



**McCreary
School**

Newsletter

**April
2025**



From The Principal's Desk:

Dear McCreary School Families,

Happy April! As we move into the spring season, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful time we had during School Spirit Week and share some updates as we head into the rest of the school year.

School Spirit Week Recap

What an amazing time we had during School Spirit Week! It was truly heartwarming to see so many students and staff members come together to show their school pride. The energy throughout the week was contagious, and I'm proud of how everyone embraced the spirit of fun and community.

Some of the standout moments included:

- **Hot Chocolate Days** – All Students were treated to 3 days of Green Hot Chocolate with marshmallows. That warmed up everyone and made for a special treat from the Student Council.
- **Video Game Night** – Students in Grades 5-12 had a good time racing Mario Kart against each other on a Friday Night at school, in the gym.
- **Shamrock Hunt**–Students in K-6 had an opportunity to search outside for “gold coins” that were hidden by Student Council and could be exchanged for a chocolate treat. The excitement was amazing.
- **Whacky Wednesday:** Students had all sorts of bright neon colours and crazy hairstyles, embracing fun through participating in the mid-point of the week.
- **Pajama Day:** It was a cozy way to end the week, with students and staff alike, arriving in their most comfortable pajamas, making our school feel like a home away from home. Students who participated even received a special treat.
- **Reversal Day:** Students had fun dressing like school staff members and staff had fun dressing like students. All participants received a special participation treat and it made for a fun day.
- **Anything But a Backpack Day:** We were all amazed by the creativity of students and families with some coming with buckets, pots and even a Barbie Car.
- **Green Day:** The sea of green in the classrooms and hallways were a true reflection of our school's school spirit and made for a great first day of School Spirit.

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The Maverick Way



From the Principal's Desk – continued-

Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this week so memorable. Spirit Week is always a wonderful reminder of the vibrant community we have here at McCreary School.

Reminders

- ❖ Just a Reminder that McCreary School is “Nut Safe”. We have students with life-threatening allergies to nuts and fish products, so please remember to not bring these foods to school.
- ❖ As spring is here, be sure to dress appropriately for the weather. Not only can it still be quite chilly, but it is also very messy and wet. Students will often get wet and a change of clothes is always suggested.

Spring Break Reflections

As we all know, Spring Break is just around the corner, and it's the perfect time for our students and staff to recharge and refresh. I hope everyone enjoys this well-deserved break, whether you're traveling, spending time with loved ones, or simply relaxing at home.

Spring Break also marks the halfway point of the semester, and it's a great opportunity for students to reflect on their progress and set goals for the remainder of the school year. When we return, we'll have a full schedule of exciting learning activities, so let's come back rested and ready to finish the year strong!

Looking Ahead

As we move into April, we are gearing up for the second half of the school year, filled with exciting events, field trips, and end-of-year celebrations. Please keep an eye on our school calendar for upcoming events and activities, and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or suggestions.

Thank you for your continued support in making McCreary School such a fantastic place to learn and grow. I look forward to seeing all the wonderful things our students will accomplish as we move through the spring!

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable Spring Break.

Warm regards,

Jason Nadeau,

McCreary School Principal





Highlights

School Milk Program

White and chocolate milk is available daily for all K-6 students. Students can purchase milk tickets from their home room teacher. A sheet of 20 milk tickets is 20 dollars or 10 tickets can be purchased for ten dollars.

We accept cash or cheque. Please make cheques payable to McCreary School Fund.



Thank you for supporting our milk program!



Important Dates:

- March 31st – April 4th -Spring Break
- April 7th -Classes Resume
- April 9th -Day of Pink Activities
- April 18th -Good Friday (No School)
- April 22nd -Earth Day Celebrations
- April 25th -PD Day (No School)



Kindergarten



APRIL



ELA & Math Learning

ELA

- CVC word families -at, -an, -am, -ap, -op, -ot
- Deleting and substituting initial phonemes
- Singular and plural nouns
- Adjectives review
- Expanding sentences
- Writing questions

Math

- Decomposing up to 10
- Adding within 10
- Sorting

Other Learning

Health

- Healthy lifestyle
- Sickness
- Canada's Food Guide

Science

- Types of paper
- Where does paper come from?

