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June

Important Dates

June

1 - Horticulture Greenhouse sale

2 - Grade 3-6 Field Trip to Fort Edmonton Park

7 - Alberta Emerald Award Ceremony in Edmonton

8 - Gr 7-12 Field Trip

14 - Colour Night

16 - Last day of NMS classes for grades 7-12

21 - National Indigenous Peoples' Day

27 - Report cards go home

27- Elementary Awards Ceremony starts at 1:30 p.m.

27 - Last day of school

Stay up to date with information:

Website:
www.newmyrnamschool.ca

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Principal's Message

Happy June, everyone! With only a month left in the school year, I'm reflecting on my first year in the office. I have valued parent, student, and staff feedback on what the school is doing well, and areas where we can continue to improve. In order to serve the student population of Myrnam and the surrounding area effectively, constructive feedback is a cornerstone to growth. Parent council meetings have been a convenient place for parents to express their concerns and hear about what is going on in the school. Please know, that this is not the only time I want to hear parent voices. Please call the school or email me at any time. I look forward to working with parents and the community.

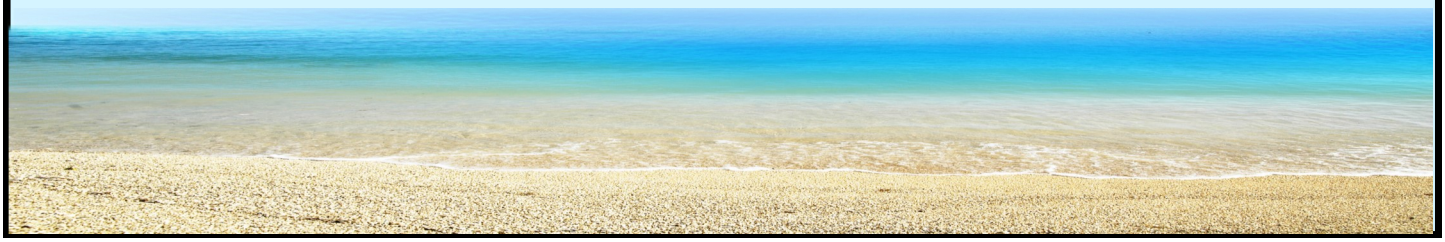
The NMS and MOHC graduation ceremonies were held the last week of May. It was a beautiful ceremony. Thank you to Ms. Morrison and Mrs. Ostropolski for being our grad coordinators and working with graduates and parents. Thank you as well to Mrs. Jan Rajoo and Mr. Keith Gamblin for attending on behalf of St. Paul Education, Mrs. Donna Rudolf from the Village of Myrnam, and Mr. Don Gulayec from the County of Two Hills. We are so grateful for the continued support of St. Paul Education and the village and county. Thank you to the parents who spent so much time and energy ensuring the school and hall were decorated beautifully. This year's grade 12 class has experienced a lot of change throughout their school years and have come out the other side more resilient and ready for the world than they would have been without that stress. I am so proud of their accomplishments and excited to see where their next steps take them. I hope they all come back to visit in the future so we can check in.

Every month of my newsletter messages, I think I could start it with, "This is a busy month." June is no different. Please see the newsletter for the exam schedule and know when your student needs to be at the school for exams. All exams begin at 9:00 a.m. After writing exams, high school students will be permitted to leave the school after they sign out without parent phone calls. Junior high students leaving the building after exams will be asked to have parents call or text the school to inform the office. Students who want to stay at the school to study for the afternoon will be assigned to a study hall with a designated teacher supervisor who can help the students study and prepare for upcoming exams.

Along with exams, students are wrapping up projects and courses. Our horticulture class is ending their semester with a greenhouse vegetable sale on Thursday, June 1 from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. They will also be taking their Green Certificate test for Greenhouse through Lakeland College on Monday, June 5. Good luck!

Our track season is wrapping up with junior high SPAA and high school provincials. Congratulations to Ava Machney who is representing NMS in Edmonton on June 2 and 3 in the 4 x 1 relay. Good luck, Ava!

Field trips are happening for all students from grade 1-12. There is also the Emerald Awards show on Wednesday, June 7, Colour Night to celebrate our athletes on Wednesday, June 14, Indigenous People's Day on Wednesday, June 21, Kindergarten Graduation on Thursday, June 22, and elementary awards on the last day of classes, Tuesday, June 27. It's a lot to keep track of! Make sure to check our Facebook page for pictures and updates on all of these events and more announcements.



