



Cubs Corner



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What's Happening In...

Grade Two!

By Austin M. and Jomeru U.

Have you ever wondered what is going on in Mrs. Vinnell's grade two class? The day starts when the kids walk in and say, "Good Morning Mrs. Vinnell!" After the kids say good morning and take off their winter stuff, they line up quietly for gym. When the kids head to the gym they're really silent. At gym, they sing, "O Canada". During gym they jumped on a really squishy mat and they tried to jump across the mat with only four jumps! Do you think you could do that? After that, Mrs. Douglas asked Reporter Austin and Reporter Jomeru to be "It" for a game of tag! Afterwards, Mrs. Douglas taught the kids how to partner dance! When they got back from gym, the kids did the 'Morning Tally'. Morning Tally is when Mrs. Vinnell puts a question on the board. The question was, "Are you excited to be feature in Cub's Corner?" Then, the kids put their initials on the board under Yes, No or Maybe. 14 kids said yes, 2 kids said maybe and 1 kid said no. After morning tally, they have a cardboard box mail box, and on that morning there was a big envelope for.....Kaylee M.! The package was from Kaylee's teacher and classmates from Saskatoon! Kaylee opened it and there were lots of nice letters from her teacher and classmates. After this exciting time, the class did a movement (exercise) to get them pumped up! When the kids get settled down from doing an exercise, they work hard on their spelling. When they finish their spelling, they have choices on the board. Their choices are: Read to self, Listen to Reading, Read to Someone, Work on Writing, Word Work and Work with Teacher. After that busy period, everyone went out for recess! During recess, Reporter Austin and Reporter Jomeru got chased the whole recess. The reporters exclaimed, "It was fun getting chased by the kids!" After recess, it was SNACKTIME!! Snacks were soon over and it was time to practice reading their poems for the Fine Arts Festival. The poems they read were, "If We Didn't Have Birthdays" and "I'm the Single Most Wonderful Person I Know." The kids were split into groups and each said their different part. They spoke in loud, clear voices. After they read their poems, the students sat down on the carpet for 'Storytime'. Mrs. Vinnell read The Lorax. The kids listened nicely to the story and were really quiet and interested in the story. After Mrs. Vinnell was finished reading, they did a booklet that had questions related to the book. They worked quietly by themselves when all of a sudden, the bell rang. Cub reporters Jomeru and Austin couldn't believe it was already lunchtime! At lunch, the kids ate their delicious, healthy lunches and chatted with each other. At lunch recess the reporters got chased again! That was tiring! After lunch, they write reminders in their planners and the kids read. During reading, the kids find a book on the shelf and find a place to sit and settle down. (cntd)



Throughout the day, the class meets at the carpet to talk about exciting things or Mrs. Vinnell reads a book to the class. A cool thing we saw after their last recess was that when the kids got back in, there was mail! It was for... Jane! The mail came from New York City from Kate Creedon. She has a really important job. She explained how she helps people around the world that don't have clean water and people who don't have food. In math, the students are learning about adding and how to do it easier. In science they're learning about temperature. That day, they watched a Magic School Bus video about it. After they watched the video, they did a booklet about temperature. After a long, fun, busy day, it was...home time! All the kids put their chairs away, grabbed their coats and backpacks and headed out the door. We asked the kids a few questions about Mrs. Vinnell. Emmet says that he loves Mrs. Vinnell because of how nice and awesome she is. Kaylee M. likes that Mrs. Vinnell is really nice. Benjamin also says that he loves Mrs. Vinnell because of how nice she is and awesome too! Reporters Jomeru and Austin agree that grade two and Mrs. Vinnell are lots of fun!

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Teacher Feature

By August S.

