

Bowden Grandview School



September 5, 2023



What's Happening:

September 12

- Grade 1/12 Breakfast

September 14

- Grad Ring Order
- Welcome Back BBQ

September 21

- Terry Fox Day

September 29

- Orange Shirt Day
- Jr/Sr Hike

October 13

- Jr/Sr High Awards Night

Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians,

We hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits. As the administration team of Bowden Grandview School, it brings us immense joy and pride to welcome you back to our wonderful school for the start of another promising academic year!

First and foremost, we extend a warm welcome to our new students and families joining the Bowden Grandview School community. We are thrilled to have you as part of our family and look forward to supporting your educational journey, growth, and success.

To our returning students and families, welcome back! Your presence and enthusiasm are what make our school such a vibrant and dynamic place of learning. We have missed you dearly and can't wait to embark on this new adventure together.

Please join us in welcoming the new members of our BGS staff including Tabitha Raju (HS math and CTS), Annika Vacey (Grade 8 Humanities and CTF), Coreen Nelson (Grade 3), and Joanne Oddie-Flikkema (Family Wellness). Welcome back to Tara Plamondon (EA).

As we step into this new academic year, we are committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment for all our students. Rest assured that your children's safety and happiness remain our top priorities.

We now have a debit machine at the office for all your payment needs!



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Alongside safety, we are also focusing on innovation and academic excellence. We are introducing the new Alberta Education curriculum in the elementary and exciting educational programs throughout the school that will enhance the learning experience for every student at Bowden Grandview School. Our goal is to foster a passion for knowledge, critical thinking, and creativity, equipping our students with the skills they need to succeed in an ever-changing world.

At Bowden Grandview School, we strongly believe in the power of collaboration between the school, parents, and the broader community. Our Parent Advisory Council plays an integral role in supporting and enriching the educational experience. I encourage all parents and guardians to get involved and be active participants in our school's journey. Please look for more information in future newsletters and on our website.

Throughout the year, we will organize various events and activities to strengthen our school community bonds. These events will allow us to celebrate our diversity, cultivate empathy, and encourage a culture of kindness and respect.

We want to remind everyone that we are a family, and together, we will rise above any challenges that come our way. If you ever need assistance or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Our doors are always open, and we are here to support you every step of the way.

In closing, we are incredibly excited to embark on this new school year with each and every one of you. Let's make it a year filled with growth, achievement, and unforgettable memories. Together, we will create a positive impact on our school, our community, and the world.

Welcome back to Bowden Grandview School! Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

Warm regards,

Jeff Thompson
Principal

Dawn Weststrate
Vice Principal



Blazer Athletics

We are excited to get back into Blazer Athletics. I'm the athletic director at Bowden Grandview and am in charge of setting up curricular and extra curricular athletic opportunities in our school. Volleyball and cross country running are our first seasons to get underway. Further information in regards to these are provided below. If you are a parent or community member interested in coaching this year, please make sure you have your criminal record check and vulnerable sector check completed and turned into the office. You will not be able to coach without these documents. A staff supervisor is required for each team that is not being coached by a staff member. Someone will be assigned to your team for this position.

Volleyball

If your child is interested AND committed to playing volleyball and are in grades 6-12, there will be a MANDATORY meeting Thursday, September 7th at lunch (12:00 pm) in the gym so that team numbers and number of coaches required can be determined. Unfortunately, just because your child is wanting to be on a volleyball team doesn't mean we are able to run a team. We need enough committed athletes before we can enter them into a league of play.



Cross Country Running

Our cross country running coach will be holding a meeting with interested and committed students (gr.7-12) on Tuesday, September 12th at lunch (12:00 pm) in the gym to determine practice times and provide further information on what the season looks like for this sport.



If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out and contact me at the school or by email asackelageiger@cesd73.ca

Bowden FCSS & Bowden Grandview School invite you to:
Community Registration Night
For Bowden and Area
September 14, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

2238 - 21 Avenue
Bowden Grandview School
BBQ hosted by FOG

FREE
BBQ
Supper

Community
Registration
School Gym

To arrange a free registration table,
 contact 403-224-2207
 or fcss@bowden.ca

****PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE OR EMAIL**
if trying to book prior to Sept. 5th **
Registration deadline is Tuesday, Sept. 12th.

Time to break up with your couch and
get back to your Favorite Fall Activities!



Bowden Grandview School - Class of 2024 – Memories For a Lifetime!



We Have School Jackets Too!

Order Day – Thursday, September 14

(get your finger sized, ask questions, try on rings, place your order)

Time – 11:45 to 12:45



What My Ring Means!

Design Your Jewelry @ www.jostens.com



A \$45
VALUE!



