



GOOD NEWS

January 2021

BONNYVILLE CENTRALIZED HIGH SCHOOL



SANTA'S ELVES

BCHS ran another successful Santa's Elves, in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Christmas Food Hamper program.

They want to thank all the local businesses and community members that contributed this year.

"Despite the COVID reality, our community's generosity made it possible for the Knights to deliver food hampers to over 240 families and for BCHS to provide gift card packages for 416 children in our community."

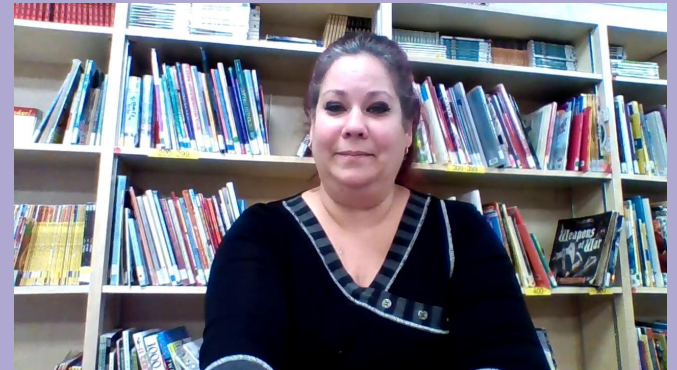


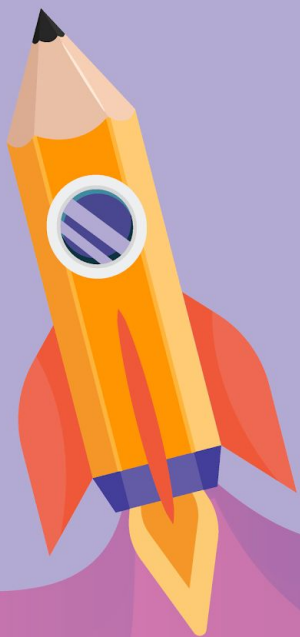
IRON RIVER SCHOOL



ONLINE AUCTION

Each year, Iron River School conducts a silent auction at their Christmas Concert. This year, they opted for an online auction instead, and raised more money than they ever have before from their silent auctions - just over \$10,700. Following the auction, a generous community member contributed another \$10,000. Iron River School plans to put the \$20,000+ towards their playground fund, P.E. equipment, and future field trips.

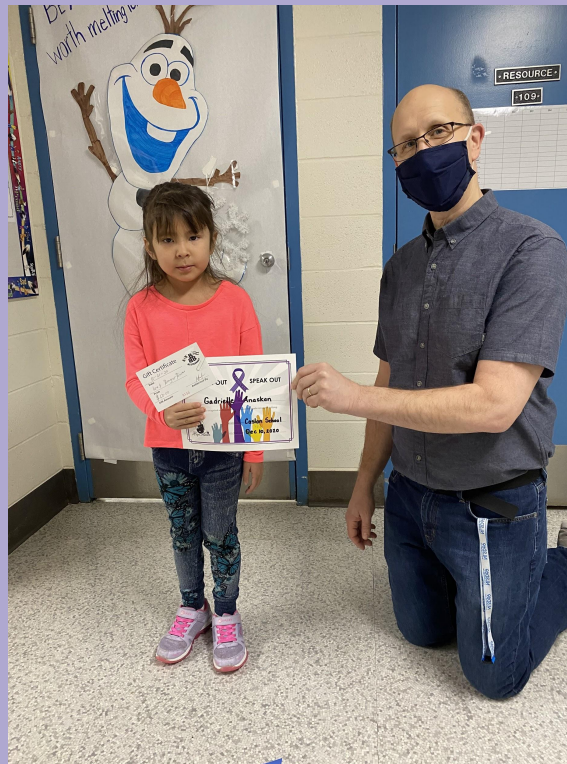




CASLAN SCHOOL



Grade 3/4 class writing Christmas letters to Elders from Buffalo Lake Métis Settlement.