JUNE Exam Schedule

MY MISSION IN LIFE IS NOT MERELY TO SURVIVE, BUT TO THRIVE; AND TO DO SO WITH SOME PASSION, SOME COMPASSION, SOME HUMOR, AND SOME STYLE.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	01	02	03
04	05 • HORTICULTURE GREEN CERTIFICATE TEST • ELA 9 PART B IN CLASS FINAL	06 • ELA 10/20 PART B IN CLASS FINAL	07 • SOCIAL 9 IN CLASS FINAL • ELA 10/20 PART B IN CLASS FINAL (EXTRA TIME IF NEEDED)	08	09 • MATH 9 IN CLASS FINAL	10
11	12	13 • SOCIAL 30 PART A DIPLOMA EXAM • MATH 9 IN CLASS FINAL	14	15	16 • LAST DAY OF CLASSES FOR 7-12	17
18	19 • SCIENCE 7/8 FINAL • CHEMISTRY 20 FINAL	20 • SOCIAL 30 PART B DIPLOMA EXAM • GRADE 6 AND 9 ELA PAT PART B • SOCIAL 7/8 FINAL	21	22 • GRADE 6 AND 9 MATH PAT PART A • MATH 7 FINAL • MATH 8 FINAL	23 • ELA 7/8 FINAL • CHEMISTRY 30 DIPLOMA • GRADE 6 AND 9 MATH PAT PART B	24
25	26 • GRADE 9 SOCIAL PAT • PHYSICS 30 DIPLOMA	27 • GRADE 6 AND 9 SCIENCE PAT • SCIENCE 30 DIPLOMA	28	29	30	

