

Daysland Digest



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Looking Ahead

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Gr. 4-6 Skating (12:30-2:30)	14
Rivalry Night Sr. B-Ball vs Bawlf	14
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Family Day (school closed)	18
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Mini Dunkers @ Sedgewick	20
Jr. B-Ball Regionals	22-23
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Pink Shirt Day	27
School Council Meeting (7:00pm)	27
Mini Dunkers vs Forestburg	28

Ski Trip

The Grades 4 to 9 ski trip to Alliance will take place Friday, March 15th. Information about this trip has gone home with students, if you have not received the information please contact the school!

Winter Attire

Parents are reminded that Board policy requires all students who ride the bus to wear (or carry) clothing suitable for the weather conditions. This includes headgear, hand covering and appropriate footwear. Students who arrive at school inappropriately dressed will not be allowed to ride home on the bus until they have proper gear dropped off or are picked up by a parent. This policy also applies to students who ride buses for school sports or field trips.

Basketball Update Rivalry Night!!!

On Thursday, February 14, our Senior Darls and Dynamos are hosting the Bawlf Wildcats. We will be selling Popcorn and smoothies! Bring your valentine for a treat and some great Basketball entertainment!

Go Daysland Go!

Our Junior Darls and Dynamos are hosting their home tournament this weekend.
Games start at 4:30pm on Friday. Come cheer them on!

Travel Club Information

Travel Club Students are finishing up their final presentations for their upcoming trip. Their first stop will be in Berlin! Did you know that the Berlin Wall did not fall until November, 1989? That means, within most of our lifetimes, Germany has witnessed Cold War! We will get to check out the Berlin Wall, along with Checkpoint Charlie and the Brandenburg Gate while we are there!

Accountability Pillar Survey Info

As an annual check-up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success.

The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators. Data on these indicators consists of surveys of students, parents, and teachers on various aspects of education quality, student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates, and provincial assessments of student learning.

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey.

- In January, parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 will receive a survey from Alberta Education.
- In February, students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and all teachers will be completing their surveys online at school.

All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with your school. In addition to English and French, the parent survey is available in Chines, Punjabi, Arabic, Blackfoot, Dene, Cree, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog, and Urdu.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly.

Survey results will be available to school authorities in May, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports.

Next School Council Meeting is February 27th at 7:00pm. Everyone Welcome!

The Society of Friends of Daysland School Council Meeting is Wednesday, February 27th at approximately 8:00pm (after the Daysland School Council Meeting).

We have received a request from Daysland School administration for 2 new water bottle filling stations in the school. There will be a vote on whether to approve this request using existing funds in the account or if additional fundraising efforts will need to be started. If you would like input on how the current funds are used, please attend this meeting.

Bus Delays & Cancellations

As we enter the season of weather-related bus delays and cancellations, BRSD would like to remind parents to check their **school** website or the BRSD website for updates. If there is a change to the schedule it will appear in an ALERT banner at the top of the website. If there is no banner, all routes are running as scheduled. Every family affected by a bus route delay or cancellation also receives an automated phone message.

Farewell Mrs. Story

February 8th was the day of Corinne Story. As you know, Mrs. Story retired at the end of the first semester and we took the opportunity to celebrate her career and contributions to our school community. If you had the chance to associate with Corinne, you would know that her love of students is what drove her passion for the profession. We wish her all the best in the next chapter of her life.

















<u>Daysland School Council Meeting Minutes</u> January 23, 2019

I. Call to order

Kirby Schmidt-Teigan called to order the regular meeting of the Daysland School Council at 7:00pm.

II. In attendance:

Jerrit BrandtMargaret CarlsonAlison EshpeterJanelle HrdlickaTeena KashaAdrian KetchmarkKirby Schmidt-TeiganWendy Weiss

Cristen Zimmer Laura Zwack

III. Review of Agenda – Teena Kasha moved agenda approved as circulated. Adrian Ketchmark seconded. All in favour. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from November 28, 2018 meeting circulated prior to meeting. Wendy Weiss moved minutes adopted as circulated. Laura Zwack seconded. All in favour. Motion carried.

V. Correspondence - Invitation for one person from School Council to attend BRSD Collaboration Day Feb 7, 2019 in Camrose 9am-3:30pm. Event will showcase what is done in each department to promote education. School administration and some students from Daysland School will also attend. Wendy, Kirby or Alison Eshpeter will attend.

