursday – Pre-School, Grade 4 & 7/8s with Miss Hancharyk
Friday - Grade 7/8s with Mrs. Grimstead, Grade 9 & Grade 10

Have a great month, feel free to contact me with any questions at banderson@trsd32.mb.ca or call the school 204-767-2168.

THANK YOU!



THANK YOU!

THANK YOU to everyone who came out and supported our Book Fair! We sold an amazing \$1 892.00 (minus GST as it is included in the prices = \$1759.56) and we earned 50% back on our sales which totaled \$879.78! I selected over \$500 in books for the library from the book fair selection and saved the rest to use in the Scholastic Catalogues.

The Parent Event draw winner was Tony from the Grade 2 classroom; he won \$25.00 in books for himself and \$25.00 in books for his classroom! Congratulations Tony and the Grade 2s!

For our classroom contests the winners were:

Pre-School – All preschoolers received a prize

Grade 2 – Liam

Grade 6 – Desiree

Grade 3 - Caitlyn

Grade 7 – Shannon

Kindergarten – Aloyse

Grade 4 – Sam

Grade 8 – Abby

Grade 1 – Nate

Grade 5 – Jaelyn

High School – Kirsten

The winners were able to choose a poster or a book from the book fair. All other participants won a prize of an eraser, book mark, or pencil. Congratulations to all who completed the activities and entered the classroom contests!

Thank you again for supporting this important literary fundraiser! Your support of this event is key to our obtaining new resources for our library and school. Most of all, thank you for believing in books and the importance reading has for your child's future!

- MRS. BARBARA ANDERSON



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Through Empowerment*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1  <i>Sr. Divisional Soccer - All Day (Ste. Rose)</i>	2	3
4	5	6 <i>Zone Cross Country - All Day (Dauphin)</i>	7	8	9	10
11	12  <i>Thanksgiving School Closed</i>	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 PD - SCHOOL CLOSED NO BUSES or CLASSES	24
25	26  <i>School Pictures (AM)</i>	27	28	29  <i>Sr. Divisional Volleyball (All Day) Girls at McCreary Boys at Glenella</i>	30	31  Happy Halloween!