

# Bowden Grandview School

December 4, 2023



## What's Happening:

Thursday, December 7

- Students Matter Meeting
- Christmas Farmers Market

Friday, December 8

- No School



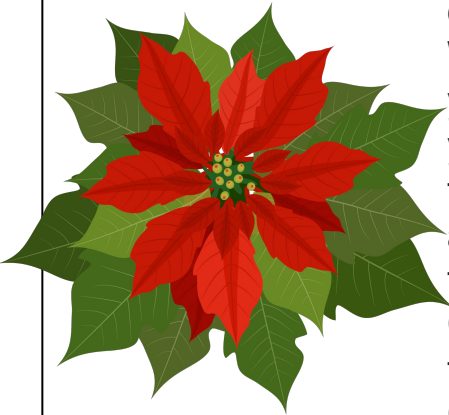
## Elementary Christmas Concert

**Thurs. Dec. 14**

**6:30pm in the school gym**

**Come and enjoy some beautiful holiday music performed by our K-Gr. 6 students.**

**Donations for the food bank gratefully accepted.**



Poinsettia orders will be delivered to the school on Wednesday December 13th. If you have ordered poinsettias, you can come pick them up on the afternoon of the 13th, or anytime on the 14th, including the evening during the Christmas Concert. Thank you to all who ordered, Student Council appreciates your support!

## Candy Cane Sales

**Who:** Grade 6 Class.

**What:** Selling candy canes.

**When:** December 4th to the 7th.

**Where:** Outside of the Grade 6 class at lunch.

**Why:** To raise money to go to camp.

**Cost:** 50 cents for large  
25 cents for 2 small



## 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, 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 4th & 5th.



You're Invited  
to the Grade 5 & Life Skills

# Christmas Market

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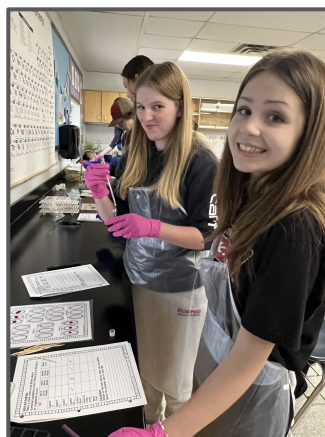
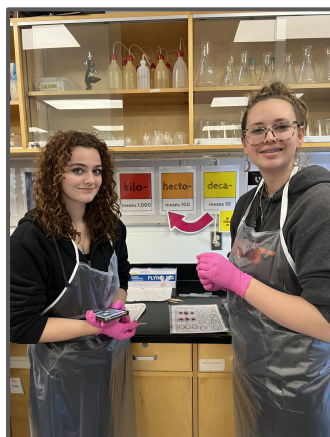
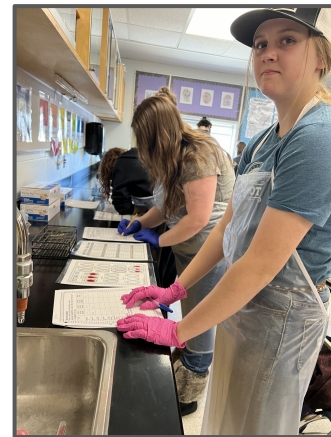
Wellness Room

11:00-1:00 Thursday December  
7th

We Accept Cash and Card



Biology 20 performed a blood typing simulation lab activity as part of their Human Body Systems unit.



During community helpers unit the Kindergarten students learned about different professions in the community. Constable Gabriel demonstrated what tools the RCMP use to help keep us safe.

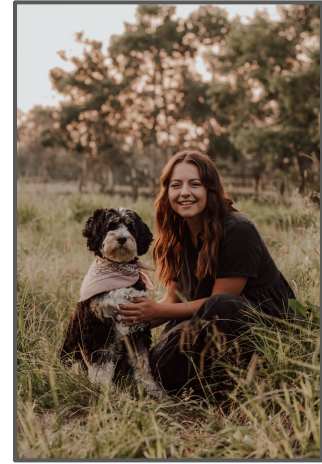


# Thank You!

Friends of Grandview and Student Council would like to thank each and every one of you for your support in our fundraising efforts!

