



What's News? December 2022

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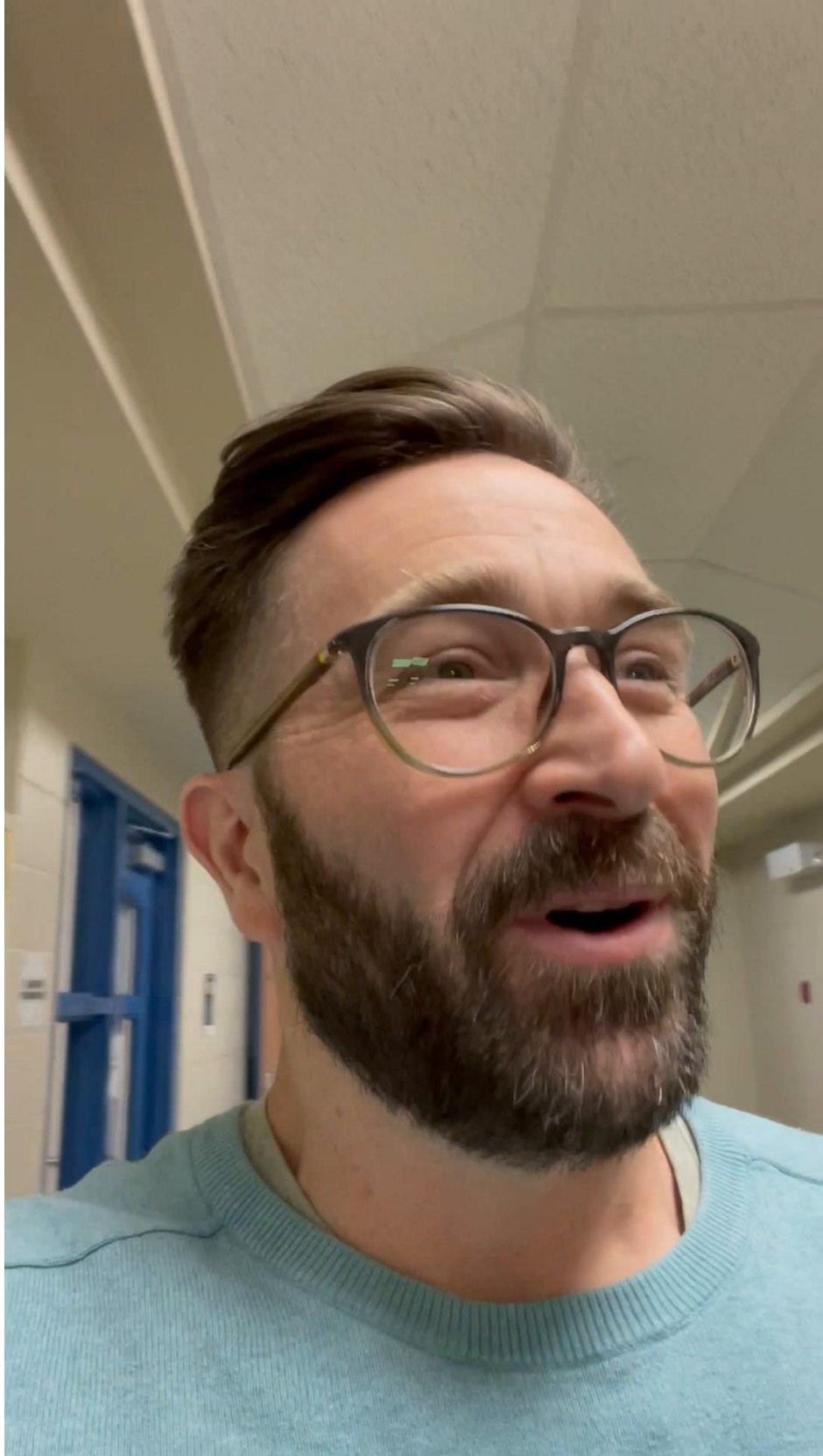
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Consideration is being thoughtful of other people and their feelings. You consider how your actions affect them and pay attention to things that bring them happiness.

