



Blazer Update

February 2021

Upcoming Events

5th Subway Lunch
Report Cards go home Gr.
6-12
8th-12th No school.
15th—Family Day No school
19th— Twin Day
26th- Pizza lunch

Blue Hills
Community
School
780-928-3632

The ice rink will be closed every
Thursday for maintenance.

Quad 3 begins Jan.27.
Mr. Compton will have the
Gr. 6/7's Mr. Borgatti will
have the Gr. 8/9's

There is quite a concern regarding library books.
The library is **not** open this year. Please return your
library books if they are not from the bin that is in
your classroom. By taking books out of the library
without sign out it gives for a huge mess for when it
should reopen. Thanks for your attention in this
matter. You can always talk to Mrs. Peters.



Exciting News!!

Lifetouch photos is
coming to school!
They will do,
ECS grad pictures,
class pictures and individuals.
Coming end of April.

For those of you that have a preschooler
and are curious, there will be no Pre-ECS
this year.

International Travel Information

With the vaccine and the International Border Testing Pilot program happening in Calgary (and being expanded to Edmonton) families (and possibly staff) in our region are beginning to travel internationally. Please make them aware of the following information if you know of anyone who is considering this option.

1. As of January 7, proof of a negative COVID-19 test result must be presented (either paper or electronic proof of result) to an airline prior to boarding a flight to Canada.

[Pre-departure COVID-19 testing and negative results for air travelers coming to Canada](#)

2. International Border Testing Pilot Project - [International Border Testing Pilot Program | Alberta.ca](#)

Must register up to 5 days before you plan to arrive. [Alberta COVID-19 Border Testing Pilot Program](#)

- a. Must fly directly into Calgary (cannot have a layover in a Canadian airport prior to arriving in Calgary)
- b. Still restrictions on where you can go prior to a 2nd negative test.
 - i. Closest locations for an approved 2nd test is Peace River or Grande Prairie.
 - ii. Attendees, students and staff cannot go back to these settings until they have their second test and have received a negative result:

MS. BRUCE'S BULLETIN

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KINDERGARTEN – FEBRUARY 2021

MATH

In Math, we are learning to measure and compare heights and lengths. We are using both untraditional and traditional units of measurement.

LANGUAGE ARTS

In Language Arts, we are continuing to learn letter names and sounds. We are also learning syllables and beginning to read some sight words.

SCIENCE

We are just finishing our unit on structure building. We will now be focusing on the five senses and exploring what each one means and does.

SOCIAL STUDIES

In Social Studies, we are continuing to explore groups. We will be focusing on what it means to be apart of a group/community and how we belong to different ones.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas break! I am glad to be back in the classroom with the students again.

If you ever have any questions please feel free to contact me.





GRADE 1/2



JAN. 28, 2021

MR. DRIEDGER

LANGUAGE ARTS

Some of the grade 2's are going for EMPOWER spelling, while the grade 1's are continuing to use Jolly Phonics for spelling. Miss Derksen continues to work with students in small groups to improve

Jolly
Phonics

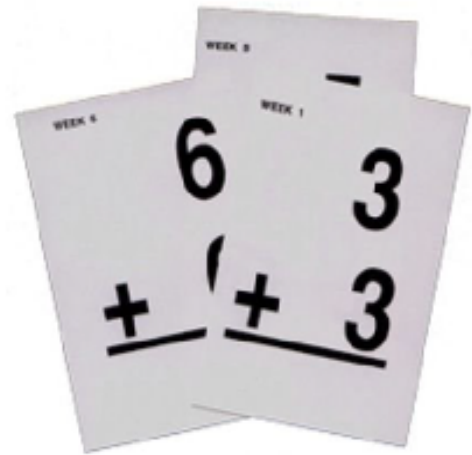
When it is colder that -20°C , students are expected to be wearing ski pants when they are on the bus.

SOCIAL STUDIES

We are continuing to learn about Blue Hills. Now we are learning about Stories & Events of the Past.

MATH

In Math, we are learning how to estimate, shapes, representing numbers and fact families. We continue counting, flash cards, mad minutes, adding and subtracting each day.



SCIENCE

We have finished the unit on Senses. We are now learning about Building Things.

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Mr Pelley's Ponders

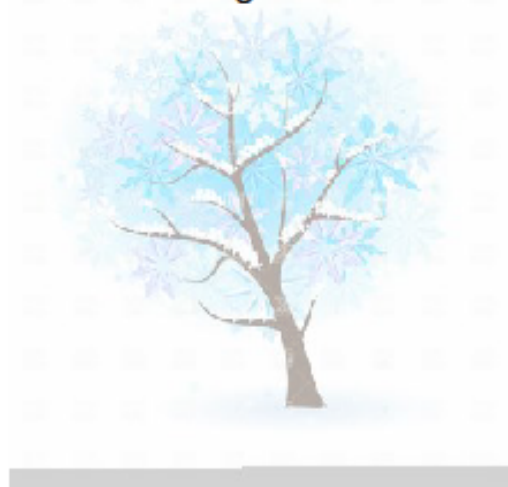
The new year is well underway and we are very busy people in our classroom. In language arts we will be working on paragraph writing. We have done one write but will do at least a couple more. In social studies we are looking at the goods and services of different countries around the world. In math we are finishing off our unit on data and graphing and will go back to multiplication and introduce division. Finally in science we are looking at how structures are built and maybe try to build a few things ourselves (please send tubes, tissue boxes, and empty milk cartons as they become available for our building units).

