H. HARDCASTLE SCHOOL



Challenging the Future

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December 2022

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Bows & Bouquets

- Thank you to the School Community Council for providing a meal for staff during Student/Parent Conferences. It was a busy week for our Staff and this was very much appreciated.
- Thank you to Edam Fall Fair for the monetary donation to the Breakfast Program.
- Thank you to Jean Pollard for the special monetary donation made in memory of Jimmy.
 This donation directly helps enrich our school library and enhances learning in our students.
- Thank you to Bea Lascelle, Apryl Grant and Laurel Derenoski for donating toques and mitts to our classrooms. Your donations are appreciated and help ensure all students have something warm to wear outside on cold days.



SRC - Mrs. Moriarty & Ms. Thom

We were so excited to offer our Cozy Christmas again this year to our community. We had 23 tables booked and welcomed over 150 people into our school gym to start the Christmas season off right. Our vendors offered everything from Spudnuts to Handsewn clothes, from Handmade books to Handknitted mittens. Our SRC students were eager to help and gave up their time starting on Sunday afternoon when we had to pick up tables from the rink, all the way to Monday night at 9:00 when we were finishing up the last bit of sweeping. Thank you to the Edam Rink Board for the use of your tables, to the Grade 12 Graduating Class for making a delicious supper for our attendees, and to our incredible SRC parents who gave their time and utilized their keen baking skills. We are already making plans for next year, and we thank you for your attendance! It was a night to remember.

Remembrance Day Winners

Congratulations to the following winners who won for their Remembrance Day Poster, Poems and Essays.

Primary Coloured Poster: 1st Hailey Vivian, 2nd Jase Esquirol

Black & White: 1st Bree Svojanovski, 2nd Ty Weitzel

<u>Junior</u> Coloured Poster: 1st Brynlee Weber, 2nd Klay Weber

Black & White: 1st Hughes DeMontarnal, 2nd Klay Weber

Essay: 1st Kamryn Russett, 2nd Elie Blais

Poem: 1st: Weston Jamieson, Ella Grant

<u>Intermediate</u> Coloured Poster: 1st Madison Mack, 2nd Joshua Iverson

Black & White: 1st Bryar Carr, 2nd Eric Baillargeon & Amy Stuart

Essay: 1st Eric Baillargeon, 2nd Anna Buitenhuis

Poem: 1st Kiana Weber, 2nd Karis Latendresse

Senior Coloured Poster: 1st Graydon Troesch, 2nd Kye Thom

Black & White: 1st Zoey Pollard, 2nd Drake Wilson

Essay: 1st Delainee Rogers, 2nd Brook Mack

Poem: 1st Kye Thom, 2nd Graydon Troesch





Pictured: Zoey Pollard and her Black and White Poster Entry

Junior Boys Volleyball News Update

When we last talked, the Junior Boys had just finished winning the Central League Playdowns in St Walburg. The group played exceptionally well and deserved the hard-fought win.

This win allowed the team to venture off to District play in Meadow Lake. Here the group played the best teams in the District, and they did not let up on their overall skilled play. We ended up playing Neilburg in the finals, and our boys played, as a team, their best volleyball of the year. We finished the day "District Champions", and came home with the gold medal.

While watching them play, the group amazed me with how much they had improved from the beginning of the year. I was so proud of the team, and how they handled themselves throughout the season. Well done, guys! I can't tell you how much I enjoyed this year. Thanks for the experience, and I can hardly wait until next year.

Coach Nordell



Senior Boys Volleyball

This year the Senior Boys Volleyball team consisted of seven extremely dedicated players: Gage McDonald, Carston Day, Aiden Lascelle, Kasen McDonald, Graydon Troesch, Kye Thom and Beckett Rogers.

The athletes competed in league every Tuesday and attended four tournaments prior to competing in conference playdowns where they finished in second place. This allowed them to advance to Regional playoffs which were held in Annaheim. The boys battled extremely hard against some very talented teams but fell 2 points short of advancing to provincials.

We could not be prouder of the skill development and commitment of these athletes, and we look forward to another successful season next fall.

