

ENCHANT SCHOOL

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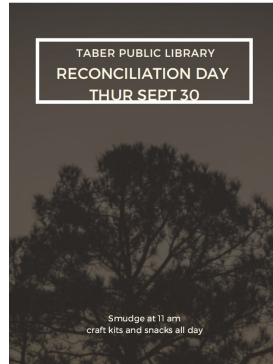
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September 28, 2021

Dates to Remember:

- Sept 30 - Reconciliation Day -Taber Public Library
- Oct. 3-9 Fire Prevention Week
- Oct 8 - No School
- Oct 11 - Thanksgiving No School
- Oct. 14 - Picture Day
- Oct. 14 - Hot Dog Day
- Oct . 14 - Formal Day
- Oct. 22 - School PD No School
- Oct. 25 - Division PD No School
- Oct. 28 - Hot Lunch
- Oct. 29 - Elementary



Fire Prevention Week



This years Fire Prevention Week theme is **Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety**. Do You know the sounds of safety? Check out firepreventionweek.org with your family to learn more and have a whole lot of fun.

Wow, to say Enchant School Families are amazing is an understatement. Thanks to all of you for your generous donations to Cancer research. Together we raised over \$2200!

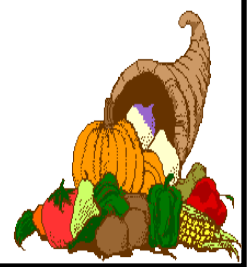


Like years past we will have School Spirit Days on the same day as Hot Dog Day. October's theme will be **Formal day** as Spirit Day falls on the same day as picture day.

Did you know that Thanksgiving has been celebrated on the second Monday of October since 1957. However, it was first celebrated in 1578 in what is now known as Nunavut by Martin Frobisher to give thanks for the safe travel of his fleet. Thanksgiving was a way to show gratitude for safe journeys, peace and bountiful harvest. What are you "Thankful" for?



To all our Families celebrating Halloween please be safe out there!



Principal's Message – October 2021

October is here and it seems like it arrived so quickly! September has flown by and I continue to be amazed at how well the students are getting used to their new classrooms, their daily routines, and following the latest restrictions/guidelines in place during the school day.



WEARING MASKS –



Masks are required for all bus students at this time. This has been mandated by the government, not the school.

During the rest of the school day, masks are only required in the common areas of the school (when entering the building, in the hallways, when going to the washroom, and when heading outside at recess times. Once a student sits at their desk, they are not required to wear a mask. A reminder that students should bring their own masks from home to use at the school. These can be purchased at stores or can be made by parents/students. Also, cloth masks should be washed regularly. Disposable masks should be worn

Hand Sanitizing stations – will be available at the front doors of the school. We would continue to ask students to use this upon entry to the school as it is one way to help protect everyone.

Terry Fox Run – A big thank you to everyone for their generous donations to the Terry Fox Foundation. We beat our goal of \$1,000 by raising just over \$2,200!!! All classes will be given an extra recess time as a reward for beating our goal!

Enchant School Advisory Council (ESAC) – this year I think it would be great to have at least one parent from each homeroom (Kindergarten, Gr. 1/2, Gr. 3/4, Gr. 5/6, and Gr. 7/8/9) to be a representative at our meetings. Meetings are held every second month and usually are about 1 to 2 hours in length. Our first meeting will be held on Monday October 4th starting at 6:45pm. The meeting will be held virtually. Please call the office and let us know if you wish to attend.

Communication with Teachers outside of work hours – Parents please note that any communication, such as Emails, text messages, phone calls should ideally take place during the hours of the workday (7:30am to 4:30pm). During the school day, your child's teacher is working and may not have time to check their own phone or email, so please if you need to let any teacher know of any changes involving their child please contact the school and leave a message with the secretary.



Individual teachers may provide alternate hours or ways to contact them, however, please realize that some communications may not be viewed before your child goes home at the end of the day. Communications that occur outside of Monday to Friday work hours or on weekends may not be responded to until the next workday.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – September 30th

This year the government of Alberta “encourages all Albertans to reflect on the legacy of residential schools”. As such, Horizon School Division is recognizing this holiday for all staff and students. Please note there is NO SCHOOL for all students and staff on Thursday September 30th.



Fire Drills and Lockdown practice – as part of our ongoing safety of students and staff here at the school, we are required to have 6 fire drills and 2 lockdown practices each school year. Each semester (September to January and then February to June) we must have 3 fire drills and 1 lockdown practice. We do this to prepare our student so that in an emergency we can make sure that our students are prepared, know what to do and how to do it properly.



If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me here at the school. I wish you all a wonderful 2021-22 school year.

Yours in education,

Mr. Kelly Schmidt
Principal



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Hello families,

Recently we have been notified of an event that is taking place in Taber. My City Care is an organization that helps our community with needs such as clothing, food and hygiene. An event will be taking place in Taber on Friday, October 15, 2021 from the times of 11 AM to 2 PM. MyCityCare will be set up outside of the main WR Myers front doors, on the grass. MyCityCare will be setting up tables and racks with clothing, shoes and winter gear along with some other possible items.