Time will soon begin moving more quickly as spring approaches, we are already over half way through the school year!

Please remember to keep recording your child's reading in their reading logs!

Thank you!

Mr. Pelley



The Robbins Report



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Welcome back!

I hope everyone had a great winter break!


I am looking forward to a second half of the school year that will, hopefully, be less eventful than that of the past couple years.

Just a reminder that I am always available to talk by phone or email if you have any questions or concerns.

Language Arts


We continue to work on our reading and writing strategies.

We have just finished writing narratives and will be moving into informational writing in the next couple weeks.



Math


We are currently finishing off long division (which will culminate in a test on mixed long division and long multiplication). We will continue to practice this as we begin working with fractions and decimals.



Social

In social, we have begun to look at the early settlers and First Nations of Canada and their roles in shaping the country we live in.

Science



We have just had our first electricity test in science. This marks the halfway point for the unit. The students will now begin looking at magnetism and apply what they've learned about electricity to the circuits we build in class.

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Language Arts & Social

The study of Language Arts is our chance to demonstrate our intelligence and creativity. Reading, writing, analysis, and creation constitute the basis of this subject. Students jump between the study of art, to the analysis of art, and even to the creation of art.

Social Studies delves into the phenomena across world. In times of old and new, places far and close, students study what, why, and how events unfolded.

6/7 Social Studies

Where We've Been:

Canada is a country of many peoples and many industries. Why, though? In our social studies class, we have explored the defining wars, agreements, and people who established the early foundations of what is today Canada.

Where We're Going

It is impossible to escape the influence of the United States, especially when they are your neighbours. When we return to social studies, the students will discover the creation of the United States and the consequences for our country and our continent of such an influential moment in history.

6/7 Language Arts

Where We've Been

What does it mean to be a good friend? Is it your actions, your attitudes, or maybe a little bit of everything? Through stories, poems, videos, and news articles, our class has explored the timeless theme of friendship.

Where We're Going

The natural world is a fascinating component of our lives. It can be joyful like the snowmen of winter, or terrifying like the harshness of the seas. In the final quad of the 2020/21 school year, students will turn their attention to another timeless theme of literature: Man vs. Nature.

Compton's Corner

Email: joeyc@fvsd.ab.ca

Homeroom: Grade 6/7

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone had a great Christmas break! We are hard at work here in the school. My time with the 8/9's has come to an end and I am excited to have the 6/7's. Feel free to call anytime if you have any questions or concerns!

Mr. Compton

Note: Grades 6 – 9 are still working on a quad system of learning. Friday, April 16th will be the last day of Quad 3. On Monday, April 19th, will be the first day of quad 4. Quad 4 is the final quad and will run until the end of the year.

Science 6/7

In science we will be starting a new Unit, it is called Heat and Temperature. The kids will be learning about the properties of heat, what technologies we use that involve heat, the difference between heat and temperature and much more!

Math 6

In Math 6 we will be starting the quad by reviewing concepts learned before the switch. After this we will be starting a new unit called demonstrating an understanding of integers. This is the introduction of negative numbers.

Math 7

In Math 7 we are going to be reviewing concepts learned before the break. After this we will be starting a new unit called demonstrating an understanding of preservation and equality. This will involve modeling and solving equations.



BlueHills Outreach School Newsletter

Parents,

Things here at the High School are running quite smooth. Honestly, the students are very easy to get along with, and I am very grateful for the fact I teach such likeable kids. It sure makes my days go a lot smoother.

Successes:

Right now we have two students working on gr 12 materials and they are close to earning their gr 12 diploma. One student has already completed the required work to graduate. So we are looking at a Graduation this year with three students. What Graduation will look like this Spring I don't know yet, but all information will make it your way when I get it.

Of our new gr 10 students, two are on the verge of finishing gr 10 and officially becoming gr 11 students..... Good for them!! That sure happened fast.

Issues:

Same old problem this time of year; it's harder to get students motivated. Students come back from Christmas break and it's tough to get them rolling. To make that worse, Teacher's Convention is right around the corner and we will likely see a slow start again when we come back. A little encouragement from home really helps this time of year and I really think most kids need a push every now and then. Thanks for all your support in this, it really makes a difference.

If you have any questions or if any issues arise, feel free to call us at 780 841 4805. Remember we have very accurate information available on how much work your child is getting completed and we can pass that along to you any time you ask.

Dave MacDougall
Heidi Derksen

