

Home Based School

February 2024 News

Hello
February



A message from Principal Travnik

Dear students, parents and guardians.

As we find ourselves halfway through the school year with just five months left to accomplish our academic goals, I want to commend each and every one of you for your dedication and hard work thus far. The first half of the academic journey has been filled with challenges, growth, and

achievements. Now
reflect on our prog



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we set at the beginning of the year. Let's continue to support one another, embrace learning opportunities, and strive for excellence in all that we do. With teamwork, determination, and a shared commitment to success, I am confident that we will make these next five months count and finish the school year on a high note. Keep pushing forward, stay focused, and let's make the remainder of this academic year a period of remarkable accomplishments.

Students / parents, now that we are midpoint in the school year - should you have any questions about your academic program please set up an appointment with your teacher (s) to discuss your situation and come up with a plan to address any of your concerns.

As always, we are here to help, support and encourage you on your academic journey.

Sincerely,

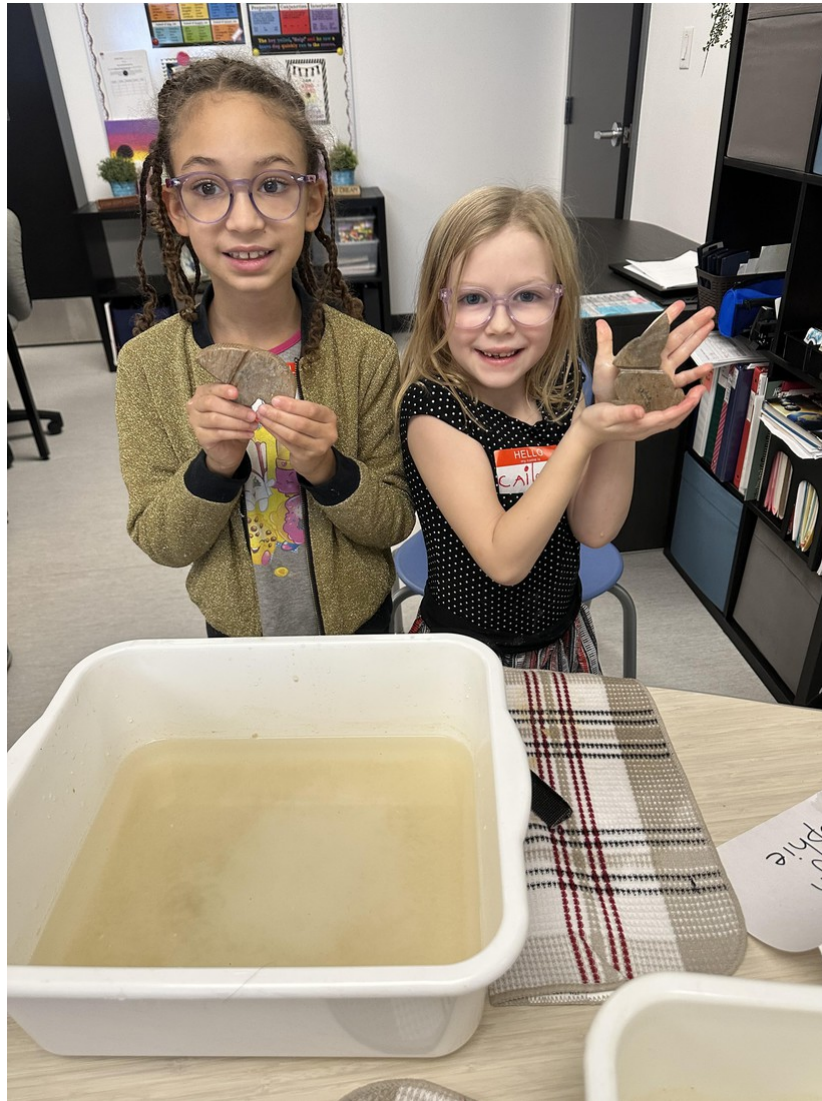
Stan Travnik - Principal BGSD Outreach and Home-Based Schools

Special EVENT

Home Based Special Events

Students had a wonderful time in kicking off the New Year carving their very own Soap Stone creations. See a few of the pictures below. Keep your eyes peeled for more events coming soon! February's event is Robotics for grades 5-9 only. Event on Thursday, February 15th! Also mark down, Thursday, February 29th for MAKER SPACE!