~The Virtues Project~

Admin Message





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Visible Learning



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Science

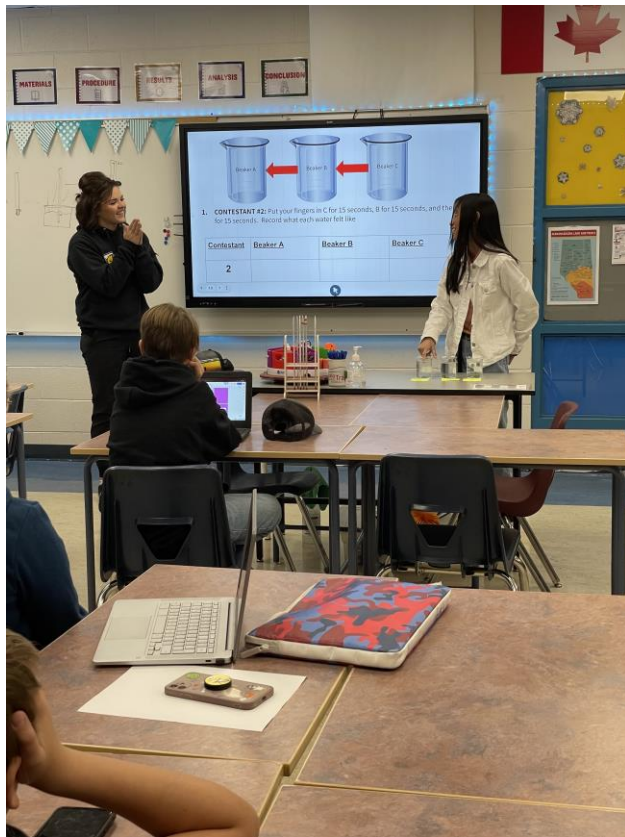
Students graduating from Alberta schools require the scientific and related technological knowledge and skills that will enable them to understand and interpret their world and become productive members of society. They also need to develop attitudes that will motivate them to use their knowledge and skills in a responsible manner. Science programs provide opportunities for students to develop knowledge, skills and attitudes that they need to explore interests and prepare for further education and careers.

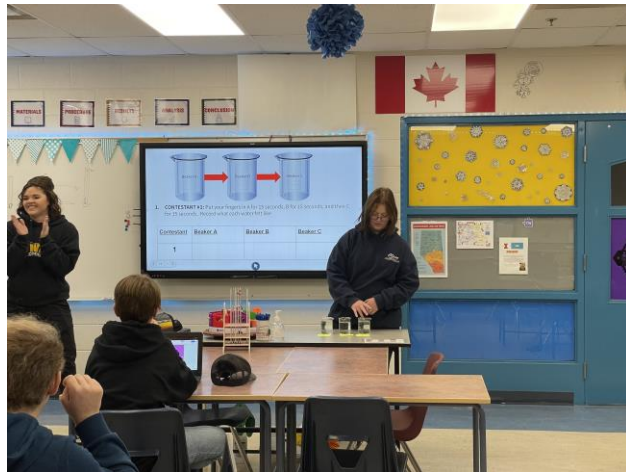
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~ [Alberta Education](#)

ABCD's of Physical Education

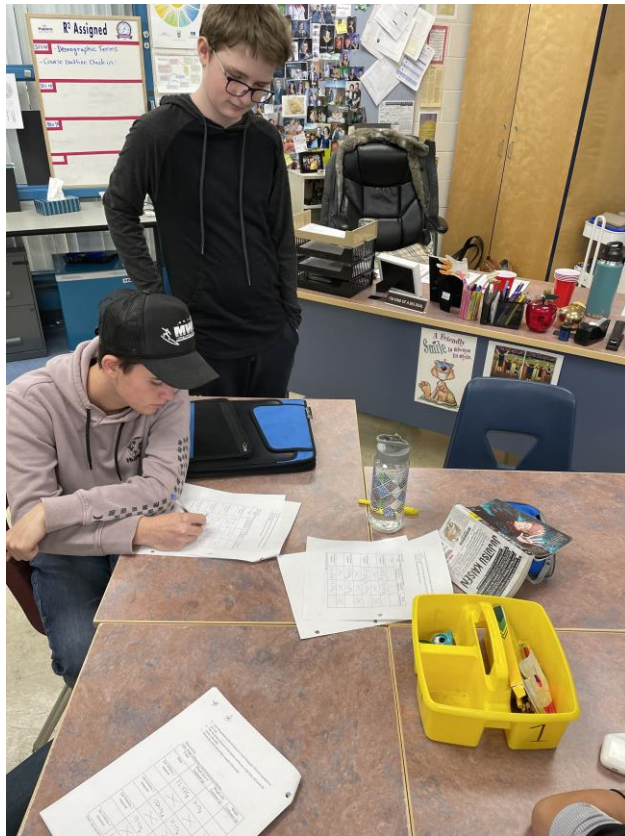
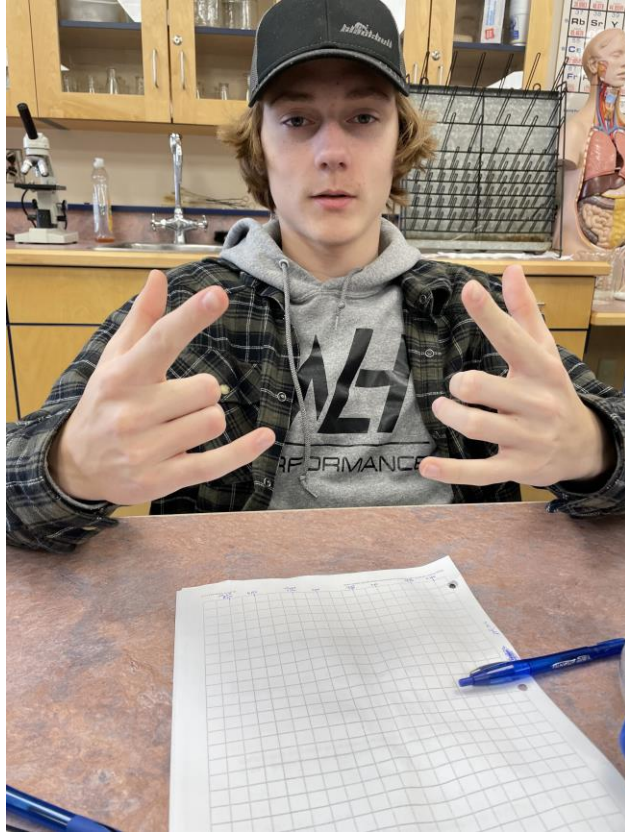