Please welcome Mrs. Jade Layden to the Kindergarten team. She is an Educational Assistant and new to Bowden Grandview School. Jade resides in Sundre and has had a passion for working with children since she was in high school. Previous to joining us, Jade worked as an EA in River Valley School and with kindergarten aged children at the Before/After School Care Program in Olds. She was recently wed in September, and she and her husband foster a pup named Laika. On top of being hired with us, Jade is taking classes at Olds College in the Administration Program in an endeavour to take over the admin duties for her family business. Jade loves the mountains, going skating, and spending time with family! We are so glad to have Jade join the Kindergarten classroom!

# Welcome



Last year Miss Severtson and her grade 7 students applied for and received an Innovation Grant from our School Board. They went to work and created business models and produced products for a Christmas Market. 21 Grade 7 students participated with 12 different projects that connect to skills and understanding in the Alberta Curriculum. The goal was to make money back the first year of the market. They were very successful and made all \$4300 back. There were an estimated 70 parents and community partners who came to the market as well as students in grade 5-12. It only took 30 minutes to sell out! The money raised at the market is used to buy the supplies for the following market making it a sustainable project. The goal is to get larger each year, bring in more community partners and allow students to create more projects. This year the grade 5 class will take over and host their own Christmas Market on December 7th.



Congratulations to our very own, Donna Lynn Anderson for winning the Paul Harris award presented by our local Rotary Club. This is a very meaningful award to Donna Lynn because her father also won it years ago.



# Blazer Athletics

## Upcoming dates



**December 6** - Sr. Girls and Boys basketball games @ Eckville

**December 11** - Sr. Boys basketball game @ Sunchild

**December 13** - Grade 7/8s - Bowling

**December 20** - Sr. Girls and Boys basketball game @ home vs. PAA

## **Jr. B Girls Coach: Jen Wood (community coach) and Ms. Raju (teacher)**

We are so excited to have Jen back as a coach this year. Jen is a very involved community member, Mom and basketball alumni from BGS. She is passionate about getting kids involved in sport and building foundational skills to help them grow and succeed to their highest potential.

Ms. Raju is new to BGS this year. She played jr. high and sr. high basketball in Barrhead and is still actively engaged in adult basketball. Ms. Raju commutes from Blackfalds each day, and we are grateful that she is willing to volunteer her time while being a busy teacher with a heavy Math/Science course load.

Jen and Ms. Raju are coaching the middle school B girls basketball team which is comprised of grade 6-8 students. They have taken the grade 5s as redshirts on their team so that they are able to begin developing their skills and knowledge in preparation for next year. Their team's season will begin in January - come support our junior Blazers!

## **Jr. B Boys Coach: Mr. Thompson (principal) and Mr. Dwayne Brown (community coach)**

Mr. Thompson is back and ready to take on the junior high boys team again. He has volunteered his time for many years and enjoys being a positive male role model for our jr. team while looking to come away with some Ws from the season. He also has Mr. Brown helping, who is a retired principal from Olds with expertise in both basketball and volleyball.

The jr. boys team will play after the girls on Thursday nights in various locations in our CESAA middle school B league starting in January. Their team is comprised of grade 6-8 students looking to improve their skills and gain momentum towards becoming a competitive team.

## Sr. Girls Coach: Derrick Campbell (community coach)

Derrick is new to BGS as a community coach, but as a BGS alumni he knows our school well. We are thrilled to have him volunteer his time this season and continue to develop our Sr. Girls team. Derrick is very involved in our community as well as he is a father to 4. Thanks for joining us this year, Derrick!

Derrick's team is comprised of grade 9-12 students. He has a full roster and his team will play on either Monday or Wednesday nights starting this week! Go Blazers!

We would like to thank all Bowden staff for volunteering and coming together to be the teacher supervisors for Derrick's team. It takes a village and we are grateful for the time everyone is volunteering.

