

Bowden Grandview School

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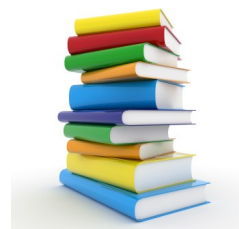
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BOWDEN GRANDVIEW
GOING TO GREECE

THANK YOU FOG

Our thanks to the Friends of Grandview for their generous support of our Accelerated Reader program. With their help, we have been able to add 16,000 titles to our shelves and classroom book sets, and put in place a reading assistance program for students.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

A huge thank you to all those that participated in our cookie dough fundraiser. After selling all the tubs throughout the Christmas break we raised \$3008.00 in which 70% is going to the accelerated reader program and 30% is going to the breakfast

program. So when divided the accelerated reader program will get \$2105.60 and the breakfast program will receive \$902.40. Thank you once again to all the families that participated and the mothers that volunteered that day. A

thank you also to Mrs. Rankin for the use of the library. Next meeting will be held on February 14th at 6:15pm in the school library. Carla Sparks
Friends of Grandview

THANK YOU BOWDEN LIONS CLUB/FOG/INNISFAIL ROTARY CLUB

Thank you to our sponsors for making our Troy Payne Presentation possible. Troy Payne is a motivational speaker who came to our school on January 16 and delivered a tremendous presentation called "The Road to Resiliency to grades 5-12. Also, Thank you to Ms. Cummins and the grade eight class for providing lunch.

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

New Year

Welcome back and Happy New Year! At the time of publishing this newsletter, we are rounding the corner into the second semester, and the last half of the school year. This week will be spent on exams and working the kinks out of any student schedules for semester 2. Students who are graduating need to be sure that all of your graduation requirements are in place, and any applications for post secondary have been or are being completed as deadlines are coming and going for admissions and scholarships.

Annual Accountability Pillar Survey

The province is once again conducting its annual Accountability Pillar survey. Students and Teachers will be surveyed online between January 23th and February 24th. This is designed to provide information to school, school division, and government administration to ensure the effective operation and funding of schools. Students will be given login information at the beginning of semester 2.

Colt Roadshow

The Central Office Leadership Team is travelling the division holding consultative meetings with school staffs with the intent of gaining information directly from the individuals who are in the classrooms working with students. Bowden Grandview staff is invited to take part in this process February 7th. This information will be added to the data gained through the community consultations in a focused effort to make Chinook's Edge schools the best they can be.

Greece Trip

Heather Sinclair is heading up the school's plan for a student trip to Greece in the 2012-2013 school year. If you would like more information about this trip, please contact Heather at the school number (224.3422).

Parental treatment of referees

An issue that has come up for discussion recently has been regarding the treatment of our referees by parents and/or spectators. It is important to stress that not only is interaction between parents and referees prohibited, and parents can be removed from the gym by a ref, but that, as a school, we ask that parents represent themselves respectfully. Often our referees are our own students or students from other schools and are learning as they officiate. We want to encourage our students to continue to officiate our games, and do not want to discourage them through aggression by spectators. Our school sports are wonderful opportunities for students to be involved and feel success in the school on another level. We want to maintain that opportunity for kids and keep the experience positive for everyone.

Newsletter Summary

This month we are trying something new with the newsletter. We want to be sure everyone is reading the newsletter, which we no longer are printing out, so are sending home a one page summary to draw your attention to what is in the digital version of the newsletter. Please have a look at the summary and let us know what you think.

Hair Massacure

If you have been into the school recently, you may have noticed that I am growing a rather unruly beard and moustache. The reason behind this is that I will be taking part in the Hair Massacure event in March which will raise money for cancer; I will be putting my beard, moustache, and hair up for pledges for the event. If enough money is raised, I will first be willing to go pink for a week, then shave my beard, moustache and head.

Mr. Whitehead, the Grade 4 students, and guests celebrated the 15th Annual Robbie Burns Day on January 13th



Michael Mcletchie giving
The Address to the Haggis



Nathan McNeely and Kevin
VanderRijt sampling the Haggis

BOWDEN SCHOOL OF DANCE

Bowden dancers are having a Winter Recital and Chili Supper February 11 at the Lions Hall. Show is 2-4 and supper is 4-6. Tickets are \$5 from a dancer or at the door. Call 403-392-0368. Bowden School of Dance is offering adult mixercise, clogging, And dancin babes(age 1.5-5) Wednesdays starting January 18th. Call 403-392-0368

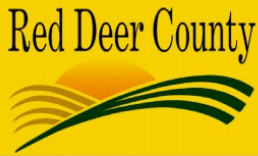


SNOW DAYS



Please be advised when the bus's are not running the school is still open. Bus students are automatically excused, but town students are expected to be here unless notification has been giving to the office.

Thank you,
Office Staff



Kids Photo Contest

We're interested in how children see the County!



Enter photos taken by your kids in Red Deer County's Fall/Winter kid's photo contest.