Sign up required: <https://forms.gle/bXdywfvY2jqLF8hv7>



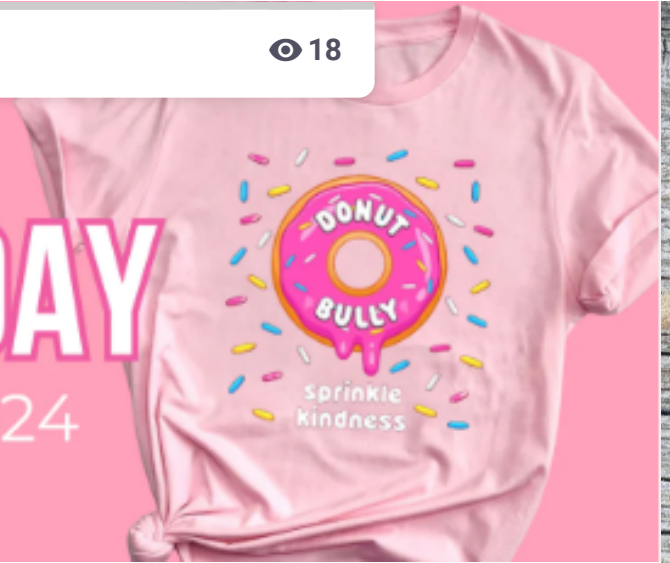
Pink Shirt Day - February 28th

Pink Shirt Day falls on the last Wednesday of February every year; join us for Pink Shirt Day on February 28th, 2024. Help us to create a more kind, inclusive world!

"Have courage and be kind. Where there is kindness there is goodness, and where there is goodness there is magic." - Cinderella

PINK SHIRT DAY

FEBRUARY 28, 2024



Parent Directed - Home Education Reimbursement Information

Are you enrolled in the Parent Directed Home Education Program with us? We have included an easy checklist for your Home Education Reimbursements. The PDF below is attached. The reimbursements are for this school year only. Receipts must be dated for August 31, 2023 - June 2024. Deadline to submit reimbursements June 1, 2024. For all other information, check out our website here: <https://hbs.blackgold.ca/parents/standards-for-home-education-reimbursement/>



Reimbursement-Claim-Form-Checklist-2019-2020-3.pdf

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Family Oriented Programming

Please see the exciting opportunities for families who reside in Leduc County. These sessions take place on Tuesdays at Ecole Bellevue School in Beaumont. See the attached poster for more information.



PROGRAMMING

Black Gold Occupational Therapy Team

Please join the Occupational Therapy Team as they present on three topics related to supporting your child. The sessions will be held while your child is in their program.



AM: 9:00-9:45
PM: 2:30-3:15



**Bellevue School
Staff Room**

Supporting Better Sleep



This presentation will cover the importance of sleep, how much sleep children should be getting, strategies to support sleep hygiene, and how screen time affects sleep.



January 30, 2024

Supporting Toilet Training



This presentation will outline the developmental expectations of toilet training, toilet readiness, and strategies to support toileting.



March 5, 2024

Supporting Picky Eating



This presentation will go over developmental expectations for feeding, sensory considerations, and strategies to support picky eaters.



April 16, 2024



EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT EXPO

SEE WHAT'S IN THE VILLAGE TO RAISE THE VILLAGE!

Explore the valuable resources available to children of all ages in Beaumont. Think of it as a one-stop destination for parents seeking programs, services, and insights to support their child's developmental journey!

Expo Details:

Feb. 7
4:30 - 7 p.m.

Dansereau School
5907 Rue Eaglemont

FREE!

Learn more at beaumont.ab.ca/235



Here is your chance to be involved in the education of your child.

First Parent Advisory Council Meeting for Alternative Learning including the Home Based School and Beaumont and Leduc Outreach.

In attendance were Stan Travnik (Principal), Nicole Andersen (Coordinator), Barb McMullen (Vice-Chair), Lori Heigh (Chair), and Sarah Heigh (Student Rep).

We have started a Parent Council for Black Gold Home Based and Outreach!

Next Parent Council Meeting - Tuesday, February 6th, 6 pm... Snacks provided!

Upcoming meeting dates:

Tuesday, Mar. 12

Tuesday, Apr. 30

Tuesday, June 4



Alberta Education Assurance Survey

Every year, Alberta Education surveys students, their parents and all teachers on behalf of schools and school authorities to assess what is working well and where there is room for improvement. The survey asks students in grades 4, 7 and 10, and their parents, about their thoughts, feelings and experiences in school. The survey will be administered between January and March 2024.



- Parents or guardians are issued a single-use Random Access Code mailed through Canada Post to complete the survey online. Watch your mailbox!

See below for the letter from Alberta Education.
Remember, your voice matters!!



2024 Alberta Education Survey Letter.pdf

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Leduc Rotary Music Festival

Registration for the poster.



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See the attached

This annual music festival, which takes place April 2-18, 2024 is open to performers of all ages from the City of Leduc and Leduc County.

