

Val Marie School Newsletter




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- Pierce Schmidt - May 2
 - Mrs. Beauchamp - May 3
 - Isabelle Armstrong - May 7
 - Katherine Andree - May 10
 - Khalel Clark Fernandez - May 20
 - Joanna Andree - June 1
 - Elizabeth Legault - June 3
 - Jaxson Waldner - June 18
 - Althea Fernandez - June 22
 - Mikayla Andree - July 11
 - Trevyn Glas - July 12
 - Flint McGuire - July 21
 - Miss. Duquette - July 29
 - Hailey Carleton - August 23
 - Axl Fernandez - August 25

Ms. Mariyathas began teaching in Val Marie in 2009 She came to our school from Shaunavon High School and easily fit into the groove here in our building. Ms. Mariyathas has primarily been responsible for teaching the core subjects of middle years and high school math, science, biology, chemistry, health and career guidance. She became a part time member of the Cyber School Staff in 2010 and has taught biology and chemistry to students across the Chinook School Division during this time. Ms. Mariyathas courses are always extremely well organized and her knowledge in these content areas is extensive. During her time in Val Marie she has offered students an after school cooking club, chess club and served as the STF Liaison contact. Elizabeth will be transferring to Frontier School in the fall so fortunately she won't be too far away and we hope to see her lots whenever in Frontier. Please join me to thank Elizabeth for all her contributions to Val Marie School throughout her time and we wish her all the best in her future teaching



This year the Val Marie Mustangs were very successful in the Frontier Elementary Track Meet, the Shaunavon Middle years track meet, The Swift Current Sectionals track meet, and the Swift Current Districts track meet. We had athletes compete in throws, jumps and races! Despite the late start with the weather, our athletes tried their best and brought home ribbons! They displayed sportsmanship and were always respectful in their events. Great job Mustangs!

Thank you to Everyone that supported our plant fundraiser. We are happy to say we have made \$1480.00 !!!



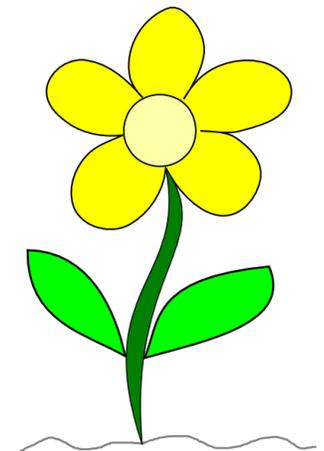
Thank you to all that unloaded & sorted the plants on Thursday morning, it was greatly appreciated!

The grade 5-9 students had an opportunity to share their love of reading and passion for books with a highly dedicated and equally enthusiastic group of community volunteers. The book buddy club was formed in February and paired each student with a book buddy partner. Together, they chose books to read and discuss together through a series of face to face and virtual meetings. We ended the Book Buddy Club at the end of April with a delicious potluck lunch. A huge thank you goes out to the following volunteers: Angie Glas, Madonna Hamel, Heather Facette, Amber Kapchinske, Paulette Legault, Vicky-Lynn Anderson and Duncan Stewart, Carmen Hanson, Colin Schmidt, Judith Wright, Barbara Meneley and Judy Gunter.





K-4 visited The Chabot's Greenhouse this spring to help find the whole alphabet of plants for the Kinder Garden. This is the 3 annual alphabet planting!

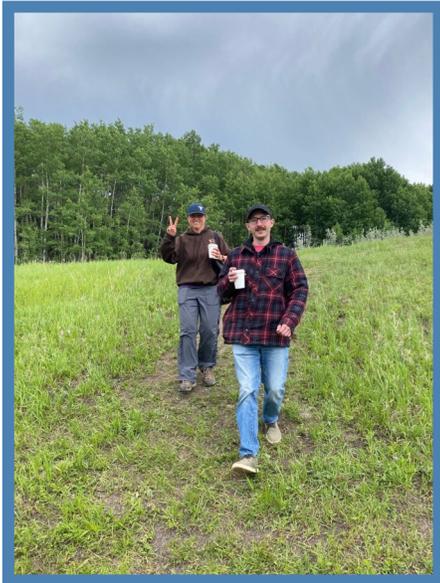




Grades k-4
Sage Creek & The Kite
Festival



Grades 5~12 Cypress Hills Camping Trip



GRACIE'S POPCORN



THE NEWS

Gracie McCrea, grade 9 student at Val Marie School, has been filling the halls with smells of delicious buttery popcorn every Friday this school year.

She has been able to fill students' bellies with popcorn for a \$1 per bag Friday afternoons as part of her health and well being goals. Students RAVE about her popcorn, especially when they hear the music and smell that mouth watering smell as she gets ready each week. Gracie even started providing punch cards for students to buy in advance!

Gracie ensures each batch of popcorn is up to her standards of quality with a taste test. Gracie, with the help of her educational assistant, Kaycee, jam out to some rocking tunes while they get ready for the popcorn sale each week. They race to fill the bags to be ready for the students at last recess sale time.

Gracie's Playlist Recommendations

- Jingle Bells
- Wheels on the Bus
- The Hokey Pokey
- Macarena
- Any Kids Bop Song
- Anything country
- Disney sing alongs



Gracie provides students with a flavourful Friday. She is always happy to serve her customers. Throughout this year Gracie has raised over \$350 in popcorn sales, and purchased 2 new popcorn makers. Val Marie School is very grateful for the time and effort Gracie and Kaycee have put into making Popcorn Fridays such a success!

Summer Schedule

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| M o n | MAKE SOMETHING MONDAY |  Try new recipe |  Craft something |  Build with LEGO |  Make a block city |
| T u e | TAKE A TRIP TUESDAY |  Go to museum |  Go to park |  See a movie |  Take a hike |
| W e d | WET AND WILD WEDNESDAY |  Go swimming |  Go to the beach |  Play in sprinkler |  Play with water guns |
| T h u | THINKING THURSDAY |  Go to the library |  Science experiment |  Educational website |  Read non-fiction |
| F r i | FUN & FRIENDS FRIDAYS |  Play board games |  Play video games |  Play with friends |  Play sports |

Am I being a PERSONAL SPACE INVADER?

Look for these clues...

10) Person's face looks annoyed, worried, confused, or uncomfortable

9) Person puts their head down and scrunches up their shoulders

8) Person starts to get squirmy when you are standing or sitting near them

7) Person starts to cross their arms close to their heart

6) Person changes seats or moves over when you sit down next to them

1) Person starts to avoid eye contact or starts looking around a lot when you are talking to them

2) Person turns their shoulder away from you (gives you the cold shoulder)

3) Person's body starts to get stiff

4) Person moves around a lot when you are talking to them

5) Person backs away as you move toward them



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