

Bowden Grandview School

NOVEMBER 29, 2021

LITTLE SHOPPERS

Little Shoppers is a temporary Christmas store located in the library for students to shop for their parents, siblings and grandparents. Students may purchase items for \$1.00 or \$2.00, wrap and label to take home for Christmas gifts. All proceeds go to Bowden Silent Santa and is sponsored by Friends of Grandview.

Little Shoppers are now accepting donations of new or gently used items, Christmas bags and name tags. They can be dropped off at the office or the library. Little Shoppers will be open December 6th & 7th



What's Happening:

Thursday, December 2

- K to Grade 8 report cards



Congratulations Bowden Grandview School!

We have read
12,573,005 words
this year! How many
can we read before the
end of 2021?



Compassionate and innovative global citizens

A Message from the Superintendent

Chinook's Edge students, staff and families continue to show incredibly strong and courageous examples of good citizenship. Our schools are filled with people who are achieving success despite competing priorities, who are reaching out with acts of kindness, and who are investing their time and resources to make this holiday season a special one for their neighbours.

In Chinook's Edge, we believe citizenship involves the character of an individual and their respect for the greater societal good. Our division is filled with compassionate and innovative global citizens, just as it is outlined in our vision statement. We take good care of one another in Chinook's Edge, as we look beyond our current global challenges with a sense of unity and resolve.

Our Board of Trustees and Central Office team are incredibly grateful for the hard work and perseverance that is ever-present in our schools. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent of Schools

For Trustee updates and to read the latest **Board eNews**, please visit [our website](#).

Welcome to Kindergarten!

Beginning in January, Chinook's Edge will be accepting Kindergarten registrations for the 2022-2023 school year. Children must turn five years old by December 31, 2022 to begin attending Kindergarten in the fall of 2022. Online registration will begin in early January – please visit our website for [registration information](#), including the Chinook's Edge schools that offer Pre-Kindergarten programming.





Celebrating *Chinook's Edge!*

...for the week of November 22, 2021

Collaborating to improve student learning in Chinook's Edge!

November 26 is a Collaborative Day in Chinook's Edge. What are staff doing during these non-instructional days for students?

There are five Collaborative Days in Chinook's Edge, which provide consistent opportunities for focused professional development and connection time for staff. These days are carefully spread out over the division's 180-day calendar, to ensure the learning momentum is sustained over time.

"The research could not be more clear – if school divisions want to help students learn and succeed at the highest levels, they need to support the professional growth of their staff," said Superintendent Kurt Sacher. "The pandemic has shown us the true value of our culture of collaboration – if you don't have the answers or the resources at your school, there are 40 other schools ready to assist if they can. This approach protects time and energy, which staff need to deal with the increasing complexities of teaching.

"Collaborative Days provide consistent opportunities for teachers and school staff to reflect on their own work and share high leverage strategies, all of which positively impacts the classroom. This is one way of honouring our teachers and staff with the time to improve teaching practice, which ultimately leads to greater success for students in school and in life."

There is a mix of staff who collaborate across schools while others collaborate within their own schools, and all have defined topics and goals for their time. The goal of all teams is stated on their team's professional growth plan, is focused on student learning, and provides evidence that their effort is making a difference in classroom practice and student achievement.



Connection! The impact of collaborative work in schools is present in this successful team of Grade 1 teachers from Jessie Duncan Elementary in Penhold. Their strength grew from a commitment to mentorship, to their professional learning community, and to nurturing a collective responsibility for student achievement. Success grew from the time provided to accomplish these goals.



Investing in students - Bowden Grandview staff at the first Collaborative Day of the year. Check with your school to see what they have accomplished and what they have planned for November 26!

Focused efforts on Collaborative Days over the years has created:

Improved student achievement results and support for those who are having difficulty, to ensure high school graduation is a reality for everyone.

Detailed strategic frameworks to inform student levels in literacy, numeracy, social emotional learning and more.

A comprehensive series of Google Classroom materials to benefit high school teachers and students throughout the division, with plans to involve all grades. Shared knowledge and a pooling of the best teaching resources available.