Registration ends on January 26, 2024, with late registration wrapping up on February 2, 2024, so there is plenty of time to consider taking part in the festival.

The Leduc Rotary Music Festival features classes from various disciplines, including piano, vocal, musical theatre, instrumental, band, choir and speech. If your school has a band or choir, the festival provides a wonderful opportunity to feature your talented students and offers a fun experience to work toward over the coming months. There are also awards and scholarships available to eligible individuals and groups.

Finally, our fees remain very competitive, with individual classes ranging from \$15-\$20 depending on the age of the participant and large groups (13 or more people) at \$80.

Please feel free to make this information available to the teachers and parents of your school, particularly your music teachers.

If you have any questions about the festival, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly!

Warm Regards,

Alex Singleton - registrar@leducmusicfestival.ca

Registrar



Leduc Rotary
Music Festival
Association

48th Annual

Music Festival

April 2-18, 2024

PIANO VOCAL INSTRUMENTAL
CHOIR BAND SPEECH

Registration opens Dec 1 - Jan 26, 2024
Late registration ends Feb 2, 2024

Open to performers of all ages from the
City of Leduc & Leduc County

Register at: leducmusicfestival.ca



Sports for Kids! Grade 1-12

Registration at Sports For Kids is now open for winter 2024. We have some awesome programs specially designed for homeschooling groups. You can choose from a variety of sports, such as basketball, soccer, tennis, floor hockey, and more. Our programs are suitable for kids from grade 1 to grade 12. Our registration will open soon, and our programs will start in January 2024. The fee is only \$21 per hour per child. Head over to our website www.sportsforkids.ca to find out more.



Accessing your Moodle

All digital course material & video links can be found on our new *Home-Based School Moodle Website* <https://moodle.blackgold.ca/>
We will also be requesting that work submitted digitally (scanned or pdfs) be uploaded through the Moodle dropboxes. Student logins are provided in their Program Plans and are the same as their email/computer logins. Instructions are found in each Moodle course. Please don't hesitate to ask for help!



Community Events

[Beaumont Library Calendar](#) - Art Escapes, Book Clubs, Chess, Teen Resume Help

Beaumont Drop-In-Sport [link](#)

Loaner BSRC Family Membership - Want to borrow a family membership for a week? Contact the HBS!



CARC Virtual Webinars ([Link](#)) - Free & online!

Leduc City [Guide](#)

Leduc Fieldhouse [Schedule](#)

[Leduc County Calendar](#) - Family Paint Nights, PD Day Hangouts, Family Fun Sports Days, Grief Support

[Leduc Library Calendar](#) - Lego & Gardening!

Telus World of Science Edmonton - <https://telusworldofscienceedmonton.ca/>

Royal Tyrrell Museum - [link](#) for more info

dates to Remember

Put This On Your Calendar...

Wednesday, January 31 - PD Day - No School for Students

Thursday, February 1 - Semester 2 begins

Tuesday, February 6 - Parent Council Meeting - 6pm - Beaumont Campus

Wednesday, February 7 - Early Child Development Expo @ Dansereau

Thursday, February 8 - No School for students - Teachers' Convention

Friday, February 9 - No School for students - Teachers' Convention

Wednesday, February 14 - Valentine's Day!

Thursday, February 15 - Robotics Special Event for grades 5-9 only

Monday, February 19 - No School - Family Day



Wednesday, Febru

Sunday, March 10



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Monday March 11 - No School for students - PD Day

Monday, March 25- Monday, April 1 - NO SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK!

Tuesday , April 2 - School resumes

STAFF DIRECTORY

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↓ Helpful links ↓

Come Visit Us

2023-2024 Division School Calendars

School Handbook 2023-2024

Parent Directed Reimbursement Information 2023-2024

Virtual Open House

I am a Visible Learner when I...

- Show a positive attitude
- Take responsibility for my learning
- Persevere with challenges
- Share what I am learning and why
- Ask questions and seek feedback
- Learn from mistakes
- Understand my next learning step
- Know what to do when I don't know what to do
- Support others to learn

*The most important thing to know
is that I am always learning*



Black Gold Home-Based School

Our Schools • Your Children • The Future





Black Gold is a leading school division in creating innovative programming to inspire and create success for students. Black Gold Home-Based School is committed to providing flexible learning options so every student can achieve. Home-Based education choices work in cooperation with students, parents and Black Gold Schools to ensure quality program planning and transition. Home-Based School provides opportunities for Parent-Directed or Teacher-Directed programs and is respectful of parent choice and collaboration. We believe to achieve their full potential, children must be the center of all decisions related to learning and provide course work online or in print in a variety of environments. Home-Based education allows for a personalized learning opportunity for students who require flexibility.

Tracy Melnyk

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