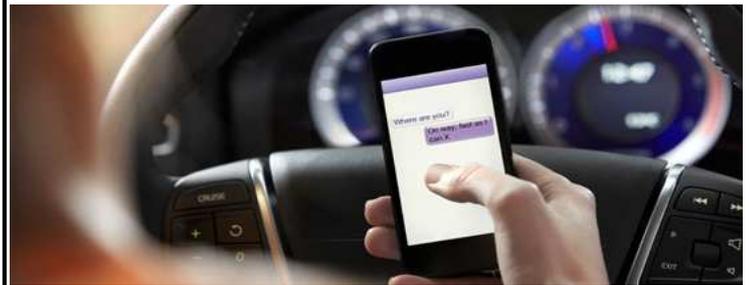
Who is funny, likes to bike and is a great teacher? If you guessed, Mr. Miller, you are right! He was born in Winnipeg on a sunny day in 1966. Now, in 2018, Mr. Miller has experienced a lot of life. When he was a child, he lived in the north end of Winnipeg and he was lucky to have one older brother. In his youth he played hockey and basketball. Today, as a grown up, he has a caring wife and two amazing sons named Brody and Ben. Brody is currently a farmer and Ben is still enjoying high school. In his free time, Mr. Miller is an athlete! He loves to bike up hills and run fast. One of his favorite events is to participate in the triathlon. This sport has swimming, biking and running! Mr. Miller exclaimed, "In triathlons, fast is good and slow is bad!" A cool fact about Mr. Miller is that before he was a teacher, he was a bricklayer. Mr. Miller chose to become a teacher because he likes dealing with kids and there are new challenges every day. His favorite part of teaching is seeing kids succeed and progress. The grade fives are lucky to have an awesome teacher like Mr. Miller!



Distracted Driving

By Keyli F. and Scarlett F.

Distracted is one thing and driving is another. The most important thing about being safe on the road is to stay focused on the road. Distracted driving is anything that takes your focus off the road. Distractions take your hands off the wheel and your mind off of driving and safety. Being distracted even for a short period of time can cause death or injuries. You won't see other things on the road that you should be aware of and maybe even miss a few important traffic signs or lights. This might cause a collision! In Manitoba, accidents caused by distracted driving have increased from 2415 in 2011 to 11 086 in 2016! If you are caught distracted driving right now, you get a big fine and 5 demerit points. Manitoba is introducing a new legislation that means you might also lose your license for a period of time. Many people recently have heard about the sad semi and bus trailer collision in Saskatchewan. Stay safe on the road and please make sure that doesn't happen here.



New Cub Welcome

By Prestyn P. & Jett T.

Who likes to read and play games? Reki! Reki is seven years old and loves the Neepawa Natives as he goes to lots of games. His favorite thing about his new home is he gets to skate. Reki's favorite book is called Sports. He goes to noon skating from H.M.K. in the winter. One thing that Reki misses about his home in Japan are his grandparents. Reki likes to read. Reki is great kid! Make sure if you see him in the halls you say hi!





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All About...

Angela Enns

By Keyli F.

Angela Enns is an amazing bus driver. One reason Angela likes being a bus driver is the funny stories kids tell her. The easiest thing about being a bus driver, in her opinion, are the driving hours. She likes the driving hours because she only has to do a couple hours in the morning and a couple after school. Cub reporter Keyli asked what the hardest responsibility was and she said keeping the little ones from disobeying rules. The worst behavior she's seen so far is fighting (punching, kicking etc.) She ended up driving the route she is on because that was the only available route. Her opinion is that she will stay on the same route unless they force her to switch. In total there are supposed to be 20 stops on her bus, but in total there are 16 stops. She gets ready around 6:50, leaves at 7:15 and the first person is picked up at 7:40. In total kids there are 40 that are supposed to be on but some of the older kids have their license so they just drive themselves in. The first person she has to pick up is Bronson Much. Mrs. Enns is a great bus driver because she picks kids up on time and she helps solve problems if the older kids can't. Thanks Mrs. Enns!



Easter Traditions

By Celine C.

Have you ever wondered how people around the world celebrate Easter?

In Florence, Italy, people celebrate a year old tradition called Scoppio del Carro or Explosion of the Cart. A fancy cart is filled with fireworks and goes through the streets of the city pulled by people in colorful costumes.