When families arrive they will be able to grab a bag and fill up with whatever items they need for free, families are not limited to one bag as they can enquire with staff. MyCityCare might also provide food hampers and hygiene items.

This event is open to the public so family members and those in the rural school will be able and are welcome to attend the event.

If you are unable to attend on October 15, 2021. MyCityCare has a clothing room at Taber Victory Church that enables families to pick up items at no cost. Hours of operation are from 9 AM to 2:30 PM. Alternatively, they can call MyCityCare Taber at (403) 634-9530 to arrange for alternate times.

Thank you,

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Terry Fox Run



Kindergarten



Kindergarten has had a wonderful start to the school year. Students have settled nicely into the school routine. We are going to have a great year leaning together! Kindergarten students learn one letter of the alphabet each week of the school year. We have jumped right into learning and have started with letter /m/, /f/, /a/ so far. Your child should know the name and sound to those letters. In math, we are focusing on numbers 0-5 doing some counting, number identification and placing these numbers in order. Our theme is centered around the sights and scenes of fall. We will be reading stories, complete some art projects and looking for signs of fall outside.



Mennonite Heritage

Week



Our Jr High along with the help of Mr. O'Connor and Mrs. Neufeld treated the entire School to some traditional Mennonite Soup as a way to celebrate Mennonite Heritage Week.





Jr High



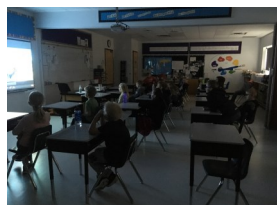
It looks like our Jr High has been having a great month. From golfing to bridge building. Can it get much better?



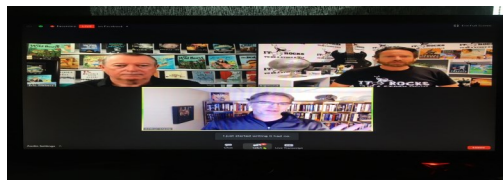
Grade 3/4



September also included an amazing classroom presentation called **Find Your Adventure**. Our class was able to participate in an hour-long virtual event hosted by three famous Canadian authors! They loved listening to Arthur Slade, Sigmund Brouwer, and Eric Walters speak to them about reading and writing. The grade fours were especially excited to see Eric Walters, as we read his book *Don't Stand So Close To Me* aloud last year.



WOW! It's amazing to be back for another year. Everyone is settling in, and it's going to be an amazing year in Grade 3/4 - I just know it! As a back-to-school activity students celebrated how awesome they are by completing a fun crafty project. They made paper crayon boxes, and inside recorded the ways they are all the Brightest Crayons!!



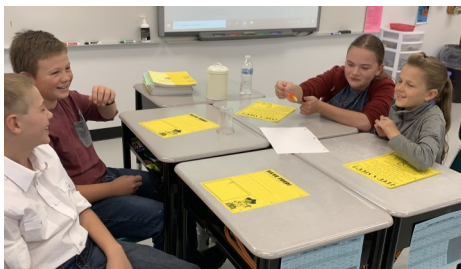


Grade 1/2

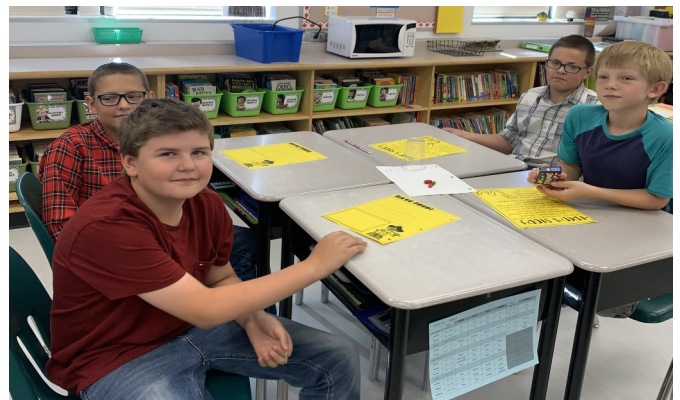
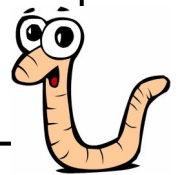
The grade 1/2 class has had a great start to the school year! We have been busy having fun and learning routines in the classroom. Our class is very fortunate to have a student teacher from the University of Lethbridge. Mr. Zook has been busy playing his guitar and teaching grade two language arts and math. The grade one students have been reviewing letter names and sounds and the grade two students are busy writing riddles. We are learning about the four seasons in science and belonging in social. It is going to be a great year!



Grade 5/6



The grade 5/6 class started the school year with a fun activity. The challenge was to save Fred the worm from drowning. Groups had fun problem solving and team building! We are looking forward to a great year of more fun and learning!





September brought Enchant School **The Joe Show** A fun interactive twist to farm safety.