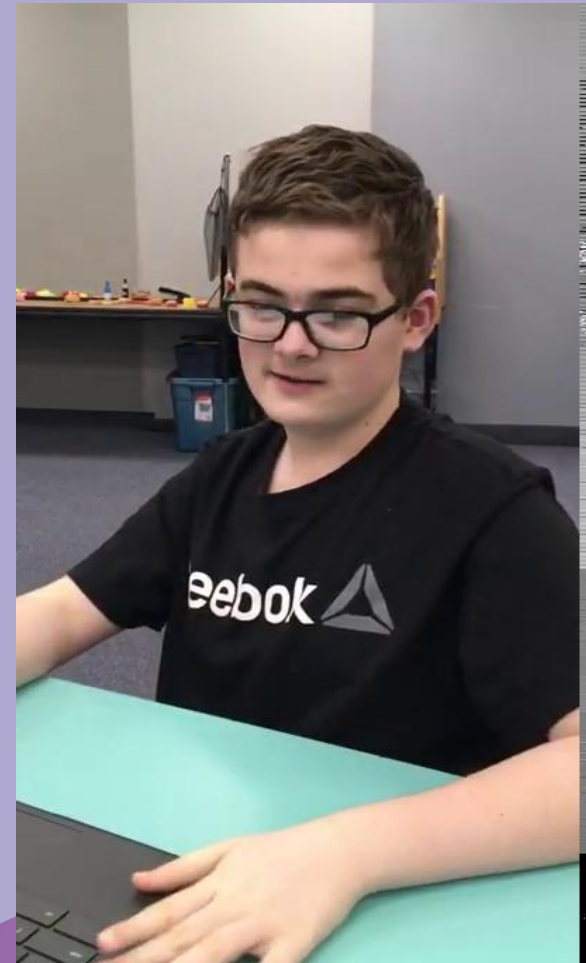
Gadrielle Anaskan (ECS) receiving an award from Hope Haven. During the month of November, which was Family Violence Prevention Month, Gadrielle was nominated by her teacher for demonstrating characteristics of anti-bullying.

H.E. BOURGOIN MIDDLE SCHOOL



LIFE SKILLS & BREAKFAST

A student shared positive feedback about how we were able to offer some life skills for our students who were learning in-person. He also shared how much he enjoys the HEB Breakfast program. HEB recently received confirmation that Breakfast Club of Canada would be providing us with funds of approximately \$21, 600 to support our breakfast program.



NELSON HEIGHTS SCHOOL





CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Nelson Heights School hosted a digital Christmas Concert featuring students and staff. The concert lasted for about 20 minutes and was full of traditional Christmas carols and stories.



HOUSE POINT BATTLE

We have been having virtual contests for our house groups over the course of the year. This is one from "Knight Out of Sight" where students use clues from a poem to guess where the NHS Knight is located in Cold lake. The houses are Nottingham, Camelot, Sherwood, and Canterbury



J.A. WILLIAMS HIGH SCHOOL



Student Leadership Interact Club

Our Interact Club was chartered in 2017 under Rotary International.

We are mentored by local Rotarians and our motto is Service Above Self.

Essentially, it is a youth leadership program with focus on building international understanding, taking action and making a difference in our school, the community and globally.

So far this year despite COVID we have done fundraising and supported 3 projects:

- The Great JAWS Food Harvest (local food bank drive)

- Community Connections Group (gifts for seniors in lock down)

- Garde Saline School in Haiti (donation to build a school)

It is the first time the community will have up to grade 7!

Currently, our club student president is Cordelia Lyons the community 2020 Junior Citizen of the Year and the Assistant President is Chenoa Kaufman 2019 Junior Citizen of the year.

We have 5 returning members and had 5 new members at our last meeting which occurred virtually on January 6th, 2021 where they brainstormed fundraising opportunities and ways they can support our local community with mental health and wellness initiatives.

The Club Staff Advisors are Mrs. Lisa Dribnenki and Ms. Liz Young.



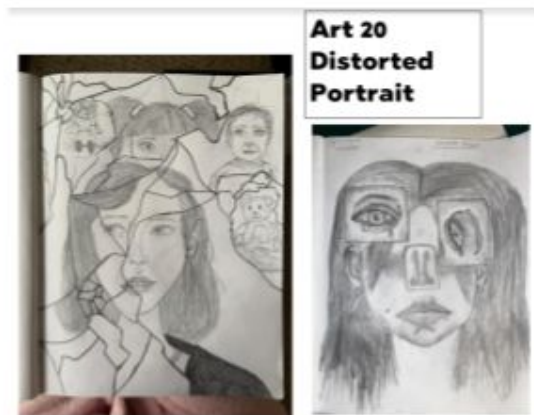
So proud of our students, their families and our staff for the the flexibility, adaptability and dedication during these unprecedented times.



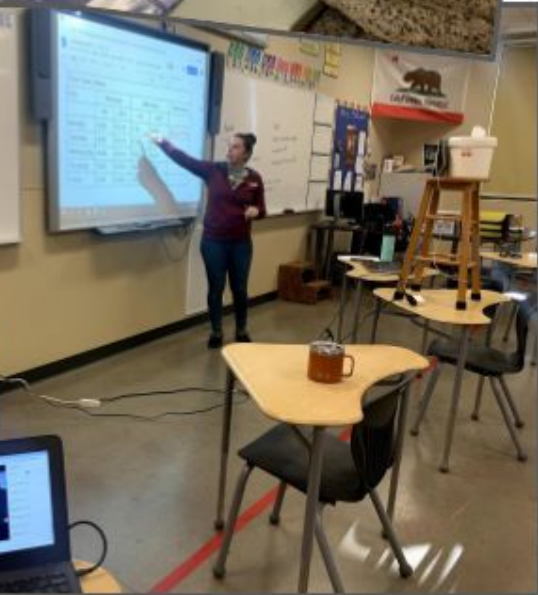
Many, many hours of learning, planning and collaboration to ensure that we made the most of the situation and provided high quality instruction and learning opportunities for our students!