In Scandinavia, people dress up as witches and ghosts and go to people's houses to get chocolate eggs!

In the Philippines, people celebrate holy week. During holy week, it is a time where you take lots of time in your week to pray and thank God. In the early part of holy week everyone goes to church or watches special services on T.V.

In Brazil, there is a tradition of making straw dolls to represent Judas, who was the apostle who betrayed Christ. After they hang the dolls in the streets and beat them.

In the Ukraine, Easter baskets are prepared. They have delicious food items like bread, meat, eggs, and sausages.

In Canada, kids go on a hunt for Easter Eggs left by the Easter bunny!

What was the most surprising tradition you learned about?





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Boom Boom Bang Bang

By Sarah T. and Lena S.

H.M.K. was privileged to have Jay Stoller come to teach the kids in the school rocking rhythms and African drumming! During our interview we asked Jay why he decided to be a drummer. He answered, "I love how drums make you want to get up and dance and all the interesting rhythms and sounds of the drums are cool!" Jay also told us that he has done drumming classes with schools all over Manitoba, because he wanted to teach the students about drums and Africa! Another thing we learned was he got all his Djembe drums from Africa! Before H.M.K. kids started their drumming they got to look at Jay's pictures from his time in Africa. He explained what all of them were and everyone learned something cool about Ghana and some other places in Africa! We would like to thank Jay for the awesome and amazing drumming experience we had!



William Shakespeare

Keyli F. and Scarlett F.

Some plays William Shakespeare created were Hamlet in 2005, Macbeth in 1623, Othello in 2000, The Tempest in 1623, Julius Caesar 1623, Romeo and Juliet in 1597, A Midsummer Night's Dream in 1600, King Lear in 1608, Twelfth Night in 1623, The Merchant of Venice in 1600, Richard III in 1597, Much Ado of Nothing in 1600, King John in 1623, Timmons of Athens in 1623, Henry IV in 1600, The Two Noble Kinsmen in 1634, and Venice and Adonis. William Shakespeare was born in Stratford-upon-Avon, April 23, 1564 and died in Stratford-upon-Avon on April 23, 1616. His parents were John and Mary Shakespeare. In 1582 William married Anne Hathaway when he was 18 and she was 26! He also had 7 siblings, died 1607. Did you know William Shakespeare had children? The first child is Susannah, born in 1583, Hamnet and Judith (twins), born in 1585. His first published play was *Henry VI, part two* which appeared in 1594 total number of plays were 37. Today many Canadian students still study the great works of Shakespeare!





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Earth Day at HMK

By Celine C. and Sheen C.

Save the Earth- Earth Day at H.M.K.

Did you know that Earth Day started because of an oil spill in the ocean? Earth day started on April 22, 1970. On Jan. 28, 1969 there was a very disastrous oil spill. Over 3 million gallons of oil were spilled into the ocean. It killed over 10 000 dolphins, seabirds and sea lions. Every piece of garbage you throw on the ground could end up in a whale's stomach! Earth Day is about helping the Earth by picking up garbage and saving water, but Earth Day should really be celebrated every day! There are many bad things that happen to Earth, mainly because of us. Some of these things are air pollution, water pollution, garbage everywhere, oil spills, air pollution, water pollution, wasting water and light pollution. There are a lot of bad things happening to Earth that will take a long time to fix but as long as you respect the environment, everything will start to be alright. If you don't help the Earth, who will? Every grade at H.M.K. celebrated Earth Day by doing some amazing artwork and talking about what they could do to help the environment. Here are some ideas they had from each grade:

Grade 5: Reduce, reuse and recycle

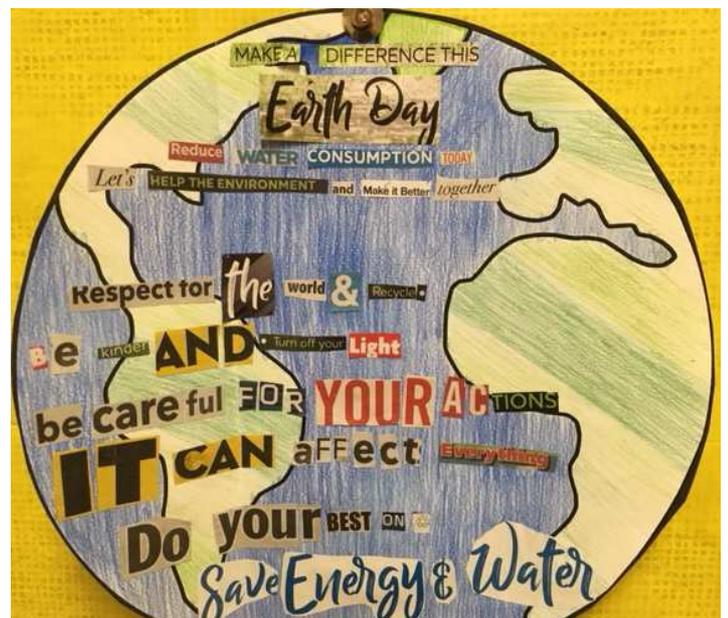
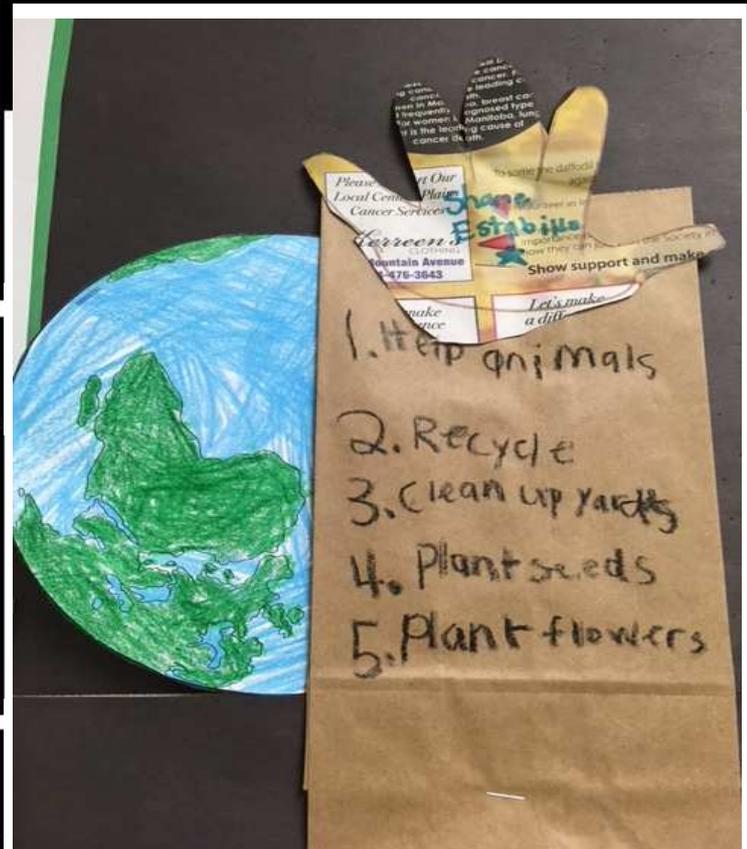
Grade 4: Pick up garbage and compost

Grade 3: Make the ground nice and clean and don't drive your cars everywhere when you can walk

Grade 2: Pick up the garbage that you see lying on the ground

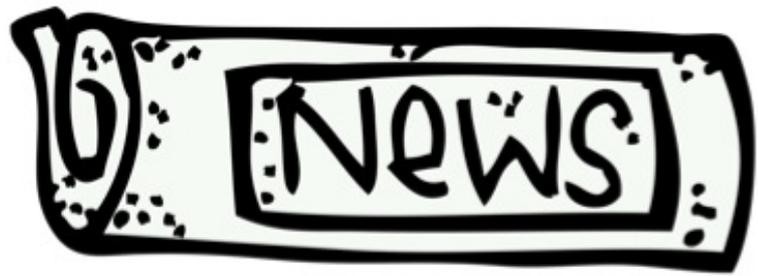
Grade 1: Recycle everything that you can and make sure your recycling is cleaned properly

Kindergarten: Plant trees



Art by HMK students

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Community Connections

The Incredible History of Country Meadows

By Paige J. Laurice L. and Frances T.