Coaches: Ian McDonald and Trina Deobald



Senior Girls Volleyball Season

As I sit and reflect on the volleyball season I'm filled with a mixture of emotions. Right now, I feel exhausted trying to recover from a busy provincial volleyball weekend in Rose Valley and Wadena. I also feel a great sense of pride in my team. I have coached most of these girls since they were in grade 7, so I have been able to see them progress individually and as team year after year. They are not just talented volleyball players, they are great kids, and I knew that no matter where we went, they would be great ambassadors for our school and community.

Team success often comes with a lot of hard work and a huge commitment level from players and parents. Counting league, tournaments, and playoffs, we played a total of 135 sets of volleyball this season. We attended tournaments in Wilkie, North Battleford, Maidstone, Edam, and Macklin. I was grateful for the parents that volunteered to set up driving schedules, arrange accommodations, organize canteens, set worker schedules and work during tournaments. It was a huge stress relief to focus on coaching and know that all the managerial duties were taken care of.

Most grade 12 players are emotional after finishing their last game of the season, and realization sets in that their school volleyball is over. Thankfully for Allison, Randi, and Lacy, they were able to finish their grade 12 year with a second consecutive provincial medal. It's a huge accomplishment and a difficult challenge to win a provincial volleyball medal in the 1A and 2A categories. To put it in perspective, there were 65, 1A girls' teams in the province. For Delainee, Aleesa, Meadow, Zoey, Kylie, and Brook, they will have a chance to compete for provincial championship next year.

Below is a recap of conference, regional and provincial playoffs.

Despite a winter blizzard, we hosted the 1A conference playoffs in Edam on November 5. The week prior to the playoffs, most of the girls were sick with colds and flus and unable to practice or play without having coughing fits. Thankfully were able to finish the weekend as conference champions and advance to the regional playoffs the following weekend. We also hosted the regional playoffs in Edam on Nov. 12. The team got off to a slow start but improved their play as the day went on and finished as regional champions, earning a spot in the provincial championships. Thank you so much to all the parents, students, staff, and community members that volunteered time to help us host both events. It was great to be able to showcase our school and give the girls an opportunity to play in their home gym.

Our provincial journey started with a pep rally at the school Thursday morning. It was fantastic to see all the posters and banners and receive words of encouragement from families, staff, and students heading into the weekend. The next step was to travel to Humboldt and Kelvington on Thursday evening. Friday morning, we travelled from Humboldt to Rose Valley for the opening ceremonies and then on to Wadena where we played our first 3 matches. The team started the tournament strong with wins over Leroy, Kyle, and Plenty. Saturday morning

started with another trip to Rose Valley where we played our last round robin game against Wawota. We ended up first in Pool B after the round robin with a 3-1 record. Our quarter final match was against a scrappy team from Leoville. The girls prevailed in 3 sets pitting them against the host team, Rose Valley, in the semi-finals. Rose Valley also happens to be the reigning provincial champions. Our girls played their hearts out and went point for point with them the entire match but came up just short, losing 25-21 and 25-23. We immediately had to regroup from that emotional match and face a determined Bellevue team in the bronze medal match. The girls led both sets from start to finish and captured the bronze medal in convincing fashion with 25-20 and 25-15 scores. Although gold was what we dreamed about all season, bronze was a fantastic way to end the season!

Thank you to Allison, Randi, Lacy, Aleesa, Delainee, Kylie, Meadow, Zoey, and Brook for your hard work and dedication this season. A special thanks to Trayton Troesch for being my assistant coach this year and attending practices and games when his work schedule would allow. Thank you again to all parents for your support and help this season.

Mr. Long



2022 1A Girls Volleyball Conference Champions



2022 1A Girls Volleyball Regional Champions



2022 1A Girls Volleyball Provincial Bronze Medalists

Scholastic Book Fair - Mrs. Weber

The Scholastic Book Fair was held November $15^{th} - 18^{th}$. It was a very busy and successful week. Through student and parent purchases, a total of \$1971.53 was earned in new Scholastic book titles for the library. I am completely blown away by the tremendous support from our student body and community. Thank you for believing in literacy and for supporting this great fundraiser for the Anne Olson Memorial Library.

