

The Viking



Edmore Public School

September 2023

Greetings Parents/Guardians:

The first full month of school is upon us and our staff and students have settled into their routines. Our three new teachers from the Philippines are adjusting to rural North Dakota life and enjoying the process of acclimating to our rural culture.

In addition to the three new staff members, we have two new students joining the Edmore family. We welcome them all to the community and hope they have a memorable experience in rural North Dakota.

Legislative Interim Education Issues

During the interim of legislative sessions, committees meet to discuss K12 educational issues that may need addressing at future legislative sessions. Several topics that will be discussed include:

Virtual Instruction – The committee will discuss whether the practice of allowing a school district to use virtual instruction rather than a storm day should remain. The Edmore parents and students prefer virtual instruction rather than making up-a school day. Our staff and students utilize the Zoom platform and students are engaged in academics for the entire school day. It is the school board members' hope that local control remains for individual districts to decide if virtual learning is appropriate for their school.

Ending Fund Balance – Since Covid emerged and ESSER monies became available to school districts, the legislators have suspended century code requiring ending general fund balance limits. Although limiting ending fund balances may be appropriate in certain situations, it can drastically limit a school board if an emergency emerges such as a boiler going out or other major facility need. Once again, these decisions should remain with the individual school board and their patrons to determine the amount of carry-over that best fits the needs of their school district.

Yearly Budget Meeting -- Each year every public entity that has the ability to levy taxpayer monies is required to have a public meeting and allow for public input regarding the budget. This year, the Edmore school will have a meeting on September 12th at 7 pm in the gym. The Edmore school board has determined that they will lower the mill levy to approximately 60 mills for the 2023-2024 school year. The board has the legal authority to levy 105 mills but has determined that it is not necessary to raise the levy to this level as district expenditures do not require the additional dollars to operate. When district patrons review their preliminary tax statement, they may see that the valuation of their property has gone up. As the Edmore school board has lowered the mills approximately by 20 mills, any increase to an individual's taxes will not be because of the actions of the school board.

I would encourage our patrons to take in a few sporting events as we have several Edmore students participating in fall sports of volleyball and football. They work hard to prepare for competition and are able to participate in a competitive sports coop with Langdon and Munich.

On behalf of the school board, I would like to thank the Edmore patrons for their continued support of Educating our children.

Professionally,

Frank Schill, Superintendent



Fall Greetings-

First newsletter of the year and I am liking that we haven't quite moved into the "FALL" feeling outdoors. The summer went by so fast, which makes me want to hold onto the summer weather. Just as a reminder, as the weather begins to turn, please be sure the elementary students have sweatshirts/jackets so they are prepared for outdoor conditions as the weather can change quickly.

We are lucky enough to have some new students and staff! We welcome our students, Jasper and Memphis. We also welcome Ms. Diane Umali in the K/1 classroom, Ms. Alayssa Agaloos in the 2/3 classroom, and Ms. Genesis Ang in the HS science classroom. They are a great addition to our Edmore Family. We have a lot of women in the building....sorry Mr. Mattis and Mr. Schill. 😊

The students and staff are starting to settle nicely into their routines for learning. We have completed some baseline assessments and have begun the classroom curriculum. We are looking forward to growing each student and building up their self-confidence in the new challenges they will face as they are another year older. We are doing a little more online learning in the HS, and we have well prepared these students to be successful, self-driven, organized, and meticulous in completing their coursework. I am so very proud of our students. College will be a breeze for them!

We will not be posting A and B honor roll. At the end of the year, if a student qualifies as an honor roll recipient (being on the honor roll 3 of the 4 quarters), they will receive recognition at our Awards Day. We will not be sending home quarterly report cards. All parents have access to look at grades daily, weekly, and quarterly to track how your student is doing. Please be sure to check that frequently. If there are concerns about grades, the teachers will be communicating with the parents. We will send out a report card at the end of each semester. Student-led conferences will be on October 25th and that will also be a good time to review how your student is doing in the classroom.