Country Meadows was built as a place where the elderly in our community could live. It was built from 2007-2009. Country Meadows is run by Prairie Mountain Health. It is a public place where anyone can visit. It got its name from a naming contest and the most votes went to the name Country Meadows. The residents who live there do a lot of special activities such as bible studies and bingo. They also recently started a Walking Club, where the residents walk around set up pylons and people who can't really walk will get help from the nurses. The most touching comment we heard from the residents is, "We like having the grade fives come over here and spend time with us!" We, the grade fives love to spend time with the elderly. We do many activities with them such as knitting, playing cards and cooking. Feel welcome to visit Country Meadows anytime!



Musician of the Month

By Cianna L. and James N.

The two musicians of the month for April are Bailey P. and Emerie. Bailey is a grade five student. Her teacher is Mr. Joye. She said her favorite thing in music is to sing! Her favorite instrument is the flute. Emerie is a kindergarten student. Her teacher is Mrs. Byram. Her favorite thing to do in music is to play the instruments. Her favorite instrument of all is the drum! Congratulations to our two H.M.K. musicians!



Headline NEWS

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Community Spotlight

By Ida H. and Macey K.

Do you have a pet who is sick or needs their rabies needles? Then go to the Neepawa Vet Clinic located west 135 on Main Street in Neepawa, Manitoba. When we first entered, we saw a lovely gray cat sitting by the front door to welcome us. We could hear the sounds of dogs barking and smell the scent of wet dog. To find out more about this exciting place we interviewed veterinarian Dr. Liz Ostendorf. We found out that she decided to be a veterinarian because she loved animals. She spent four years in university and four years in Vet school which makes a total of 8 years in school! Dr. Liz likes being a vet because each animal problem is like a mystery and she likes to solve it! During the day, Dr. Liz checks over animals and gives them medicines. She does basic surgery, health exams and when someone has to go on a vacation, she even takes care of their animals for them. Did you know that the vet clinic does dentistry? Can you imagine a toothbrush for a horse or a cow? We were wondering what the weirdest animal she had ever treated was and Dr. Liz answered a Sugarglider! A sugarglider is like a squirrel and a hamster mixed together but it has wings connected to its four paws! Dr. Liz loves to have goats come to the clinic because she loves the personality that goats have! The other doctor who works at the clinic is Dr. Rhian Beever. The vet clinic is open Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Saturdays it is open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. So next time your special pet is painfully wounded, dreadfully sick or has horrible breath for some unknown reason, go to the Neepawa Vet Clinic and get them the best care they deserve!

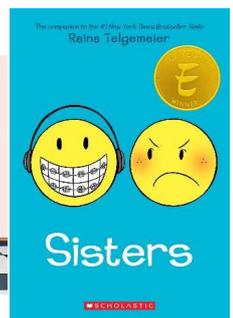
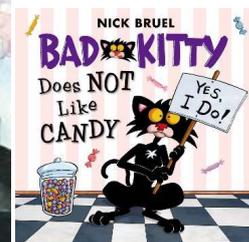
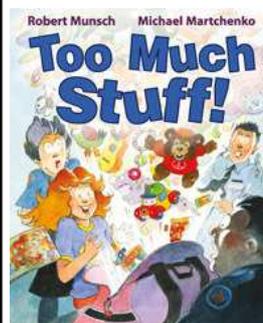


Reporters Ida and Macey met with Dr. Liz Ostendorf of the Neepawa Vet Clinic. Read the story to the left to find out more!

Recommended Reads

By Keyli F. and Scarlett F.

