



T.D. Michel Public School Newsletter

Principal's Message

Welcome to the 2015-2016 school year! I hope you had a great summer and are ready to return to the business of learning. Our dedicated staff has been working hard to prepare for another amazing school year.

I am thrilled at the opportunity to work together with you to help our students not only reach, but exceed their educational goals. As principal, I ensure commitment to students and families, a love of learning, and the ability to solve problems.

Our school is now involved in the Dream Catcher Project which is a program helped to support and foster our goals. The staff is excited to work with students on reaching our goal of increasing our reading levels and comprehension. I invite all parents and family members of students to help support our goal by making reading a priority at home. Please pop in and meet our new and seasoned staff! We welcome and invite your presence.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at school (306)469-2128.

Kari Korczak
Principal
TDM Public School
(306) 469-2128

Nutrition Policy

T.D. Michel does not sell or serve pop and only occasionally, uses sugary treats for rewards or parties. Our staff is also expected to model that during the day. Students who go home for lunch will not return to school with treats like slushes, ice cream, etc. Permission will not be granted to leave the school grounds to buy treats. Also, please be mindful of the amount of treats you pack in your child's lunch.

<https://td.srsd119.ca>
Phone: (306) 469-2128

September 2015

Important Dates:

- **October 9th**
PLC Day
No Classes
- **October 12th**
Thanksgiving Day
No Classes
- **October 26th**
Picture Day



Daily Schedule

First Bell	8:40
Second Bell	8:45
Classes	8:45
Recess	10:45
Classes	11:00
Lunch Break	12:00
Classes	12:45
Dismissal	3:15

The Dream Catcher Program

What is it?

The DC program is a project put into place by SRPSD to help support the achievement of division and school goals.
TD Michel's School Goal:

By June 2016, 100% of TD Michel students will be reading grade level texts with good understanding OR achieving their individual reading goal (for struggling readers).

Who is involved?

Leadership Team: Coach- Miss Banks and Administrator- Mrs. Korczak

Responsibilities:

Support staff in meeting goals by offering resources, problem solving, etc.
Create and track data for staff and students.

Sticky Team: Mrs. Clowes and Mrs. Pfunder

Responsibilities:

Engage staff, community, and students in school goal and celebrate achievements.

TD Michel Staff, Students, and Community Members

Responsibilities:

Teach, support, and encourage each other in reading!

What will it look like?

In an effort to support our school goal, TD Michel will once again be implementing Flexible Guided Reading Groups. Every other day, students will be given focused reading instruction. More importantly, students will be put into groups based on their ability, allowing teachers to focus on specific reading strategies and instruction to increase student engagement and success!

Influenza Clinics

Influenza vaccination is recommended for all individuals over 6 months of age each fall.

People at greatest risk include preschoolers, pregnant women, individuals with a chronic health condition, people with severe obesity, residents of long-term care facilities and persons over 65 years of age. People who are in contact with any of these groups of people are encouraged to get immunized to protect those at high risk.

This year Flu Clinics will be held at the Big River Public Health Office on the following dates:

October 19, 2015: 09-12 noon and 1-4 pm

October 30, 2015: 1-6 pm

November 16, 2015: 1-6 pm

Please note: The Flumist vaccine (nasal spray) will not be available until the November clinic. It is the recommended vaccine for 2-17 year old children. Parents of preschoolers can also book their children into a Baby clinic by phoning Public Health at 306-469-2505.

Staff List

Mrs. Kari Korczak	Principal, Ed. Support Teacher
Ms. Cara Chester (Days 2, 4, and 6)	Pre-Kindergarten
Ms. Cara Chester (Days 1, 3, and 5)	Kindergarten
Ms. Jessie Banks	Grade 1
Mrs. Meada Wilson/Mrs. Elsie Hartnett (upon return from maternity leave)	Grade 2
Ms. Janell Dunn	Grade 3, Social Studies (4-6)
Miss Chelsea Clowes	Grade 3, Ed. Support Teacher
Mrs. Claudia Pfunder	Grade 4
Ms. Emily Willoughby	Grade 5
Mr. Kirk Pilon	Grade 6
Ms. Kim Delisle	Phys. Ed (K-3)
Mrs. Bonnie Lueken	Educational Associate
Mrs. Ida Allen	Educational Associate
Mrs. Pat Porter	Educational Associate (Pre-K)
Mrs. Lori Hrynkiw	Librarian
Miss Kendra Price	Secretary
Mrs. Sherry Malm	Caretaker
Mrs. Nadine Peterson	School Outreach Worker

Attendance

Regular Attendance is necessary if the student hopes to get the best results in his/her schoolwork. If your child is going to be absent from school or will be late, please notify the school.