VI. Reports

- a) Financial submitted by Shaunet Petiot
 - i) Profit and Loss report through December 2018circulated. Current bank balance is \$4,892.91.
 Noted negative milk balance; Alison will ask for clarification.
 - Teena moved report as presented. Janelle Hrdlicka seconded. All in favour. Motion carried.

b) **Principal** (Jerrit Brandt)

- i) Celebrations: Despite many new staff at start and during the year so far, is a great team that adapts and picks up and fills in when needed!
- ii) Breakfast program has started. Provide toast only at this point, using businesses in Daysland, Killam, and Camrose (as needed) for supplies. Gloria Klein has been hired to run the program. Volunteers welcome; contact the school.
- iii) Staffing changes Corinne Story will be retired as of end of this semester, Jaclyn Vikse from Donalda has been hired into the position. Ryan Galenza is replacing Anna Tribble for her leave of absence. He has an athletics/outdoor education background.
- iv) High School Programming low enrollment in Physics and Biology 30. Arrangements have been made for Daysland students to participate in Biology 30 class taught in Bawlf School from Daysland and will be transported to Bawlf for labs. Physics 30 will be taught in Daysland by Mr. Johnson with 2 additional students projected to participate from Tofield.
- v) Jr. High options have changed Jr. High: all take Industiral Arts, Home Economics, and Art. Optional Outdoor Education (Mr. Galenza), Leadership (Mrs. Vikse), including student advocacy, leading peers in events, community service, teaching younger students, World Sports/Sports Performance (Mr. Martz) including fitness/goals of self-improvement, officiating, coaching, and worldwide sports including First Nations, metis and Inuit sports. Sr. High options are Work Experience, Art (Mr. Pastachak), Phys Ed. (Mrs. Johnson) and RAP.
- vi) Morning announcements students have been giving morning announcements. Students interested may request to participate; has been mostly elementary students.
- vii) Year Books We are still in first of 2-year contract with Jostens Canada. We will need to inquire more as to what the next steps could be.
- viii) PD Day in January staff to Viking (along with other schools to hear Jody Carrington's message around advocating for kids who have experienced trauma and having different expectations for each child.

c) Vice Principal (Margaret Carlson)

- i) FIRST (Flagstaff Initiative to Relationship and Spousal Trauma) fundraising event February 2 at Daysland Hall. Supper at 5:30. Tickets are \$30 and available from FIRST of Town of Daysland Office.
- ii) Back to School Solutions online school supplies ordering system. General agreement that should continue to have this option.

d) Room Reps:

Kindergarten (Laura Zwack): From Mrs. Teigan – We were all excited to come back to school following the Christmas break. We have some special things coming up: Man in Your Life Night where we will play some floor hockey with our special guests and have ice cream sundaes. It's a great chance for dads to come and see what we do in kindergarten. In early February we will invite our Grandparents for lunch. As a class we are going to make "sharing soup." Each one of us will bring something to put in the soup pot. This ties into our health lessons on food groups as well as literacy we will be reading the story, "Stone Soup."

Grade 1 (Wendy Weiss): From Ms. Mowat – We will be starting the month with review in every subject, and then pick up where we left off. In Language Arts we will be moving onto long vowel sounds, and continue to improve our reading and writing. Now that the holidays are over, I will be sending out the Home Reading bags again. I would also like to start the Friend of the Week program in our classroom. This is a Language Arts and Health based program which is meant to stimulate the students' writing, reading, and speaking skills, as well as give the members of our class their very own time when they can feel extra special. In math we will review our numbers to 100 and then move onto addition and subtraction to 12! I know students will be very excited about this. In science we will begin discussing the season winter, and will be completing some experiments related to this topic. We will then move onto the unit of Building Things. As mentioned in the previous newsletter, some students are getting low on supplies such as glue sticks and whiteboard markers. I will be leaving messages in agenda if they are in need of some new supplies. Thanks in advance for sending some in! Thank you for everything you do both in and out of the classroom.

Grade 2/3 (Kirby Schmidt-Teigan): Bull Congress (for Grade 3) was fun! (Grade 2 students joined Ms. Mowatt's grade 1 class. Kids are working hard. We are adding and subtracting 10 to 1,2, and 3 digit numbers. We are building arches, beams, and different structures in Science.

Grade 4 (Janelle Hrdlicke): Students have been busy mastering their multiplication and division facts in math. We will be starting a novel study mid-February; parent letters will be going home soon about that. Science we are almost finished our Lights and Shadows unit. We have had a busy few weeks!

Grade 5 (Adrian Ketchmark): December and January for the grade five class went well. The Christmas festivities and concert were well done and they can't wait till next year for their acting debuts. Mini slammers is starting up with practices Thursday after school. Mr. Galenza has taken over phys. Ed and dance was our last unit. Language arts we are learning cursive, and grammar. Math we are learning about perimeters and area, and science we are building cars. Social studies has been about the First Nations groups. In music class we learned about the orchestra and recorders and xylophones are next. French class is learning numbers.

Grade 6 (submitted by Jeanni Hoermann): Ms Pederson - Home Room: This month (January), the Grade 6s have been working on writing stories from picture prompts and how to make their stories have great descriptions. They have also started the sky science unit, which is all about the stars, planets, moons, and everything in between. Hopefully this knowledge has spread to home with the students making their parents look at the night sky with them. The Grade 6s have also started to learn about Ancient Athens, mainly how democracy was created, the society that created it, and how it evolved to what democracy looks like today in Canada. In Math, we did a lot of review of multiplying and dividing decimals, and have just started the new unit of fractions, ratios and percent. Mr. Pastachak, Art: The Grade 6s are creating Zentangle Animals. This is where they have a picture of an animals and fill the space with various lines and create an artistic version of it using only lines. Mrs. Teigen, Music: They are working on playing glockenspiels. They will begin recorders next month. They did an excellent job on the Christmas Program!

