

Principal's Report to Fort Assiniboine School Council March 22, 2023

Pembina Hills Education Plan - Literacy Support

- Our Literacy Coaches have continued to work at elbow with teachers in the classroom weekly and leading PD sessions for our K-9 teachers (Darcie Eamor K-5 and Danika Raymond Gr. 6-9).
- We are doing another round of collecting student writing samples to develop division wide common marking standards. Our final goal by year end, is to post writing samples that identify writing exemplars (rated from 1-5 in increasing quality) so that students/parents can see what is expected and how to "bump up" their writing quality.

Progress Reports & Celebration of Learning Meetings

- Meetings were well attended (over 90%)
- K-9 progress reports went home March 17. These are printed on a similar template across the division. Parents can see the outcomes of the new curriculum (K-3 ELA & Math; K-6 Health & Wellness).

Celebrations

- Legion Remembrance Day Award Winners K-9 Jan. 26 presented with prize money
- School Board Visit Feb. 8 - thank you Danielle for joining school tours and answering questions about the celebrations and challenges at our school
- Trickster Theatre - a full week of fine arts and fun! Everyday was packed with drama activities that involved student creativity, movement activities, and teamwork. Students and teachers enjoyed the process. We had fantastic volunteer support for costumes, set-up, clean-up. Thank you Danielle for being our volunteer coordinator!
- Paralympic Sledge Hockey workshop at the arena for Gr. 4-9 was challenging.
- Buddy Lunches back in person - wonderful to see cross grade kindness and creative treats for Valentines and St. Patricks Days
- Math Scavenger Hunt for gr. 6-9, a full morning of math problem solving and teamwork!
- Gr. 6-9 Readers Cafe
- Farm Safety K-5
- BH Rotary Music Festival - Grade 5 Individual Spoken Arts participants
- Mrs. Kiselyk has applied for and received several Science/Nutrition/Outdoor Ed grants
 - We submitted pictures from our tomato soup (made from school garden tomatoes) to Nutrients for Life and won a "Mystery Garden box" supplies for next year's garden
 - The Kindergarten class won a Canada Agriculture Day draw for a food voucher to buy apples and taste test the different range of sweetness
 - \$500 grant from Alberta Blue Cross & AMA for the Walking Club will be spent on water bottles and high visibility vests
 - A \$4500 grant for Outdoor Education will be used for a Gr. 6-9 Canoe Trip June 5-7 and learning time with an Indigenous Elder

- Elementary and Junior High Basketball programs went well. At the Elementary tournament in Swan Hills we defeated BH 1 and tied the other BH team
- Thank you to coaches/volunteers:
 - Jr. High Girls- Mrs. Rhonda Spitzer and volunteer Ken Lee
 - Jr. High Boys - Ms. Pybus, Mr. Wyman, Mrs. Hiemstra
 - Elementary Boys & Girls - Mrs. Hiemstra, Ms. Pybus

Upcoming Events

- March 24-31 - Spring Break
- April 3 - 28 - Swimming Lessons for K-9
- Wed. April 5, 6:30 pm - Gr. 6-9 Outdoor Ed Canoe Trip Parent Meeting
- Fri. April 14 - Brass Band concert in gym 1:00 - 1:30, class visits 1:30 - 3:30 (schedule TBD)
- April 20 - Jr. High Badminton Tournament
- April 29 - PHSD Chess Tournament @RF Staples
- May 3 - Kindergarten Open House 10 - 1
- May 3 - Hats on for Mental Health
- May 6 - Highway Clean-up
- May 11 - Class Pictures and K Grad pictures
- June 5-7 - Dates for the Grade 6-9 Outdoor Ed. Canoe Trip
- June 15 - Elementary Track Meet in Swan Hills (Gr. 4-6)
- Mon. June 19 - our new alternate day (approved by the Board)
- Fri. June 23 - School today due to PAT exams
- June 27 - Student Last Day