



April NEWSLETTER

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Maria Manzano, Principal



Dear Prairie Rose Families,

Welcome back and hello Spring!

As we spring into the last three months together, we look forward to the different learning opportunities, activities, and celebrations ahead.

We are encouraging everyone to wear **pink** on April 9th as our division recognizes this day to take a stand against bullying. We pledge to make Prairie Rose School a safe place to learn and a safe place of community and belonging. We thank you for your support as we work to keep Prairie Rose a safe and trusting place to learn and grow.

Preparation for this year's Talent Show is underway. Letters will go home this month for students to audition for a spot on the show! Read more about it on page 3.

April 22nd is Earth Day and we will be helping keep our earth clean by going around our community to do a little bit of a community clean up-green up during this week. Learn more about Earth Day by visiting earthday.org and its collective action this year.

We recently created an instagram account where you can see pictures of all the wonderful learning experiences and events that has taken place at Prairie Rose and our division. Follow us at [@prairierose_school](https://www.instagram.com/prairierose_school) to keep you informed.

Lastly, thank you for supporting PACs chocolate fundraiser! Several cases has been sold all thanks to your child(ren)'s dedication to sell as many as they could. Deadline to submit collections is April 14th. All funds collected will go towards new Prairie Rose t-shirts and jerseys!

Yours in education,
Mrs. Manzano



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- Wednesday, April 16
 - Picture Day - Spring Photos
- Friday, April 18
 - Good Friday - NO SCHOOL
- Thursday, April 24
 - Pizza Lunch - PAC fundraiser

CONTACT

Safe Arrival - 1-855-278-4513 | go.schoolmessenger.ca
Transportation - 204-586-8800 | 204-789-0452



GOT TALENT?

...audition!

Lights! Camera! Action!

Prairie Rose School it is time to get ready for the Talent Show. This year's show will take place on June 13th starting at 2:00 in the gym.

Please encourage your children to come out and audition on May 13th. If your child would rather participate virtually you can record your talent at home and submit your video via Seesaw.

We are looking for all kinds of talents: dance, magic, juggling, playing an instrument, whatever unique talent you have to offer us! We will be handing out permission forms to any students who are interested right after Spring Break. Students must come prepared to auditions with a rehearsed 2 minute talent to share. All auditions will take place in the music room during the lunch hour (students who go home for lunch will need a bagged lunch for this day). If able please provide music for the audition on a CD or USB stick. Mandatory rehearsals will continue through May/June during lunch recess (12:30 pm, students who go home for lunch will need to be back by this time), students must be present for all rehearsals or they will not be in the show. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone's talents!

If you have any questions please email me at: mhigham@wsd1.org.





CLASSROOM NEWS...

NURSERY, KINDERGARTEN - ROOM 113 | MS. D

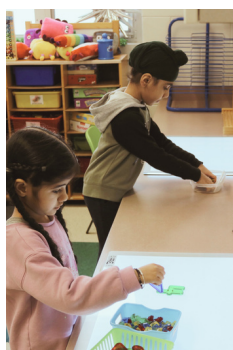
Welcome back! I would like to start by thanking all of the Parents and/or Caregivers who came out to support and celebrate the Nursery / Kindergarten students during Student-Led Conferences. It was wonderful to see the excitement of the children, as they shared their learning success and discoveries with all of you!

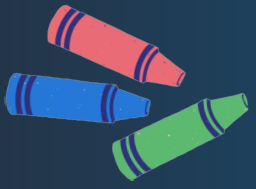
We, as a class, also want to thank our families for participating in the PAC Chocolate Fundraiser. It has turned out to be a great success! Thank-you again for all of your support so far and we still have a few days left, so please try to sell, sell, sell!

March ended with a great deal of excitement as we completed our St. Patrick's Day activities, which included Leprechaun Trap designs, practicing our Colour Mixing skills in our Art projects, collecting and counting our chocolate gold coins (the sneaky Leprechaun left for us), and enjoying some Lucky Charms during our Pajama Day Breakfast! We also began focusing on Trees again, as we welcomed the first day of Spring!