Grade 7/8 (submitted by Candice Guhle): Outdoor Ed class is going ice fishing next Tuesday (Jan. 29). From Mr. Johnson – Grade 7s just finished their second unit and are working on Structures and Forces. Grade 8s will be done their second unit soon so they will have their unit exam and their portfolio due soon. Info on those is online in their Google Classroom. **Grade** 9 (Teena Kasha): Nothing significant to report. All is well.

Grade 10 (submitted by Jeanni Hoermann): Mr. Brandt: Semester 1 is wrapping up...Exams starting tomorrow. It's been a crazy busy year for the Grade 10 class (new to credits, semesters, etc.) and there has been growth in maturity, ownership, etc. It's been a pleasure teaching this group this semester! In Semester 2, Grade 10 will take Home Ec. or Math, Science, ELA, Art/PE.

Grade 11 (No rep)

Grade 12 (submitted by Marilyn Haesloop): Mrs. Johnson - I don't have a lot - we could say that our Travel Club is in their final stages of preparing for their Spring Break Europe Trip. Also, we have had our first Grad Meeting with parents, and once exams are done the committees will be meeting to begin the process of planning. The Cap and Gown Photos have been moved to Wed Feb 27. Mr. Johnson: parents with students in Bio 30 know that they can have their students come to me for questions next semester, but as for this semester, they're fine.

VII. Old Business

a) Criminal Records and "Intervention Record" (aka Child Welfare) Checks – Any time a parent or volunteer supervises alone without a BRSD staff member (such as coaches and chaperones), that person must have both a Criminal Records check (at Killam RCMP) and Intervention Record check (at Camrose Child and Family Services) completed. For BRSD, these have a 5-year validity. Once complete, the principal submits "Agent of the BRSD" paperwork which only takes a short time (essentially, immediate) to process. Council should plan to share this information at beginning of the school year and have anyone potentially interested in being involved with students should submit this paperwork.

VIII. New Business

- a) **Discussion on school catchment areas** Alison brought up school enrollment numbers in Daysland (low) vs. Bawlf (30+ students in some classrooms). Questioned why school catchment areas aren't adjust to better balance the enrollment in these two schools. Jerrit had no input on this issue but will find out to whom to address a letter of concern at Division office. Alison to draft letter to Division office on this issue to present at next meeting.
- b) **Teacher Appreciation Week** Adrian is organizing activities the week of Feb. 11-15 (15th is PD day ½ of staff will be at Daysland). Plan: Monday baked potato bar (2 volunteers needed), Tuesday popcorn bar (1 volunteer needed), Wednesday sit down lunch for staff and parent supervision of students for recess/lunch (must have records checks completed as above) (8 volunteers), Thursday chocolate fondu and fruit for Valentine's (2 volunteers), Friday "Stock the shelves" for staff (school supplies, snacks, tea/coffee) (2 volunteers). Adrian will post on Daysland Parents Facebook page to solicit volunteers or contact him at 780-781-0900.
- IX. Adjournment Kirby Schmidt-Teigan adjourned the meeting at 8:20pm. Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at 7:00pm at Daysland School.



Community News & Events

FAMILY DAY

February 18, 2019

10am to 4pm

Come and enjoy a day of:

Pond Hockey Skate the Maze

Ice Fishing Campfire

Bring your Toboggans too!

Held at the

Walking Trail/ Golf Course Pond

(behind school)

There will be Hot Chocolate and

Hot Dogs cooked over the

campfire available!

Remember to dress warm and

have fun!!!!





DAYSLAND PALACE THEATRE

Movie Information Line: 374-3774

<u>www.daysarts.c</u>

SHOWTIMES: ALL EVENING SHOWS 7:30 Tickets: Adults \$8, Seniors & Students \$6,

Children 3-11 \$4

Reel Alternative: Adult \$9, Seniors &

Students \$7, Children \$5

February 15, 16 & 17
FANTASTIC BEASTS: THE CRIMES OF GRISWALD

Rated: PG

February 22, 23 & 24

BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY

Rated: PG

REEL ALTERNATIVE

Monday, February 25 & Tuesday, February 26 THE OLD MAN AND THE GUN

Rated: PG

March 1 & 2 7:30 and Sunday, March 3

2:00PM MARY POPPINS RETURNS

Rated: G

March 8, 9 & 10

March 9 - Mandy's Movie -Ladies Night

(No Minors) **ISN'T IT ROMANTIC**

Rated: PG

Birthday party packages are available for children 12 and under. The birthday child gets in free with a free small popcorn and fountain drink and for \$5, each guest will get a small popcorn and small pop along with admission. Cakes can be brought in to have after the movie. For more information phone Lisa at 374-3943 or Sharon at 374-2403

Heisler Family Day Monday, February 18, 2019



11:00am to 3:00pm

Heisler Rec Centre

Come and Join the Fun

Free Bowling, Gaga Ball, and Games



Concession



4-H Face Painting & Balloon Animals



Sponsored by the Heisler Ag Society