Concession Prices

Chicken Quesadilla (Sour Cream and Salsa) $3.00

Grilled Cheese (with Vegetables or pickle) $2.50

Crackers, Cheese, Sausage and Pickle Plate $3.00

Vegetable Plate with Ranch $3.00

Microwavable Instant Rice $2.50

Pizza Pop $1.00

Taco in a Bag $6.00

Mr. Noodle (Chicken/Beef) $2.00

Hot and Spicy Noodle Bowl $2.00

Boiled Egg $0.50

Water $2.00

Juice Box $0.75

Gatorade $2.00

Iced Tea $2.50

Sparkling Ice Drink $2.00

Ice Cream Cup $1.00

Italian Ice $2.00

Veggie Straws $1.00

White Cheddar Popcorn $2.00

Pringles $2.00

Twizzlers $3.00

Nibs $3.00

Corn Nuts $2.00

Ritz $1.00

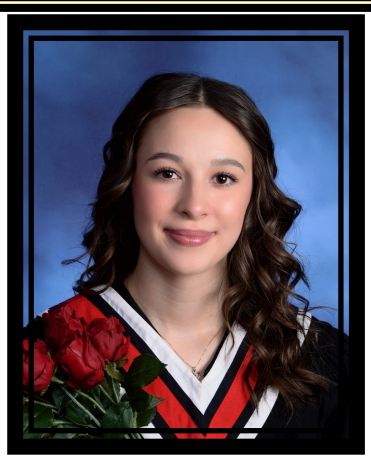
Made Good Cookies $.75

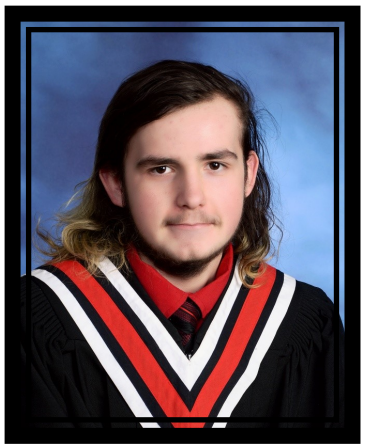
Gum $1.00

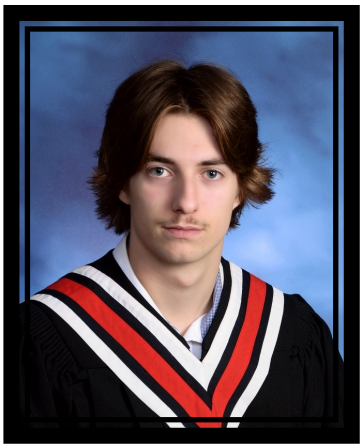
Career Councillor Dates 2022-2023

June - 5, 6, 13, 14, 21, & 22

Class of 2023

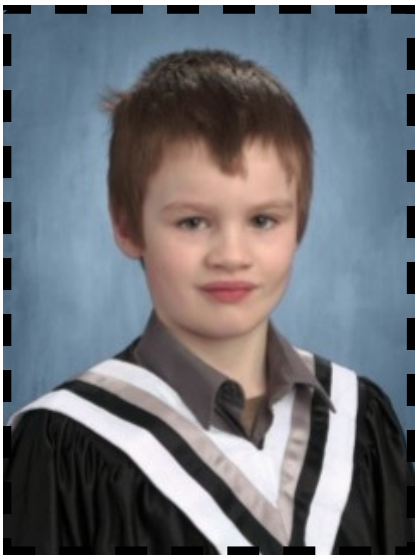






Grad Ceremony Highlights

Kindergrads 2023

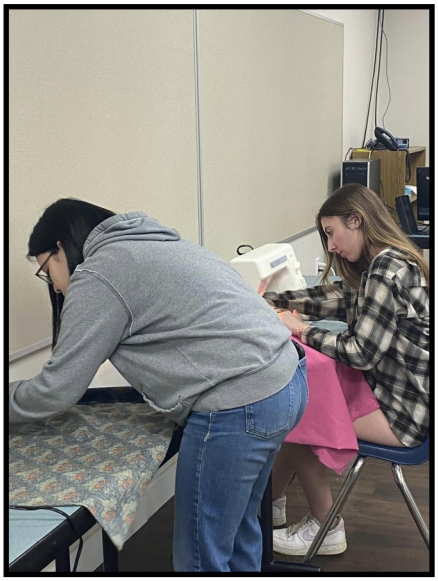


Learning and Fun in Kindergarten

Watch me Grow!

May was a month full of activity for our kindergarten class! We planted seeds, painted fork tulips, played with clay, danced to the Wiggles and learned all kinds of new skills. What a wonderful May!

Sewing Crash Course

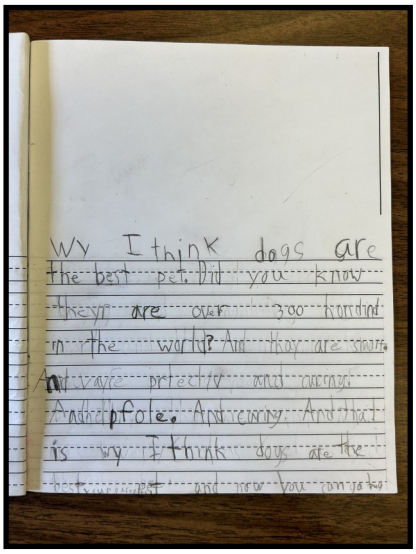


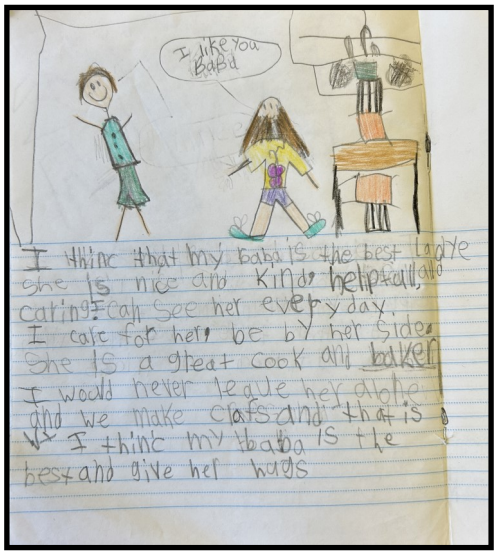
What a great two days. High school students from NMS and MOHC participated in sewing basics crash course. Thank you Mrs. Mandrusiak and Mrs. Chomlack! You are spectacular leaders. They took this on above and beyond their regular responsibilities at the school and the students are grateful. They learned some important hands on skills.