Science 10







Junior High Plant Sales

Top Seller 8A and overall - Cadence Banfield

Top Seller 8B - Jaxson McNary

Top Seller 7A - Marley Dahlgren

Top Seller 7B - Kolbin Evans

10 or more sales - Ryan Arthur, Scarlett Wilson, Jorja Fletcher, Olivia Lambert, Sidni Watts, Alexis Lee, Raynelle Leggett, Elijah Valteau, Nate Bamber.

Gift Baskets - Jorja Fletcher, Elijah Valteau

Candy Basket - Kiana McBride







Student Parking Lot



Student Council held a Grand Reopening of the WHS student parking lot on November 17. Hot drinks and cupcakes were served after the chilly ceremony. Communications lead, Isaac Valleau thanked BTPS facilities, those at WHS who helped with the project, as well as the Town of Wainwright for refinishing the adjoining sidewalk.

SET Conference

Wainwright High School recently had three grade 10 students take the opportunity to attend the SET Conference on November 26 at the University of Alberta. This is a one-day conference where high school girls in grades 10-12 engage in hands-on activities, meet role models and discover diverse career paths in science, engineering, and technology. The annual conference is put on by WISEST (Women in Scholarship, Engineering, Science and Technology) which focuses on creating effective programs to empower women to pursue, impact, and succeed in the fields of science, engineering, and technology. Rylie, Mackenzie, and Kiera took in many interesting sessions throughout their day. Some of the sessions included Polymers in your World, Smelly Stuff, Fluorine, Mail Fraud and Gadgets, and Intro to Programming. The day ended with a Leadership and Mentoring session lead by U of A students that shared individual stories about the pathways of their academic careers. Our WHS students were very excited about their experience of meeting new people, experiencing science in a university setting and being on the University of Alberta campus. They are already looking forward to attending the conference next year.









What's New at WHS?



Commando Nations!

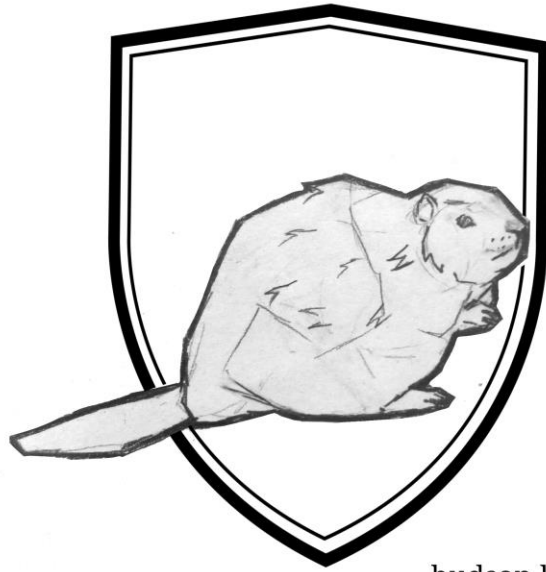
Our WHS artist in residence has been working with student council to rebrand the previously named Commando Clans. With a focus on Canadian animal totems, new icons are being designed for each Nation.