Social Studies

- Needs and wants
- Rights and responsibilities

Important Dates

March 31–April 4: Spring Break
(NO CLASSES)

April 18: Good Friday (NO CLASSES)

April 25: PD Day (NO CLASSES)

Birthdays

No birthdays this month.

Classroom News:

Grade 1

Hello Families!

As we welcome the month of April, we're continuing to build on our math skills! Students are working on mental math strategies for adding and subtracting numbers up to 20, solving problems, and skip counting to 100. We'll be using number lines, making groups of 10, and practicing strategies like adding one more or one less, as well as adding and subtracting doubles.

In social studies, we're diving deeper into our unit Connecting with Others. This unit helps students explore their rights and responsibilities within the community, discover how people help and depend on each other, and understand the importance of rules and conflict resolution.

In science, we'll be starting the unit Objects and Materials, where students will observe and investigate different materials. They'll learn how objects are made from materials with specific characteristics and how these materials are chosen based on their properties.

For writing and art, we're focusing on Easter and spring-themed projects! Students are working on adding more detail to their sentences, as well as editing for proper use of capital letters and punctuation. Be sure to practice home reading books and weekly spelling words with your child to reinforce these skills.

As spring weather can be quite unpredictable, please send extra clothes, socks, and mitts with your child. These can be kept in their backpacks or cubbies for when they're needed.

Wishing everyone a Happy Easter!

Mrs. Lussier & The Grade 1 class

Grade 2

Spring has arrived! Everyone is looking forward to the break and Easter! The class has been working really hard and is making lots of progress.

-In E. L. A. we have been learning about informative writing and proper paragraph format. The students are working on writing longer sentences and adding detail.

-In math, we are doing a unit on number sense dealing with larger 2- digit numbers. We are starting to learn about regrouping. We will also continue to work on mental math and problem solving. Don't forget to practice their math facts at home too!

-In science, we are working through our unit on Position and Motion. The students will explore inclined planes and wheel and axles.

-In social studies, we are working on a unit about the Canadian community. We have learned about symbols in Canada and Manitoba. We have also read a book about diversity and discussed how Canada is made up of people from around the world.

-In art we are working on some bunnies for Easter. We will also be doing other spring related projects.

Have an amazing Spring break!

Mrs. Nadeau & the Grade 2 Class





April 2025!

Grade 3 & 4!

GENERAL INFORMATION

I hope everyone has a safe, and relaxing spring break!

Please remember to fill out the daily reading log, so that I can keep track of the daily 15 minutes.

Information about our fundraiser is incoming! Stay tuned!

Don't forget to do the math facts, so that students can bring in their slips for the candy draws! This is for 3s and 4s. Don't forget to grab more math fact sheets!

MATH

Area and perimeter is over! The projects are completed, and we are onto our next mathematical adventure.

ELA

We have been working on a Chris Van Allsburg author study, and been doing little activities along the way. We are then going to be starting our next, and final novel study very soon.

SCIENCE

Sound, sound, all around! Light was fun, but sound is a very entertaining unit!

Have a wonderful month!



IMPORTANT DATES:

- March 31st—1st Day of Spring Break!
- April 7th—First Day Back!
- April 18th— Good Friday/ No School
- April 25th—PD Day/No School

April NEWSLETTER

Grade 6

A Note From The Teacher

The weather is beginning to warm up and the students definitely seem to be looking forward to the spring season! We are looking forward to the snow melting and having the opportunity to move some of our learning and activities outside.

Thank you to everyone who supported our bake sale!