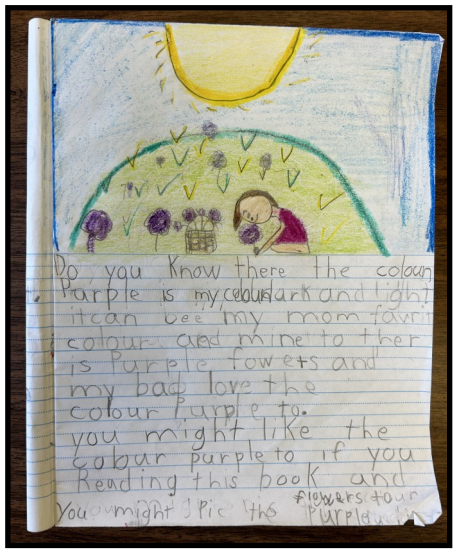
Our Opinions in Writing

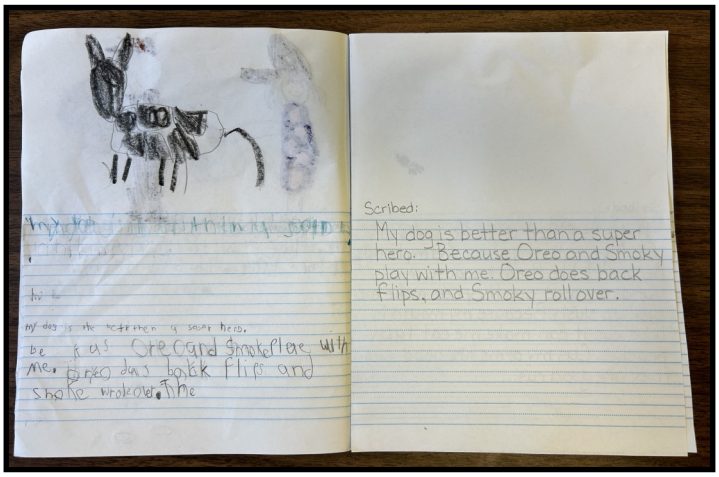
During the month of May, the grade one and two students have been working on writing "opinion" stories. In these stories, they begin by stating their opinion about something. Then, they list their reasons, as many as they can think of, to support their opinion. In the end, the students learned to re-state their opinion, and invite the reader to do something in response. There are some fantastic opinion stories being written in our class, and we would like to share some of them with you! Well done, writers!!!