In December, the new Commando Nations will be announced to our students, bringing groups together from different grades for cooperative play, friendly competition, and mentorship.

One of the measures BTPS uses to report on the assurance measures is identified under Learning Supports as Safe and Caring. The "measure [is recorded as a] percentage of teacher, parent and student agreement that: students are safe at school, are learning the importance of caring for others, are learning respect for others and are treated fairly in school".

Having school activities that bring together different grades in a mentor and mentee relationship is one of the many ways that WHS is working to create a safe and caring learning environment.

Here's a sneak peak at the designs in progress:



hudson bay

beaver



lake sturgeon
great lakes



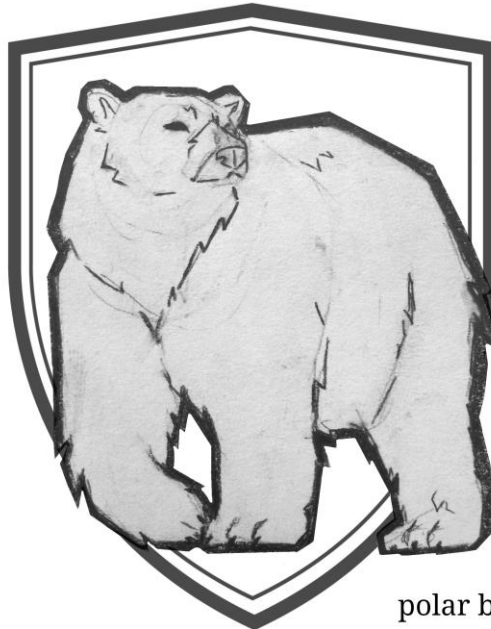
osprey
acadia



canadian goose
canadian shield



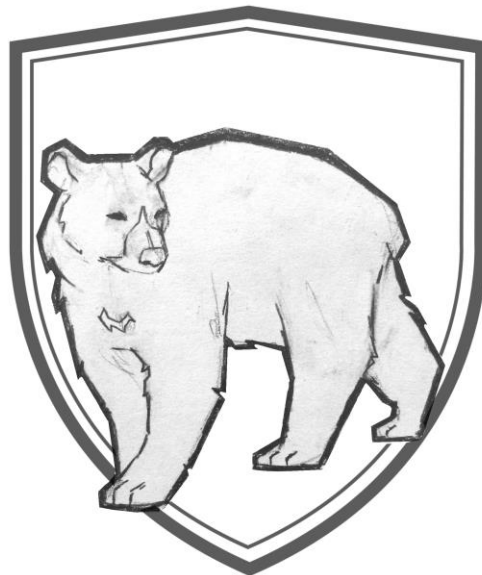
canada lynx
boreal forest



polar bear
baffin island



pronghorn
badlands



american black bear
rocky mountains

The Huxley family donated a large portion of the cost for a new freezer to support the ISee foods program providing meals to students who do not have lunch!



Upcoming Events



December

- *Fri 9 - Senior's Banquet @ 12pm*
 - *Wed 14 - School Council Meeting @ 6pm in WHS Learning Commons*
 - *Tues 20 - Awards Ceremony @ 2pm*
 - *Dec 28 through Jan 6 - Christmas Break*
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January

- *Thurs 19 - Stakeholder Engagement Meeting @ 6:30pm at WES*
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2022-2023 BTPS SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Buffalo Trail Public Schools is committed to maximizing student learning, in a safe and caring environment, supported by a highly effective team.

AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
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STUDENT NON-ATTENDANCE DATES

August 1	Heritage Day	December 25	Christmas Break
August 25	BTPS Learning Day	January 30	School Based PL
August 25	School Based PL	January 31	Self Directed Teacher Day
August 25	Self Directed Teacher Day	February 18-17	ADA Teacher Convention
August 29	Self Directed Teacher Day	February 29	Family Day
September 3	Labour Day	March 10	BTPS Learning Day
September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	April 7	Good Friday
October 7	School Based PL & Support Staff PL	April 10 - 14	Easter Break
October 10	Thanksgiving Day	May 2	School Based PL
November 7	School Based PL	May 15	Designated Day-in-Lieu (staff meeting)
November 8	ADA Professional	May 15	Designated Day-in-Lieu (Parent teacher conference)
November 9	Designated Day-in-Lieu (staff meeting)	May 23	Victoria Day
November 10	Designated Day-in-Lieu (Parent teacher conference)	June 28	Self Directed Teacher Day
November 11	Remembrance Day		

LEGEND

■ Holiday	■ Day-in-Lieu
■ Self Directed Teacher Day	■ Convention / ATA PL Day
■ School Based PL	■ First Student Day of Semester
■ BTPS Learning Day	■ Central Office Closed

The first day for students is August 30th, 2022. February 1st, 2023 is the first day of Term 2. June 27th, 2023 is the last day of school for students.