Phone: (306) 469-2128

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Please remember that our school is a 'Nut Alert' school. We have students that are extremely allergic to nut products, therefore, nut products of any kind are not allowed in the school. We are also a "scent free" school (perfumes, smelly markers, etc.).



New Staff at T.D. Michel

Kirk Pilon



Hi, my name is Kirk Pilon. I am originally from Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. This is my first year teaching and am very excited for this school year!

Kendra Price



Hello everyone! My name is Kendra Price and I have the pleasure of covering the secretary position for the 2015-2016 school year while Christy Reed is on maternity leave. I have lived in Saskatoon for the past three years where I obtained my Business Administration Diploma and gained experience working in an office environment. I am absolutely thrilled to have returned to my hometown that I grew up in and to be working in the school that I attended as a kid. Working with some of my past teachers is a very exciting experience for me and I can't wait to get to know all of the new staff. Some fun facts about myself are that I love to travel, play volleyball, and try new crazy adventures—like sky diving and parasailing to name a couple! Hope to see everyone at the school at some point this year and feel free to come introduce yourself if we haven't met yet!

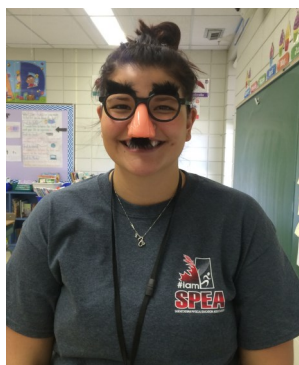
Emily Willoughby



Hi there! My name is Emily Willoughby and I am the grade 5 teacher here at T.D Michel Public School. I was born and raised in Shellbrook and was the youngest of three siblings. After graduating from W.P Sandin High School, I moved to Saskatoon where I completed my post-secondary education at the University of Saskatchewan. I graduated with my Bachelors of Education this past spring. I moved to Big River in the fall of 2014 while I was completing my internship at Debden School. I was also able to volunteer a little bit at TD in the spring of 2015 while finishing up my classes for my degree. I was fortunate enough to get a temporary contract in May here at T.D Michel in the grade 6 classroom. This opportunity allowed me to get to know the staff, students and family members of T.D. I was thrilled when I was offered the job to, once again, teach at the school for the 2015-2016 school year in my very "first" classroom. I am glad to be a part of such a great staff that we have. The excitement that has been going on the school is contagious and I cannot wait to see what this year brings. Please feel free to stop by and introduce yourself. I would eventually love to have volunteers come and read with my students from time to time, so if you haven't dropped off a volunteer form at the school, you can stop by the office to pick one up! My goal is to make my classroom an environment where students feel comfortable, safe and can be themselves, and I believe with the help from family and community members I will be able to learn more about the culture and lives of the students to make this possible.

New Staff at T.D. Michel continued..

Kim Delisle



Hello parents and students!

My name is Ms. Delisle and I am a new staff member at TDMPHS and BRPHS. I am a teacher at both schools and I teach a variety of classes such as phys. Ed, social studies, science, and guided reading from K-8. I am happy to be back home in my home community where I grew up and begin my first year teaching here. I have seen many of my own retired teachers and locals who are very happy to see me back here teaching in our beautiful community. Some fun facts about me is that I love to play volleyball, watch hockey and football, and read the latest trending book. I am excited for this school year and I look forward to meeting some familiar faces and new families as the school year continues on! ☺

Chelsea Clowes



My name is Miss Clowes and I am teaching grade three language arts and math in the morning and I am the EST in the afternoon. I am from Thunder Bay, Ontario and I have been teaching here in Saskatchewan for four years. I am really excited to be a part of the T.D. Michel Staff this year and look forward to meeting all my students' parents. I really enjoy reading books on my spare time and I hope to inspire that love of reading in all my students this year.

Our first homework assignment was on our 3 favourite books that have influenced our love of reading. The students that handed in the assignment did an amazing job. Here are just two of the assignments done by Piper Lindskog and Lily Arcand.



This month has flown by. I cannot believe we are almost at the end of September. The students are just finishing up their unit on patterns in math and are continuing to work on our reading comprehension skills and strategies in language arts; this month's focus was on making connections in texts. Our next math unit will be numbers to 1000 and addition and subtraction, and our language arts focus will be writing personal narratives. I hope the students are having as much fun as I am! Keep reading at home with your children.

