

VBF Mid-Point Review

Quality of Education



- · Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) and READ program for students needing reading support.
- Daily guided reading and writing and participation in the EIPS Writing Pilot Project.
- Cross-curricular literacy integration to enhance reading and writing across subjects.
- Math Family Games Night to encourage at-home numeracy engagement.
- Math talks and number sense routines to develop fluency and problem-solving skills.
- Hands-on, inquiry-based math learning using manipulatives and real-world applications.
- Small group math instruction to provide targeted support.
- Benchmark assessments to track progress and adjust instruction.
- Focus on evidence-based practices & educational research to inform instruction.
- Collaborative planning meetings to analyze data, share best practices and ensure quality

Preparing for the Future

Students at WBF:

- develop problem-solving skills using technology
- such as Code Spark, Ozobots, and MakeCode gain responsibility and leadership skills as lunch, office, and library leaders
- build communication skills through the Bev Facey **Pen Pal Program**
- participate in the WISEST Conference to inspire future STEM careers
- are introduced to diverse career paths and future possibilities through school visitors and presentations
- learn digital citizenship practices and explore Artificial Intelligence tools like MagicSchool

Student Learning & Engagement

- Royal Alberta Museum
- Alberta Legislature
- **Telus World of Science**
- Strathcona Wilderness Centre



IFT'S GO

In-School Field Trips

- Strathcona Enviroservice Station
- Teacher's Pet
- Fitset Ninja
- **Breakdancing Presentation**
- **Hands-on Science**
- Marble Run

Parent/Caregiver Involvement

- Our dedicated School Council and Parent Association are actively involved to enhance school experiences. Thank you for sponsoring Fitset Ninja, Grade 5 swimming transportation, classroom funds, our Math Family Games Night, staff appreciation events, holiday treats, Terry Fox snacks, and much more!
- Volunteers organize and provide a variety of hot lunch options for students through our hot lunch program. They also assist with field trips, class activities, school events, and support the Library Learning Commons
- Scholastic Book Fairs and Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences
- Timely school communication about emergency drills, fundraisers and school events through **School Messengers** and **weekly S'more** updates
- Special events and celebrations such as our Unpack Your Backpack event, Welcome Assembly, Remembrance Day service, Christmas Concert, Wee Wonderland, and the Halloween Family Dance brought our school community together



First Nations, Métis & Inuit



- Self-identified students meet weekly to **bead**, create **art**, plan the **Three Sisters Garden** project, **finger weave**, and **connect**
- New outdoor classroom kits to support land-based learning and Indigenous ways of knowing
- Monthly library themes incorporate the 7 Sacred Grandfather Teachings and are shared in daily announcements and literature.
- Grades 5 and 6 completed a **Dot Art project** inspired by Metis artist Christi Belcourt.
- Participation in Orange Shirt Day, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, Rock Your Mocs, Indigenous Veterans Day, **Métis Week & Louis Riel Day**
- Students designed pins to support Truth and Reconciliation

Citizenship



- Pink Shirt Day, Anti-Bullying Awareness and Random Acts of Kindness Week to promote a culture of respect
- Indigenous learning experiences and promoting Black History Month to foster understanding and respect for diverse perspectives
- Mentorship programs such as student buddy classes and the Teen Mentorship program in
- partnership with Big Brothers and Big Sisters • Students made a difference by raising over \$1000 for cancer research through our Terry Fox
- **School Run** Core values like responsibility, respect, and empathy taught through class discussions

of the Week draw where 208 positive referrals have been celebrated since November

- Counsellor-led groups help students learn conflict resolution skills Recognizing positive citizenship through our Wolverine Pawsitivity Initiative and the Wolverine
 - **Student Safety & Wellness**
- School theme days promote school spirit and a sense of community
- Harvest Basket, Toonies for Tummies, and Second Harvest programs provide nutritious
- Our full-time school counsellor offers small group support, individual check-ins, and lunch **clubs** to support student well-being
- New **indoor and outdoor recess bins** create cooperative play opportunities
- **Lunchtime intramurals** for Division 2 students
- School sports teams to develop physical literacy and school pride
- Regular emergency preparedness drills ensure students and staff are ready for any situation
- Adult supervision at the crosswalk before and after school, along with safe drop-off and pick-up reminders in the morning announcements and through the S'more platform
- Two sensory spaces for student use to co-regulate and refocus when needed
- Direct teaching of regulation strategies and how the brain works



