

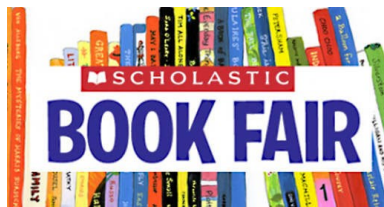
November 1, 2021

Bowden Grandview School



What's Happening:

- **Parent Teacher Interviews**
Wednesday & Thursday
- **FOG Fundraiser Due Nov 5**
Dieleman Merry & Bright
- **Scholastic Book Fair—Nov 1-5**
virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5147182



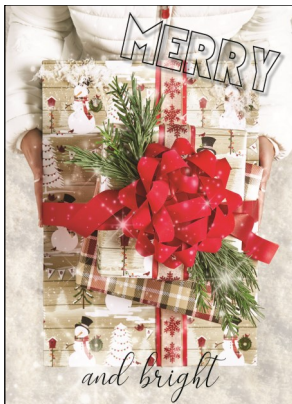
Scholastic Book Fair

November 1st-5th Student in-person shopping

or parent on-line shopping

virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5147182

Thank you for supporting the BGS library!



Just a reminder our Friends of Grandview **Fundraiser** orders are due on Nov 5th.

Dieleman Fundraising

www.SHOPDFCANADA.COM

ID# 7192

Remembrance Day Service

Do you have a family member that served? We would love a picture and a small write up or even a video that we could include in this year's VIRTUAL Remembrance Day Ceremony. If you are interested in providing this information, please send it to knorthrup@cesd73.ca by Wednesday, November 3rd at 9:00 am.



Update

October 19, 2021



Parent Update October 19, 2021

Hello everyone, We wanted to make you aware of some changes that have been put forward by Alberta Education and Alberta Health Services recently. We have outlined all of these in an updated COVID-19 Protocols document. The key changes we want to bring to your attention are as follows:

- Alberta Health is now informing us when one of our students or staff members has potentially attended school while infectious with COVID-19. Once we have that information we will confirm that the positive COVID-19 case was in attendance on the given dates.
- Families will then be notified of positive COVID-19 cases that were infectious while at school.
- In Kindergarten through Grade 6, if there are three positive COVID-19 cases in a class within five calendar days, those classes will temporarily shift to at-home learning for ten calendar days.
- Outbreaks in schools will now be defined as 10 or more positive COVID-19 cases within a 14 day period.

It is important to note that we will only be made aware of those positive COVID-19 cases identified by Alberta Health Services (AHS) that have attended school while infectious. When we have been made aware of that information, and the attendance is verified, we will share it within a school community so that families know about the possible exposure to COVID-19.

If your school is identified with an outbreak you will receive a letter from Alberta Health Services. We will act on the direction that they provide to us to enhance our safety measures.

If there is an outbreak in a given school, we will consider moving certain grades or the entire school to temporary at-home learning. This would occur if there are particularly concerning safety issues and/or if we have difficulty maintaining operations because of a shortage of staff in the school.

Thank you for helping us keep our schools as safe as we possibly can.

Yours truly,

Kurt Sacher

Superintendent, Chinook's Edge School Division



Parent-Teacher Interviews

Dear Parents/Guardians of Grade 1-12 students,

Parent Student Teacher Interviews are scheduled for November 3 and November 4 from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm each day. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, all interviews will be conducted by either google meet or phone call.

This year, Chinooks Edge School Division has gone to an online booking system for Parent Student Teacher Interviews. The booking system will open for bookings this Monday October 18 at 9:00 am. Bookings will close Monday November 1 at 11:59 pm.

Instructions for using our online booking system: please visit our website at www.bowdengrandview.ca. Click on “Bookings” at the top of the page. Click on the event called “Grade 1-12: Nov 3 and 4 Parent Teacher Interviews”.

On the first screen, you will be asked to enter your name (Parent), your phone number and email address. Then you will be asked to choose your preference of either google meet or phone call. At the bottom of the first screen you will be asked to add your students. Click Next.

On the second screen, you will then be asked to choose which class and teacher for each child. Under Class, the default is “Bowden Grandview Teachers”. Please select this as the default. Then Click on teachers and it will list each teacher in our school. You will add one teacher at a time. You may have to scroll down as they are not listed in alphabetical order.