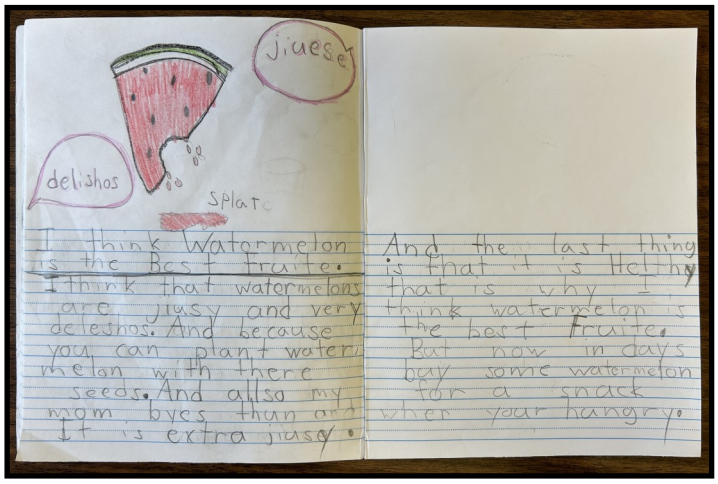
Grade 1/2

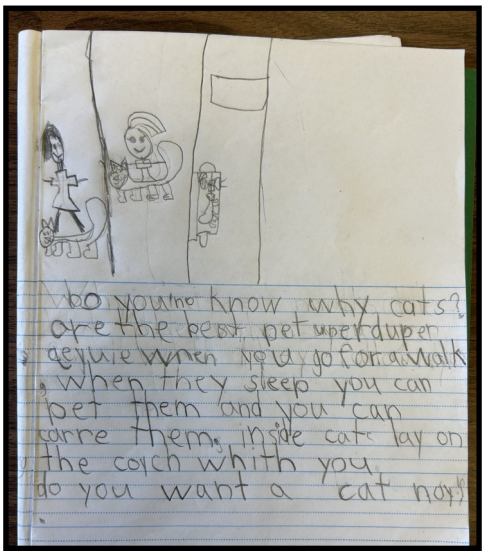


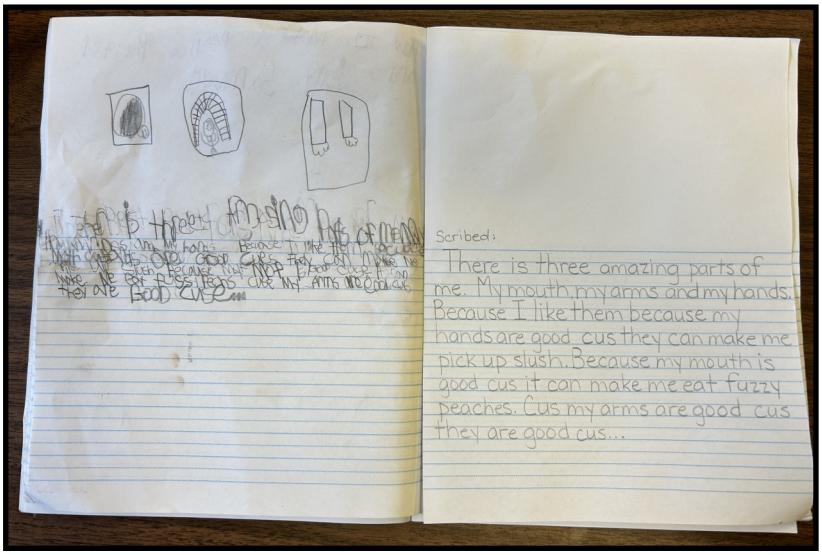












Grade 3/4 Class Beautifies Our School

Mrs. Saruk's grade 3/4 class is learning about plants in science. What do they need to grow? How do you care for them? They took their learning outside to beautify the front of our school.

NMS GREENHOUSE

June 1st SALE 4PM-7PM

The Horticulture program has been working hard this year to grow plants to sell to you!

- Poppies, morning glories, bluebells
- Tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers
- Cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli
- And much more!!!

Library News

WHAT A YEAR!!
I am so pleased to say what a fabulous year it has been. We've accomplished so much this year and have a lot more to do before the school year is completed.

ECS - Grade 4 students have planted some seeds and have been watching them grow so they can discover the life cycle of a flower and a vegetable.We will continue to do this for a couple more weeks before we send their plants home with them to plant in their own gardens.

ECS will be doing some fun reading, crafts and other activities as the year winds down.

Grade 1/2 have mastered logging into accelerated reader and taking the AR quizzes. They are busy reading to earn prizes that will be awarded to them on June 20th

Grades 3 - 6 continue to work on their AR goals which ends June 16. I'm pleased to say that many of them have already met their goal and are now working on various apps that are free with their library cards.

So far this year **1,353** AR quizzes have been taken, **1,331** were **85% or higher** and **14,005,931** words have been read. Such beautiful numbers!!!

Free comic book day was held on May 9th with almost 200 free comic books were given out to students and patrons of the Myrnam Community Library. This event is attracting more people every year. I love that people are coming into the library for more than just books.

This month I'd like to focus on **Cypress Resume** free with your public library card!
The online resume builder creates a resume in a few easy steps. User profile recommended by Cypress Resume.

I am continually purchasing new books for library patrons to borrow. I have added some of these purchases to this newsletter, check out the Myrnam Community Library website for a more detailed list.
https://www.myrnamlibrary.ab.ca/

The Myrnam Community Library Patrons can order books through TracPac or to call me (780 366 3801) to request books. I will call once the books are in and have been processed. These books can be picked up Monday to Friday between 8:30 - 3:30 or on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 7:00pm. Or better yet come on down to the library and see what we have to offer! Please feel free to call me if you need more information or have any questions. If the doors are locked during my open hours please ring the bell so I can let you in. Hours during July and August will be different. Please see the summer hour calendar at the end of this newsletter.

SAVE THE DATES FOR THINGS HAPPENING IN THE LIBRARY

(check the website and social media sites for more details closer to the dates)

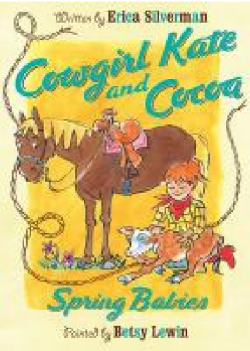
Myrnam Community Wide Garage Sale June 17

The Library will be participating in the Village wide garage sale. If you have anything you would like to donate to put into our sale please contact me at 780 366 3801 to arrange for pick up or drop off. All monies raised will go towards the reading programs. Stop by for lunch. Hot dogs, popcorn and drinks will be available for purchase.

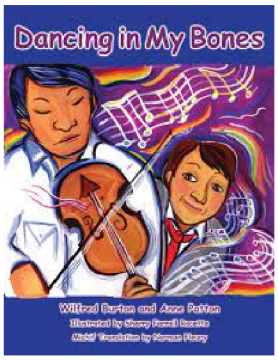
SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Calendar will be sent home later in the year.

