Thunderbird News

March 21-24, 2022



Parent Teacher Interviews! Tuesday March 22 - Wednesday March 23 from 4:30pm-7:30pm! Our grade 4 through 6 teachers will host both in-person and remote pre-scheduled interviews, while our Grade 7 and 8 subject area teachers will be available in the gym from 4:30pm-7:30pm on a first-come-first-serve basis. Refreshments provided as you wait to see your child's teachers!

Badminton practices cancelled on Tuesday and Wednesday!

As our staff and our gymnasium will be busy with parent teacher interviews, badminton practices won't take place on those two evenings. Our typical weekly schedule for 2022 is here:

Grade 4's Tuesdays and Wednesdays (at lunch) with Ms C Moghrabi, Ms Delaire, Ms Ulliac;
Grade 5s Tuesdays and Thursday (after school until 5pm) with Ms Franke and Mrs Downes;
Grade 6's Mondays and Thursdays (after school until 5pm) with Ms C Moghrabi;
Grade 7's Mondays and Wednesdays (after school until 5pm) with Ms Shulko; and
Grade 8's Wednesdays and Fridays (after school until 5pm) with Mr Mah



Fundraiser Fun at Aurora! This year at AMS, we are excited to announce a



Spring fundraiser that will arrive just in time for Mother's Day! We will be selling <u>a variety of beautiful plants</u>, which are included on Aurora's <u>Growing Smiles website</u> or on the Order Forms going home with your students this week and included at the end of this newsletter. Fundraising is always a vital part of ensuring the students have the best opportunities possible. The money raised is used to help

cover costs for programs, equipment, resources, and extracurricular activities. Plants are a great way to encourage our friends to get out into the garden while choosing to support a healthy fundraiser. Please ensure customers make cheques payable to Aurora Middle School, or they can order using a credit card directly from <u>Aurora's Growing smiles website</u>. Please sell only to your family, friends and close neighbours. (Parents may take order forms to work to collect sales if desired). *We do not endorse young students soliciting door-to-door sales for safety reasons*. If students are selling within their neighbourhood they should always be accompanied by a responsible adult. Please contact: <u>erin.shulko@nlsd.ab.ca</u> if you have any questions! These amazing plants are supplied by <u>DeVry Greenhouses</u>.

March 14th - The fundraiser officially begins.April 8th - All money and order forms must be returned to the school.May 2nd 3:30-6pm - Pick up date/time from school for orders.

CASINO & BINGO WORKERS NEEDED! Thank you!! To the parents, staff, and community members who stepped up to volunteer their Canada Day long weekend to volunteer for our Casino, we are so grateful for your support! Also -- our future dates for BINGO workers are **April 28**, May 15, June 26, October 9 and November 24! All the money raised goes back into our school to benefit our students! To volunteer please use the <u>online sign-up</u> tool at or call or text Joyce Cloutier at (780) 623-8203. The BINGO hall concession is now open and we are pleased to be able to offer volunteers a free meal while they are working. The shift runs from 5pm to about 9pm and we require three people for each shift. The bingo hall provides a bingo advisor for every shift that guides volunteers through their duties, so no previous bingo experience is necessary. Come on out for an evening of good food and great people!

Learning and Fun at Aurora! Check out what grade 6 students have done in fine arts (top left)! As well, you can see their science-in-action



as students test out various aerodynamic designs to see which can fly the furthest (top right)! Students in Grade 8 (bottom left) were in full scientific experimentation mode as they did their gears and motors lab, testing out different designs to see which



combination of gears created more speed VS more power. And we celebrated

St. Patrick's Day in style with the wearing of the green and a leprechaun trap contest (bottom



right).



Lunch Menu!

21 - Baked Spaghetti	22 -Chicken Quesadillas			25 - NO SCHOOL
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Go to https://nlsd.schoolcashonline.com/ to pre-purchase hot lunch items!

2022 Spring Order Form



Aurora Middle School



12" Premium Hanging Baskets Our improved flower mixes are sure to be a big hit! These hanging baskets can be exposed to full sun with the best flowering and trailing plants. There are a variety of mixes/colours.



12" Premium Patio Planters All planters include an assortment of our top performing plant collections. Planters can be exposed to full sun areas. Perfect for creating a spring patio or backyard paradise.



12" Rose Patio Planters Introducing the popular patio and garden rose! This perennial will add colour year after year. Please note that colours cannot be selected. May receive light pink, dark pink, white, or yellow.

Orders Due: April 8, 2022 Plant Pick-up: May 2, 2022 3:30-6pm



11" Strawberry Basket A kid favourite! Enjoy fresh strawberries all summer long. Ever bearing strawberries with different coloured blossoms in white or pink. Beautiful and delicious!



10-pack 4" Succulents Fast-growing in popularity, succulents are versatile & low maintenance. Ideal as house decor and gifts! This 10-pack offers excellent variety and textures from the echeveria, sedum, sedeveria and senecio families. Duplicates & substitutes may occur.



10-pack 4" Herbs An assortment of our finest herbs! Varieties include:

-Basil (Sweet)	-Mint Mojito
-Basil (Thai)	-Peppermint
-Thyme -Chives Onion	-Oregano
-Chives Onion	-Parsley
-Chives Garlic	-Rosemary

Duplicates & substitutes may occur.



Fertilizer Shaker 1.8 kg Enhance your garden with an easy to use fertilizer shaker. Made with organic granular kelp this blend is great for both flowers and veggies.



10-pack 4" Veggies Grow your own food this year in a garden or planter box! Varieties include:

-Tomatoes x 4	-Cucumber
-Zucchini	-Peppers x 2
-Kale	-Romaine

Duplicates & substitutes may occur.



10-pack 4" Zonal Geraniums These easy to grow bedding plants add vibrant colour to your garden. Resistant to pests such as deer/rabbits.

Colours: Red, White, Pink Cannot mix & match colours in a flat



10-pack 4" Wave Petunias The popular cascading Wave petunias bring eye-catching colour to gardens, planter boxes and hanging baskets.

Colours: Purple, White, Pink Cannot mix & match colours in a flat



10-pack 4" Marigolds Marigolds add a pop of colour and brightness to enjoy all

and brightness to enjoy all season. Excellent companion plants for many vegetables!

Colours: Orange



Premium Soil 30 L A bag of organic potting soil, perfect for filling containers. This hearty mix helps plants grow to their full potential. Enriched with: compost, kelp, fish meal, peat moss, glacial rock dust, & rice hulls.