Mrs. Duchart

Reminders

~ Please remember to send appropriate clothing for the entire day. As temperatures change, students often need layers that can be changed from one recess to the next.

Contact Me

Please contact me at the school with any questions you may have.



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What We Are Learning

ELA: We have started reading the Breadwinner. The grade 6 students are looking forward to learning about the Afghanistan war through our novel. They continue to work weekly on grammar, spelling, and journal.

Math: In Grade 6 we continue to work through the Jump Math program. This month we will be focusing on patterning and equations.

Science: We are learning about everything to do with the Solar System in science right now.

Social Studies: We have just finished our learning on WWI and are excited to learn about all of the details about WWII.



Upcoming Events

March 31st – April 4th ~ Spring Break

April 9th ~ Day of Pink

April 18th ~ Good Friday (No School)

April 20th ~ Easter

April 21st – 24th ~ Earth Week

April 25th ~ PD Day (No School)

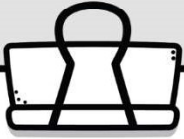


If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself. – Henry Ford



Miss. Kohlman's

NEWSLETTER



Upcoming EVENTS

- ☐ Pink Day – April 9th
- ☐ Earth Day – April 22nd
- ☐ Jr Badminton Divisionals – April 29th

Reminders

- ✓ April 2nd – First Day Back to Classes
- ✓ April 18th – No School: Good Friday
- ✓ April 25th – No School: PD Day

APRIL

OUR MONTH OF *learning...*

Hello! Spring Break is next week; I hope everyone is able to enjoy it and rest up for the final three months of school:

- **Grade 3 Math-** Students are well on their way and coming to the end of their Multiplication and Division unit up to 5×5 . Their next unit will have them explore fractions.
- **Grade 8 Math-** Students finished their Surface Area unit and our focus has turned to looking at Volume.
- **Grade 7/8 French-** The 7&8's recently created a French Restaurant Menu. After break they will be learning how to read and write about animals in French.
- **Grade 7/8 Art-** The 7/8's created an oil pastel project before working on a St. Patrick's Day creation. Coming up, they will be working on Easter & Spring artwork.
- **Grade 7/8 Social Studies-** The class just finished their Quality of Life unit and will now be looking at Cluster 3 on Ways of Life in Asia, Africa, & Australasia.
- **Science 10F-** The Science students have finished their topic on Evolution and will be learning about Matter for the month of April.

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GRADE 7 NEWSLETTER APRIL

MRS. SELLMANS ROOM

BIRTHDAYS

AVERY SMITH -APRIL 10TH

AUSTIN SMITH-APRIL 19TH

ALEC- APRIL 11TH

SPORTS

JR BADMINTON DAYS

8TH MCC, ALONSA, LAURIER @STE. ROSE

15TH ALONSA, GLENELLA @MCC

29TH DIV @STEROSE & MCC

IMPORTANT DATES

START OF TERM 4 APRIL 21

SPRING BREAK MARCH 31ST -APRIL 4TH

COME BACK TO SCHOOL ON APRIL 7TH

NO SCHOOL THE 18TH AND 25TH

WORK WE ARE DOING

ELA- THE LAND LADY SHORT STORY

SOCIAL STUDIES- HAVING OUR QUALITY OF LIFE TEST ON APRIL 8TH

SCIENCE- STARTING OUR UNIT OF FORCES AND STRUCTURES

PHYSICAL EDUCATION- BADMINTON

BY ELLAS

Hello from the Music room,

High school students are still honing their skills on their chosen instruments, whether it's drums, guitar, bass, keyboards, or vocals. We've put together a few songs and are constantly adding new ones to our repertoire.

In the 7th and 8th grades, band students are working on some tunes for their wind instruments, along with a few rock tracks for the rhythm instruments.

Meanwhile, the 5th and 6th graders are diving into guitar lessons and have started picking up songs to sing along with.

For the 3rd and 4th graders, they're continuing their guitar journey, with most of them already tackling their second or third song.