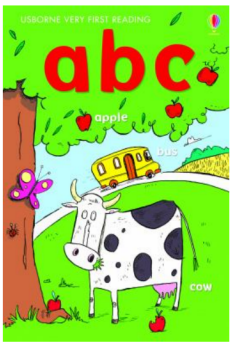
NEW TO OUR LIBRARY



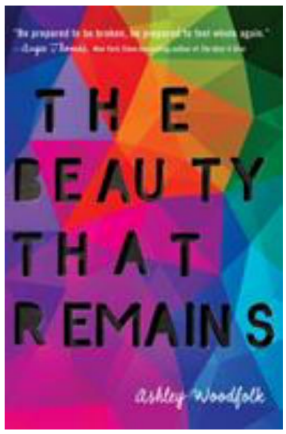
Baby animals are springing up on the ranch. Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa have a lot to do to help these new friends feel at home. But Cocoa's not sure he *wants* new friends, especially if they mean more work. With Cowgirl Kate's gentle nudging--and snacks!--Cocoa's happy to help out, and work is as fun as play.



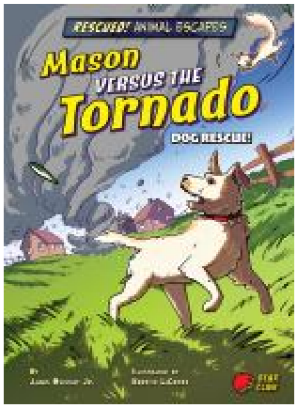
Dancing in My Bones, the sequel to the highly successful book *Fiddle Dancer*, returns us to the story of a young Métis boy named Nolin as he continues to discover his Métis heritage. Lovingly written by Wilfred Burton and Anne Patton and vividly illustrated by Sherry Farrell Racette, Dancing in My Bones will take you on a journey to discover Moushoom's first moose hunt, red lipstick kisses, Uncle Bunny's fiddling, and the return of the "Bannock Jig." But most importantly, by the end of the story, you might feel like you have dancing in your bones! In addition to the story, the book contains a translation into Michif-Cree by Michif specialist Norman Fleury, as well as a CD with narrations in English by author Wilfred Burton, and in Michif by translator Norman Fleury.



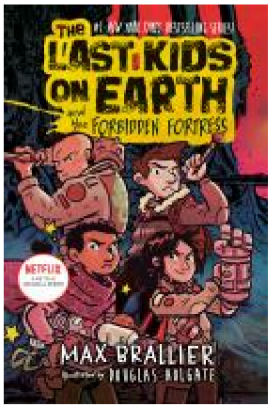
A new addition to the inspiring 'Very First Reading' series, specially developed for young children who are just beginning to learn to read.



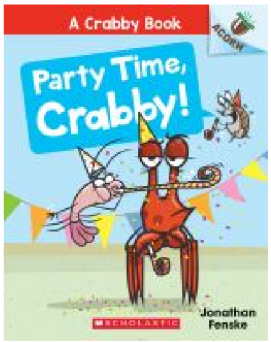
We've lost everything...and found ourselves.
Music brought Autumn, Shay, and Logan together. Death might pull them apart.
Autumn always knew exactly who she was- a talented artist and a loyal friend. Shay was defined by two things- her bond with her twin sister, Sasha, and her love of music. And Logan has always turned to writing love songs when his real love life was a little less than perfect.
But when tragedy strikes each of them, somehow music is no longer enough. Now Logan is a guy who can't stop watching vlogs of his dead ex-boyfriend. Shay is a music blogger who's struggling to keep it together. And Autumn has become a girl who sends messages that she knows can never be answered.
Each of them wonders- How different would my life be if this hadn't happened? And now that it has . . . what's next?



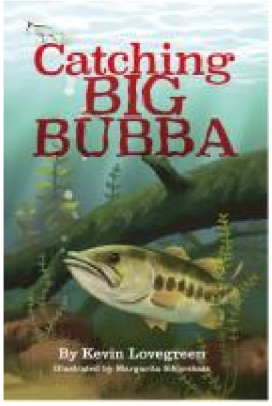
"When tornadoes tore through Alabama, they ripped the roofs off houses, tore apart trees, and sent debris flying miles away. They also picked up Mason, the dog and sent him sailing away from his home and owners. Mason's family searched desperately for their beloved pet, but he was nowhere to be seen. Find out about this brave dog's slow, crawling journey back home after a tornado in this graphic adventure of animal escape. Then, learn more about the heroes that saved other animals from terrifying tornadoes"



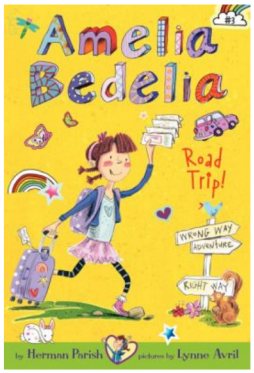
Picking up after Quint and Dirk's Hero Quest, the Last Kids are happily reunited--but quickly faced with a monstrous new mission. Inside an other-dimensional fortress, the evil Thrull, alongside a vile new villain, is carrying out a sinister plan. Jack, Quint, June and Dirk must make their own plans to infiltrate the stronghold before Thrull gets any closer to completing the mysterious Tower, a structure that could ultimately spell doom for this dimension.



