

Bowden Grandview School

February 5, 2024



Who: Grade 6

What: Valentine's Day pop and candy sales.
Pop is \$1.00 per can and candy is \$1.00 per bag

When: February 5th - 8th at lunch

Where: In front of the grade 6 classroom

Why: To raise money to go to Grade 6 Camp



What's Happening:

Tuesday, February 6

- Renaissance Fair - Gr 8
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Wednesday, February 7

- Winter Walk Day

Thursday, February 8

- Norquay Ski Trip
Gr. 9 & 10
- Spellathon Assembly @
2:10
- Jr/Sr Valentine's Dance
6:30pm - 9:30pm

Friday, February 9

- No school for students



Don't forget to order your hot lunch online!

- February 8- Chubb Eats
- February 15- Hot Dogs
- February 29- A & W
- March 7- Pizza
- March 14- Subway
- March 21- Hot Dogs
- March 28- Sweet and Sour Meatballs With rice

Office News

Just a reminder that all School Statements have been sent out. Please have your school fees paid as soon as possible.

If you would like a tax receipt for your Spellathon donation over \$20.00 please reach out to Miss Harvey.

Kindergarten to Grade 6



Fundraiser

January 15 – February 8, 2024

Raising money for the elementary grades
(Eg. Quest Theatre, field trips)

For every \$5 raised, students will receive
one ticket to enter into the prize draw
of their choice.

Thanks for your support!



Please note: We can issue tax receipts for donations over \$20.
Please phone the office or inform your child's teacher
to make a request.

Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) Surveys

Dear Parents/Guardians of Grade 4, 7 and 10 Students:

Alberta Education has opened the **Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) Surveys**. Alberta Education will mail a Random Access Code (RAC) to the homes of parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 in all schools in Alberta. This year parents will be completing the survey online. Instructions for doing so will have been included in your package, however, please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions. Parents still have the option of completing the AEA survey on paper. Requests for a paper survey or translated survey can be directed to the school. Bowden Grandview School students, in grades 4 to 12, will also complete a survey online. All student surveys will be completed at school.

The data in these surveys is very important for our school and as such, we strongly encourage you to take a few minutes to respond to the survey. You are asked to answer the questions based upon the experiences you had at our school. At Bowden Grandview School we value feedback from parents, students, and staff and will use it to identify areas of strength that we should continue and areas to modify for improvement. Communicating and working in partnership with our parents is a priority for us. The feedback you provide with this survey is an important step in the process. All surveys are anonymous.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, and is an important part of our planning process.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours truly,

Bowden Grandview School Staff

Alberta Education Assurance Survey

Information for parents and guardians

About the survey

Every year, Alberta Education surveys students, their parents and all teachers on behalf of schools and school authorities to assess what is working well and where there is room for improvement. The survey asks students in grades 4, 7 and 10, and their parents, about their thoughts, feelings and experiences in school. The survey will be administered between January and March 2024. In some schools, all students in grades 4 and above and their parents will be surveyed.

Participants will be asked questions on a variety of topics, such as welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environments; student learning engagement; and parental involvement. The survey does not ask for names and cannot be used to identify individual participants.



Why is the survey needed?

Alberta's Assurance Framework requires school authorities across the province to report their performance according to a number of different measures that provide key information about how the education system is doing. A provincial survey allows all school authorities to be measured on the same things at the same time.

Participation in the survey is voluntary:

- All participants may opt out of taking the survey at any time with no repercussions and/or skip any questions they do not wish to answer.
- All responses are anonymous. The survey does not collect personally identifiable information and Random Access Codes will be used to group responses by survey type, school and authority.
- Only grouped data where there are more than six responses are reported.
- All data collected will be managed in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.
- If you have any questions regarding the survey or your child's participation, please contact your child's school directly.



How will I take the survey?

- Parents or guardians are issued a single-use Random Access Code mailed through Canada Post to complete the survey online.
- The code must be used to access the survey and helps Alberta Education group your response as being from a parent/guardian. It is **not** used to identify individuals.
- Monitor your Canada Post mailbox starting late-January 2024 for the survey invitation package from Alberta Education.
- Parents or guardians with more than one student in an eligible grade will receive a separate survey invitation package for each child.
- Paper copies of the survey can also be requested through your school principal once the survey opens.



How will students take the survey?