Key time for staff to connect around strategies and supports for each student as required, through the division's Collaborative Response Model process.

Chinook's Edge records show that scheduled days for staff collaboration result in a decrease of hundreds of substitute teacher days – a cost-savings which is reinvested back into the classroom. It is a winning strategy in Chinook's Edge. Our staff are investing their time during Collaborative Days to enhance quality learning environments for over 11,000 students in our division.

RUSTIC COUNTRY Christmas Market

December 4, 2021

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Paterson Community Centre

2107 27, Avenue

Bowden, AB



For more information, or to register
as a vendor contact 403-507-5090
bowdencommunityhall@gmail.com
[Rustic Country Market Online Registration Form](#)

Paint Afternoon

Please join Kristin and Jenny at Color Me Mine in Red Deer Saturday December 11th to paint some pottery!

Parents, you are welcome to drop your kiddos off and take off while we are painting.

Pre-registration is required, there is limited space so sign up soon!
Contact Kristin at 403-877-7163

Time: 1pm-2:45pm
Address: 2085 50th Ave Suite 1A



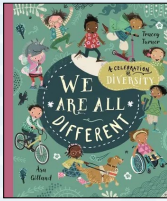
ATB Financial™



The Grade 6 class went to the local ATB branch in Bowden. They learned many things including the importance of managing money. In the future they will be learning more banking skills through google meets. Thank you Mrs. Kim Urichuk for facilitating this program.

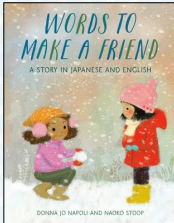


Literacy Education

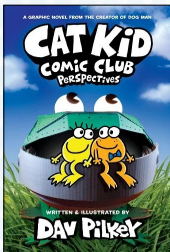


Meet the children from one school, and their teachers, parents and carers. They have different kinds of families, likes and dislikes, cultures, ethnicities, abilities and disabilities... and LOTS in common!

We Are All Different is an inspiring celebration of the fact that all of us are individuals. Written by Tracey Turner, it has been created in collaboration with several Inclusion Ambassadors from the Inclusive Minds organization.



Words to Make a Friend: A Story in Japanese and English by Author Donna Jo Napoli and Illustrator Naoko Stoop is a clever and innovative bilingual English/Japanese picture book about a Japanese girl and an American girl who prove you don't need to speak the same language to understand each other.



Another installment of Dav Pilkey's Cat Kid Comic Club is back in session in this groundbreaking graphic novel narrative, the worldwide bestselling and award-winning author and illustrator of Dog Man.

Indigenous Education



The picture book *The Dancing Trees* is a tale of Thomas, who loves to tell big stories. Taking the challenge to spend a night alone in the forest, Thomas heads into the wilderness and has a magical encounter with dancing forest trees that he will never forget.

The Dancing Trees is for ages 6 to 8.

Masiana Kelly is an Inuk/Dene writer based in Kugluktuk, the westernmost community in Nunavut.

Michelle Simpson is an Ontario illustrator and designer based out of Niagara Falls, Ont.





Active Kids

0-5 yrs

When: Every other Friday

Time: 10am-11am

Where: Bowden Friendship Club

December 3rd: Reindeer Boot Camp
December 17th: The Elf Christmas Workout

To pre-register please contact
Kristin at 403-877-7163

 Innisfail FRN



ART ATTACK

Ages 6+

When: Every Other Friday

Time: 4pm-5pm

Where: Zoom



December 3rd: 3D Noodle Christmas Tree Craft

December 17th: Mini Wooden Snowmen

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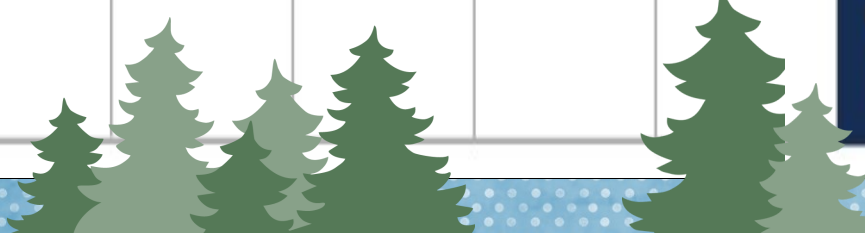