Plankton wants to throw a party. Crabby hates parties. Plankton makes an invitation. Plankton gathers party supplies. Will Crabby ever want to party?



After a sudden change of plans, Luke and his sister, Crystal, find themselves on an unexpected adventure with their fun-loving cousins-right in their own neighborhood. So come join the fun as they do everything they can to catch Big Bubba, a legendary bass in their local lake!

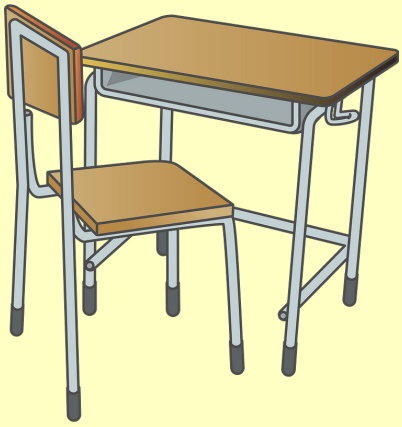


Fun and fiascoes ensue when young Amelia Bedelia and her parents take a road trip through their state.

Sensitive, narrative text from illustrated animal characters shows readers what covert bullying is and provides possible solutions to stop it

Announcements

Locker and Desk Clean Outs will be happening this month. If possible, please send something for your child to place their locker/desk contents into.



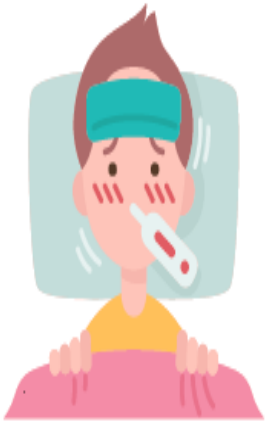
Concession Closes June 16
Some ready made items may be available while supplies last.

Have a Fantastic Summer! See you in September!

HOW SICK IS
TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?

SEND TO SCHOOL

- A runny nose or just a little cough but no other symptoms.
- Sore throat but no other symptoms.
- No fever in the past 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine.
- No vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours.



KEEP AT HOME

- Fever higher than 100.4 degrees F (38 degrees C).
- Sore throat, with other symptoms such as a persistent cough.
- Vomiting or diarrhea in the past 24 hours.
- Eyes are pink and crusty.
- Has been exposed to an illness where isolation is recommended.

Links Page

Alberta Education has announced a change to the weighting of diploma exams for the 2022 -2023 school year. Exams will now be weighted at 20% of the student's overall grade. Please see Link Below for the full announcement and additional information about diploma exams.

https://www.alberta.ca/diploma-exams.aspx

New Myrnam School Facebook Page

https://www.facebook.com/newmyrnamschoolsperd?fref=nf

Power School

https://powerschool.sperd.ca/public/home.html

Alertus App Information

https://www.stpauleducation.ab.ca/alertus-app

School Cash Online

https://sperd.schoolcashonline.com/

Our Project Videos/Articles

https://www.newmyrnamschool.ca/project-s-videos

Myrnam TEEN Day CAMP

TWB
Mental Health
Capacity Building

AUG 8-11

FREE
Ages 12 - 17

- ★Sports
- ★Art
- ★S.T.E.M
- ★Minute-to-Win it

For More information or to register contact:
Together We're Better Program Manager:
Lily Belland

780-872-4596
or email belllily@sperd.ca

Summer Teen Camp 2023 Registration Form

Name: _____

Age: _____ Gender/Pronouns: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Contact #: _____

Parent Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact #: _____

Allergies: _____

Epipen Required? Yes / No

Please check the location/week you would like to attend:

☐ St Paul Jul 31-Aug 3 (Mon-Thu)

☐ Myrnam: Aug 8-11 (Tue-Fri)

☐ Two Hills Aug 14-17 (Mon-Thu)

Is there any other information that you think we need to know? (ie: medical conditions, alternate pickup information, etc...)