- Students complete the survey at school.
- Before the survey begins, your child's teacher or school staff will explain to the students that the survey is not a test – there are no right or wrong answers. They will also explain that there are no repercussions for opting out of participating and that they may skip questions they do not wish to answer.
- Responses are submitted anonymously. Random Access Codes will be used to group responses by survey type, grade, school and school authority only.

Details about the assurance measures and how to obtain results are available online at www.alberta.ca/alberta-education-assurance-survey

If you have questions or concerns about the survey, please contact your school principal.

Blazer Athletics

Upcoming dates



- February 7** Sr. Girls and Boys HOME game vs. Alix (6:00 and 7:30)
- February 8** Jr. Girls HOME vs. River Valley (4:00)
Jr. Boys HOME vs. WestGlen (5:30)
- February 12** Sr. Girls and Boys @ Bentley (6:00 and 7:30)
- February 15** Jr. Girls HOME vs. Olds Koinonia (4:00)
Jr. Boys HOME vs. Hugh Sutherland (5:30)

We are looking for a grade 7-12 badminton community coach to run practices and attend competitions for our area! Please contact the office if you are interested.

Athlete of the Month **JANUARY**

Jr. Girls Basketball **Kiera Shaw**

Kiera has been working hard to learn new skills and apply them in games. Her defense and ability to adapt on the court are a real asset to the team. Keep up the good work Keira!



Jr. Boys Basketball **Caleb Barnim**

Caleb continues to work on his skills and is a valuable member of our team. He leads by example and he can be counted on to consistently improve.



Thank you to The Bowl for sponsoring our
Athlete of the Month!

Bowden Grandview School Apparel

Popup 2024 online store

Available until February 9th

Orders arrive 3 weeks after purchase

[Click Link](#)



3Gs

GRIEVE, GATHER, GROW

A SEVEN WEEK GROUP PROGRAM FOR
YOUTH AGE 13+ EXPERIENCING LOSS AND
WANTING TO SHARE, LEARN, AND
PROCESS HARD FEELINGS.

Thursdays from
February 8 to March 28, 2024
4 - 5 p.m.
Didsbury Neighborhood Place
(1606 14 Street)

Registration Required

To register, visit: mvfrn.ca

*For those seeking more intensive support please contact the
MVFRN at 1-877-761-0033

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Family Resource Network

MVFRN.ca

Alberta Provincial Family Resource Networks

Literacy Corner

During the first week of February, the world celebrates Children's Authors and Illustrators Week! This week honors the contributions of authors and illustrators who write books and/or produce art for children and young adults.

February 4–10, 2024

What are some of your favorite Children's authors and illustrators?

Everyone remembers the books they loved as a kid, and especially the famous children's book illustrations that brought them to life. They may work with different mediums, in different children's book illustration styles, and on different kinds of stories, but the famous illustrators always manage to make a lasting impression on little readers —and sometimes big ones, too!

Three fun illustrator picks for the week - Leo Lionni, Dan Santat & George Littlechild



Leo Lionni's signature children's illustration style is characterized by his use of collage, and for the rich textures, tones, hues, and playful geometric shapes he used to help tell his fables about anthropomorphized animals, birds, and insects.

Dan Santat's imagination runs wild on the page, giving life to totally new imaginary creatures with totally recognizable thoughts and feelings. He uses color and shape to appeal to a child's sense of wonder; a tree in *Beekle* fans out across two pages, and on the tip of each branch is a tiny star. Adults might think this isn't quite realistic, but a child sees magic in his illustrations and relates to the story more deeply because of the whimsy in his illustrations.



Indigenous Education



George Littlechild is a renowned artist from the Plains Cree Nation. While he's primarily a painter and mixed-media artist, he has also illustrated several children's books, including *A Man Called Raven* and *What's the Most Beautiful Thing You Know About Horses?* both written by Richard Van Camp. He also wrote and illustrated his own children's book, *This Land is My Land*.



Raising Resilient Children

Thursday, February 29, 2024

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Online Information Session via Zoom!



How can you help your child manage their emotions so they cope well with disappointment and in stressful situations?

Get the strategies that will allow them to recognize positive and negative emotions – and deal with them in a healthy way.



Registration is open until February 27, 2024

REGISTRATION:

Register online at www.mvfrn.ca for zoom link



Connect Parent Group

An attachment based program for parents and caregivers

Thursdays, February 1 to April 4, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Connect is a 10-week program to support parents and caregivers of pre-teens and teens with behavioural and emotional problems.

