

# Riderville School News

MAY, 2011

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We hope everyone had a restful and relaxing Easter break and are now ready as we face the home stretch of 2010-2011 school year.

Our School Community Council elections were held on Tuesday, April 19. Sincere thanks are extended to Mr. Marlyn Stevens and Mrs. Lori Hubbard whose terms were up this year, as well as Ms Renata Briggs who is leaving our community. Marlyn, Lori and Renata have contributed selflessly to the many functions and fundraisers during their time on our Council and will be missed. Thanks also to our two student members, Kirsten Hackywicz and Austin Lothian. Both Kirsten & Austin will be graduating this year, and we thank them for all their help.

We are very excited to welcome on board Mrs. Becky Johnston, Mrs. Karen Dombowsky and Mr. George Paranuik, as well as student members Shiela Miller and Caitlyn Harrison. We are looking forward to working with our new members in the coming school year.

Returning to their positions for the coming year are Christina Daniel and Carlee Luebke, as well as School Representatives Christy Kuffner and myself.

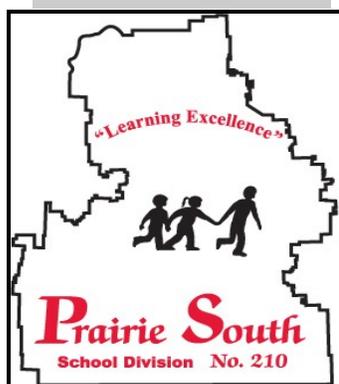
Our Grade 12 students are busy with Graduation preparations, and would like to extend an invitation to all community members to join them for their Graduation Celebration on June 10 beginning at 8:00.

## Student Vote

On Thursday, April 21, the students in grade 5/6 held a "Mock Election Day", where students and staff were asked to vote for their favourite Palliser Candidate: Ray Boughen (Conservative); Russell Collicott (Liberal); Noah Evan-chuck (NDP); and Larissa Shasko (Green Party). The procedure mimicked that of a true voting day, with the 5/6 class running the polling stations and working in groups to take on the roles of all the election officials: Deputy Returning Officer, Poll Clerks, and Scrutineers. All Avonlea students and staff were given a chance to ponder

their choice by reading the posters the 5/6 students had created and listening to their campaign ads. Great enthusiasm and debate took place in the 5/6 class during their Social Studies classes while the students worked on assignments about party platforms and how it affected their lives and the lives of other Canadians. Hopefully, a spinoff of this unit of study will be greater discussion about politics around their own kitchen tables in the evenings, and a greater understanding of what it means to be a Democratic Society.

~ Mrs. Dombowsky





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## Badminton Results

The senior badminton team had a successful year in the Moose Jaw league and brought home medals in the two tournaments they participated in. At the Sections Championship on April 16, Dallas Funke (Boys singles) Clay Ludwar & Brendan Schick (Boys Doubles) all won gold medals. Jolene Kirkpatrick & Paige (Granger (Girls Doubles) won silver. Two other teams, Mackenzie Dombowsky & Kelsie Beitel (Mixed) and Cole Senchuck & Ryley Janzen (Boys Doubles) lost in bronze medal games.

The team travelled to Gravelbourg on April 20 for Districts. At that level, Dallas brought home the gold, Clay & Brendan as well as Jolene & Paige captured silver. These players will now take part in Regionals on May 7.

Our Bantam players will be travelling to Gravelbourg on May 7 to compete at the District level.

Best of luck, everyone!

## SLC News

Thank you to everyone who supported our Pink Shirt Day. Thank you also to our staff for making the chili and Geri Beingessner & Gloria Kirkpatrick for the use of their roaster ovens. The Chili lunch was a huge success.

We celebrated Easter by dressing in Easter colors, enjoying Rice Krispie cake and an Easter Egg hunt.

On April 21 we wore yellow in

support of cancer research. We sold Daffodil Pins and were able to raise \$277.50 for this very worthy cause.





## Hey Students - Are you smarter than the Librarian?

Come to the Resource Center and match wits against the librarian. Can you guess the weekly riddle or puzzle correctly? All grades are welcome to participate!

***The 2011 - 2012 School Year  
calendar is available on  
the Prairie South School  
Division website***

[www.prairiesouth.ca](http://www.prairiesouth.ca)

## Grade 1/2 News

Last month flew by just like the rest. April was such a short month with Easter holidays. I can't believe that there are only two months of school left.

We really enjoyed Easter in our classroom. We celebrated by dying eggs, making Easter crafts and eating snacks.