Turning to sports, the LAEM Cardinals Volleyball and Football teams are in full gear. There is a pretty A-M-A-Z-I-N-G quarterback leading the way from Edmore!! It is Rayce's Senior Year!!! We also have Miles starting to make a name for himself on the varsity team! Let's cheer them on to victory this season! Wishing Victoria and Cassidy a plethora of kills and aces in their volleyball seasons as well! Our volleyball home game in EDMORE is October 24th. Come support the students. Homecoming week will already be over by the time you read this newsletter.

The month of September will include ASVAB testing, Career Fair, and educational field trips. School pics are on September 7. We do not have school Monday, September 4th (Labor Day) and we do not have school on September 29th. We did away with early outs this year, but every month has at least 1 full day off.

As always, it is a pleasure to spend my days with your children. They are all very special to me and I love watching them learn and grow. I will do my Best to guide them, be there for them, encourage them, but most importantly to support them with their learning.

Yours in Education,

Mrs. Martinson, Principal



WHAT'S ON

K/1

Ms. Umali's Class
September 2023

Welcome back to school kindergartner and first graders! We hope you have had a relaxing summer break and are feeling energized for a new school year!

For the past week we began reviewing some prerequisite skills for ELA such as, identifying basic code-letter sound correspondence, oral blending and oral segmenting. We also learned 2 tricky words (a, l). We are also practicing some Math skills such as counting and writing numbers, adding and subtracting. We are also exploring our Science class by solving some problems like an Engineer.



This month we look forward in continuing learning, as for Kindergarten, we will begin blending letter sounds in ELA, show and tell whether two groups are more than, less than or equal in Math. First graders will continue to identify basic code-letter sound correspondence, learn about nouns and discover some more tricky words. We will also learn how to solve compare numbers in Math, in Science we will still solve problems like Engineers while in Social Studies we will begin to learn about our community. Also, little by little we will try writing our personal narratives. Looking forward to a meaningful and fun month.

Reminder:

Placement Assessments for First Grade ELA will happen this month.

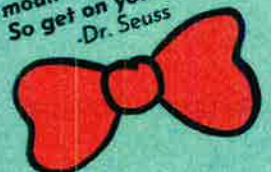
Alam Mo Ba? Did You Know?



This is the Philippine National Flower, *Jasminum sambac* commonly known as **Sampaguita** was declared as the national flower by Governor-General Frank Murphy in 1934. Its white flower is believed to symbolize purity, fidelity, and hope.



'Kid, you will move mountains! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So get on your way!'
-Dr. Seuss





2ND & 3RD GRADERS

by: Ms. Alayssa Agaloos



Journey

A new beginning, experiences, and memories await. Let's go!

We are thrilled to say that we began the first week of school with a smile in our hearts!

We are already busy practicing short and long vowel sounds and learning vocabulary words from the stories we read. Making sure that we are on track with the curriculum standards.

In ELA, we read fairy tales and tall tales. We also discussed the elements of the story,

its theme, and how to view it from different characters perspectives.

In mathematics, 2nd graders studied strategies on how to find the sum within 20. 3rd graders are taught strategies to multiply and divide.

In science, we understood how to define a simple design problem reflecting a need or a want that includes specified criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost.

In social studies, we learned how we interact with our environment.



FEATURED FILIPINO CHILDREN'S GAME:

TUMBANG PRESO



(knock down the prisoner), also known as *tumba lata* (knock down the can) or *bato lata* (hit the can with a slipper), is a Filipino traditional children's game. The game involves throwing a slipper at a can or bottle, which one player - the *tayà* - attempts to guard. The game is usually played in backyards, parks, or in streets when there is little traffic in an area.

THE MATH CORNER



Edmore
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by: Mrs. Hernandez

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Math 6

The chapter lesson for this month is about Numerical Expressions and Factors. It includes order of operations, which is an essential understanding for work in Mathematics. Some of the problems in the lessons integrate prior work with fractions and decimals.