Parents meet in small groups with two trained group leaders for 90 minutes each week. Each session provides parents with a new perspective on parent-teen relationships and adolescent development. Parents watch role-plays and try exercises that encourage more choices for responding to their teens' difficult behaviour.

Looking for more information?

Email us at info@mvfrn.ca or call 1877-761-0033!

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED:
Register online at MVFRN.CA





Don't Forget To Mark Your Calendars for our
FREE Spring Summit!

Join us March 5-8 for this epic 4 day **FREE EVENT!**

- ✓ FREE Access
- ✓ 4 Half-day LIVE Interactive Workshops
- ✓ 18 Masterclasses Presentations
- ✓ 28 hours of Continuing Education
- ✓ The TOP Experts on the Planet
- ✓ Certificates for Continuing Education (for those who purchase recordings)
- ✓ Bonus: Fostering Resiliency 3 Hour E-Course for those who purchase recordings

Register Now for FREE!

Go to: [Institute of Child Psychology.com](https://www.instituteofchildpsychology.com) and click on **Conference Registration**

Have a look at the following website for resources on raising healthy kids and teens:

Child Mind Institute (<https://childmind.org/about-us/>)

This website is dedicated to transforming the lives of children and families struggling with mental health and learning disorders by giving them the help they need. They are the leading independent nonprofit in children's mental health by providing gold-standard evidence-based care, delivering educational resources to millions of families each year, training educators in underserved communities, and developing tomorrow's breakthrough treatments.

Here are just a few of the Articles (Links) that you might be interested in:

[How Using Social Media Affects Teenagers](#)

[How to Help Kids Learn to Fail](#)

[When to Push Your Children](#)

[Raising Confident, Independent Children](#)

[Raising Girls with Healthy Self Esteem](#)

[Social Media and Self Doubt](#)

[When Should you come Between a Teenager and Their Phone](#)

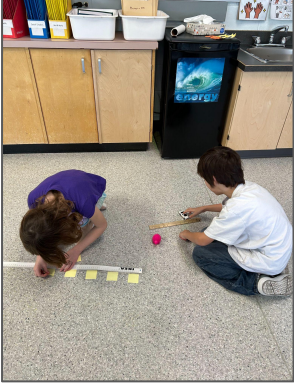
[When Should you get Your Kid a Phone?](#)

[Why is Screentime Bad for Young Children](#)

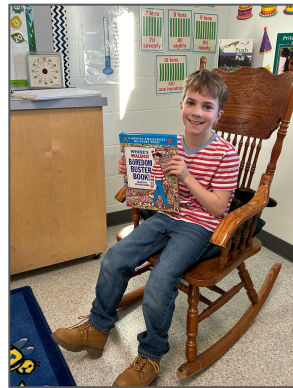
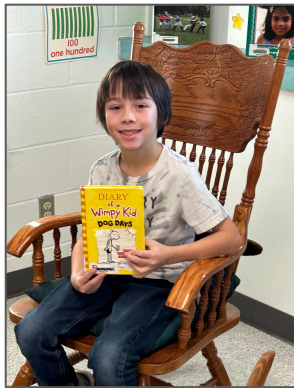
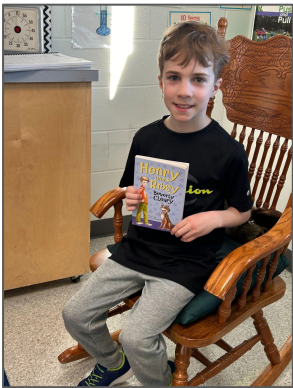
[Media Guidelines for Kids of All Ages](#)

GRADE 3

The grade threes have been learning about force and energy in science. They had a tug of war to explore the force of pull, and experimented with how different strengths of push forced toy cars different distances.



Literacy Day



Tug-of-War



BOWDEN JUNGLE JUNCTION

Before/After School Care



January 2024

****Full Day Care offered (in Olds) on January 31st. Please contact Kass for more info.**

To Register, contact Kass:
(403) 559- 4884
kassbgcold@outlook.com



Information

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.

New Clubs!!!

Join us on Thursdays for our **Music Club**, where we get to explore the world of music and different instruments in our music corner.

Drop- in fees are \$20/session.



Volunteer Opportunities!!

If you know someone who would love to come and have fun while volunteering, Bowden Jungle Junction is the place to be! Also, if you're a high school student, volunteer hours look great on a resume! Please contact Kass if interested.

Check out our Instagram Page!

@junglejunctionbowden

