



# The Belleau Beacon

## From the Principal's Desk



*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*

### Romans 15:13

H-O-P-E, what a wondrous four letter word that says so much! Hope is where we find Jesus, especially during this Lenten season. Jesus' death and resurrection gives us hope for eternal life in the kingdom of heaven. Such a beautiful thing to behold!

Hope is also God's gift to us at Baptism and unites us with the risen Christ. Hopeful people work for peace and justice on earth despite facing many obstacles. They trust in God's plan for salvation just like we do.

Hope is visible in our classrooms whenever we find prayer, trust in God's faithfulness and work for justice and peace. It is hope above all that gives us strength to live and to continually try new things even in conditions that may seem hopeless.

As we prepare for Easter season, let us remember Jesus' death and resurrection. Jesus died for us so that we may have eternal life. God's unwavering faith and love for us will help us to follow in Jesus' foot steps, on the path to salvation.

*Hope*  
CHANGES EVERYTHING

*Wanda Zelau*  
*Principal*



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### Special points of interest:

- March 13th—Spring head. Please turn your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, March 12th.
- March break: March 14th—March 28th. School resumes March 29th at 9:00 am.
- Monday, April 11th is PD Day- There will be NO school for students.



## Parent/Guardian's Corner

### You are your child's most important teacher

As your child's first, and most important, teacher there is a lot you can do at home that will support your child's learning through everyday experiences.

Here are some tips on things you can try at home:

- Have problems they can help solve, like a jigsaw puzzle. These are great ways to tap into their natural problem solving abilities.
- Do things that interest them – like a hobby or activity they love. For example, if your child likes helping you cook you can introduce maths by getting them to measure the ingredients; science by observing and discussing how the different ingredients mix together; English through reading the recipe steps out loud; and health by discussing how healthy the different ingredients are.
- Help them find answers or solutions to problems themselves. Show your child how to look things up in a book or on the computer, and find the answers themselves.
- When talking to your child, ask reflective questions like 'how' 'why' or 'what if' as this helps them to think deeply about their responses.
- Repeat things. Most of us can't do something perfectly the first time we try them. We get better with practice, and understand what we're doing the more we do it. Children are exactly the same.
- Remember, your child needs some downtime just like you do. Giving them time to just be themselves is important.

\*For more information, visit <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/primary/Pages/p4p220212.aspx>

### Healthy Lunch Ideas

#### ***Mixed Berry Yogurt Parfait***

##### Ingredients

- 1/3 cup lowfat plain yogurt
- 1/3 cup fresh or frozen mixed berries
- 1 tablespoon maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon Granola (no nuts)

Read more at: <http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/food-network-kitchens>



## BBS Celebrates Support Staff Day!

Since there is no designated day to celebrate our school's support staff, BBS decided that every year, Support Staff Day will be the first Friday in March.

So on March 4th, our *Educational Assistants, Mrs. Linda Wesley and Ms. Noella Koostachin, along with our Custodian, Mr. Henry Wynne and our Maintenance worker, Mr. Xavier Wheesk* were honoured and appreciated for all their hard work they do for our school and most of all, our students. Staff and students

created a video for them showing how they are a very important piece of our school puzzle and each received a gift bag courtesy of Bishop Belleau School staff and students.

I want to personally thank our support staff for being such an integral part of our school life. I can not thank them enough!



## NCDSB Pastoral Care Worker Visits Bishop Belleau School!

Mike Buehler, Religious and Pastoral Care Worker with the NCDSB, came to Moosonee for a brief visit to see our students. They are very excited to see him as he is known for his story-telling abilities. One Grade 4/5 student remarked, "I love it when he tells us stories!" Mr. Buehler made his way round to all the classrooms and sat among the students capturing their undivided attention with faith-filled stories. Pictured on the left, Mr. Buehler shares stories with the Grade 4/5 classroom.



## Shrove Tuesday at BBS!

On Tuesday, February 9th, Staff treated students to a pancake breakfast in honour of Shrove Tuesday. Students enjoyed a nutritious breakfast served by our educational assistants, Mrs. Wesley and Ms. Noella. A gracious thank you to Mrs. Mundle and Ms. Zelau who made the pancakes for the students.



## Grade 2/3 Group Create Name using Math Manipulatives!

Moses, Ryeden and Jastien from Ms. Stewart's Grade 1/2/3 class participated in a hands on Math activity that encourage them to explore with manipulatives. Pictured are the three boys with the finished product:)

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## Eagles of the Month— January 2016

*Principal's Award to:*

### **Isiah Wesley, Gr. 8**

See him trying to come to school on time in the mornings and afternoons. Keep up the good work!

### **Trey Koostachin, SK**

Trey was chosen for student of the month because he always works hard, does a good job following the classroom routine and is a good friend.

## Eagles of the Month— February 2016

*Principal's Award to:*

### **Gabriel Jardino, Gr. 5**

He lives his Christian faith. He displays the Catholic virtues day after day in school and at the Church.

### **Aiden Angoo-Ryder, JK**

Aiden was chosen for reaching his goal of learning 13 sight words.

## Eagles of the Month— December 2015



*Principal's Award to:*

### **Benny Crowe, Gr. 6**

Benny was a fantastic helper when the Kindergarteners went for lunch in the Gr.6/7/8 classroom. He organized the kids on the floor to watch a movie and monitored them accordingly. Great work Benny!

### **Jedd Tippeneskum, SK**

Jedd shares and helps with his classmates. He listens and cleans up when asked and displays good behaviour.

### **Moses Tippeneskum, Gr. 2**

Moses has been working hard to complete his work on time. He is trying to improve his self regulation skills. He has done a good job on the for this month.

### **Teagan Sutherland, Gr. 4**

Teagan is always willing to help a peer and is always friendly to those around her. She is enthusiastic about her school work and always puts forth her best efforts.

### **May-Nee-Shish Kamalatisit-Glenesk, Gr. 6**

She works hard in class to get her work done. She volunteers to help others. She always tries her best in her work and asks for help.

### **Andrew Ashamock, Gr. 7, Native-as-a-Second Language**

He is always on task with his work, enjoys the Cree classes and he is very well behaved.

Excellent effort to all the Eagles of the Month!

### **Charlotte Matthews, Gr. 2**

Charlotte tries to complete her work on time. She always asks for help when she needs it. She likes to help out in the Kindergarten room at recesses.

### **Phoenix Gunner, Gr. 5**

Phoenix has been putting great effort toward his work. He is always kind toward his peers and ensures that others around him are feeling good about themselves.

### **Sebastian Tippeneskum, Gr. 6**

He is a very helpful student who willingly finds ways to help others in class. He makes others feel welcome in our class. He also tries his best at his work! Great job Sebastian!

### **Jastien Tippeneskum, Gr. 3, Native-as-a-Second Language**

In Cree class, Jastien learned numbers and helped his peers to count 1 to 100, and also days of the week. I am very pleased with him. Meegwetch Jastien. Keep up your good work!

### **Easton Gunner, Gr. 7**

He works hard to complete his work. He often volunteers to help out with the JK/SK class at recess. He also volunteered to help Ms. Stewart's class with Mass, before and after.

### **Gabriel Jardino, Gr. 5, Native-as-a-Second Language**

Gabriel is doing good work in Cree language class. He remembers what has been taught from last week. Keep up the good work, Gabriel! Meegwetch!