One book we recommend for younger readers is Too Much Stuff! We recommended this book for little kids because it is a funny book that most kids enjoy and it teaches kids to be more organized. Our second book that you should read are Bad Kitty and Sisters. Sisters is by Raina Telgemeier. Bad Kitty is by Nick Bruel. Sisters is a book that teaches siblings the consequences about not being nice to each other. Bad Kitty is a very funny book about a very grumpy kitty. If you want to read one of these books, drop by the H.M.K. library!





NEWS YOU CAN USE!



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Ask HMK Cub

Dear H.M.K. Cub,
I can't find anyone to play with at recess? What should I do?

Feeling lonely in grade two

Dear Feeling Lonely,
First of all, don't worry. Probably everyone feels that way at some time. Here's a few things you can try. First of all, try to go up to a game and start playing. Nobody should ever make you feel like you can't join in. Another thing you can try is sitting on H.M.K.'s buddy benches. These are benches with cool artwork on them. If someone sees you sitting there, they are supposed to come up and find something to play with you. You could even talk to the teachers on duty. Maybe they can help you join in a game.

Dear H.M.K. Cub,
I'm worried about being teased about my clothes because my family doesn't get to the stores very much to buy new clothes. What can I do if someone teases me?

Fashion stressed in grade five

Dear Fashion Stressed,
Don't worry if your clothes are not new or the latest styles. Lots of kids wear second hand clothes which are usually just clothes someone has grown out of. As long as your clothes are clean (don't smell), you are dressed perfectly! If someone teases you about how you're dressed, make sure you tell your teacher. Be proud of who you are inside. That's what matters the most anyway!



Curious Cub

Atlantis: The Lost City

By Breanna V.

Have you ever heard of the lost city of Atlantis? Some people think that its fake but others think differently. Legend tells that the city was on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean many years before it sank. According to Michael Hubner, Atlantis was located in southwest Morocco. One of the famous writers who wrote about Atlantis is Plato. Plato wrote that people who lived there were half god and half human. When the people became greedy and selfish, the Gods sent fires from volcanos and earth quakes which caused Atlantis to drop into the sea! What do you believe?

Bus Safety

By Will C.

I know you probably know about bus safety but here are some important reminders. Always sit in the seat and put your backpack on the floor. Also, never distract the bus driver! Make sure you face forward at all times. You also need to know how to get out if for any reason an electrical wire is touching the bus! Walk to the door and down the stairs, jump off the bus and shuffle away. If the bus has had an accident and has fallen sideways, there will be a hatch on the roof. Pull the red lever and it will open the hatch. Once it is open, jump out! There's also a back door in case the front door is blocked. There is an axe at the front of the bus that you can use to break the front window. One time a bus got stuck in the mud and another time a bus had to stop suddenly for a little kid who crossed the street and didn't look. Make sure you don't do anything to cause an accident or you'll be in the front seat! You may think a bus crash will never happen to you, but it can happen so ride your bus responsibly!





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A Midsummer Night's Dream

Keyli F. Breanna V. Scarlett F.

Shakespeare is coming to Neepawa! Starting May 16 to May 19 Mr. Chapman's N.A.C.I. Drama class is presenting 'A Midsummer's Night's Dream' at Mr. and Mrs. McPhee's beautiful farm garden. Cub reporters Breanna V. and Scarlett F. were lucky enough to speak to the directors of the production, Mr. Chapman and Mrs. Bailey. After an excellent discussion they found out a lot about the play and how the idea came to be. Every two years the N.A.C.I. drama club puts on a big musical at the Roxy and the teachers thought it would be a good idea to try something new in the year that there was no musical. They are really excited about the play because everybody has a fun part to play and there are lots of jokes! Seeing a student become a character and rise to the challenge is something that all drama teachers love. Everyone is hoping the weather will be good the evenings that the play is on. Even though they are performing a Midsummer's Night Dream, Mr. Chapman and Mrs. Bailey have other favorite plays like MacBeth and Shakespeare. Their biggest hopes for this play is that they have full audiences and that the students finish and feel really good about themselves and the good job they did. They responded that this was a very special opportunity to be able to perform in Mr., and Mrs. McPhee's farm and they are very thankful for that. All in all, it took them about three months to practice for this play. After speaking to the teachers, cub reporters Breanna and Scarlett, were able to talk to some of the student actors and actresses: Dasha, Logan, Graeme, and Bhea. They were curious about the reason the students chose to be part of the production. The students answered that they thought it would be fun and a positive experience and that they liked to try new things. Dasha plays the Fairy Queen, Titania and Graeme plays Bottom. Logan plays Lysander and Bhea plays another special fairy. The students are excited to perform at the McPhee's garden because it is different than the Roxy Theatre where they usually perform. They are especially looking forward to seeing the audience's reaction! The students mentioned that when they act, they love to get to be someone else and that it is a fun, creative challenge! If you are interested in drama, make sure you take in this amazing show!