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DECEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11am Stay, Play and Learn 11:30am-12:30pm Un Limited Champions 4pm-5pm	2 Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11:30am	3 Active Kids 10am-11am Art Attack 4pm-5:00pm	4
5 PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED	6 Stay, Play and Learn 10am-11am	7 Stay, Play & Learn 9:30am-10:45am Active Parenting 1pm-2:30pm Impact Youth Club 4pm-5pm	8 Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11am Stay, Play and Learn 11:30am-12:30pm	9 Stay, Play and Learn 10am-11:30am	10 PD DAY Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11am Lego Club 1pm-2pm	11 Kids Paint Afternoon at Color Me Mine 1pm-2:45pm
12 CALL OR TEXT 403-877-7163 TO REGISTER	13 Creative Masters 5:30pm-6:30pm	14 Stay, Play & Learn 9:30am-10:45am Active Parenting 1pm-2:30pm Impact Youth Club 4pm-5pm	15 Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11am Stay, Play and Learn 11:30am-12:30pm Un Limited Champions 4pm-5pm	16 Stay, Play & Learn 10am-11:30am	17 Active Kids 10am-11am Art Attack 4pm-5:00pm	18
19	20 Stay, Play and Learn 10am-11am	21 Stay, Play & Learn 9:30am-10:45am Active Parenting 1pm-2:30pm Impact Youth Club 4pm-5pm	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Office Closed	
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Office Closed Returning January 3rd						





Stay, Play and Learn

0-5yrs

When: See calendar on Facebook page for different times, locations and dates

Week of December 1st: Christmas Snowman Count Down Calendar

Week of Decembr 6th: Grinch Calming Jars

Week of December 13th: Salt Dough Ornaments

To pre-resgister please contact
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Innisfail FRN 




**Youths Ages 12+ Join me
Tuesday December 7th from
4pm-5pm at the Innisfail
FRN office where we will be
creating our own Ugly
Christmas Sweaters!**

**Pre-registration is required
Please contact Kristin at
403-877-7163. We will need your shirt size when
you register as well.**

**Cut off will be Friday December 3rd.
Limited spaces available**




 Innisfail and Area FRN 



In-Door Locations and Days

Springbrook

Stay, Play and Learn

Where: Springbrook FCSS Building 3824- 21A St

When: Every Other Monday From 10am-11am

Pine Lake

Creative Masters

Where: Pine Lake Community Hall 20 36366 Range Rd 252

When: Every Other Monday From 5:30pm-6:30pm

Innisfail

Stay, Play and Learn

Where: Innisfail United Church 4720 48 Ave

When: Every Tuesday From 9:30am-10:45am

Impact Youth Club

Where: Innisfail FRN Office 5035 49th St

When: Every Tuesday From 4pm-5pm

Lego Club

When: Every Other Friday

Where: Zoom

Un Limited Champions

Where: Zoom

When: Every Other Wednesday

Elnora

Stay, Play and Learn

Where: Elnora Legion 4th Ave

When: Every Wednesday From 10am-11am

Delburne

Stay, Play and Learn

Where: Delburne United Church 2306 20th St

When: Every Wednesday From 11:30am-12:30pm

Spruce View

Stay, Play and Learn

Where: Spruce View Community Hall 2127 AB-54

When: Every Thursday From 10am-11:30am

Bowden

Stay, Play and Learn (Every Other Friday)

Active Kids (Every Other Friday)

Where: Bowden Friendship Club 2133 18 Ave

When: Every Friday From 10am-11am



Un Limited Champions

When: Every other Wednesday

Time: 4pm-5pm

Where: Zoom

December 1st: Snowman Countdown Calendar

December 15th: Christmas Sensory Bottles

To pre-register please contact

Kristin at 403-877-7163