Help us showcase the County through the perspective of children. Photos submitted have a chance to be entered in various Red Deer County publications including County News and on our website to promote the area and the great things the County has to offer.

Categories include:

- Where I live
- My Farm
- Where I play
- My favorite places in the County
- My family and friends

Contest runs from November 15, 2011 - February 15, 2012

**Limit of three photos per person*

Select photos will also be put on display at the County Office for viewing by the general public.

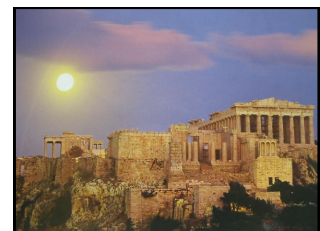
Great prizes for each submission!

Email questions to countynews@rdcounty.ca

GREECE

There is an information meeting in the library at 12:00pm on Wednesday, February 8th. Bring yourself and your friends to see if this is something you would be interested in. TREATS WILL BE SERVED! For more information contact

Mrs. Sinclair.



Family Day, February 20, 2012



To all families: How will you connect this Family Day? Enjoying the outdoors, cuddling on the couch with a movie,

creating a special meal, emailing loved ones far away....there's so many options to celebrate your family! Write a short blurb about what your family did on Family Day, including names and contact info, and have your child drop it off at the school office or email fcss@town.bowden.ab.ca. All submissions will be entered in a draw for a great family prize!

BUSY BEE BISTRO



Mr. Whitehead, our grade four teacher, serves Owen Arbo and Nathan McNeely at the Busy Bee Bistro. Each Friday the student of the week and an invited friend order from a French menu as part of their French program. Bon Appetit boys!

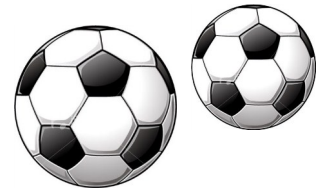
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DON STOESZ EARNS SOCCER’S SHIELD OF MERIT

The Bowden Minor Soccer Association board is proud to announce that Don Stoesz was the recipient of the Alberta Soccer Association's Shield of Merit Award.

Don was presented with this award at a banquet held in Edmonton on Saturday, January 21. The award is presented to an individual who's made a lifetime of outstanding

contributions to soccer. Way to go Don!



COMING TO BOWDEN

The Boys and Girls Club is coming to Bowden! We will be offering two clubs starting February 2nd 2012

Torch: Ages 10-12 Time: 3:00-5:30

Keystone: Ages 13-17 Time: 6:30-8:30

You can pick up membership forms at Grandview School.

If you are interested or have any questions please contact Stephanie at the Youth and Volunteer Center (403)342-6500 or email at stephaniem@yvc.ca.



BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS "BOWL FOR KIDS"



Big Brothers Big Sisters

The 25th Annual "Bowl for Kids" fundraising event is coming soon! Big Brothers and Big Sisters runs many programs in our communities such as In School Peer Mentoring, Kids and Kops, Junior Volunteer Program, Go Girls and Game On as well as numerous group recreation programs. With the recent loss of many grant programs, support from the community has become even more crucial to the Big Brothers and Big Sisters organization.

The "Bowl for Kids" event will be taking place on Sunday, February 5, 2012 at the Innisfail Bowling Lanes. You can win prizes for the highest individual or team amount raised as well as various draw prizes. All you need to do is create a team of four people and fax (227-6769) or email (bbbsinnis@aol.com) your team name to them. They will deliver a pledge sheet for each team member. The team members will then collect pledges. Big Brothers and Big Sisters will call and set up a time for you to bowl on Sunday, February 5, 2012. All money raised stays in our community.

We encourage you to compete in the "Bowl for Kids" and support the great youth programming that is in our community!

ELEMENTARY SPELL-A-THON FUNDRAISER

Our fundraiser is up and running. Our word lists and pledge sheets have gone home. Students will take their spell-a-thon test on January 30th and the pledges are due in by February 3rd. Our fundraiser assembly will be on February 8th at 2:30 p.m.



For each \$5.00 in pledges students will be given tickets to be entered into prize draws. **WE ARE LOOKING FOR PRIZE DONATIONS, BIG OR SMALL, GEARED TO ANY GRADE LEVEL.** Prizes may be dropped off with your child's teacher.

Students, collect those pledges so you have a chance at winning the grand prize of a limo ride and lunch at Boston Pizza or 2 Calgary Flames tickets valued at \$350.00



THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR HELP WITH THIS YEAR'S FUNDRAISER. WE LOOK FORWARD TO IT BEING A HUGE SUCCESS!

February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>Semester 2 begins</i>	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 <i>No School</i>	11
12	13	14  <i>School Council Mitg @ 7:00pm</i>	15	16 <i>Newsletter out</i>	17	18
19	20 <i>Family Day</i>	21	22	23 <i>Teachers Convention</i>	24 <i>Teacher's Convention</i>	25
26	27	28	29			