So proud of our staff and NLPS team for finding a way to deliver high quality instruction and learning opportunities for students regardless of the subject!

- Art
- Physical Education,
- Math
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Media Arts
- Language Arts
- Life Skills and Special Needs Programming



Just a few of examples of some of the art that was submitted digitally from virtual lessons!



COMMUNITY DONATIONS



JAWS Interact Club donated \$500 for gifts for Seniors, along with \$500 from the Lac La Biche Elks and \$500 from the Plamondon Volleyball Club. The Community Connections group brought everyone together for the senior project that also included a discount from Britton's Your Independent Grocers to purchase items in addition to donated items collected at Northern Lights Public Schools. Lac La Biche County provided in kind support to help decorate the senior packages and Peace Officer Glynton collected personalized cards for every senior at the various facilities in LLB County from students at the schools.

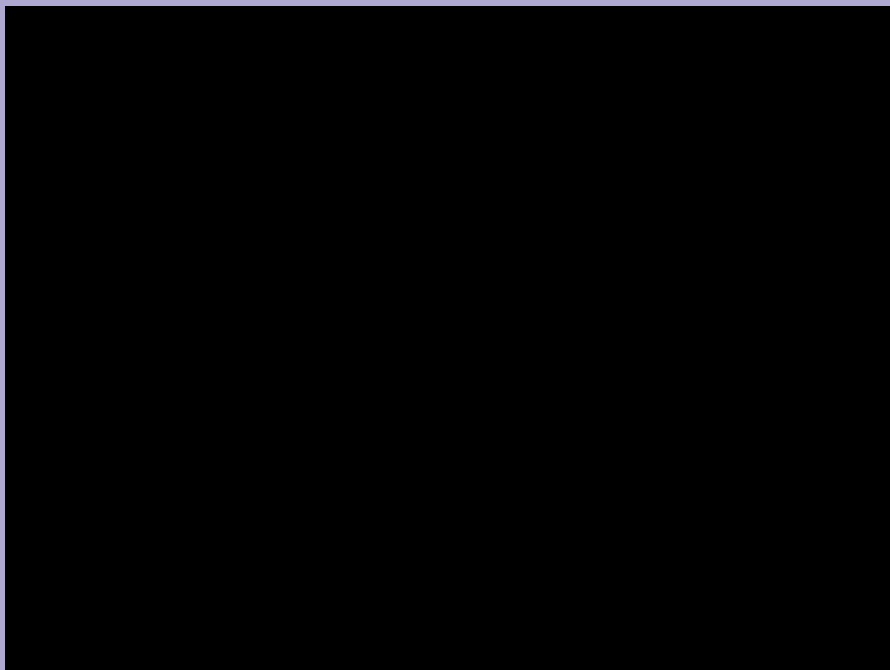
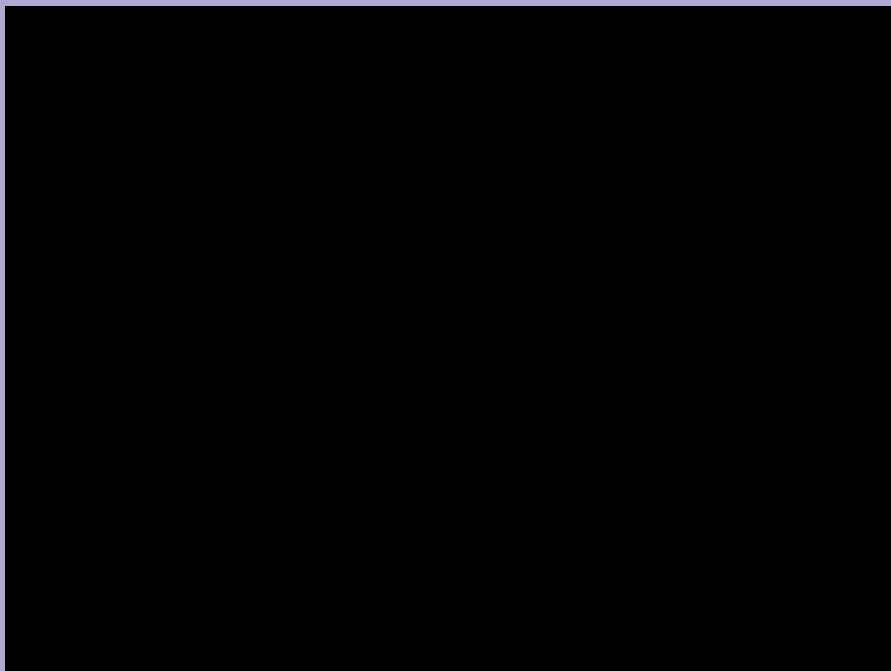
COLD LAKE HIGH SCHOOL



