

Wildcat



Engaging Minds and Creating Opportunities

February 2025

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

BTPS Stakeholder Engagement:

As part of that commitment, BTPS continues reaching out to educational stakeholders assuring the educational program, sharing results, and seeking input on direction. Parents/guardians, students, staff, school council, and community members all have unique experiences, and we need representation from all these stakeholders to get a complete understanding of how BTPS is meeting needs.

The 2023-2027 Education Plan highlights three priorities:

1. Supporting Learning Success for All Students,
2. Fostering Safe & Caring Learning Environments
3. Building Strong Collaborations

The purpose of this engagement is to:

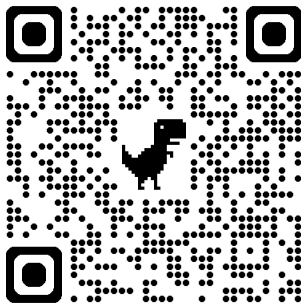
Share with stakeholders the highlights of the Annual Education Results

Check-in on direction around strengths and challenges moving forward

Identify areas of focus for 2025-2026

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT 4-YEAR PLAN

Online Community Focus Groups



February 2025

Monday, Feb 3

Tuesday, Feb 11

Thursday, Feb 20

Wednesday, Feb 26

Link: meet.google.com/vkg-mjug-dgs

**All meetings will be held online from
7:00 pm to 7:30 pm.**

**Educational Stakeholders are invited & encouraged to attend a meeting that best fits
their schedule.**

ATTENTION:

THE ALBERTA EDUCATION ASSURANCE SURVEY IS COMING TO PARENTS OF STUDENTS IN GRADES 4, 7 AND 10 SOON.

Marwayne Jubilee School Alberta Education Assurance Survey – Parent Guide

Your child is actively engaged in learning essential literacy and numeracy skills that are crucial for their academic growth.

Student Growth and Achievement

Sample Survey Questions:

- Students at your school are learning what they need to know.
- The literacy skills students are learning at your school are useful.
- The numeracy skills students are learning at your school are useful.

At MJS, We:

- Focus on literacy with Heggerty, morphology, Lexia and levelled reading groups.
- Have a strong numeracy program on a guided to independence model, using manipulatives and Mathology.

Your child's school fosters a respectful and cooperative environment, encouraging community involvement and personal best efforts.

Citizenship

Sample Survey Questions:

- Students at your child's school respect each other.
- Your child is encouraged at school to be involved in activities that help the community.
- Your child is encouraged at school to try their best.

At MJS, We:

- Foster a culture of inclusiveness and respect among our students and staff.
- Engage students with opportunities in athletics, art, Lakeland College programming, foods and woods courses, RAP and work experience.

Your involvement and input are highly valued in shaping your child's educational experience and the school's decision-making process.

Parental Involvement

Sample Survey Questions:

- How satisfied or dissatisfied are you that your input into decisions about your child's school is considered.
- How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the opportunity to be involved in decisions about your child's school.

At MJS, We:

- Host school council meetings that welcome everyone.
- Welcome and are thankful for parent volunteers.
- Communicate with transparency and timely feedback.

Your child is receiving a quality education that is both challenging and engaging, with clear learning objectives.

Education Quality

Sample Survey Questions:

- Your child finds school work interesting.
- Your child is learning what they need to know.
- How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the quality of education your child is receiving at school.

At MJS, We:

- Attend professional development around engaging students in their learning.
- Collaborate regularly to best meet the needs of each learner.

A wide range of learning supports and services are available and accessible to ensure your child's academic and personal success.

Learning Supports

Sample Survey Questions:

- At school, there are appropriate supports and services available to your child to help with their learning.
- Your child can easily access programs and services at school to get help with school work.

At MJS, We:

- Access our SEC and VIBE programming.
- Utilize our inclusive learning team that includes our teachers, speech and language pathologists, occupational therapists, behavior therapists, educational psychologists as well as physical therapists.

Your child studies in a safe, respectful, and welcoming environment, where caring relationships are a priority.

Safe Caring and Welcoming

Sample Survey Questions:

- Students at your child's school care about each other.
- Your child's school is a welcoming place to be.
- Teachers care about your child.
- Your child is treated fairly by adults at school.

At MJS, We:

- Train our staff in Supporting Individuals through Valed Attachments (SVIA).
- Create positive behavior plans as needed.
- Develop strong relationships with students and facilitate inclusive and welcoming spaces for students to thrive.