Food & Drink Sales

We are pleased to offer the option of ordering **Subway** to our students this year.

Subs will only be ordered on designated days as listed on the order form (usually Fridays).

We have the following options available for ordering:

- **3" Combo - \$4** - includes 3" sub, apple slices, & juice box
 - o Ham & Cheese
 - o Pizza Sub
 - o Turkey & Cheese
- **6" Combo - \$5** - includes 6" sub & juice box
 - o Ham & Cheese
 - o Pizza Sub
 - o Turkey & Cheese

The subs will not be ordered with vegetables (lettuce, tomatoes, etc.), if you would like your child to have these, please pack them in their lunch.

TDM-Subway Combo Cards are available for purchase at the school office or the classroom teacher. The cards will be kept by the classroom teacher.

3" Combo Card—\$20
Includes: Five 3" subs,
apple slices, & juice box

6" Combo Card—\$20
Includes: Four 6" subs
and juice box

We ask that all subs be **pre-ordered and pre-paid** (or use combo card) on the forms sent home. We will be pre-ordering and will not be able to accommodate late orders.

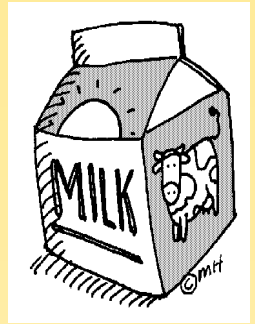
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school.

Teddy Anderson

Dear Mr. Anderson

Your presentation was the best thing that we have ever seen at this school. We really liked your hoop dancing, the stories that you told us and your flute playing. We learned how to hoop dance because most of our class was dancing with you. We also learned about the medicine wheel, the importance of circles and that we all have a responsibility. We "hoop" that you come again really soon. Thank you!

TD Michel Grade 6 class.



MILK SALES

Milk is sold daily for \$1.

Milk cards may be purchased from the office for \$5 or \$10. The cards have a place for the students name to be written and are kept either by the student or the classroom teacher.



BE ALLERGEN AWARE

FOOD ALLERGIES ARE SERIOUS AND CAN BE LIFE-THREATENING

REDUCE THE RISK



Wash hands and tables.

Don't share food or drinks.



Don't bring certain foods when asked.

HOW TO WASH YOUR HANDS



1 WET YOUR HANDS



2 APPLY SOAP



3 RUB HANDS TOGETHER



4 RINSE YOUR HANDS



5 DRY YOUR HANDS



6 TURN OFF TAP WITH PAPER TOWEL

LEAVE THE WASHROOM NEAT AND TIDY



Be Allergen Aware

Some food allergies can be life threatening.

Even if your own child does not have a food allergy, take time to teach your child some simple rules for when they are at school. This will help keep all children safe!

Simple rules to teach your child for school:

Eating or breathing in:

- Don't share food. Only eat the food that is made for you!
- Don't share things that can have any food or drinks on them such as utensils, cups, bottles, or straws.



Touching things:

- Wash your hands before eating or after touching your nose, eyes or mouth.
- Make sure you wash your hands long enough; sing a song that lasts about 30 seconds.



A quick snack idea that even your child can make for school:

Banana Tortilla Spirals

- 1 whole wheat tortilla
- 2 tbsp soy nut butter
- sunflower seeds, shelled raisins
- 1 banana, peeled

- Spread the soy nut butter on the tortilla.
- Sprinkle sunflower seeds and raisins over the nut butter.
- Place the banana on one edge of the tortilla.
- Roll up the banana tucking in the ends.
- Saran wrap and refrigerate for 30 minutes before slicing into bite size pieces. Yum!



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October 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Day 4	2 Day 5—K	3
4	5 Day 6	6 Day 1—K	7 Day 2	8 Day 3—K	9 PLC DAY No Classes	10
11	12 THANKSGIVING DAY No Classes	13 Day 4	14 Day 5—K	15 Day 6	16 Day 1—K	17
18	19 Day 2	20 Day 3—K	21 Day 4	22 Day 5—K	23 Day 6	24
25	26 Day 1—K PICTURE DAY	27 Day 2	28 Day 3—K	29 Day 4	30 Day 5—K HALLOWEEN DANCE 6:00-8:00 P.M.	31 HALLOWEEN