NACI Drama presents...
a Bard in the Garden production of
William Shakespeare's
A Midsummer Night's Dream

Location	Performances	Tickets
Joe & Glenda McPhee's Garden View Farm {directions provided with purchase of ticket}	May 16 7:00 pm	\$15.00 at Artsforward beginning April 21 at 1:00 pm
	May 17 7:00 pm	
	May 18 7:00 pm	
	May 19 3:00 pm	
	May 19 7:00 pm	

Jokes and Riddles

A Pinch of Laughs and Giggles

By Allison B.

- Q: Why did the golfer wear 2 pairs of pants?
A: In case he got a hole in 1.
- Q: What's a tornado's favorite game to play?
A: Twister
- Q: How does a scientist freshen her breath?
A: With experi-mints
- Q: How are false teeth like stars?
A: They come out at night
- Q: What did the nose say to the finger?
A: Quit picking on me
- Q: Why do bees have sticky hair?
A: Because they use a honey comb
- Q: Why was the picture sent to jail?
A: Because it was framed
- Q: Why do ducks make great detectives?
A: They always quack the case
- Q: Why aren't dogs good dancers?
A: They have two left feet



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All About...

Mrs. Mann

By Makenna S. and Ryanne K.

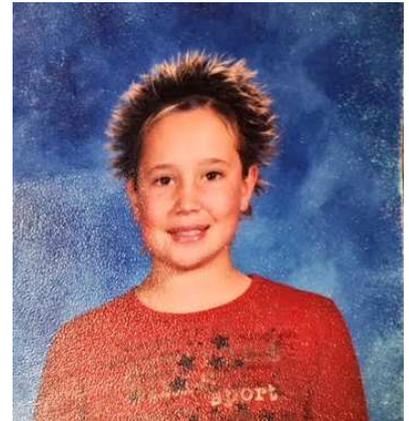
Her name is... Lisa Mann. She grew up on a farm west of Eden. She has been married for over 16 years and she has 2 kids. Tanner is her son and he is almost 17 years old. Her daughter, Rylee will be 15 in November. Working at HMK has been her job for 2 years and her favorite part about it is that she loves helping kids. Her first job was at Tomboy which is now Shop Easy. Blue is her favorite color and summer is her favorite season. Seafood like shrimp or lobster is something that she loves to eat. Going to Alberta was a fun trip that she went on with her family! In Alberta they went to Drumheller, Calgary and Waterton. Yahtzee is a game she likes to play and she enjoys to relax in her spare time. Going for a walk is another thing she will do if it's a nice day. Did you know that Mrs. Byram has been her friend since kindergarten?! H.M.K is so lucky to have Mrs. Mann here helping kids!



Guess the Cub

By Ella K. and Allison B.

This cub was a grade five student in 2001-2002. Her favorite subject is music and science. In her spare time, she likes to hike and camp. Can you guess who it is?



Trending Tunes

By Mico C. and Chloe E

Do you know what the most popular songs for H.M.K. students are?

Grade 5: "Roles"

Grade 4: "Thousand Years"

Grade 3: "Can't Stop the Feeling"

Grade 2: "How Far I'll Go"

Grade 1: "Thunder"

Kindergarten: "Havana"

The most trending song overall was....'Havana'!