Math 7

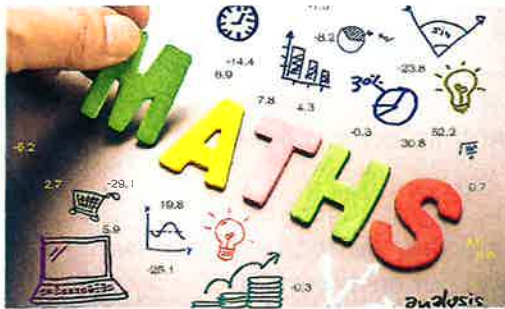
This class started learning Adding and Subtracting Rational Numbers. Rational numbers are introduced, and all the concepts and skills related to positive whole numbers, fractions, and decimals are explored for their opposite (numbers less than zero).

Math 8

The 8th graders are working on Equations. They build upon their prior skills with solving equations while integrating a review of operations with rational numbers.

Algebra 1

Chapter 1 lesson is all about Solving Linear Equations. The student applies her prior experience with the properties of equality and skills to solving linear equations. This will be connected to the skills of solving absolute value equations and rewriting equations and formulas.



MATHEMATICS TIME!

Geometry

The sophomores' first topic is about The Basics of Geometry. They will learn precise definitions of line, segment, and angle based on the undefined notions of point and line. They will make formal geometric constructions and perimeters and areas of polygons in the coordinate plane.

WOW PHILIPPINES!

The Chocolate Hills (Cebuano: Mga Bungtod sa Tsokolate, Tagalog: Mga Tsokolateng Bural) are a geological formation in the Bohol province of the Philippines. There are at least 1,260 hills, but there may be as many as 1,776 hills spread over an area of more than 50 square kilometers (20 sq mi). They are covered in green grass that turns brown during the dry season, hence the name.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chocolate_Hills



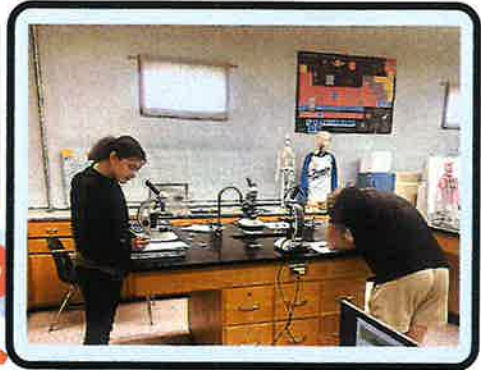
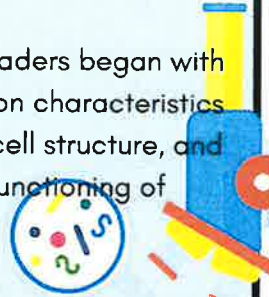
THIS MONTH IN SCIENCE

by Ms. Ang

This Month's Learning Focus:

Life Science

The first week of class for sixth- and seventh-graders began with a review of the nature of science and a lesson on characteristics of cells. This month, they will learn more about cell structure, and function and the ways in which they aid in the functioning of biological systems.



Earth Science

Students in grade 8 gained knowledge of experimental variables. The Earth's water and atmosphere will be covered in this month's lessons to illustrate how matter and energy move across the planet.



Physical Science

Our grade 9 student worked on sample problems about significant figures and unit conversion during the first few days of the week. The topics for this month will include an atom's structure and its subatomic particles as well as the classification and properties of matter.



Biology

The basic unit of life, the cell, will be thoroughly examined by students in grade 10. This month's topic, which started with the study of cells, will move on to cellular organelles and a variety of processes that happen inside the fundamental unit of life.



Science VIRTUE of the Month: Mindfulness

"It is only when the mind is receptive and open that learning and seeing and change can occur."

Jon Kabat-Zinn

THE ELA CORNER

by: Ms. Ellen Lagunzad

Reading



This quarter, the students will read varied literary texts that tackles different themes about life. The goal is for each student to develop their skills in analyzing texts.

