




Bothwell School News

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! The staff at Bothwell School wishes everyone a great start as we welcome you back to January 2024! I hope you enjoyed a restful holiday break with family and felt the joy of the season and that the sense of JOY stays with you all year through!

As students return to classroom routines and schedules, they will continue to have opportunities to grow and further develop skills as they take part in their learning. Planning for deeper learning opportunities includes the 6 C's of our HSD Deeper Learning: character, creativity, citizenship, critical thinking, communication, and collaboration skills. Helping students to be stronger learners is a goal as staff are working together to plan learning that aligns with our school goals:

- support students to strengthen literacy with a focus on reading and writing skills
- support students to strengthen numeracy strategies with a focus on strengthening how we work with numbers and understand problem solving
- support social and emotional engagement of all students and encourage strengthening our 6C's, care about our school and each other, and understand zones of regulation and ways to have self-control

You are welcome to see more detail about our school plans under school reports tab on our school website: www.bothwell.hsd.ca and this child friendly version we have too: [- student version](#)

We are happy to share that we have arranged for students to have an alternate activity option during the noon break! Clubs include: Day 1 & 4- gr ½ Lego, Day 2 & 5- gr ¾ Lego, Day 3-gr 5-8 STEAM club with Kirby Krause (HSD Learning Coach in January and February) Day 6-gr 5-8 Art/Lego Club . Of course, students may choose to go outside, and the grade 5-8 students also have some other indoor the library and gym noon options that are still available to them. We just wanted to have different ways that kids are able to connect with other students and enjoy getting to know each other during a fun supervised activity!

We understand that your child may stay home if not feeling well, and we thank you for supporting this by keeping your child home if they are sick. Otherwise, regular attendance is very important to establish healthy routines where students are in school to work with support to complete assignments, take part in classroom discussions, and learn in productive classroom settings.

Please check out this link for some helpful information about how to support your child to attend school: [School Attendance - Information for Parents | Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning](#)

The yearbook will once again be produced this year and will be sold for \$20.00. More information about ordering will be available in early spring.

Kindergarten registration is now open for the 2024-25 school year- more info in newsletter on page 4!

Mrs. Rekrut

BADGERS KNOW THEIR STRENGTHS!



You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have. ~ Maya Angelou

Creativity is intelligence having fun! ~ Albert Einstein

Character Citizenship Communication Critical Thinking Creativity Collaboration

The badger is a symbol for persistence, confidence and strong will.

Achieve your goals and be resilient with BADGER PRIDE!

THANK YOU STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

Hamper donations were collected in December and donated to the local Niverville Helping Hands!

Thank you so much for your kind generosity and willingness to share with others.



THANK YOU

Thank-you for the lovely Christmas cards, gifts and wishes received from students and parents to Bothwell School Staff. Your support is a great encouragement to us all!

WHEN STUDENTS ARE ABSENT

If your child is going to be **absent from school for part of a day or longer**, please notify the school by:

- entering the absence on your Parent Portal or
- informing the office and/or teacher ahead of time, with a **signed note, email or phone call** or
- call the school the day of the absence **between 8:30 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.**

We will call all homes where students are absent without communication from a parent.

If you pick up your child **during** the school day, please **come to the office and sign out your child**.

If someone other than your child's legal guardian is to pick them up, **PLEASE notify the school with your permission by email to bothwell@hsd.ca or phone call.**

GRADE 8 INFORMATION: TRANSITION TO GR. 9 AND JUNE FAREWELL

The Grade 8 Class will be supported with transition plans to attend Grade 9 next year. Students in our school are set to attend Grade 9 at the Steinbach Regional School in Steinbach (SRSS) as there is arranged HSD bussing for our students to attend SRSS for their highschool programming. If you plan to have your child attend a different school other than the SRSS, please let us know. Soon, we will have information from SRSS to help students with an orientation tour and course selections.

In June, our students will be involved with plans for a year end farewell celebration that will take place as a class event during part of their school day. Any parents/families that would like to plan for their own after school celebrations are welcome to do so!

JUST A COUPLE OF SAFETY REMINDERS



For Students:

- 1) Be extra careful when crossing any street since vehicles often require a greater distance to stop on snowy/slippery streets.
- 2) Follow the Crossing Guard's instructions. Walk across safely, do not run or ride a bike across the path.
- 3) Dress with warm clothing, footwear and mitts since all students will be outside for AM/PM and noon hour recess as we follow the HSD weather guidelines.

For Parents:

- 1) Please use the visitor parking areas for pick ups and drop offs and do not use bus loop.
- 2) Please slow down and be extra careful in our school zones- 30 km speed in school zones.

STORM, COLD WEATHER AND SCHOOL CANCELTION INFORMATION

- 1) On days when school is in session, students may arrive at school at 8:50
- 2) Students should be warmly dressed for winter weather for all recess breaks.
- 3) General recess guidelines we follow:
 - a) When the temperature or wind chill is -30°C or colder, recess is indoors.
 - b) When the temperature or wind chill is between -25°C and -29°C , recess is shortened or indoors.
- 4) When individual buses are running late or are cancelled, HSD posts the bus number and how late it is on the division website, www.hsd.ca. The division does not call each family on the route with notification.
- 5) If all of the schools in the division are closed due to bad weather or extreme cold, and bus service is cancelled, you will receive a phone call from the division. An announcement will also be made on AM 1250 and 96.7 FM radio stations between 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM. The cancellation notice will also be posted on the division website, www.hsd.ca.

