



BLUMENORT SCHOOL

BENGALS UPDATE 21 - JANUARY 31, 2025

February @ Blumenort School

Even though it is the shortest month of the calendar year, February is going to be very busy here at Blumenort School. Here is an overview of what is ahead and for those events not immediately coming up, more info will be shared as we get closer to each date.

DATE/EVENT	DATE/EVENT
3rd - Umbrella Project - Resilience Assembly	18th-21st - Festival du Voyageur Week
3rd - I Love to Read Month Kick-Off Assembly	19th - Grade 5&6 Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra Field Trip
3rd-7th Burn Awareness Week	20th - Grade 8 SRSS Orientation in the afternoon
5th - Corny Rempel - Mix 96.7 FM I Love to Read Assembly	24th-26th - Kindness Week
12th - Steinbach Pistons - Class Visits & Floor Hockey Game	26th - Pink Shirt Day with Pancake Breakfast & PJ Day

Burn Awareness Week

National Burn Awareness Week will be held February 2nd-8th, 2025 which is a time set aside for organizations and educators to unite in sharing a common burn and fire awareness prevention message. The Manitoba Firefighters' Burn Fund, Manitoba Association of Fire Chiefs, Manitoba Government and the Office of the Fire Commissioner will partner once again and hold a Poster Contest for kids Grades 5-8 in Manitoba. One winner per grade level has a chance to win a \$200.00 Gift Card from Toys "R" Us, a cheque from the Firefighters' Burn Fund for \$200.00 for their teacher to use in the classroom on whatever they like, as well as fire and life safety education material for each of the winners classmates. Contact our school office for more info.

Kindergarten Registration for the 2025-2026 School Year

Kindergarten Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to register their children in January for September entry, as this will assist schools in planning and scheduling. Early registration also provides the opportunity to participate in upcoming orientation events in spring. To be eligible for September registration (2025-2026 school year), children must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2025. Students are required to attend the school within the catchment area where they reside, which ensures balanced enrollment across the division. For more information on school catchment areas and how to begin the online registration, please check out...

<https://hsd.ca/schools/student-registration/>

The Umbrella Project - Dr. Jen

This month our focus is on the **Resilience** piece of your child's umbrella. What will resilience do for my child? Help them bounce back from challenges stronger than they were before. What is resilience? Why do some people get knocked down by life and come back stronger than ever? It's their resilience. Over time everyone will face a range of obstacles and difficulties; it's part of life. Resilience allows us to adapt or even feel stronger and happier after these times. It helps us to feel less like the victim of our own story and more like the hero. When it comes to resilience, practising helps. With every storm you successfully weather, your resilience gets a bit better and the more we do that, the stronger we get.

Make connections - Friends and other social supports improve resilience. Much like your umbrella protects you from the rain, having many strong umbrellas around you is necessary when the rain is too much for you to handle alone. Does your child have multiple friend groups? Maybe one at school, one in the neighbourhood, one with family friends? Help them find opportunities to make new friends and mentors and strengthen the connections they already have. This will add to the network of people they draw support from and who they in turn are able to support. Encourage them to be *a friend*, to get more friends.

Parking Issues at Blumenort School

As shared last week, a few times throughout the school year, we need to remind our families of our Parent Parking, Drop-Off & Pick Up plan. The purpose of our plan is to reduce congestion and increase the safety of our students. To make that happen, we need your cooperation! So here are a few issues we are noticing that need to be addressed...

1. Drop-Offs and Pick-Ups in areas other than what we have listed in our Parking, Drop-Off & Pick-Up Handbook creates congestion and safety issues. Our plan avoids students crossing the road unattended.



2. Our Staff Parking Lot is for staff only. The solid metal stand with the green and white sign we had in place was stolen late last year (as per our security cameras) and is in the process of being replaced. Students walking in our parking lot is a serious safety concern that we want to avoid.



3. In what seems like an oxymoron, there are areas on Park Street where you simply can't park. Lately, we see a number of vehicles parked in areas, such as across from our Front Parking Lot, that are clearly designated as, "No Parking."



4. Students walking unattended to meet their family vehicle on the west side of School Blvd is a big concern. Families are free to park there but we ask that you exit your vehicle and help them/meet them to safely cross.



For the complete document, please check out the following link from our school website...

<https://blumenort.hsd.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/17/2024/09/Parent-Parking-Drop-Off-and-Pick-Up.pdf>

Grade 8 Farewell Hot Lunches

**The Gr. 8 Farewell committee will be doing a hot lunch fundraiser
in support of the Gr. 8 Farewell event,
which will be taking place on Thursday, June 19th.**

**Our Hot Lunch Days will be the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month,
so please look out for forms being sent home with your child.**

**We thank you for your support in celebrating
the hard work these kids have put in throughout
their years here at Blumenort School!**

Hot Lunch in support of Blumenort Gr. 8 Farewell Monday, February 10, 2025

McDonalds Cheeseburger: \$5.00

Pringles: \$1.00

Sunny D: \$1.50



Order Forms will be sent home on Monday.

Order Form and Money needs to be handed in to your teacher by:

Wednesday, February 5, 2025!



FEBRUARY 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 <i>UP Resilience Kickoff & I Love to Read Assembly</i> <i>Burn Awareness Week</i> <i>Day 2</i>	4 <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Day 3</i>	5 <i>Corny Rempel I Love to Read Assembly @ 11am</i> <i>Day 4</i>	6 <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Day 5</i>	7 <i>Day 6</i>
10 <i>Grade 8 Farewell Hot Lunch Fundraiser</i> <i>Day 1</i>	11 <i>UP Grit Kickoff Assembly</i> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Day 2</i>	12 <i>Steinbach Pistons @ Blumenort School</i> <i>Day 3</i>	13 <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Grade 7 MYLO</i> <i>Day 4</i>	14 <i>Grade 8 MYLO</i> <i>Day 5</i>
17 <i>Louis Riel Day NO CLASSES</i>	18 <i>Festival du Voyageur Week</i> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Day 6</i>	19 <i>Grade 5&6 @ WSO</i> <i>Bengals Canteen</i> <i>Day 1</i>	20 <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Grade 8 SRSS</i> <i>Orientation PM</i> <i>Day 2</i>	21 <i>Bengals Canteen</i> <i>Day 3</i>
24 <i>Grade 8 Farewell Hot Lunch Fundraiser</i> <i>Kindness Week</i> <i>Day 4</i>	25 <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Day 5</i>	26 <i>Pink Shirt & PJ Day</i> <i>Pancake Breakfast</i> <i>Bengals Canteen</i> <i>Day 6</i>	27 <i>PD Day NO CLASSES</i>	28 <i>PD Day NO CLASSES</i>

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