This month, we are going to continue our explorations of Spring and Colours, as we learn about "eating the rainbow" of healthy foods and expand our letter and number knowledge with fun Easter themed learning activities, games, art projects and special hand-made treats!! In addition, we are going to plant seeds to grow our own food and talk about other things we can do to help ourselves and our planet, to be healthy and feel good, in honour of Earth Day on April 21st.

*Mark your calendars – our annual Nursery / Kindergarten Year-End Celebration will be held at 9:45 am in the school gym on FRIDAY, JUNE 20th, 2025! We look forward to seeing all of you there!

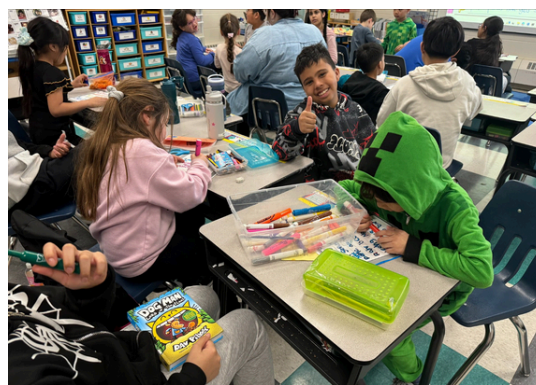




CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 1, 2 - ROOM 208 | MS. CELESTINO

Season has changed and Spring is here! In Room 208, we celebrated the first day of spring by writing some things we enjoy about spring. We did an acrostic poem about spring and it is posted near the library with our 208's lovely spring flowers. The next time you come by our classroom, please check it out. In ELA, we are glad that our class improved with not just our reading but also our writing! Math has been engaging and students have been having fun with their math games and staying focused all throughout the class. In Social Studies, we are learning about a different Canadian community. We are learning about the Community of Prince Edward Island. In Science, we are learning how to conserve water better. It will be a great new month and we continue to make sure everyone is heard, respected and having a fun learning experience.



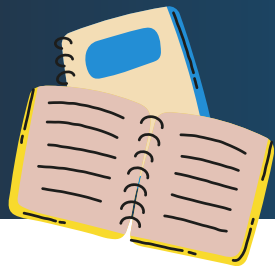


CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 1, 2 - ROOM 209 | MS. TURNER

Spring is finally here! I think that we are all ready for the warm weather and sunny days! The month of March was extremely busy with getting ready for Student Led Conferences and finishing off the month with Spirit Week. In mathematics, we continued with practicing skip counting, identifying odd and even numbers and learning about standard and non-standard form. We have incorporated many different math games/centres into our daily schedule to make learning fun and engaging! In ELA, we spent many weeks working on the writing process to create fictional stories and they all turned out great! We will continue working with our guided reading groups during Daily 5 and practice our spelling using different literacy programs to further our knowledge and understanding! This past month in Science and Social Studies, we have combined our learning to create a diorama of a Canadian animal in their habitat based on our research. We first looked through different non-fiction books that gave us a lot of information about different animals. After choosing an animal that we wanted to learn about, we began the research process by looking through the book and taking notes in our own words! We learnt about the different types of habitats that animals live in and if they are a carnivore, herbivore, or omnivore. We had lots of fun creating the dioramas and were very excited to showcase them at Student Led!





CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 3, 4 - ROOM 212 | MS. DENISE

March has been a super busy month in Room 212! We finally finished our BFG novel study and created a GINORMOUS collage to celebrate the ending of the book and pick out key points in the story. We have been busy building our knowledge about Canada's North and the students in 212 were able to share a PowerPoint presentation with their parents/guardians during the student led conferences. Room 212 had a couple of special guest visitors our school and talk about their farming practices and what kind of food is grown in Manitoba. We learnt a lot! Our room was lucky enough to be chosen to watch the Stanley Cup bound Winnipeg Jets practice at Canada Life Centre. We had blast!

