

October 2020

# Newsletter

## OCTOBER NEWS

September was a busy month, establishing new classroom and health routines for the school year. Resiliency and wellness is key for students, staff, families and our school community so that we may

do our best to thrive given the current circumstances.

Our school community models the 7 Traditional Teachings- Courage, Respect, Truth, Honesty, Humility, Love, and Wisdom. Each month we celebrate the 7 best things we've seen at Isabelle Sellon School. (see next page)

### IN THE MUSIC ROOM...



This year the main theme in the music room is variety! We are fortunate to have many different instruments in our school, so each class is able to experience something different. The grade 4s are starting with ukuleles and boomwhackers. The grade 5s are currently playing Orff instruments (xylophones, etc.) and bucket drums and the grade 6s are drumming using a variety of types of drums (ie. djembes, tubanos, congas) and moving into hand chimes in mid October. It is wonderful hearing all the different music that is being made!

A HUGE thank you to Summit Home Hardware for the donation of a class set of buckets to our music program!

At Isabelle Sellon School, we value: Growth, Courage, Inclusion, Creativity, Innovation and Community Connections



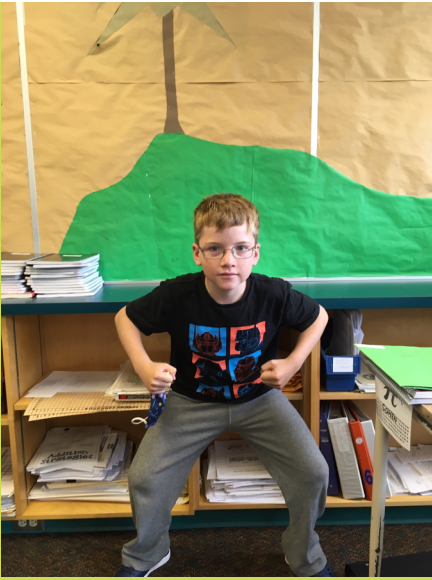
### Celebrating our Community Connections



We are pleased to announce that our proposal entitled Place-based Learning and Archery was selected by Alberta Conservation Association (ACA) out of 132 submissions to their Community Education Grants, to receive \$2500 for 2020-2021. We are grateful to ACA for their support to create and expand opportunities for our ISS students. We look forward to sharing more specific details in the weeks ahead.



# The Seven Best Things we've seen at ISS last month!





### **October Key Dates:**

Friday, October 9- No School for students- Inter school collaboration day

Monday, October 12- No School for students- Happy Thanksgiving!

Tuesday, October 20- Virtual Regional School Council mtg. 6:30-8pm

Wednesday, October 21- Picture Day

Thursday, October 22- Student Progress Interviews- 4:30-7:30pm (telephone or in-person). Further information will be shared by email.

Friday, October 23- Student Progress Interviews- 8:30am-12:30pm. No classes for students.

Tuesday, October 27- Virtual Tri-School Council mtg. 6:15pm-7:45pm. A zoom invite will be shared.

Friday, October 30- The day *before* Hallowe'en! Students are welcome to dress in school appropriate costumes. Please do not send any goody bags or treats to the school as we are unable to accept them due to updated Health and Safety regulations.

### **STUDENT PROGRESS INTERVIEWS:**

The primary purpose of these interviews is to share preliminary assessment data with you. This allows our staff a baseline of data to inform targeted instructional starting points for your child in his/her literacy and numeracy skills and development.

The progress interview allows the sharing of early observations and data to identify student strengths and areas for growth prior to Term 1 Report Cards in late November.

Your partnership is important to your child's learning and development.



### **After School Sports**

We look forward to being able to provide after school sports programming once again for our students!

At this time, we appreciate your patience as we determine a safe way to proceed with after school sports programming.

### **Health and Safety Priorities at ISS**

Thank you to our families for continuing to screen your child's health before sending him/her to school each day.

We understand that navigating during times of student illness may be confusing. Our school and divisional websites have many helpful visuals to assist you.

Also note, all students have Google Classroom and Seesaw accounts to access subject content and assignments while they are away, due to illness.