☐ By initialing this box, I grant permission for the St Paul Education's Together We're Better program to use pictures, and/or first names, and/or quotes from myself or my child for the purpose of promoting the Summer Teen Camp and other Together We're Better MHCB programs.

I grant permission for my child to attend the Summer Teen Camp indicated above, from 11:30-3:30 each day, as facilitated by St Paul Education's Together We're Better MHCB program

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please email completed form to belllily@sperd.ca at least 1 week before the indicated camp's start date.

Together We're Better

Drop-in Daycamp

Lac Bellevue Day Use Area

- Crafts
- Games
- Stories
- Activities

1 p.m.- 4 p.m.

July 17 - 20th

July 24 - 27th

CALL LILY AT 780-872-4596 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Together We're Better

Alberta Health Services

Mental Health Capacity Building

St. Paul Education Learning Calendar 2023-2024

August 2023

M	T	W	T	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	

September 2023

M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	**5**	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

October 2023

M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

November 2023

M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

December 2023

M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

January 2024

M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	**31**		

February 2024

M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	

March 2024

M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	**29**

April 2024

M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

May 2024

M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

June 2024

M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	**26**	27	28

LEGEND	
Instructional Day	
PLC Day	
Schools Closed	
Early Dismissal 2 pm	

Days of School Operation

	Instructional	Staff Only
August	0	3
September	19	1
October	20	1
November	19	1
December	15	1
January	17	0
Semester 1	**90**	**7**
January	1	0
February	17	3
March	15	1
April	20	1
May	20	1
June	17	2
Semester 2	**90**	**8**

Total Instructional Days	180
Total Non-Instructional Days	15
Total Operational Days	195

First Day of Classes: September 5
First Day of Second Semester: January 31
Last Day of Classes: June 26

Instructional Hours

	Days	Min./Day	Hr./Year
Elem/Jr High	180	317	950
High School	180	333	1000

Important Dates

August 29, 30, 31	PLC Days
August 31 (a.m.)	Catholic Education Formation
September 1	PLC Day/Division Day
September 4	Labour Day
September 5	**First day of school**
September 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day
October 6	PLC Day
October 9	Thanksgiving
November 9	PLC Day
November 10	Schools Closed
November 13	Remembrance Day (Nov 11)
December 8	PLC Day
Dec 25 - Jan 5	Christmas Break
January 31	**First day of second semester**
February 2	PLC Day
February 2 (a.m.)	Catholic Education Formation
February 14	Early dismissal - 2 pm
February 15 & 16	Teachers' Convention
February 19	Family Day
March 1	PLC Day
March 25 - 29	Spring Break
March 29	Good Friday
April 1	Easter Monday
April 19	PLC Day
May 16	PLC Day
May 17	Schools Closed
May 20	Victoria Day
June 14	PLC Day
June 21	National Indigenous Peoples Day
June 26	**Last day of classes**
June 27	PLC Day

Calendar Approved: February 8, 2023

Approved School Holidays

Labour Day	Sept 4	Family Day	Feb 19
Thanksgiving Day	Oct 9	Spring Break	March 25-29
Remembrance Day	Nov 13	Good Friday/Easter Monday	Mar 29 & Apr 1
Christmas Vacation	Dec 25-Jan 5	Victoria Day	May 20

Professional Learning Community - PLC days provide opportunities for staff to work together on topics such as: school opening and closing, professional learning, sharing best practices, assessment, and supports for students.

Catholic Education Formation (CEF) - August 31 and February 2, mornings

Diploma Exam Schedule 2023-24 - October 26, 27, 30, 31 **November** 2, 3, 6-8 **January** 10-12, 19, 22-26, 29, 30 **April** 4, 5, 8-12, 15, 16 **June** 11-14, 17-20, 24-26
Provincial Achievement Test Schedule 2023-2024 - In draft format as per Alberta Education

June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Day 6	2 Day 1 (**K Day**)	3
4	5 Day 2	6 Day 3 (**K Day**)	7 Day 4	8 Day 5 (**K Day**)	9 Day 6	10
11	12 Day 1 (**K Day**)	13 Day 2	14 Day 3 (**K Day**)	15 Day 4	16 Last day of classes gr 7-12 Day 5 (**K Day**)	17
18	19 Day 6	20 Day 1 (**K Day**)	21 Indigenous Peoples' Day Day 2	22 Day 3 (**K Day**)	23 Day 4	24
25	26 Day 5 (**K Day**)	27 Last Day of School! Elementary Awards 1:30 Day 6	28 **See you next school year!** **Have a fantastic summer!** PD Day (No School)	29	30 	