## Sr. Boys Coaches - Mrs. SG and Mrs. Weststrate

Ms. SG is coaching the Sr. boys again this year. She is passionate about the game of basketball and played 2 years of college ball in Edmonton in the ACAC. She had coached multiple teams in Lloydminster and Leduc. Ms. SG is excited for the improvement of multiple players already so early in the season. Her team is looking to get a few Ws this year and continue to work on understanding and building systems and individual skills for the future.

Mrs. Weststrate has been involved with the Sr. boys team for multiple years now. She volunteers her time because she loves watching the kids excel and have fun on the court. We are grateful to have her! The Sr. boys team has students from grades 9-12 and will also play on Monday or Wednesday at various locations starting this week.

## Gym @ Lunch Schedule

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	1 GYM CLOSED	2
3	4 Sr. Boys Practice	5 GYM CLOSED	6 1-3 BASKETBALL	7 4-6 BASKETBALL	8 NO SCHOOL	9
10	11 Sr. Boys Practice	12 GYM CLOSED	13 GYM CLOSED	14 GYM CLOSED	15 7-9 DODGEBALL	16
17	18 Sr. Boys Practice	19 3-5 PLAY STATIONS	20 9-12 BASKETBALL	21 GYM CLOSED	22 1-3 PLAY STATIONS	23 CHRISTMAS EVE
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

Holidays and Observances: 24: Christmas Eve, 25: Christmas Day, 31: New Year's Eve

Homemade GIFTS MADE EASY



# Parent School Council

## Friends of Grandview (FOG)

### School Council

**QUESTION:** *HOT LUNCHES* ...where do I purchase the Thursday hot lunches?

**ANSWER:** on the Bowden Grandview website, choose the Quick Links drop down, choose the School Fees, log into your school fee portal. You will find all our hot lunch options. Pick your lunches and continue on to the pay menu. Keep an eye open for the January menu

Next meeting is JANUARY 16, 2024...NO meeting in December!

To join our meetings please email the below address to be added to the list.

If a parent has a question we ask they email the question to [bgscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:bgscouncil@gmail.com).

### Breakfast Program

Volunteers serve toast, fruit, and a small variety of other items each morning. They start at 8am so when the school doors open the toast is ready for all our students to enjoy. This is available for free to ALL students through donations and grants.

December volunteer schedule is full!!

To volunteer email: [bgscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:bgscouncil@gmail.com)

**FOG** Friends Of Grandview, the fundraising group

### LITTLE SHOPPERS

Each year BGS has a shopping program where the kids can purchase special Christmas gifts for family members. Kids bring a small amount of money to use for their shopping needs. They spend approx. \$1-\$2 per item. Gently used and new items have been donated for this shopping experience. All gifts are placed in gift bags to keep their special gifts a secret until the big day. Shopping days are Dec 4 and 5!!

All proceeds from Little Shoppers go towards the Bowden Lions Holiday Hamper program to assist some families with some meals over the holidays.

For more info contact Carla at (403)506-5222

### HOT LUNCH

Dec 7- Pizza (Athletics)

Dec 14- Chicken Fried Rice (English 12 class)

Dec 21- Hot Dog Day (Physics class)

(find in the School Fee portal)

### Fundraisers

Stay tuned in early 2024!!

# Bowden Jungle Junction

Before/After School Care

BGC Olds & Area

November 2023



## NEW CLUBS!!!

Join us on Tuesdays for our **BUILDING CLUB** where your creativity and building skills get put to the test. Every Tuesday for the month of November there will be a new challenge with new materials for you to build with.

Join us on Thursdays starting Nov. 2nd for our **MUSIC CLUB** where we get to explore the world of music and different instruments in our music corner.