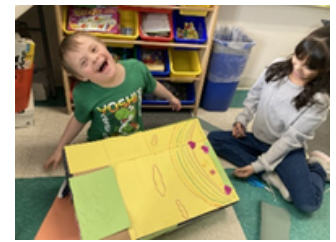




CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 3, 4 - ROOM 214 | MRS. SIMONS

Spring is here! We are so ready to embrace the warmer temperatures! It was wonderful to chat with families during our Student-Leds. It was amazing to see how proud students were to share and celebrate their learning with you! We had a great month of learning in March. We did a lot of fun things like science experiments, build our own toys or games, go to the Winnipeg Jets practice, have a presentation from Agriculture in the Classroom, build our own musical instruments, build Leprechaun traps and dress-up for Spirit week! In March, we wrapped up our learning about sound in Science, our Canada's North learning in Social Studies and finished our class novel, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. In April, we have new topics to look forward to. In Math, we will work on multiplication, continue with fact fluency and problem solving. In Science we will begin learning about light and in Social Studies we are excited to start learning about an ancient society! We will begin our next class novel by Roald Dahl, as well. I hope you all had a great spring break!



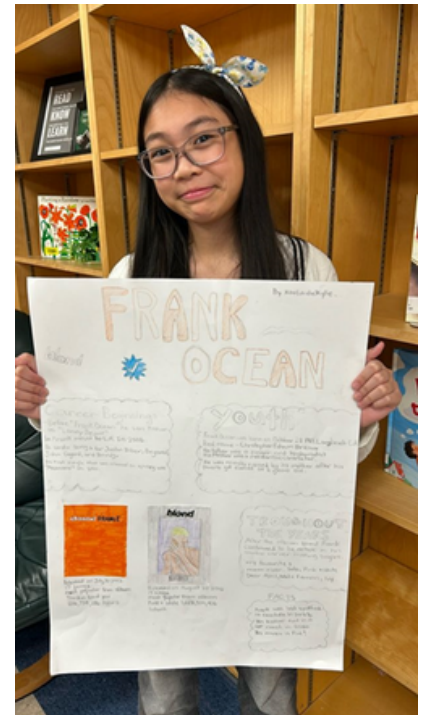


CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 5, 6 - ROOM 211 | MR. TOSZAK

We hope everyone is having a great month and enjoying the warmer weather. It has been very busy as we worked hard before the spring break. In science, we finished our unit on electricity and have now started to learn about the Human Body. We finished learning about the World Wars and read a book called “Number the Stars” which gave us a closer look at one family’s experience during the German occupation of Denmark. In math, we have been learning about data collection and how to create graphs to display information accurately. We have been focusing on bar graphs to start this unit. However, the most exciting thing is that Ms. Collins has started teaching full time again in room 211. It will be exciting to hear about all the exciting things that she will teach us during the month of April.

I hope everyone continues to have a great year!



CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 5, 6 - ROOM 215 | MR. FORBISTER

Welcome back! I hope that everybody had a relaxing Spring Break.
We had a busy month in Room 215!

We received the opportunity this month to go to the Freeze Frame film festival. We got to watch some international films from France and Japan and got to create our own wounds in a movie makeup workshop. It was a lot of fun!
We finished our novel *The City of Ember*. It's important to take care of our resources and find a way to make the world better, just like the main characters of the book. It had a really exciting ending!

Finally, we started looking at our lives as it relates to the treaties of Canada. We looked at a map of Manitoba that was divided into the numbered treaties and looked at our own identities as Treaty People.
It was very interesting to look at the province this way!

Let's continue and have a great April!





CLASSROOM NEWS...



PHYSICAL EDUCATION | MS. MCFADYEN



I hope families had a restful and fun spring break. During the month of March we finished up our badminton unit and started our basketball unit. We had 2 vs. 2 and 3 vs. 3 badminton tournaments during class and lunch intramurals. In basketball we played a variety of shooting and dribbling games to develop skills. Students in grades 3-6 learned the rules of basketball and participated in full game scrimmages in class and during intramurals.