Once you have selected your child’s teachers, the next screen will allow you to pick what time you would like to book providing that time is available. A circle indicates that it is available. A dash indicates it is not available. The booking system only allows you to choose one time slot per teacher. Use the bar at the bottom to scroll to the right for later times.

Once you have completed your bookings, a confirmation screen will appear and a confirmation email will be sent to you. It will have a link you can click if you need to view, change or cancel a booking.

If you are not able to participate in the November 3 or November 4 interviews, or not able to book a time, please contact your child’s teacher.

If you are having issues with the booking system, please contact the office at 403-224-3422.

Working together to ensure our students achieve

A Message from the Superintendent

In Chinook's Edge, we are deeply committed to ensuring that all of our students achieve success. We are very much aware of the disruptions your child may have faced over portions of the past three school years. As a result, we need to focus on the social emotional well-being for students and staff now more than ever. In light of this, we currently have hundreds of Educational Assistants, Teachers, Administrators and a variety of other staff receiving additional training and support through what we are calling our SEW (Social Emotional Well-being) Certification Series. We are also working on a SEW curriculum for our high school students.

In addition to these SEW efforts, our staff are working very hard to assess any learning gaps and to provide appropriate support for students as we move forward. Our staff are continuing to provide high quality learning environments to ensure that your child is successful in their learning. Our staff are also making great progress with processes like our Collaborative Response Model, where teams of staff come together to share their best thinking so they can help any student who might be struggling academically or in a social emotional area.

We are all working hard for our students so that we can face our new reality of a quickly changing world with the strength and hope that is needed for the future.

In closing, please join me in congratulating our newly elected and reconfirmed Board of Trustees. I truly believe they have become trustees because they share a deep passion to help and support your children. I have provided you with their latest Board eNews through this [link](#).

Kurt Sacher,
Superintendent of Schools

As Chinook's Edge continues to move toward a BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) model, we'd like to suggest that the upcoming holiday season may be an opportunity to consider purchasing this learning tool to your child. Chromebooks will allow students the opportunity to engage with learning content, both inside school and at home. For more detailed information on BYOD in Chinook's Edge, please visit <https://www.cesd73.ca/parents/byod> .

Inclement Weather Day



Key priorities when winter weather hits Chinook's Edge

Be Safe - see more details at this link

- No matter the season, be sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather and don't let them walk if the weather is not safe.
- Watch this video for pointers on dressing children safely before they head outdoors!
- Don't drive and/or don't let your children drive if the roads are not safe.
- Be familiar with the Chinook's Edge Inclement Weather approach to safety and know what the terms Yellow Day and Red Day mean:
 - Yellow - Buses are not running in part or all of the division, but schools are open and learning is moving forward.
 - Red - Red Days are rare, but Red Days mean schools are closed in part or all of the division.

Be Aware of how Inclement Weather Days will affect your family

- Central Office Leadership Team (COLT) makes a final decision before 6:00 a.m. on the Inclement Weather Day (decisions may be made the evening prior in rare, extreme weather cases). This notification will be sent through School Messenger to parents whose families will be impacted (ie. the Inclement Weather situation may only involve one community).
- An Inclement Weather admin procedure guides these decisions, particularly as it pertains to the prime morning time between 7-9 a.m. (when students and staff are driving or walking) It can be read at this link.
- Notification will be posted immediately through the Bus Status App to any affected bus routes, and the Transportation Department will communicate directly with bus drivers and any impacted bus families regarding bus routes.
- Notification is emailed to all staff and is posted to the division website, Facebook and Twitter pages. Area media outlets are notified.

Be ready to learn

- Although it will look different at elementary schools than it does at high schools, learning will continue during Inclement Weather Days:
 - Yellow Days - Students who aren't able to attend class will access Google Classroom for information to help them learn what is covered in class. Students will have opportunities to catch up when they return to school.
 - Attendance - It is important that parents of rural bus students notify the school if their child will be absent. Some parents may choose to drive their child when their bus isn't running, while some will choose to keep their child at home. Schools cannot make assumptions when safety is at stake.
 - All other students with safe transportation are expected to attend.
 - Red Days - When schools are closed, students will access their learning through Google Classroom: Day 1 teachers will communicate the day's learning plan with students, respecting the fact that many families may not be able to provide necessary technology or support for their children. Day 2 and all subsequent Red Days will involve instruction delivered via Google Meet and/or Google Classroom.

