

Rapid City School June Newsletter

June 2007

Sayings of the Month

Everyone is entitled to their own opinion, but not their own facts.

Daniel Patrick Moynihan

My parents always told us to find out what we were good at and not worry about what others think.

Lornah Kiplagat

Principal's Message

Hello everyone, I hope this finds you enjoying the weather and not staying out of the rain. We have a very busy month here at the school and are looking forward to the end of another successful year. Track and Field went very well in Brandon and both the students and staff all worked very hard to make sure the athletes were prepared. It was great to see so many parents out cheering their children on. We have field trips, Heritage Fair, Tabloid Day, Exams, Awards Day and more this month and I look forward to seeing you all at some point.

The Parent Group will have a brief meeting on Wednesday June 6th right after community soccer practice.

Mr. Mike Keith



Campbell's Soup Labels

Thank you for the support again this year. We received a huge number of labels, and in the fall we will be ordering a DVD/VHS player for the school. Also thank you to Tammy Bertrand and Karen Miller for their help in cutting and counting labels. Please keep saving labels over the summer as we will begin collecting again in September. Have a great summer! Jane Alex

There is a very serious thing going on in the schools right now that all need to be aware of. There is a type of crystal meth going around that looks like strawberry pop rocks. It smells like strawberry also and it is being handed out to kids in school yards in AR. I'm sure it will make its way around the country if it hasn't already. Kids are ingesting this thinking that it is candy and being rushed off the E.R. in dire condition.

It also comes in chocolate, peanut butter, cola, cherry, grape and orange -- it looks just like pop rocks. Please instruct your children to not accept candy that looks like this, even from a friend, and to take any that they may have to a teacher, principal, etc.



Everyone is invited to a Come & Go Tea in honour of *Mrs. Lewis* to celebrate her retirement from teaching. The tea will be held on Friday, June 15 from 2-5 p.m.

There will be some entertainment and cake as part of the festivities. If there are any parents that would like to donate dainties for the tea, please let Mrs. Kolesar know ahead of time.



GRAD DANCE

Grades 5 - 8

Wednesday, June 27

7:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Admission: \$3.00

Music supplied by LOOK Music

Doors close at 7:30 p.m.

K - 4 SOCKHOP

Tuesday, June 26

12:15 - 12:50

Admission: 50 cents



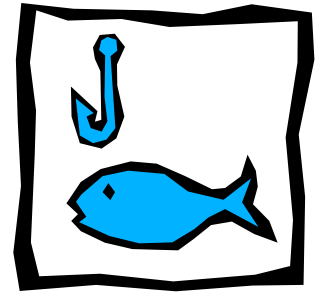
May Kindergarten News

This month will be filled with many lasts! My last track & field meet, my last field trip, my last newsletter item, etc. Wow!

I've really enjoyed working with all you little ones and your parents. It's been a great year, and you've all grown up and learned so much. Keep on absorbing as much learning through the rest of your school years, and you will do well. Remember, all you ever needed to know, you learned in Kindergarten!!!

June is always a busy month as we wrap up and get ready for the summer holidays. We have Tabloid Day on the 12th, a visit from the Nursery School on the 14th, our Field Trip on the 20th, and our last day of school and Graduation Exercises on the 27th. Please note the change of K-Days from the 28th to the 27th, so they can attend the exercises. I will be sending home more information on our field trip soon. Enjoy the last month of Kindergarten.

Mrs. Lewis



Grade 1/2

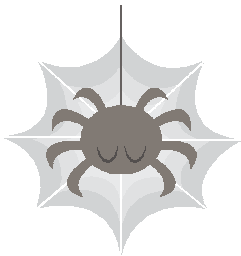
We are heading for the end of the school year, unbelievably, and still have lots of exciting things happening! Our class has

been reading Charlotte's Web and doing a

variety of activities. In Math, we are working on adding 2-digit numbers up to 100.

On Monday, June 18, we will be going on a class field trip to Brandon. We will be sending notes home closer to that date to let you know all the details.