PLEASE NOTE: No one is at the school on cancellation days. Please do not drop off students and drive away as there is no one at school to let them in to use the phone.

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten registration for the 2024-25 school year will open on January 8, 2024. To be eligible, Children must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2024. The registration process will take place online at www.HSD.ca. If you do not have access to the Internet, please visit the school office and we can assist you in completing the registration on a school computer. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to register their children soon after registration opens in January. Early registration will assist us in preparation and planning for the upcoming school year. Registering before March 1, 2024, will ensure there is sufficient time for school appointments and provide parents/guardians with the opportunity to participate in Kindergarten orientation activities in May 2024. Visit www.hsd.ca for registration instructions.

BOTHWELL SCHOOL CONCERT SURVEY

A thank you to all parents, caregivers, and guardians who submitted online feedback (Dec. 18-22) regarding our December school concert. Your input is greatly appreciated. The information gathered will be reviewed and used to assist us in planning for future concerts. A summary will be provided.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

As per the HSD guidelines, our school is set to have religious instruction. Those students with permission in Grade 1-4 will have instruction in the months of January/February during period 9 (3:05-3:35) and the students with permission in Grade 5-8 will have instruction in March and April during period 8 (2:30-3:05).

ZING-E-ZING! CONCERT FOR KIDS



Join the Steinbach Arts Council and award-winning entertainer Madame Diva for a show the whole family will love! Prepare to be transported into a world of birch bark canoes, paddles, music, and loads of laughter with Madame Diva and Micah the young voyageur. Enjoy singing along and tapping your feet to the festive melodies of the fiddle, while listening to charming and playful stories of the voyageur era. Whether you're fluent in French or English, Madame Diva's expert use of 'Frenglish' ensures that every member of the audience is included and engaged! Don't miss the show loved by families across Canada! Join the fun at the SRSS Theatre at 6:30pm on Friday, January 26 th, 2024. For tickets visit steinbacharts.ca or call 204-346-1077.

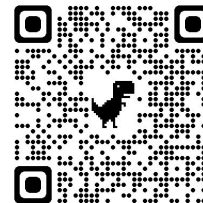
Family Matters



Parents' Ultimate Guide to Instagram: Is Instagram safe? How does it work? How do teens use the app?



[6 Things Parents May Not Know About Instagram Video Link](#)



QR code - scan with your phone for
Common Sense media page information

Click on the blue questions below to link to the answers!

What is Instagram?

How does Instagram work?

How old should kids be to use Instagram?

What kinds of content will my kid see on Instagram?

How can I monitor my kid's activity on Instagram?

Are "finstas" and "rinstas" a thing?

Is there any way to limit or restrict my kid's activity on Instagram, including connecting with strangers?

How can my kid block or report other users on Instagram?

What should I do if it seems like my kid can't stop looking at Instagram?

What are some other risks associated with kids using Instagram?

Are there any potential benefits to my kid using Instagram?

SCHOOL PRIORITIES SUCCESS AND BADGER PRIDE

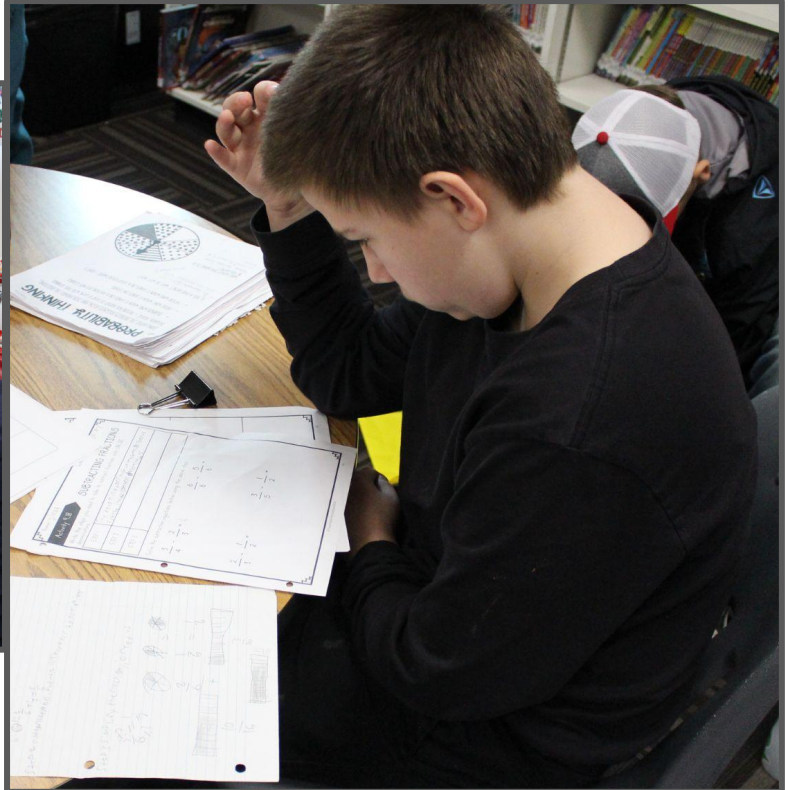


2023-24 Bothwell School Planning Priorities Report

LITERARY FOCUS



NUMERACY FOCUS



SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING



LEARNING PARTNERSHIPS