Gavin Li was the lucky winner of the Door Prize draw! He won \$25 in products from the Book Fair, as well as \$25 for his classroom teacher, Mrs. Jullion. Congratulations Gavin and Mrs. Jullion.



Pictured: Mrs. Jullion and Gavin Li with their prizes

Dessert Theatre – Mrs. Moriarty

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 14th, 2022, at 7:00pm for HHS Drama clubs' presentation of "High Rise- High Jinks" and "You're driving me crazy." We will be offering you delicious treats, refreshments, and lots of laughs as you come to the school to celebrate the hard work of our students. Our first play will be at 7:00, our second play at 8:00pm, with dessert, and refreshments in between. The doors will open at 6:30 pm. Tickets are available on School Cash Online for School families, or by calling the office at (306)397-2944. We have students from Grade 7-12, with only a few of our cast members having participated in a school play before! So many of our cast and crew are new to Drama, and they are showing us that the future of Drama at HHS is bright!



Christmas Hampers

Thanks to generous community donations the Edam-Vawn Hamper Fund is able to support people during this trying time with the Christmas Season approaching.

Hampers and local Gift Cards will be made available

> Fill out the form available at The Edam Post Office and Place in the box provided by December 20th, 2022. (During Office Hours)

May God Bless You and Your Family

Donations to the fund can be made at the Edam Credit Union. For further information contact 306-441-9038

PLEASE COME CELEBRATE WITH US

WHO: YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

WHAT: COMMUNITY "LIGHT" EM UP" EVENT

WHERE: The Village Tree at the East end of Main

WHEN: Wednesday, December 21st, 5:00 pm -10:00 pm

And for the best part......

WHY: To celebrate Community Pride and Christmas Spirit

Sleigh Rides Snow Hill Bonfire and Weiner Roast Hot Chocolate Santa Goodle Bags Scavenger Hunt

Cast your ballot for best light displays within and around the Community of Edam (Ballots will be available on Dec. 21st at the Village Tree)

If you are interested in assisting or donating to the cause, please contact

one of Santa's Elves:

Trina Deobald Angela Blanchette Wanda Mosimann

All donations will be run through the Village of Edam (Village will issue a receipt for donations over \$20)

Any funds raised above and beyond expenses will be used to purchase new lights for the streets of Edam



2022 CONTEST CATEGORIES

LOCATIONS ARE **NOT LIMITED** TO THE VILLAGE. PLEASE CONSIDER TOURING THE RURAL COMMUNITY AND INDUSTRIAL AREA AS WELL

THE MINIMALIST

This location will have a simple and clean light display. They will have the windows and home trimmed and lights carefully placed. They may only have one tree decorated or one window decorated but it catches your attention.

THE WHITE LIGHTS HOUSE

This location has the most white lights! Crisp and clear.

THE INFLATABLES HOUSE

This location is filled with inflatable décorations. Maybe they even skipped putting up Christmas lights at all.

THE TRADITIONALIST

This location displays the original Christmas theme. What is your "reason for the season?"

THE DISCO FEVER HOUSE

Projection lights or lights timed with music would fit this award perfectly.

THE FAVORITE

YOU define it !!!

Please select a different house for each category (except for your favorite)

The prize for the above mentioned categories will be **BRAGGING RIGHTS ONLY!!**



December 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Day 1	2 Day 2 K	3
4	5 Day 3 Grade 5/6 Boys & Girls Volleyball (Last one) @ 3:15	6 Day 4 K Soup Lunch	7 Day 5	8 Day 6 K	9 Day 1 Breakfast Buckets	10
11	12 Day 2 K Grade 12 Grad Picture Day	13 Day 3 Soup Lunch	14 Day 4 K Hot Dog Lunch Drama Dessert Theatre @ 7pm	15 Day 5	16 Day 6 K School Wide Breakfast	17
	19 Day 1	20 Day 2 K Soup Lunch Elementary Christmas Concert 7pm	Grade 7-12 @ Movie Theatre NB Last Day of Classes for 2022!	NO	23 SCHOOL→	Christmas Eve
25 Christmas Day	26	27 NO	SCHOOL —	29	30	31

Upcoming Dates:

January 5th – Classes Resume January 24th – 27th – Final Exams