Drop-in \$20/session

REGISTRATION

Contact Kass:

(403) 559-4884

kassbgcolds@outlook.com



@junglejunctionbowden





## OUR 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! For those of you whom I haven't had the pleasure of meeting, my name is Braden and my pronouns are He/Him. I am so excited for this new school year and all of the wonderful things BGC has just around the corner. I will be primarily at EOES, but you may also see me in Bowden, at Holy Trinity, our new Kinder Academy OSC, Pre-teen, and my own Youth programs. I am also attending RDP for my ELCC Diploma, just in case I didn't feel busy enough! All in all, I look forward to seeing everyone again, (or meeting you for the first time), and making more incredible memories this 2023/2024 school year!

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

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.



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 around with my friends in my car or at home with a good book. I also LOVE to travel, my most recent trip was to Italy and Greece! I am so excited to be working in out of school care with so many amazing kids!

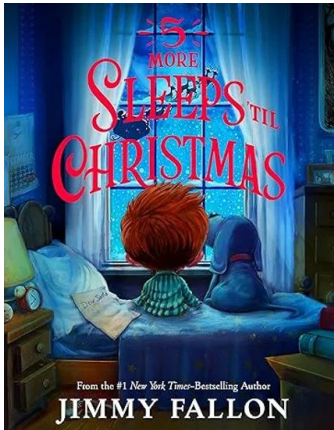




## Literacy Corner

The holiday season is a time of wonder and joy, a time when the world is adorned with lights and laughter. It's also the season when the magic of literature comes alive through the pages of enchanting books.

Let's start December off with the first few picks of books to read around the Christmas Tree.



Host of NBC's The Tonight Show and three-time #1 New York Times-bestselling author Jimmy Fallon returns with this sweet and spirited Christmas picture book.

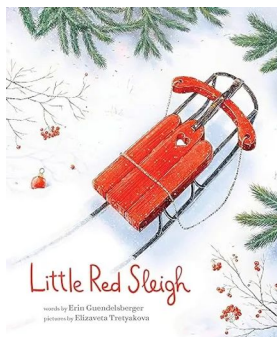
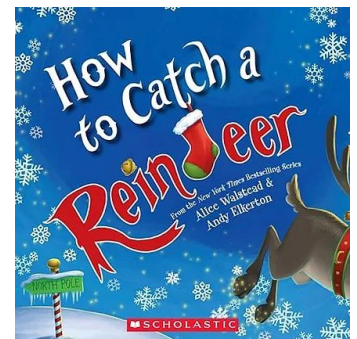
Just 5 more sleeps 'til Christmas!

Can you believe it's here?

I know that Santa's coming soon

'cause I've been good all year.

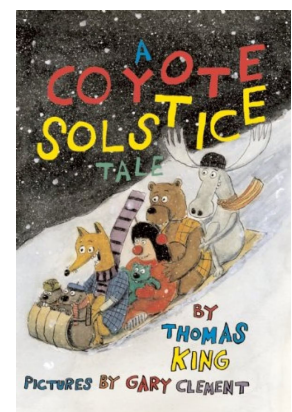
It's Christmas Eve and Santa's team is off to deliver presents when one of the trusted reindeer Comet decides to explore on her own... the perfect opportunity for our How to Catch Kids to trap her and prove Santa exists! Come along on this fun Christmas adventure to see if you can catch Comet!



Immerse yourself in the enchanting spirit of Christmas as you follow the journey of a little red sleigh, a heartwarming tale that captures the essence of the holiday season. This Christmas picture book is a must-read for those who believe in the magic of Christmas, and it's an ideal choice for fans of the beloved classic, The Polar Express!

## Indigenous Education

Trickster Coyote is having his friends over for a festive solstice get-together in the woods when a little girl comes by unexpectedly. She leads the party-goers through the snowy woods to a shopping mall -- a place they have never seen before.





# Bowden Lions Holiday Hampers

Bowden Lions Holiday Hampers are for individuals & families experiencing financial stress and are in need of extra assistance this holiday season. If you reside in the TDMOKD postal code area, you can qualify for a hamper.

To register for a Holiday Hamper, complete an application form. Forms are available at the Town of Bowden, Reddi Mart, FCSS, Bowden Grandview School, Bowden ATB, Town Newsletter. To refer a family or individual, you must have their permission prior to applying on their behalf.