SAYING GOODBYE

Trish Urlacher and Barb Swigart retired from their posts at Cold Lake High School, and the school organized a drive-by farewell to wish them well and see them off safely.





KIKINO SCHOOL

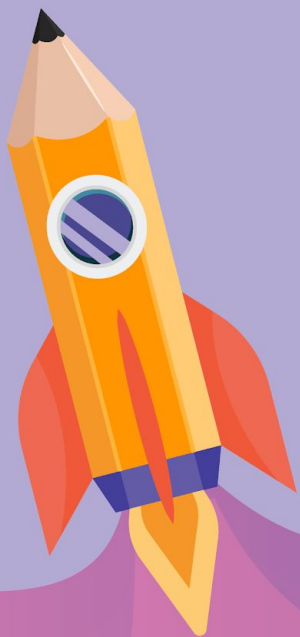


Staff Mental Health: Grandma's Ribbon



Grandmother's Ribbon Campaign: A Whole Staff Wellness Initiative December 2020, was launched with the help of the Women of the Metis Nation. They sent purple ribbons throughout Canada. Their hope was to tell all people that "we see you overcome the uncertainty and related stress. We would love you to share a symbolic message for yourself, your family, to other women and our communities, that hope abounds. This campaign intends to spread hope, light and joy and aims to signify the message that there is light at the end of the reality we are currently experiencing due to Covid 19. Hang these ribbons to convey the message that this time will pass and will make way for better, brighter days when we can join together again as strong Metis women, kinship networks and communities."





DUCLOS SCHOOL

DIGITAL ART GALLERY

Duclos School students and staff created a digital multimedia art gallery that focuses on leadership, public speaking, monthly virtues, and playground safety. The gallery can be viewed [RIGHT HERE.](#)



ECOLE PLAMONDON SCHOOL



Grinch or Green Day



Grade 2 Artwork

A Ho! Ho! Ho! Down, Cowboy



Grade 2 Artwork



Joy to the World



Grade 2 Artwork



COLD LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Thank you Mr. Walter Ogrodiuk!

Mr. Ogrodiuk made a video of Christmas carols for all the students of CLES to enjoy! Mr. Ogrodiuk is a retired NLPS principal from Bonnyville, and each year we invite him to sing to us. We are very grateful to Mr. Ogrodiuk for spreading so much joy with his wonderful songs!



Thank you Cenovus!

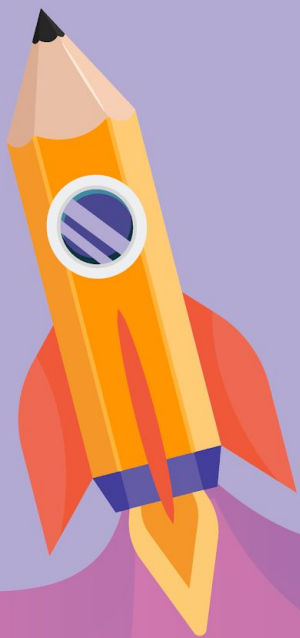
We are so thankful to Cenovus who funded Young Alberta Book Society to send authors to speak to our '400' CLES K-4 students! This year, students spoke with the authors class by class through Google Meets. We are so grateful to Cenovus for giving our students the opportunity to learn from these inspiring authors!



Robotics!

In December, Grade 3 students put their numeracy & critical thinking skills to work through a STEM project - learning to code to make those robots MOVE!!!





NORTH STAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

We dressed like elves, wore Christmas hats, ugly sweaters and pajamas. With a bit of creativity, we were able to find a way to have our traditional turkey meal. It looked a bit different this year. We were not able to invite guests or eat in the gym, but each classroom was able to join together to enjoy a delicious meal. Each classroom also found a new COVID-friendly way of giving back to the community by building a food hamper.



PINK SHIRT DESIGN.

Congratulations to
Adelle White from Kikino
School, the winner of our
2021 Pink Shirt Design
Contest!



Self-control

CONSCIENCE

fairness

KINDNESS

Respect

TOLERANCE

EMPATHY

I show...

