

# **BLUMENORT SCHOOL**

BENGALS UPDATE 27 - MARCH 14, 2025

### **Report Cards & Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Please keep the following dates and times in mind...

- Monday, March 17th Report Cards will be available to view on the Parent Portal.
- Thursday, March 20th Kindergarten Parent-Teacher Conferences from 9:00am-6:30pm.
- Thursday, March 20th Grade 1-8 Parent-Teacher Conferences from 4:00-6:30pm.
- We are also encouraging everyone to check out our Learning Support & Admin Team Info Booths that will be located in our Main Entrance. These booths will be offering some valuable information on some of the latest topics connected to the areas of Literacy, Numeracy, EAL, Counselling, etc.
- A letter with directions on how to book your appointments was sent home to our families on March 13th.
- If you have any questions, please let us know.

## Outstanding Fees on Parent Portal

As mentioned above, your child's Term 2 report card will be available Monday, March 17th @ 4pm on the Parent Portal. While you are there, please be sure to check your child's account and make any outstanding fee payment accordingly. You can also pay fees in the office with cash or cheque.

#### **Grade 8 Grad Photos - March 18th**

Our Grade 8 Grad Photos will take place on Tuesday, March 18th, starting at 9am. An order form was previously sent home with your child. Please let our office know If you did not receive this and would like to order pictures or if you have any other questions.

## World Down Syndrome Day - March 21st

Friday, March 21st is World Down Syndrome Day and at Blumenort School, we have arranged for classroom presentations for our Grade 5-7 students. "Rock your Socks" is an easy way for everyone to participate in the day and so we are asking our students to wear mismatched socks in honor of the extra chromosomes that are present with Down Syndrome. It's a celebration of what makes us different, and yet the same! For more information, you can also check out www.cdss.ca

## The Umbrella Project - Dr. Jen

Teach your child to reflect on their progress and take responsibility for themselves - Self-reflection is a very helpful tool when it comes to autonomy and making good decisions. It's important that our children don't get stuck doing things that don't help or serve them, just because they want to feel independent. Taking responsibility for and reflecting on our own progress or learning is a great way to build confidence and help us recognize the choices we have along the way to improve. At the end of the day, we want our children to feel responsible for their learning. Edutopia recently posted a great resource for this type of reflection and ownership over our efforts. This autonomy builder is a great tool to use for self-created goals.

Some of my favorite reflection questions are:

- Are my choices moving me toward my goal?
- Does my behaviour mirror what I want to accomplish?
- Are my words and conversations positive/helpful in creating my success?

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