*Mrs. Nykorak &
Mrs. Armstrong*



Grade 3/4



What a great year we have had in Grade 3 and 4! Thank you to all the parents for their great support this year! We still have a few important activities coming up before the end of June.

One activity will be Tabloid Day on June 12 (don't forget the sunscreen and hat...it will be hot that day...I hope!). On Monday, June 18, we will be going to Onanole and Riding Mountain National Park on our year end field trip. We will be spending part of the day with our Key pals from Onanole Elementary School. It should be a great day! We will be starting our classroom yearbooks around the second week in June.

We can't wait to do something with the photos we have taken throughout the year when we were photographer for the week. Our school subjects will also be wrapping up this month. We will be doing a Rocks and Minerals unit in Science but before that we will be having a test on our Social Studies Unit about Manitoba. That test will be on Thursday, June 7 and we will be doing some review before then. We will be finishing up our Fraction unit and that test will be next week also. It will be on Friday, June 8. Don't forget to attend our Grad Ceremony on Wed. June 27th!

Have a great month and an awesome summer.

Mrs. Hrymak



Grade 7/8 Exams

Fri. June 15	-Jr. High Exam Exemptions
Mon. June 18	Review for all exams
Tues. June 19	-ELA exam 9 am/ Social Studies review 1 pm
Wed. June 20	-Social Studies exam 9 am/ Science review 1 pm
Thurs. June 21	-Science exam 9 am/Math review 1 pm
Fri. June 22	-Math exam 9am
Mon. June 25	-Exam make up day (emergencies only)

Grade 5/6

It's hard to believe it is almost the end of the school year. We have a busy month ahead of us in the 5/6 classroom. In L.A. students are working on an independent novel study. Students chose a novel to read on their own and will do various activities related to the novel. We are going to try to squeeze in two more TUSC meetings before the end of the year. We will finish off the year with some Reader's Theatre. In Math class we are finishing up with probability before starting patterns. Everyone has been doing lots of experimenting to see how close they can come to the theoretical probability. I encourage students to keep practicing the multiplication tables. In Social Studies, Grade 5s have been learning about the United Imperial Loyalists and how they helped settle parts of eastern Canada. The next couple of weeks will be hectic in 5-8 French as we finish preparations and practicing for the play. I'm sure we will all be happy to finally present the play.

Just a reminder that our class will be going to Rivers on June 7 to participate in the Agriculture Safety Days. Our class field trip is scheduled for Thursday, June 21. We are going to Sprucewoods and Shilo for the day. More information will follow about these two days.

I would like to thank everyone for all the support I've received throughout the year. I appreciate your help and input. I hope everyone has a relaxing, enjoyable summer.

Mrs. Hardy

Grade 6 Social Studies

We will be working on post confederation Canada in June. The students seem to have enjoyed collaborating with the Three/Four class on the History of Manitoba and have learned a lot in an enjoyable way this past month.

Mr. Keith

NEWSFLASH!!!!

Grade 7/8 Class Has Too Much Fun in May.

It is apparent that the Grade 7/8 class has had too much fun in the month of May. After finishing the construction of their model castles for Social Studies, they began working on their Heritage Fair Projects. In between classroom work they had three canoeing classes on the Little Saskatchewan River. The first two sessions were on the lake in town and the last session was a run on the river starting just below the dam and going out to the Bos farm. All the canoers did very well and were able to control where they were going.

Following the Track and Field Meet on Monday, May 28, the class had two days to prepare for their annual camp trip up to Riding Mountain National Park. Shortly after 9 AM on Thursday, May 31, the class and chaperones left the school and headed to the Anglican Church Camp on Clear Lake. In spite of rainy weather the group received GPS instruction from two people from "Friends of Riding Mountain" and then spent a few hours out at Lake Audy. While in the Lake Audy area the group checked out the bison handling corrals, heard a presentation from a couple of Parks Canada interpreters and went on a hike to a small lake called Hyde Lake. While driving in the area the group saw deer, a couple bison and some elk. After returning to camp and having supper the group spent the evening swimming, (not for long), canoeing, playing "Capture the Flag".

