



BLUMENORT SCHOOL

BENGALS UPDATE 39 - JUNE 13, 2025

The Umbrella Project - Dr. Jen

Use timed intervals of practice to improve mastery - In working towards mastering anything, deliberate, focused practice plays a critical role. Robert Greene, world renown master in the subject of mastery, emphasizes this important idea:

"This process of hardwiring cannot occur if you are constantly distracted, moving from one task to another. In such a case, the neural pathways dedicated to this skill never get established; what you learn is too tenuous to remain rooted in the brain. It is better to dedicate two or three hours of intense focus to a skill than to spend eight hours of diffused concentration on it. You want to be as immediately present to what you are doing as possible."

In a generation plagued with infinite distraction, how do we create space for focus and hard wiring of skills?

One great way to help children accomplish distraction free work is to have them work in manageable blocks with intentional rest in between. Start with 20 minute intervals of practice/work with 10 minute rests and adjust according to your child's current capacity (maximum 1 hour of work before a break). Instead of a long and distracted work session, this will allow for shorter focused bursts of work with anticipated breaks in between, a much better strategy for learning.

Here are a few tips for creating focus:

- Set a timer for the work and rest intervals
- Turn off notifications on computers, set phones to airplane mode or put them in another room if your child has their own devices
- Encourage your child to get water, use the washroom or take care of any other distracting needs that may come up
- Use headphones if the environment is noisy
- Have your child get the work ready to go in advance so there is no set-up required
- Have your child plan what will happen in the rest intervals - ie. go outside, dance around the house, get a snack etc.

Teach your children to value focus and practice this skill regularly.

Final PAC Hot Lunch - Thursday, June 19th!

The final day for our Tuesday/Thursday PAC Hot Lunches is Thursday, June 19th. Take note that you can pre-order full pizzas or pizza slices using the LUNCHBOX site for the PAC Family Picnic on June 26th! Please place your pizza orders by June 13th!

Blumenort PAC Playstructure Update

Our Blumenort School /
Blumenort PAC
Play Structure Project

has been progressing very nicely and the
dream of a new play structure is getting
very close to a reality.

The picture you see here will be posted in
our school and updated often until our
goal of \$75,000 is reached!

If you would like more information about
how you can donate,
please contact us!



HELP
Us Reach Our
GOAL!



\$75,000

\$67,500
\$60,000
\$52,500
\$45,000
\$37,500
\$30,000
\$22,500
\$15,000
\$7,500



Blumenort School 2025-2026 Teacher Line-Up

The past few weeks have brought about a few final additions to our staffing lineup. We would like to welcome Rhonda Stobbe (Learning Support), Joyce Waldner (Grade 5), Kayla Rosenthal (Grade 8) and Gillian Dueck (EA) to our staff! Below is our 2025-2026 teacher lineup, as of June 13, 2025. A final update, including our EA lineup, will come at the end of June.

<i>Position</i>	<i>Teacher Name</i>
Principal	Dave Schettler
VP/Learning Support	Jerrah-Lee Broesky
Learning Support	Pam Barkman
Learning Support	Rhonda Stobbe
Literacy	Kayla Dupont
Counsellor	Samantha Kinley
Kindergarten AM/PM	Elaine Kauenhofen
Grade 1N	Jennifer Nairn
Grade 1W	Emily Walker
Grade 2P	Jenn Penner
Grade 2PL	Irene Plett
Grade 3M	Heather Messner
Grade 3R	Amanda Ross
Grade 4A	Rachel Allard
Grade 4M	Celia McKee
Grade 5P	Julian Penner
Grade 5W	Joyce Waldner
Grade 6C/P & Gr. 5-8 French	Andrea Cuccaro
Grade 6C/P PM	Jeremy Plett
Grade 6H	Cam Hiebert
Grade 7K & Grade 7&8 Social Studies	Krista Kubanek
Grade 7JP AM	Jeremy Plett
Grade 7MP & Grade 7&8 Drama	Michelle Plett
Grade 8R & Grade 7&8 Science	Kayla Rosenthal
Grade 8S AM	Kristy Shumsky
Gr. 1-8 PE	Nathan Giesbrecht
Gr. 1-8 Music/Band	Shannon Sawatzky