Order Your Jewelry Before September 20 & Receive A Free Hoodie
 (excludes Tradewinds rings, P rings & Senior Jewelry)

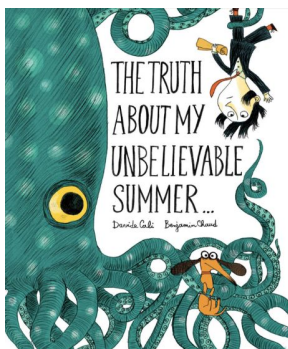
Interested in other Class of 2024 clothing & swag?

Go to www.jostenscanada.com/classof2024 & see them at our display

Sean & Denise Kelly – 403.252.1774 – sean.kelly@jostens.com

Literacy Corner

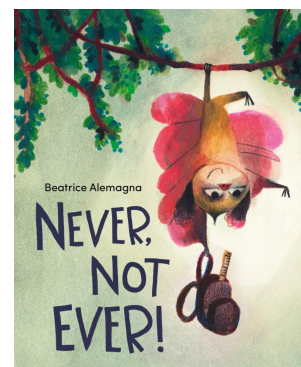
The first few days back to school can truly be exciting and a little nerve wracking! We hope you all had a beautiful summer and are ready to dive into a few new and always popular books for your first week back! These pics are certainly for the kiddos who love to tell tales, have a difficult time with transitions and enjoy a little laughter.



When the teacher asks the main character what they did over the summer, he tells a fantastical tale full of daring and adventure. But is it all true? Your students will be on the edge of their seats waiting to find out. Check out this great book from Benjamin Chaud and Davide Cali.

Pascaline is NOT going to school, regardless of what the other kids are doing. But in a clever twist, her parents figure out a way to help her overcome her fear and anxiety.

Charming and laugh-out-loud funny, this irresistible first-day of school saga is sure to be a repeat read.



An inspirational rhyming book that teaches kids the power of “yet.” We all have a lot to learn in life, and sometimes skills we wish we had just aren’t there ... yet. A book about perseverance and having faith in yourself. Add this to your list of back-to-school books that teach growth mindset.

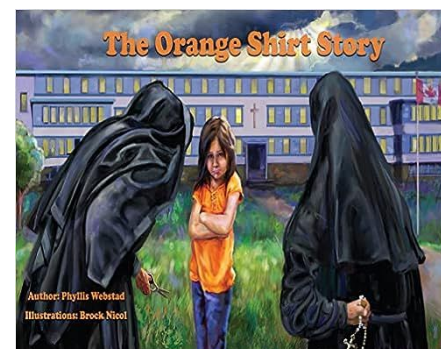
Indigenous Education

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is a day for all Canadians to commemorate the history and legacy of the residential school system.

It's a day to honour the resilience, dignity and strength of survivors and intergenerational survivors and remember the children who never came home. It's a chance to engage and educate people about Alberta's history and how it has and continues to impact Indigenous communities.

This year Bowden Grandview School will be honoring this day **ORANGE SHIRT DAY**, Friday, September 29th. On that day, we encourage the BGS community to wear orange to honour the thousands of Survivors of residential schools.



BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE

OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

BGC Olds and Area is excited to partner with Bowden Grandview School to offer before and after school care!

DETAILS

BGC Olds and Area has been providing licensed before and after school programs for children in Olds and area for the past 38 years! Our program provides children with a safe place to go in the out of school hours where they can have fun, interact with their peers, and develop skills that will last a lifetime.

Before School - \$250.

After School - \$310

Full time- \$380

Before and after kindergarten - \$175

Drop in \$20/segment

***Subsidies are available through the Government of Alberta for families with a household income less than \$89,999.

REGISTRATION

Contact Kass

(403) 559-4884

kassbgcolds@outlook.com

Meet the Leaders

Hi, my name is Miss Molly Minor! As well as working at BGC for a year now, I also work at Bowden Grandview School as an Educational Assistant. I am currently working towards my Early Learning and Childcare Diploma through RDP starting this fall. In my spare time I like to spend time with my animals, (cats, dog and horse), playing piano and guitar, motor biking, camping, exploring local spots and hanging out with my friends and family. I am looking forward to my second year at Bowden Jungle Junction with our current members and new ones!

Hello, my name is Miss Hailey Hronek. I've worked with the BGC for over a year now but prior to that I worked in kindergarten classes. I will be working towards my early learning and childcare diploma at Red Deer Polytechnic this fall. In my spare time I am often out driving





Bowden Play & Learn



2023/2024 Registration

September

Full Time

Tuesdays & Thursdays
Mornings 8:20-11:10
Or
Afternoons 12:30- 3:00

Fees

Non Refundable
\$30.00 Registration Fee
Due With Application

\$5.00 per month
Or \$50.00 per year

Couple Things

Children must be 3 at
school start and fully
potty trained to join our
classroom

Contact Information

For more Information or
to register please email
us at

Bowdenplayandlearn@gmail.com
(Lisa)

Call at 403-357-7841
(Shayla)