As for the K-2 music students, they're busy singing, exploring rhythms, and learning about different musical families and the instruments that belong to each.

Bye for now,

Ms. Tait



Mr. Podaima Activities for March

March has started and everyone is excited about Spring Break! Our senior teams are getting prepared for the badminton season. The badminton team just completed a tournament in Alonsa. They all played well. The next tournament is in Ste. Rose. We have approximately 22 players participating in badminton after school. It is great to see that many players are interested in the sport.

Grade 5/6 physical education classes have been playing floor ball and badminton. They also play team games like dodgeball. We have a large number of students in grade 5/6 and it is always a challenge to find games everyone likes to play. They continue to work on their motor skills through vigorous warmups.

In tourism, students have been researching various locations throughout the world. They have completed a research poster on carnivals of the world. They have presented their findings to the rest of the class. Students have become familiar with the Travel Manitoba website. They have researched various activities in the province for March. Many are interested in going to the Royal Winter Fair in Brandon that takes place in March. Many have attended the Career Symposium in Brandon.

In Essential Math the grade 11 class have been working on Surface Area. It is often difficult to get all the formulas straight for finding surface area of various objects. In grade 12 the students have been working on Statistics. The three areas they have been working on are the mean, median, and mode. They have used their understanding of statistics to interpret data. All the students are looking forward to Spring Break!



Mrs. Lockhart's & Miss Dunning's

Science + Math

Chemistry 40S

Students have just finished their unit on Reaction Rates; highlighting the factors that affect the rates of chemical reactions, as well as ways to measure and represent the rate in a mathematical expression.

We completed a four-part lab testing the factors that impact rate, and will complete a second lab tied to measuring the rate of gas formation soon.

Grade 9 Math

We have completed our unit on linear relations, equations and inequalities and have transitioned into similar figures and scale factor, which will be followed by symmetry and surface area.

We also wrote our second mRLC quiz and are happy to report that our hard work is paying off and we're seeing improvements in multiple areas.

Grade 10 Applied Math

The grade 10s got their first taste of trigonometry this month, as they were introduced to the primary trig ratios: Soh Cah Toa.

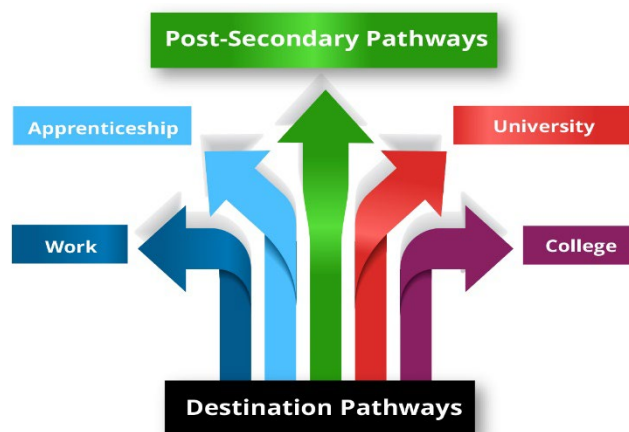
They're also re-visiting a lot of prior knowledge as they draw on powers, roots, and prime factors in their exponents and radicals unit.

Grade 11 Pre-Cal

Students have been reviewing a lot of information they learned about quadratics in Applied math (1st semester) and are being introduced to a few new strategies or new ways of looking at the information. We will hopefully wrap up the two quadratics units before a much deserved spring break and then kick off a new unit when we return. Next up, will be rational expressions and radical expressions.

It's not too late to apply to university or college for the fall, but do it quickly to avoid the disappointment of being put on a wait list.

Scholarships have also started to trickle in...keep an eye on the bulletin board by the high school washrooms to stay up-to-date on what scholarships and bursaries are available.



As always, stop by the classroom any time with questions or ideas regarding post-secondary or career options.



