Bon Accord Community School Parent Council Meeting Teacher Report January 24, 2023

Mr. Massey – Pre K

Pre-k has been learning their letters and letter sounds through songs, We had a puppet show come to visit then made our own puppets, various crafts to celebrate the holidays, practicing writing names.

Ms. Hall/Ms. Thompson - Kindergarten

Kindergarten is working on a fairy tales unit this month with a focus on story sequencing and retelling. We had the Puppet Treehouse visit our first week back to start the unit. We continue to work on letter sounds, blending sounds and rhyming. We are also working on number sense, creating and comparing sets to 10.

Mrs. McEachren/Mrs. Roe – Grade One

Grade 1s have been focusing our literacy and science time on the theme of Winter. We have spent a lot of time learning and writing about snow and the activities that we enjoy to do in the outdoors during this season. We are excited about our upcoming book study of The Mitten by Jan Brett. Look for a special project to finish of this book study. We have also resumed our practice of working in Guided Reading centres during our literacy blocks.

We have completed our Grade 1 literacy and numeracy provincial assessments thanks to the assistance of Mrs. McGuire. Data is being compiled and entered into Government documents.

In Math we have introduced the process of Addition and are looking at different ways to decompose numbers. We call this Number Names.

Grade 1s and 2s are planning a Random Act of Kindness for the month of February. We will be making homemade valentine's day cards to deliver to the seniors in Bon Accord, the Golden Gems and to the members of Spruce View Manor in Gibbons.

Mrs. Gagnon – Grade Two

Ms. Tower – Grade Two

Ms. Gilpin – Grade Three

LA: We have continued work on Words their way and incorporated the activities into Literacy Stations. We have reviewed Printing and will begin learning how to handwrite next week. In writing, our focus has been on Narrative stories and building Elaborative detail and identifying critical characters, objects, and settings.

Math – We finished up a mini unit on metric measurement, but did not asses as we now need to tie imperial measurement to it later on this year. We have begun to focus on number and integrating place value with addition and subtraction (reviewing 2-digit without re-grouping this past week).

Science – We have begun learning about Rocks and minerals. We have focused on a rock's classification and built volcanoes that we exploded in class last week.

Social Studies – We have focused on what "Quality of Life" means to us and how it is different in other countries. We are starting to look at Global Citizenship, Rights and Freedoms, and Responsibilities vs Rights.

Mrs. McNeil - Grade Three

We are writing stories in LA and learning about rocks in science. Code club is coding Micro:Bits to do a rock paper scissors and learning to use the sensors.

Ms. Hand - Grade Four

In 4H:

- We are going to an Oil Kings game on Feb. 3. We won through the "Give it a Shot Reading Program" for our excellent work home reading.
- We have been continuing our work on the Seven Sacred Teachings and Social Emotional Learning with Ms. Erin in HYPE
- We are working on an "Earth Rescue" book club. Kessia was able to purchase them from Scholastic last year and they have been a great resource for L.A tying into social studies
- We are continuing math centers
- We have a Teacher's Pet In School Field Trip on Feb. 3/2023 at 9am for Light and Shadows in Science

Ms. Mueller – Grade Four

In 4M we have been working on the following topics. In math, we have been learning about decimals and fractions. Language arts, Words their way, reading comprehension and writing, and French. Science, we have been learning about waste in our environment and have started on light, optics, and shadows. In social, we have been focusing on Alberta's regions, treaty agreements, land agreements, and culture, and the seven sacred teachings. We are currently learning about Respect (Represented by the buffalo).

Mrs. McGuire/Ms. Hand - Grade Four Rec Academy

Rec Academy for January, we did the following activities:

- archery with Mr. Thompson and Mrs. Cornelius
- sledding at BACS
- snowshoeing at BACS

We have some exciting trips planned for February and Rec. Academy is going very well. Mr. Thompson has started a Gr. 4 Archery Club Thursday after school and their first practice was on the 19th.