Forms can be dropped off confidentially at Town Of Bowden office, Bowden Reddi Mart & Bowden ATB.

Delivery will be limited to those who have mobility issues, all other applicants must arrange to pick up hampers December 16th. Location will be provided to applicants.

We are accepting non-perishable food items & monetary donations. Food donations can be brought to the Town of Bowden office, Igloo Arena & Bowden Reddi Mart. Monetary donations can be made at Bowden ATB & Town of Bowden.

Here is a list of most needed items:

- |                         |                            |                |                |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| -Canned Meat            | -Canned soup               | -Peanut Butter | -Dry Soup      |
| -Canned Tomato Products | -Canned "heat & eat" meals | -Mac & Cheese  | -Juice boxes   |
| -Canned Vegetables      | -Crackers                  | -Dry Rice      | -School Snacks |
| -Canned Fruit           | -Packaged Cookies          | -Dry Pasta     | -Toothbrushes  |
| -Canned beans           | -Dish Soap                 | -Dry Cereal    | -Toothpaste    |

Please DO NOT donate the following items:

- Past date or open package food items (check dates before donating)
- Clothing
- Toys
- Other household items such as décor

Limit of ONE hamper application per household.  
Applications due by Monday, December 11th.

If you have any questions regarding the Bowden Lions Holiday Hampers  
Contact Lions Member Carla Sparks at 403-506-5222 or  
Bowden FCSS at 403-224-2207







# Bowden Lions Holiday Hamper Confidential Registration Form 2023

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Phone/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Hamper Recipient if different from applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recipient information:**

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

People in household	Age	Dietary Restrictions (per person)

Pick Up \_\_\_\_ OR Delivery \_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Delivery is only available for those with mobility issues. All others must arrange to pick up hamper on Dec. 16th. Pick up location will be provided to applicant.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rules & Guidelines**

1. Must reside in the TOM OKO area to receive a hamper
2. Limit one hamper application per household
3. Plan to pick up your hamper. Ask a neighbor, friend or family member to arrange a ride for you that day. Delivery is extremely limited and can only be provided to those with mobility issues.
4. Applications due by Monday, December 11th.
5. Pick up date is Saturday, December 16th. Location will be provided to applicant.

Questions? Contact Bowden Lions member Carla Sparks at 403-506-2222 or Bowden FCSS at 403-224-2207.





# Join the ADVENTURE!

**Grades 9 -12**

**\*\*Experience Two Iconic Cities:\*\***  
Explore the bustling streets of New York City and the historic landmarks of Washington, D.C. in one unforgettable trip!

**APRIL 2024**

For ALL the details  
Visit <https://www.eftours.ca/tour-website/2616202HN>

**IT'S NOT TOO  
LATE TO JOIN !**

Payment plans  
offered - travel  
now, pay later

Contact Mrs. Crandall [kcrandall@cesd73.ca](mailto:kcrandall@cesd73.ca)

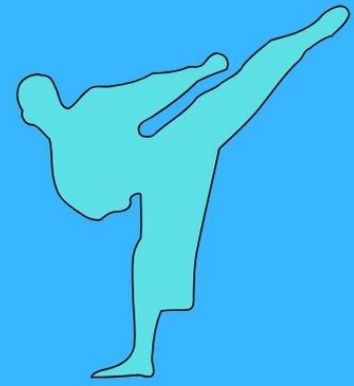


Call 1-800-263-2806 to enroll





LET'S HAVE FUN!!



# PATHFINDERS



**Every Tuesday**  
**January 2024**  
**Grades 1-3 & 4-7**  
**Olds Elementary School**  
**3:30 pm - 5:00 pm**  
**Fee: 10 Sessions / \$150**

Find your area of passion with  
 different activities each week,  
 Swimming, Sports, Bowling and  
 much more



## REGISTER HERE



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[CLCRECREATION@OLDSCOLLEGE.CA](mailto:CLCRECREATION@OLDSCOLLEGE.CA)



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