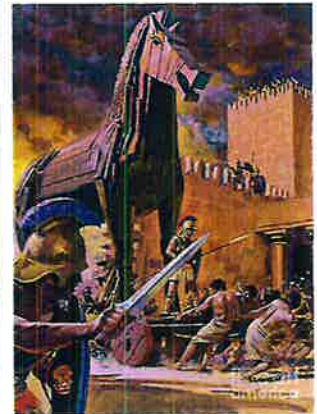
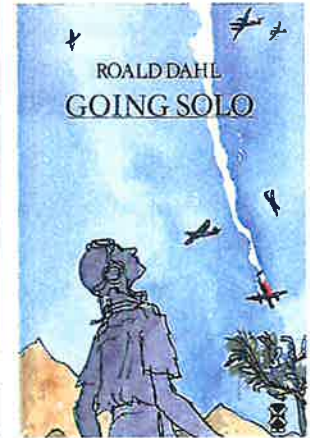
In 6th grade, we are using the The Third Quest curriculum. This quarter will focus on reading narrative texts.

The novel of Ji-li Jiang during the Chinese Cultural Revolution entitled The Red Scarf Girl will be discussed in 7th Grade.

In 8th Grade, essays like Fish Cheeks by Amy Tan and Solo: A Memoir of Roald Dahl during the WWII will be studied.

The novel The Pearl by John Steinbeck and stories like Once Upon a Time by Nadine Gordimer and A Rose for Emily by William Faulkner will be analyzed in 9th Grade.

Moreover, the topic on Literary Theories and Greek Mythology will be given focus in the 10th Grade class particularly the Trojan War & Fall of Troy by Homer and Virgil.

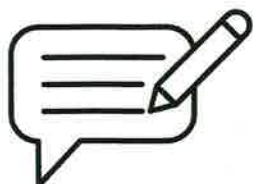


Topics like Verbals, Phrases, Clauses, and Sentences will be given focus in Grammar.



Grammar

For writing, Sentence Fragments and Run-On Sentences will be highlighted as well.



Narrative Essay

The students will work on their narrative essays this quarter.

Submission and approval of topics will be done on August 30. While outlines are due on September 6. Each week, the students are expected to finish their required pages.

Featured Filipino Word of the Month

Magdiwang

[verb]

meaning: to celebrate

"Beware; for I am fearless, and therefore powerful,"
- Mary Shelley, Frankenstein



SCHOOL NEWS

September 1st-
Homecoming

**September 12th- 6th
& 7th Grade Eco Ed
Day**

**September 12th- 10th
Grade- ASVAB Test**

**September 14th- 12th
Grade Career Fair @
LRSC**

**September 19th- 8th
Grade Historic Field
Trip**

**September 28th-
Norsk Høstfest**

September 1st- Back to
school paperwork due!

September 7th- School
Picture Day!

NOTICE: There is a correction
to the school calendar. There
IS school November 9th.

**September 4th- NO
SCHOOL**

**September 29th- NO
SCHOOL - PD**

Edmore Public School 2023/2024 School Year Calendar

August 2023 (8 Days)

S	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
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September 2023 (19 Days)

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October 2023 (18 Days)

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November 2023 (19 Days)

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December 2023 (15 Days)

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August 15-17 Teacher Inservice
 August 21 Teacher Inservice
 August 22 First day of School

September 4 *Labor Day (No School)
 September 29 Prof Development Day (No School)

October 19-20 Educator Conventions (No School)
 October 25 1 pm Dismissal - P/T Conf 1:30 - 8:00
 October 26 Prof Development Day (No School)
 October 27 P/T Comp Day (No School)

November 10 *Observed Veteran's Day (No School)
 November 23 Thanksgiving Break (No School)
 November 24 Thanksgiving Break (No School)

December 22 Holiday Break Begins

January 3 Prof Development Day (No School)
 January 4 School Resumes after Holiday Break
 January 26 No School