Visit our Inclement Weather website for details and updates

Bowden Grandview School Council

The School Council at BGS is a group of parents, administrators, the Town of Bowden, our Ward 5 School Board Trustee and other community stakeholders that meet monthly to discuss ideas related to the school. It provides a forum to discuss concerns, celebrate successes, and plan for the future. The School Council through The Friends of Grandview (FOG) also fundraisers for a number of enrichment programs.

This may include:

Playground Development Teacher Appreciation Events

*Fine Arts Performances Advanced Technology Purchases For The
Classrooms Music program Life Skills Program Breakfast Pro-
gram Support for Grads*

The School Council is committed to offering a number of ways to get involved. Being a parent volunteer is one more way to stay connected and involved in your child's educational experience. The activities you choose to undertake do not have to be overly time-consuming. We welcome new members and volunteers to come out to our council. You can make a difference!

We are meeting through Google Meets at 12:00pm on the following dates this year:

November 16, December 14, January 18, February 15, March 15, April 6 (Weds), May 17, June 21. All meetings begin at noon.

Please contact us at bgscouncil@gmail.com to be sent a link. We look forward to having you.



School Council

ACTIVE PARENTING

VIRTUAL



Sessions: Every Tuesday from 1pm-2:30pm
or
Every Wednesday from 7pm-8:30pm
for the Month of October



A comprehensive parenting program helping parents of kids ages 5 to 12 raise responsible, cooperative children who are able to resist negative peer pressure and thrive.

Please pre-register by contacting Kristin at
403-877-7163



Innisfail and Area FRN



RENAISSANCE

Accelerated Reader®

BGS is having an Accelerated Reader challenge. Each grade is accumulating their words read. The grade with the most read words accompanied by an Accelerated Reader test will win our challenge. How many words can Bowden Grandview School read before December 17th?

**CHALLENGE
ACCEPTED**



Providing one on one support
to youth struggling with;

Mental Health
High Conflict Divorce
Parent Conflict
Bullying
Uttering Threats
Inappropriate use of Social Media

We provide a free one on one support service to youth aged 13+ in the rural communities of Central Alberta. Our services are mobile, meeting the youth where they are at in their own community, while also providing food and personal hygiene products as needed.

We accept self referrals, community, school and RCMP referrals.

Phone; 403-318-7690

Email; louise@anamruralyouth.com

UN LIMITED CHAMPIONS

An Inclusive Group
Serving
Children With Special
Needs

Time: 4pm-5pm

**When: Every Other Wednesday
Starting October 6th**

Where: Virtual

**Pre-registration is required
Please call or text Kristin at 403-877-7163**



Literacy Education

November 1 is home to a quiet and important holiday: National Author's Day. Here are a few great books just released and releasing soon!

Change Sings - What It's About: "In this stirring, much-anticipated picture book by inaugural Youth Poet Laureate and activist Amanda Gorman, anything is possible when our voices join together. As a young girl leads a cast of characters on a musical journey, they learn that they have the power to make changes—big or small—in the world, in their communities, and in most importantly, in themselves."

Big Shot Diary of a Wimpy Kid Book 16 - After a disastrous field day competition at school, Greg decides that when it comes to his athletic career, he's officially retired. But after his mom urges him to give sports one more chance, he reluctantly agrees to sign up for basketball.

Released Oct 26th—It is at our Book Fair!

Cat Kid Comic Club: Perspectives: A Graphic Novel (Cat Kid Comic Club #2): From the Creator of Dog Man Flippy, Molly, Li'l Petey, and twenty-one baby frogs each have something to say. Naomi and Melvin don't see eye to eye and Poppy perceives the world differently than her siblings. Will the baby frogs figure out how to work together and appreciate one another's point of view -- both inside and outside the classroom?

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RELEASE DATE: November 30th

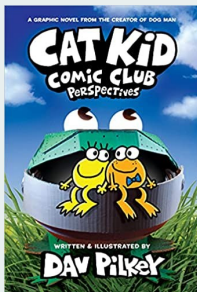
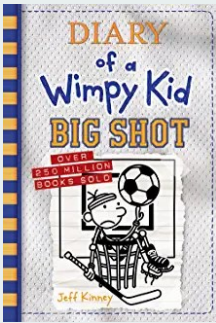
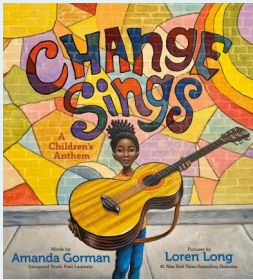
Indigenous Education

Canada History Week 2021 will take place from November 22 to 28. This year's theme is Indigenous History and will highlight stories of Indigenous languages, culture, and leadership. The week will encourage Canadians to reflect upon and engage with Canada's past.