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Blumenort School PAC Family Picnic – Thursday, June 26, 2025

Our Blumenort Parent Advisory Council is in the midst of planning for this year's Family Picnic Lunch and Silent Auction to be held on **Thursday, June 26th**. Classes will once again have the chance to contribute by donating items to create themed baskets that will be auctioned off on June 26th. **You, or your child, need to be present to win a silent auction basket.** Classes and their corresponding themes are listed below. We ask that, if possible, each student bring in an item related to their class theme. Cash donations may be made in lieu of items. Feel free to spend as much, or as little as you would like. Items must be brought in to the school office by **Friday, June 13th**. Funds raised will be going towards the new play structure. Thank you!

Silent Auction Theme Baskets

KKam & KKpm

Summer Fun

(ex. Outdoor games, ice cream/Slurpee gift cards, pool toys, water guns, beach toys/towels)

1R, 1W, & 1/2N

Family Time

(ex. Puzzles, board games, bowling/swim passes)

2P & 2PL

Support Local

(ex. Local restaurant gift cards, local food products, locally made items)

3D & 3M

Read, Write, Arts & Crafts

(ex. Coloring books, crafts, diamond art, journals, pens, Chapters gift card)

4A & 4M

Gift Card Tree (*please put the dollar amount on the gift card*)

(ex. Sport Chek, McDonalds, Winners, Walmart, iTunes)

5F & 5P

Movie Night

(ex. Family friendly movies, cinema theatre passes, chips, candy, popcorn)

6CD & 6H

Sports

(ex. Sports equipment, Jets/Bomber gear, sports posters, badminton/pickleball nets)

7P & 7K

Food Theme

(ex. Chips, candy, chocolate, pop/Gatorade)

8K & 8S

Outdoors

(ex. Fishing/camping gear (NO knives/guns), lawn chair, Cabella's/Canadian Tire gift card)

Blumenort School PAC Family Picnic

June 26, 2025, 11:30am – 1:00pm

Save the Date!

We are excited to announce the upcoming Blumenort School PAC Family Picnic, a fun-filled event for our school community! Please mark your calendars for June 26th and join us for a memorable day of outdoor activities, delicious food, and exciting silent auction prizes. Here are some important details to note before that day:

Important Details Before the Day:

1. **Silent Auction Donations:** We kindly request your support by donating items for our silent auction. Your generous contributions will help raise funds for our school. Please drop off any donated items at the school office by June 13th.
2. **Silent Auction Tickets:** Silent auction tickets will be available for pre-purchase and available to purchase at the picnic. Each sheet contains 25 tickets, and you can buy one sheet for \$10 or three sheets for \$20. Pre-purchase your tickets by June 13th to secure your chances of winning amazing prizes! Order forms are going home today.
3. **Pre-buy Pizza:** Don't miss out on our delicious pizza offers! You can pre-order full pizzas or pizza slices using the LUNCHBOX site. Please place your pizza orders by June 13th. Remember to order under your OLDEST CHILD's name to ensure a smooth distribution process.

Day of the Picnic: June 26 @11:30


1. **Arrival:** On the day of the picnic, please arrive at the school for 11:30 and stop by the table in the school entrance to pick up your silent auction tickets.
2. **Enjoy Lunch with Your Children:** Pick up your pre-ordered pizza(s) or pack a picnic lunch. Grab your children from youngest to oldest and enjoy a delightful lunch together.
3. **Silent Auction Tickets:** Don't forget to place your silent auction tickets in the designated bags in the gym by 12:15pm. This will give you a chance to win fantastic prizes!
4. **Dexter's MINI Donuts:** Indulge in the deliciousness of Dexter's MINI donuts, available on-site in the back parking lot for your enjoyment.
5. **Silent Auction Prize Draw:** The silent auction prize draw will take place at 12:30 PM in the gym. Remember, you need to be present to win. Good luck!

Return to Class and Afternoon Plans:

- Please ensure that your children are back in their respective classrooms by 1:00 PM.
- If you plan on taking your child home for the afternoon, kindly notify the office in advance.
- We look forward to a fantastic day of celebration and community bonding at the PAC School Picnic.
- Your participation and support make events like these truly memorable.
- Thank you for being a part of our wonderful school community!