Mr. Billett's Report

March Report

Mr. Billett's Report

As we approach March Spring Break, high school students have been busy with assignments, studying, and participating in school activities.

Grade 10 students are currently reading several short stories in ELA 20F, while in ELA 40S, they are focusing on poetry.

Grade 11 and 12 students have been studying the Canadian fur trade and the history leading up to Confederation in History 30F, and Grade 9 students are learning about the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms in their Canada in the Contemporary World 10F class.

In other news, our Social Justice Club is collecting nonperishable food items for the local food bank, with a goal of gathering everything by March 25. Next month, the group will also be organizing exciting school-building activities for Pink Day on April 9. Additionally, students gained valuable insights at the Brandon Career Symposium on March 18.

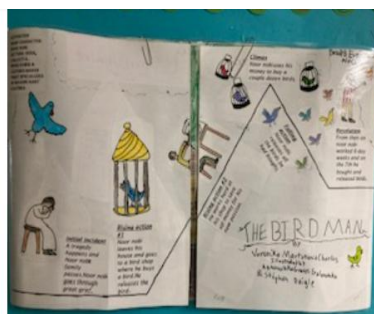
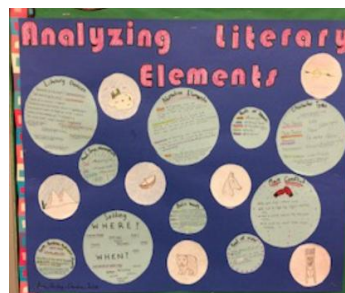
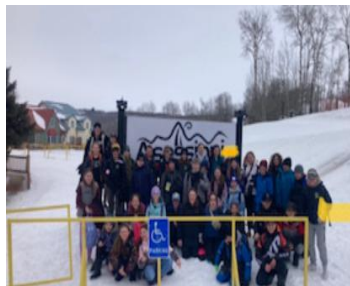
As the end of the school year approaches, high school students are actively fundraising and organizing their annual field trip to Winnipeg in June. Stay tuned for more updates in the coming weeks.

Mr. Billett



Students Work and Field Trip

Pictures students' work and ski trip.



Important Dates

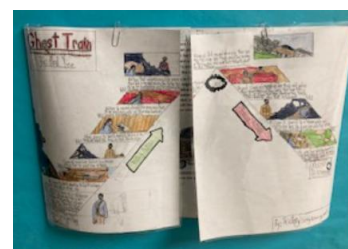
April 15 – Genius Hour Material List

April 22 – Genius Hour Schedule

April 24 - Group discussion 1 about the novel 2.

June 9 - In class reading response assignment for novel 2.





June 12 - Genius Hour Final Paper and Presentation





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> <i>Spring Break</i>	<i>2</i> <i>Spring Break</i>	<i>3</i> <i>Spring Break</i>	<i>4</i> <i>Spring Break</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>7</i> <i>Day 2</i> <i>Classes Resume</i>	<i>8</i> <i>Day 3</i>	<i>9 Day 4</i> <i>Day of Pink</i> 	<i>10</i> <i>Day 5</i>	<i>11</i> <i>Day 6</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> <i>Day 1</i>	<i>15</i> <i>Day 2</i>	<i>16</i> <i>Day 3</i>	<i>17</i> <i>Day 4</i>	<i>18</i> Good Friday (No School)	<i>19</i>
<i>20</i> <i>Easter</i> 	<i>21</i> <i>Day 5</i>	<i>22</i> <i>Day 6</i> <i>Earth Day</i> 	<i>23</i> <i>Day 1</i>	<i>24</i> <i>Day 2</i>	<i>25</i> PD Day (No School)	<i>26</i>
<i>27</i>	<i>28</i> <i>Day 3</i>	<i>29</i> <i>Day 4</i> Junior Badminton Divisionals	<i>30</i> <i>Day 5</i>	<i>“Respect, Responsibility & Co-operation”</i>		