



TELKWA SCHOOL NEWS

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Grizzly Growl

November 2024

We had a great day on Halloween! The festivities began with a visit from the high schools' senior band and musical theatre group. After lunch, we listened to a Halloween story that every class helped to write. It was AMAZING! We then had a costume parade followed by a whole school free dance.

Our playground is in its final stages of completion. The Spinner has been open for about a week and students love it! Parents, please remember that **our playground is closed after school** unless your child is on the bus and no equipment (ie. balls, skipping ropes) should be outside.

It is that time of year again when colds and flus start to run through the schools. We always try our best to maintain healthy practices (ie. handwashing, cleaning protocols) and I want to remind parents to do a health check with your child(ren) before you send them to school. If your child is not feeling well and exhibits cold symptoms, they should stay home to rest until they feel better. If a child comes to school ill, we will be phoning home for them to get picked up. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding to help keep our school community healthy.

Time Change Coming Up!

Daylight Saving time ends at 2:00 am on Sunday, November 3rd. Please remember to turn your clocks **back** one hour!



Remembrance Day Assembly

We will be having a Remembrance Day assembly on Nov. 8 @ 9:45. Our grade 6 boys are organizing and leading the assembly. Two of our primary classes will also be participating - Mrs. Jakubec's class will be giving a traditional welcome and Mrs. Kluss's class will be reciting a poem. Our choir, along with the Muheim choir will be singing a song. If your child is participating in a presentation, you are welcome to join us. Seating is limited.

Poinsettia Fundraiser



Order forms came home during the last week of October. **All paper orders will be due in the morning on November 15th** to order on time. Items can be purchased online at the following link:

<http://telkwaelementary.growingsmilesfundraising.com> The expected delivery date is Wednesday, December 4th and depending on the time of delivery, pick-up will either be that same day or Thursday, Dec. 5.

Pizza Lunch

Pizza lunches are every 2nd Friday. Our next pizza lunches will be on Nov. 15, 29 and Dec. 13. Order forms are due on the Wednesday prior to pizza day, **late orders cannot be accommodated.**

Hot Lunch

Our hot lunch program is going well and is quite popular. Mrs. Mellroy runs both the breakfast program and the Tuesday lunch program. Because Mrs. Mellroy does both of these all on her own, lunches on Tuesdays are smaller than lunches on Wednesday. If your child is a big eater, please keep this in mind. We will continue to monitor and make changes as needed.

As mentioned, the PAC also has a lunch program. They have numerous people helping to prepare their lunches so they are able to offer a much different menu than the school is able to provide. They too continue to monitor how things are going with their lunch program.

Physical Literacy

We are very fortunate to have **Basketball Joe** come and teach our students basketball skills. He will be here once a week for 5 weeks. We are also very fortunate to have **DancePlay** come back to our school again this year to teach dance during the week of Nov. 25. Students will have daily dance classes and then do a whole school performance on the Friday so they can show off their new moves.

Dressing for the Weather

It continues to get colder and colder out there! Please ensure your child comes to school with appropriate clothing for the weather. Unless the weather drops below -15 degrees, students will be outside in the morning and for breaks. Many classes also go out on walking field trips so it is important to dress warm and be prepared.

Book Fair

The next Scholastic Book Fair will be November 20 and 21, 2024. Hours will be 8:30 to 4pm Wed, Nov. 20, and 8:30 to 3pm Thurs, Nov. 21. Books make a great gift for the holiday season! If any parents would like to help volunteer, please contact Jeannette at the office.

Choir & Christmas Concert

Choir practices are in full swing. Students have already been working hard prepping for Carolfest (Dec. 4) and our school Christmas Concert (Dec. 18). We have noticed that we have had increasing numbers of people come and watch our concerts, so this year, we will have 2 formal performances - one in the afternoon and one in the evening. As in the past, the evening performance will be limited to parents only as we have a very small gym and can only host a restricted number due to fire/safety regulations. Students will get to watch the dress rehearsal in the morning.

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Elections were held at the October Meeting and the executive remained the same: President Nicole Murray, Vice President Lindsay Heer, Treasurer Heather Amendt and Secretary Heather Sosnowski. The next meeting is Monday Nov. 4 @ 12:15 in the MPR at the school.

DATES TO REMEMBER

November	11	School Closed – Remembrance Day STAT
	12	NID – no school for students
	15	Pizza Lunch
	15	Poinsettia orders due
	20-21	Book Fair
	29	Pizza Lunch
December	2	PAC Meeting @ 12:15 in MPR
	4	Carolfest
	4	Poinsettia/Plant pick up
	13	Pizza Lunch
	18	Christmas Concert
	20	Last day of school before the holidays Learning Summaries come home