Please be reminded that when inclement weather does not allow us to operate our buses, schools will be open, classes are occurring and student learning continues. As with any absence, students who miss material will be provided with an opportunity to receive instructional material through an alternate means or catch up on missed school work upon return to school.

Students are required to be in attendance until the last day of school as identified by the BTPS Board Approved Calendar. Final exams at the Grade 7 to 9 level will occur during the last five student days each semester. During non-examination times, tutorials, course review and alternate activities will occur. Final exams in non-diploma courses at the Grade 10 to 12 level will occur during the last five student days each semester. During non-examination times, tutorials, course review and alternate activities will occur. Final exams in diploma courses will occur as described in the Alberta Education Diploma exam schedule (www.education.alberta.ca) and submission of marks will occur the day prior to the diploma marks submission date. During non-examination times, tutorials, course review and alternate activities will occur.

The total student days in this year's calendar equals 181 days.

** Central Office Closure will be July 24th - August 4, 2023

Unity Curling Club

JUNIOR CASH SPIEL (Grades 7-12)



Saturday, January 14, 2023

Entry Fee: \$80.00/team

6 end games

Cash payout for winners of each game

Register Early; limited number of teams accepted

DEADLINE TO REGISTER DECEMBER 20

To Register

Email chantelle.bretzer@lskysd.ca

Text 306 -228 -9095

FREE MATINEE
Wainwright Evangelical Free Church



Sat. Dec 10

1:00 PM

Refreshments & Snacks available for \$1/each. All proceeds go to local food bank

1617 5 Ave Wainwright, AB



KJ APA BRITT ROBERTSON WITH SHANIA TWAIN AND GARY SINISE

I Still
BELIEVE

Join us for

BUDGETING THE HOLIDAYS

With Adam Bermejo

Discover valuable tips for building and sticking to a budget during the holiday season, and learn smart ways to recover from holiday spending, or overspending!

December 1 @ 7PM
Free & Virtual Event via ZOOM

For more information or to register, visit the posted link, or contact us at 780-842-2555 or community@wainfcs.ca





YOU ARE INVITED!

BTPS FOUR YEAR EDUCATION PLAN

EDUCATIONAL STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENTS

To create our next Four Year Education Plan for 2023-2027, BTPS is hosting five stakeholder engagements in January and February. Four will be in person and one will be online. These sessions will allow all BTPS stakeholders, including parents/guardians, teachers, staff and education stakeholders across the division to meet and discuss future priorities for our Four Year Plan. At these sessions, you will have the opportunity to share strengths and wishes for our division as we gather input to set priorities for the next four years.

DATES

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Provost Public School
 Thursday, January 19, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Wainwright Elementary School
 Wednesday, January 25, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Kitscoty Elementary School
 Thursday, January 26, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Vermilion Elementary School
 Wednesday, February 1, 2023 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | **ONLINE SESSION**

LINK WILL BE SHARED THROUGH YOUR SCHOOL

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!




NAVIGATING THE GRIEF JOURNEY AND THE HOLIDAYS

Join us as we welcome Shirley Scott from the Walking Through Grief Society to learn more about grief and discover practical strategies to help you navigate and manage your unique journey through grief during the holiday season

Light refreshments will be served and the presentation will be followed by a candle lighting

DECEMBER 7, 2022 @ 6:30PM
WAINWRIGHT COMMUNIPLEX MEETING ROOM
(IN THE HALLWAY ACROSS FROM POOL OFFICE)

ABSENCE IS LOUD DURING THE HOLIDAYS

For more information or to register,
 📱 Scan the QR code
 📞 780-842-2555
 ✉️ Community@wainfcs.ca

SCREENAGERS & SCREENAGERS: NEXT CHAPTER

Screen both of these award-winning films for FREE in the comfort of your own home anytime December 15, 2022 to January 15, 2023

Please contact Wainwright FCS for more information.

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