If you are a parent or guardian of a student in grades 4, 7 or 10 PLEASE take a few minutes and fill out the survey. We only had 7 parents fill it out last year. We as a school, the division and the province all analyze the results and it would be great to have an accurate gauge on how we are meeting the needs of our Wildcats.

GRADE 4, 7 AND 10 PARENTS PLEASE FILL OUT THE SURVEY THAT IS SENT TO YOU BY THE PROVINCE!

1. **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

At school council meetings we discuss what is happening about events or news in the school and we also get a report from the BTPS school board about policy changes and current changes with AB Ed. Please plan to attend.

Next meeting - Feb 3rd at 6:30 PM

2. **SCHOOL DOORS**

Just a reminder that the doors are not opened till 8:40 each morning. As the weather is cold now, please send your child to school at the time the doors are opened so they are not waiting too long in the cold. If your child is late coming to school they will need to come in the front doors of the school. All outside doors are locked when the bus supervisors come in from outside to secure our building. The front office door on the east side of the school remains unlocked.

3. **HANDICAPPED PARKING**

We do have students who require these parking spots daily so we please ask if you do not have the proper permit to park in the handicapped spot to please park elsewhere. Thank you!

4. **REPORT CARDS**

Marwayne Jubilee is paperless with reporting. Student marks are available all the time through the parent portal and at any point throughout the school year (including traditional reporting dates) parents/guardians can print off paper copies from a desktop computer. The powerschool app for your phone is very easy to use and a convenient way to check marks and comments. **If you are not currently signed onto the parent portal please contact Marina Stafford at the school or your students homeroom teacher. 780-847-3930**

5. **OUTDOOR CLOTHING Grade K-6**

For Elementary students please ensure a coat, ski pants, mitts, toque, and winter boots are sent to school daily. Weather changes fast and we want all our elementary students to be nice and warm during recess!

6. **Change in PEANUT and ALMOND Allergy policy**

We can once again consume PEANUTS and ALMONDS at MJS.

7. **SRC FEBRUARY EVENTS**

Feb 12th - ALL STUDENTS Wear PINK or RED to school for Valentines

Feb 12th- JR/SR High Sweet talkers- girls wear hearts and if a boy speaks to you and the girl respond they lose their heart. Most hearts win a prize.

8. **SCHOOL FEES**

Thank you to the families who have paid their school fees. There is a \$60 school fee for each student grades 1-12 and \$30 for Kindergarten students.

Fees can be paid by cash, cheques made out to Buffalo Trail Public Schools or through MySchool Bucks. If you have any questions, call the school office at 780-847-3930.



IMPORTANT FEBRUARY CALENDAR DATES:

**Every Friday of the school year will be
Hat Friday!!!**

Pizza Day every Thursday \$3.00/slice & \$1.00/dip

FEB 3rd - First day of Semester 2

FEB 6th - Highway 16 Curling in Vermilion- we have one Jr High rink attending

FEB 7th and 8th - JR Girls HOME Basketball Tournament

FEB 11th - Subway Hot Lunches here.

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FEB 13th and 14th- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS- Teachers are at convention

FEB 17th - NO SCHOOL FOR EVERYONE - Family Day

FEB 18th - Community Gym Night 6:30-8pm

FEB 19th - 100th Day of School for 2024/2025

FEB 26th - PINK SHIRT DAY- wear pink to school to stand up against bullying!



Grade 5 & 6 with our grade 1 students buddy reading.



Inside recess Legos



JR BOYS AND JR GIRLS BASKETBALL IS IN FULL SWING IN FEBRUARY. GO WILDCATS!



First ever bonspiel for this Grade 7 Rink!



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At Marwayne Jubilee School, we are proud to live by our motto: *Engaging Minds, Creating Opportunities.* Serving students from Kindergarten to Grade 12, our school fosters authentic and engaging learning experiences that inspire growth and curiosity. Beyond the classroom, our vibrant athletics program offers students the chance to excel in basketball, curling, volleyball, golf, cross-country running, badminton, and track and field. Whether on the court, the track, or in the classroom, MJS is committed to empowering students to achieve their full potential in every aspect of their education.