YEAR END CELEBRATION



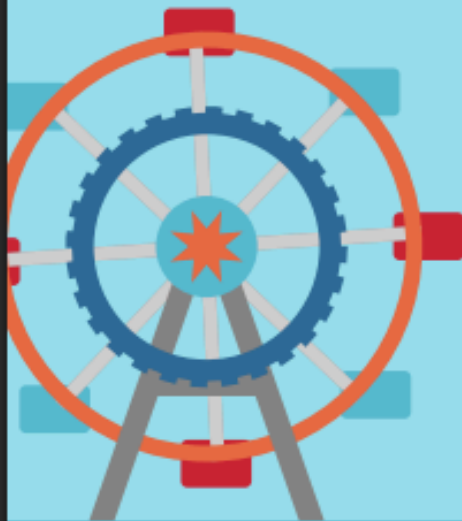
June 26, 2025
Blumenort School

Join us as we celebrate the end of
another fantastic school year!

10:45 – 11:15
GRADE 6–8 AWARDS

11:30 – 1:00
PAC FAMILY PICNIC

1:00 – 3:30
GRADE K–3 CARNIVAL
& GRADE 4–8 FUN DAY



OVERVIEW OF THE DAY



GRADE 6-8 AWARDS CEREMONY 10:45-11:15
Parents are welcome to join us in the gym.



PAC FAMILY PICNIC LUNCH 11:30-1:00

Pick up your child at their homeroom classroom and enjoy your picnic lunch with them on school grounds. Return them to their classroom for attendance by 1:00 pm.

K-3 CARNIVAL 1:00-3:00

Teachers will bring students outside to the east playground after they have completed attendance and given instructions to their students. Students will be in teams that travel from one station to another together. Parents are welcome to observe the games outside.

GRADE 4-8 FUN DAY 1:00 - 3:00

Students will go to Abe G. Penner Park after they have completed attendance in their homerooms. Students will have several different activities to choose from and they are allowed to go from one to another. Parents are welcome to watch the fun!

FIRE HOSE SPRAY! 3:00 - 3:30

Join us in the west playground at school to watch students be soaked by the fire department.

3:00-3:10 K-2

3:10-3:20 Grades 3-5

3:20 - 3:30 Grades 6-8

**STUDENTS SHOULD COME PREPARED FOR ANY
ACTIVITY THEY WANT TO TAKE PART IN!**

MEASLES VACCINE CLINIC


Walk-ins welcomed.

Clearspring Mall

178 Provincial Trunk Hwy 12, Steinbach MB

June 24, 2025
2 pm - 8 pm

Please call to book an appointment

 **204-346-6123**



For more information about
measles, please call your local
Public Health Office





Hanover Summer Camps

Questions? Email
rec@hanovermb.ca or
call 204-346-7825



Scan the QR Code to
view the different
Summer Camps





JUNE 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
16 <i>Lost & Found Week</i> <i>Day 1</i>	17 <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Day 2</i>	18 <i>Bengals Canteen</i> <i>Day 3</i>	19 <i>Grade 8 Farewell</i> <i>PAC Hot Lunch</i> <i>Day 4</i>	20 <i>Bengals Canteen</i> <i>Day 5</i>
23 <i>Day 6</i>	24 <i><u>PLEASE NOTE...</u></i> <i><u>NO PAC HOT LUNCH</u></i> <i>Day 1</i>	25 <i>Bengals Canteen</i> <i>Day 2</i>	26 <i>Gr. 6-8 Awards Day</i> <i>10:45-11:15am</i> <i>Blumenort PAC</i> <i>Family Picnic Day</i> <i>11:30am-1:00pm</i> <i>K-3 Carnival PM</i> <i>Gr. 4-8 Fun Day PM</i> <i>Day 3</i>	27 <i>Administration Day</i> <i>NO CLASSES</i> <i>Reports Issued</i>

Summer Holidays:
June 30th-September 3rd.

Meet the Teacher:
Wednesday, September 3rd!

Classes Resume:
Thursday, September 4th!

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