We have just completed our unit on friendship and will begin to learn about having a healthy body.

We continue to learn about plants in science. Our fairytales unit is really exciting and we are having lots of fun practicing our plays.

The K-2 went on a field trip to the RCMP Museum and swimming

on April 7. They really enjoyed learning how to march like Mounties!

The grade 1/2's worked very hard to earn 1500 SCAMOS toward a costume, movie and popcorn party in our classroom. They have reached their goal and will be having this reward on Friday, May 6. Great Job Grade 1 & 2!

Mrs. Whitfield

## Kindergarten News

We have been busy working on patterns in math, learning about the four food groups, and we learned about the signs of spring which are slowly coming! The Kindergartens had a wonderful time on their Field trip to the RCMP Museum and the YMCA.

The month of May will be a busy month for the Kindergartens. We will be reviewing the numbers, working on letter sounds and learning about insects and bugs! The Kindergarten kids will also have the opportunity to show the next year Kindergartens around the classroom and the school!

We have had a great year so far and I am very proud of all my students! Way to go Kindergarten's!!

Miss Arnold

## **GRADE 3, 4, 5 & 6 VISIT THE THEATRE!**



On April 7, the Grade 3-6 students went on an exciting field trip to Moose Jaw where they participated in the Theatrical Tour at the Mae Wilson Cultural Centre. The tour was led by two actors dressed as clowns who kept the children amused and involved.

Historical information about the theatre was told at each stop - in the makeup room, audition room, backstage and in the auditorium itself. It was very interesting learning about what Vaudeville Theatre was and what kinds of acts came to Moose Jaw in the early 1900's. During the motion picture era, the theatre went through several name changes and updates. When the large Galaxy Theatre was built and home movies became popular, the Capital 3 Theatre sat empty. Then in the 1980's visionaries in the Arts saw potential in this old building and restoration began. Mae Wilson was the mother of a young man who performed Vaudeville in Moose Jaw in the early years. His mother enjoyed watching him act and he felt like he really got his start in Moose Jaw. He went on to the USA to continue his career in Broadway Productions, but never forgot his roots. Just before his death in the 1980's he bequeathed \$350,000.00 to have the theatre restored to its original form and named in honour of his mother.

Following the tour, our class spent the lunch hour at the new Soccer Field House where we were able to use the field and track area. What a wonderful facility.

For the rest of the day, the grade 5/6 class teamed up with some grade 9/10 Central High School students for a lesson in basic sewing. We were able to learn how to thread a machine and sew a miniature pillow with our high school mentor. It was great. The sewing lab was connected to the cooking lab, so we also tried our hand at following a simple recipe using the stove, cracking eggs, melting cheese and of course, cleaning up with kitchens. Thank you to Mrs. Barb Morrison for organizing the sewing activity and to Mr. Scott Williamson for allowing Avonlea to experience a large city high school.



# May, 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Day 2 Kindergarten	3 Day 3	4 Day 4 Kindergarten	5 Day 5	6 Day 6 Kindergarten	7 Jr Badminton Districts @ Gravelbourg  Sr Badminton Regions @ Regina
8	9 Day 1  Grade 11/12 to Saskatoon	10 Day 2 Kindergarten	11 Day 3	12 Day 4 Kindergarten	13 Day 5  Gr 7-12 Local Track Meet	14 Sr Provincial Badminton @ Biggar
15	16 Day 6 Kindergarten	17 Day 1	18 Day 2 Kindergarten	19 Day 3  Track Sections @ Moose Jaw	20 Day 4 Kindergarten	21
22	23  Victoria Day	24 Day 5  District Track @ Moose Jaw	25 Day 6 Kindergarten	26 Day 1	27 Day 2 Kindergarten	28
29	30 Day 3	31 Day 4 Kindergarten				

# June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Day 5	2 Day 6 Kindergarten	3 Day 1 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Provincial Track @ Regina</div>	4
5	6 Day 2 Kindergarten	7 Day 3  Gr 4-6 Track @ Moose Jaw	8 Day 4 Kindergarten  Elementary Fun Meet	9 Day 5	10 Day 6 Kindergarten  <i>Graduation</i>	11
12	13 Day 1	14 Day 2 Kindergarten	15 Day 3	16 Day 4 Kindergarten  K/1/2 Field Trip	17  No Classes	18
19	20 Day 5  Awards Ceremony	21 Day 6 Kindergarten	22 Day 1	23 Day 2 Kindergarten	24 Day 3	25
26	27 Day 4 Kindergarten	28 Day 5	29  No Classes	30		

See you back on  
*August 29, 2011 !*