National Indigenous Veterans Day is a memorial day observed in Canada in recognition of Indigenous contributions to military service, particularly in the First and Second World Wars and the Korean War. It occurs annually on 8 November.

While exact statistics are difficult to determine, the rate of Indigenous participation in Canada's military efforts over the years has been impressive. These determined volunteers were often forced to overcome many challenges to serve in uniform, from learning a new language and adapting to cultural differences, to having to travel great distances from their remote communities just to enlist.

Thomas George Prince MM (October 25, 1915 – November 25, 1977) was an Indigenous Canadian war hero and one of Canada's most decorated First Nations soldiers, serving in World War II and the Korean War.





FREE Family Swimming

Held at the Innisfail Aquatic Centre from 3 - 5 p.m.

on the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Space is limited. Pre-registration is required.

Sunday, October 10

Sunday, November 14

Sunday, December 12

7th Annual *Creating a Vision
for Non-Violence Conference*

November 12, 2021

**NOW
VIRTUAL**

8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Speakers Include:

Dr. Scott McLean: "Trauma and Victimization - A Child's Lens"

Sheryl Krill: "RESILIENCY: The Power of YOU"

Elena Esina: "Supporting the Supporters: The Role Informal Supporters Play in Preventing Domestic Violence"

Veronika Ilich: "Patriarchy Hurts Men Too: Engaging Men and Boys as Stakeholders in Gender Equality"

Camilla Jones: "The Gift of Laughter"

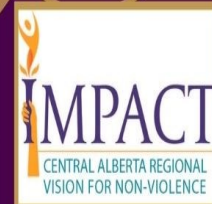
\$50/person, includes Speakers and Draws

FREE MAILED GIFT FOR THE FIRST 100 REGISTRANTS

Please register by October 22 @
<https://www.townofpenhold.ca/p/regional-vision-for-non-violence-conference-2021>

Email fcss@townofpenhold.ca or
visit visionfornonviolence.weebly.com
for more information.

REGISTER BY
SEPT. 30 FOR A
CHANCE TO WIN AN
EARLY BIRD PRIZE



IMPACT YOUTH CLUB

12+
Virtual

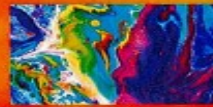
When: Every Tuesday

Time: 4pm-5pm

Please Pre-Register by Contacting
Kristin at 403-877-7163

ART ATTACK

6-10YRS
VIRTUAL



When: Every Other Friday Starting
October 8th
Time: 1pm-2:30pm



Please Pre-Register by Contacting Kristin at 403-877-7163

CREATIVE MASTERS

6-14YRS

VIRTUAL

Every Other Monday Starting October 4th
Time: 5:30pm-6:30pm

Pre-registration is required
Please contact Kristin at 403-877-7163



Innisfail and Area FRN

Family
Resource
Network

Lego Club

6+yrs
Virtual

When: Every Other Friday Starting
October 1st

Time: 3:30pm-4:30pm



Pre-register by contacting Kristin
at 403-877-7163



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Stay, Play and Learn

**2-5yrs
Virtual**

Tuesday's: 9:30am-10:45am

Wednesday's: 11am-12pm

Thursday's: 10am-11:30am

Every Other Friday: 10am-11am

Pre-registration is required

Please call or text Kristin at

403-877-7163



Innisfail and Area FRN

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WANTED: TEEN MENTORS

**Contact Nichole at
nicholek@youthhq.ca
or 403-302-1389**

BECOME A TEEN MENTOR!

- Mentor on your own time through a virtual platform.
- Teens can help their little in many ways like helping with homework or playing games
- Boost confidence through positive role modelling
- Learn new things, like trying a new craft or skill
- Develop leadership qualities
- Make great memories and ignite potential while having fun

**YOUTH
HQ**



**Big Brothers Big Sisters
OF RED BEER AND DISTRICT**