February 15 Prof Development Day (No School)
 February 16 No School

March 1 No School
 March 15 Prof Development Day (No School)
 March 27 1 pm Dismissal - P/T Conf 1:30 - 8:00
 March 28 P/T Comp Day (No School)
 March 29 No School

April 1 No School
 April 2 Prof Development Day (No School)
 May 22 Last Day of School (1:00 PM Release)
 May 24 Storm Day #2 (No School)
 May 26 Graduation
 May 27 Memorial Day

End of 1st Quarter - October 27 (43 days)

End of 2nd Quarter - January 12 (43 days)

End of 3rd Quarter - March 15 (41 days)

End of 4th Quarter - May 22 (43 days)

170 days of instruction

Legal Holidays: Labor Day, Veterans Day, and Good Friday

January 2024 (19 Days)

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February 2024 (19 Days)

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March 2024 (17 Days)

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April 2024 (20 Days)

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May 2024 (16 Days)

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September 2023



Menu subject to change. Salad Bar served at lunch daily. Milk served with all meals.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1 BREAKFAST Oatmeal Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Hamburgers French Fries Peas Fruit
4 	5 BREAKFAST Cereal Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Taco Salad Chips Corn Fruit	6 BREAKFAST Cheese Omelets Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Hot Ham & Cheese Tater Tots Green Beans Fruit	7 BREAKFAST Bagels Fruit Smoothie LUNCH Chili Rolls Fruit	8 BREAKFAST Rolls Cheese Sticks Fruit/Juice LUNCH Chicken Hotdish Peas Fruit
11 BREAKFAST French Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Beef Stroganoff Green Beans Fruit	12 BREAKFAST Cereal Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Chicken Tortilla Soup Sandwiches Fruit	13 BREAKFAST Hard Boiled Eggs Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Tater Tot Hotdish Corn Fruit	14 BREAKFAST Muffins Yogurt Fruit/Juice LUNCH Pizza Green Beans Fruit	15 BREAKFAST Oatmeal Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Pulled Pork Beans French Fries Fruit
18 BREAKFAST Pancakes Fruit/Juice LUNCH Orange Chicken Fried Rice Peas Fruit	19 BREAKFAST Cereal Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Scalloped Potatoes Ham Corn Fruit	20 BREAKFAST Egg Bake Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Lasagna Garlic Toast Green Beans Fruit	21 BREAKFAST Bagels Smoothies Fruit/Juice LUNCH Chicken Fajita Wraps Black Beans Fruit	22 BREAKFAST Scrambled Eggs Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Fruit
25 BREAKFAST French Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Chicken Nuggets Rotini Peas Fruit	26 BREAKFAST Cereal Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Fish Hash Browns Green Beans	27 BREAKFAST Cheese Omelets Toast Fruit/Juice LUNCH Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Fruit	28 BREAKFAST Muffins Yogurt Fruit/Juice LUNCH Spaghetti Garlic Toast Corn	29 No School 

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September Activities

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 (V) FB @ LHS vs Bottineau 7pm HOMECOMING !!	2
3 NO SCHOOL Labor Day	4	5	6	7 School Picture Day! VB @ LHS vs Thompson @ 4:30pm	8 (V) FB @ Rugby 7pm	9 (JH) VB Tournament @ LHS TBD
10	11 VB @ Rolla 4:15pm Eco Ed Day	12	13 VB @ LHS vs North Border 4:15pm Career Fair @ LRSC	14	15 (V) FB LHS vs Cavalier 7pm	16
17	18 VB @ Benson County 4:15pm 8 th Grade Historic Day	19	20	21 VB @ LHS vs Dunseith 4pm	22 (V) FB @ Park River 7pm	23
24	25 VB @ Four Winds 4pm	26	27 Høstfest	28	29 NO SCHOOL-PD (V) FB @ LHS vs Grafton 7pm	30

SEASONAL INFLUENZA VACCINE CLINIC

October 18th

at Edmore School
8:30 - 9:30 AM

***RSV and Covid shots may
be available upon request**

All
insurances
accepted

Vaccines administered by
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