After breakfast on Friday, the group packed up, cleaned up and headed into Wasagaming. They had a couple hours to check out the stores, ride the rental bikes and have lunch before heading out on a cruise on "The Martese". Everyone arrived back at school at 3:30. The students are to be congratulated for the way they handled themselves on the trip. The class was divided into two food groups - one in charge of preparing and cleaning up after Thursday's supper and the other in charge of Friday's breakfast. Both meals were done very well. Special thanks to the chaperones who drove the group around - Gerald Bos, Jackie English, Dave Fansher, Ken Hinsburg, Brett Mandryk, Karen Northam, Lynda Switzer and Bob Tinkess.

On Friday, June 8, the Grade 7/8 students will participate in the division softball tournament in Oak River. The teams first game is at 10 AM with the times of other games depending on how they do.

The class will be finishing up their courses over the next couple weeks. There will be a couple short units in Science, Social Studies and Math. In Language Arts, the class will be doing one last novel study.

Mr. Coulson

Track & Field Report

Congratulations to all the Grade 5-8 students who participated in the Divisional Track & Field Meet in Brandon on May 28th. You were all very well behaved and represented your school well. Not all of you placed, but most of you did all the events you entered and you did your best, and that's what it is all about!!! Here are the results from the Track Meet.

In the relays, our 13 year old girls placed 3rd, the 13 year old boys placed 4th, and the 12 year old boys placed 5th. Good job.

The individual results are as follows:

10 & under:

Bjorn Klockmann – 3rd long jump, 3rd 800m., 4th 400m., 5th 1500 m.,

11 year olds:

Travis Belcher – 1st high jump, 4th 1500m., 4th triple jump

Danny Fansher – 5th 1500m

Callum Read – 2nd discus, 5th 800m.

Alicia van Meijl – 2nd 200m.

12 year olds:

Jessica Bos – 4th triple jump

Doug Fansher – 1st 800m., 5th discus

13 year olds:

Will Kelso – 4th high jump

Keith Kingdon – 5th 800m.

Brooke Leys – 4th 1500m., 5th 800m.

Patrick Mandryk – 4th 200m., 4th 60m., 5th 100m.

Karleigh Paul – 5th long jump, 1st triple jump, 1st 800m., 1st 1500m.

Sebastian Perkin – 4th discus

Dennis Rollins – 4th 400m., 3rd high jump, 1st 800m., 1st 1500m.

Blake Tinkess – 5th shot put.



I hope I didn't miss any ribbon winners. Congratulations to all of you. All that hard work and practicing paid off!

Thanks to Mrs. Nykorak for working so hard with the runners, Mr. Keith for working with the high jumpers, and Mrs. Hrymak for working with the long & triple jumpers. Also, a big thanks to Mrs. Hardy, Mr. Coulson, and Mrs. Van Meijl for supervising the day of the track meet, and to all the parents who came out to watch and cheer on our competitors. Don't forget to look at the pictures up on the hallway bulletin board. Mrs. Hardy got some good action shots.

I haven't heard yet about the small school banner, but will let you know the day of Graduation Exercises.

Mrs. Lewis

Farewell...

I'm sure you've all heard by now that I am retiring the end of June. I don't really feel old enough to retire yet!!!, but my husband & I are ready to spend more time curling, golfing, gardening, farming, going to our land in B.C. and traveling around the world. In case I don't get a chance to say good-bye to all of you, I would like to take this opportunity to tell you how much I have enjoyed my 16 years in Rapid City School. You couldn't ask for a nicer bunch of kids to teach, a more co-operative and helpful group of parents, or such an amazing staff with which to work. I am certainly going to miss you all, and intend to be back occasionally to sub, visit, and annoy in the fall.

I wish all of you the very best in the future.

It's farewell, not good-bye, until we meet again,

Mrs. Lewis