Marwayne Public Library

Valentine's

card making time

Tues. Feb. 11 3:30 - 6:30 pm



Feb. 20 - Mar. 4

Minecraft:

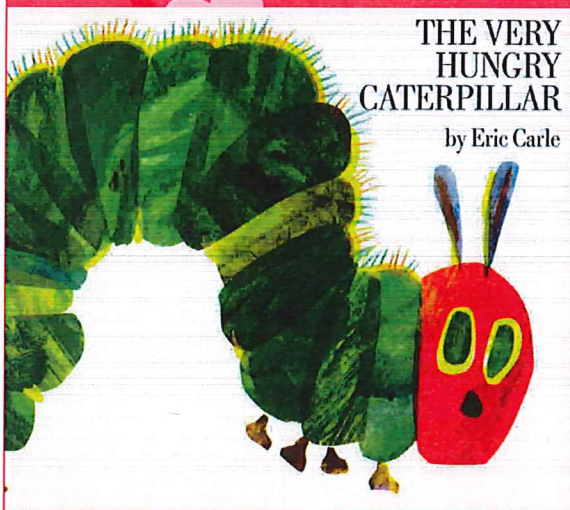
open evenings until 7:00 pm
Tues. & Wed.



Book Club Feb. 19 @ 6:00 PM

Gone, Baby, Gone by Dennis Lehane

Feb. 7th Moms & Tots at 9:30 am ages 0-5
Flowers for My Valentine!



Feb. 28th Moms & Tots @ 9:30
AM The Very Hungry Caterpillar

WINTER READING CONTESTS AT WWW.MARWAYNELIBRARY.AB.CA

DIRT - Daily Independent Reading Tracker

Name: _____ Week Dates: _____

1. **Monday:** Title: _____

Author: _____ Number of pages: _____ Date _____

Summary: _____

Unknown words: _____

2. **Tuesday:** Title: _____

Author: _____ Number of pages: _____ Date _____

Summary _____

Unknown words: _____

3. **Wednesday** Title: _____

Author: _____ Number of pages: _____ Date _____

Summary: _____

Unknown words: _____

4. **Thursday** Title: _____

Author: _____ Number of pages: _____ Date _____

Summary: _____

Unknown words: _____

5. **Friday** Title: _____

Author: _____ Number of pages: _____ Date _____

Summary: _____

Unknown words: _____

Introduction to Teaching Empathy

Empathy is the ability to understand and share feelings of another person.

- Empathy involves recognizing emotions in others, imagining their experience, and responding with care and understanding
- Empathy is a foundational skill for building meaningful relationships and fostering emotional wellbeing.
- Children learn by observing adults model and demonstrate empathy in everyday interactions.

**Top Tips to Teach Empathy
Model Active Listening and Reflect Back**

Set aside 5-10 minutes each day where you give your child undivided attention. Ask them about their day and actively listen without interrupting. After they share, reflect what you heard

Benefit:

When children feel heard, they learn that their emotions are valid. This practice teaches children how to listen to others' experiences and feelings

**Top Tips to Teach Empathy
Acknowledge and Name Emotions Together**

When emotions run high—whether it's anger, sadness, or excitement—practice naming the emotions together i.e..) "It seems like you're feeling really disappointed right now."

Benefit:

- By helping children recognize and name their emotions, they become better at understanding feelings. This helps them relate to others and show more empathy.

**Top Tips to Teach Empathy
Encourage "Perspective Taking"**

While reading a story or watching a show together, pause and ask questions like, "How do you think this character is feeling?" or "What would you do in this situation?"

Benefit:

- This helps children understand how others feel and see things from their point of view, which is an important skill.

MORE RESOURCES, visit:

Positvepsychology.com and search empathy



For information on mental health, community supports, programs and services in your area:



Addiction Services Help Line
1-866-332-2322

Mental Health Help Line
1-877-303-2642



MARWAYNE JUBILEE SCHOOL

Is now accepting
REGISTRATIONS for KINDERGARTEN

for the 2025-2026 School Year

*This is open to students who will be 5 years old on or
before December 31, 2025*

REGISTRATION MEETING

will be held at

MARWAYNE JUBILEE SCHOOL LIBRARY

Wednesday MARCH 27th @ 6:30 pm

For further information please contact:

Sandra Mouland - Principal of Marwayne Jubilee School (847-3930)

Please bring your child's birth certificate.





VERMILION ROAR

TRY IT OUT - FREE

LACROSSE OPEN HOUSE

MARCH 24 & 26

5-6 PM

U7 (2019+) & U9 (2017-18)

6-7 PM

U15 (2011-12) & U17 (2009-10)

MARCH 25 & 27

5-6 PM

U11 (2015-16) & U13 (2013-14)

6-7 PM

JUNIOR (2005-2008)

CONTACT GREG FOR MORE INFO (780)581-4438

OR FACEBOOK FOR 24/25 SEASON

REGISTRATION LINK