Fit Run will be scheduled for early June. Students in grades 4-6 are invited to participate in the 2km run. Lunch time practices will be starting mid-April (weather permitting) to prepare for the race. Permission slips will be sent home for all those wishing to participate.



MUSIC | MRS. HIGHAM

Welcome April and warmer spring temperatures. This month our featured composer is **Lin Manuel-Miranda** who you may know for his compositions for the movies like Moana and Encanto. The students in rooms 208 and 209 are working on the song *Spring is Here* (to the tune of Are You Sleeping?) to reinforce our new rhythm ta-ah we are also learning a new note Fa to add onto the ones we already know: Do, Re, Mi, So, and La. The students in rooms 212 and 214 are continuing their recorder songs with the notes BAGED. They are also starting off the month with Easter rhythms that have an emphasis on ti-tika and tika-ti. Rooms 211 and 215 are starting a new unit on world music that we discover music from different countries in the world as well as instruments that are specific to that country (Brazil, China, India, Philippines, Jamaica, Mexico, South Africa, and Canada). They are also continuing to work on their keyboard programming with the addition of *Twinkle Twinkle Little Star* and *The Muffin Man*. Looking forward we will be starting talent show auditions and practices you will find more information on page 3 of this newsletter.



WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

March 21st



Every year, on March 21, we recognize Down Syndrome as a day to spread awareness and help people understand and support those with Down syndrome better. The date being the 21st day of the 3rd month was chosen to represent the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome. We encouraged everyone to wear their mismatched socks on Friday, March 21st to help spread awareness. See photos below.

Please visit the [link](http://www.worlddownsyndromeday.org) to learn more about it. www.worlddownsyndromeday.org

Lots Of Socks campaign

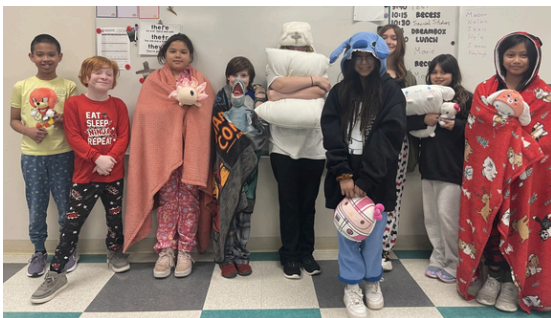
Sign up to hear from our team and get access to our FREE resources, including Lots Of Socks posters and colouring sheets.

 World Down Syndrome Day / Nov 19, 2024



SPIRIT WEEK PICTURES

rainbow day - sports day - backwards day - twin/triplets day - pajama day





REMINDER

HOW SICK IS TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?

Help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses. See our tips for parents and caregivers:



KEEP ME HOME:

Fever
(higher than 38°C or 100° F)

Sore Throat

Persistent Cough

Runny Nose and Sneezing

Vomiting or Diarrhea

Abdominal Pain
(severe or long-lasting)

Conjunctivitis
(pink eye)

SEND ME TO SCHOOL:

No Fever
(without fever-reducing medicine for 24 hours)

Occasional Cough
(but no other symptoms)

No Sore Throat
(for 24 hours)

No Vomiting or Diarrhea
(for 48 hours)

Keeping students up to date on COVID and flu vaccinations can prevent them from getting sick. Learn more at KidCareMB.ca



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION



LUNCH PROGRAM

Lunch Program Supervisor - Ms. Kim Cychowski | PrLunchprogram@gmail.com

Children are expected to bring a lunch. Please make sure that lunch is carried to school in a strong bag and all items are labeled with your child's name and room number.

Children are supervised during the 12:00- 12:55 p.m. lunch period. Children eat their lunch from 12:00 p.m. to approximately 12:30 p.m., at which time they will be supervised on the playground (weather permitting), or dismissed to noon hour clubs. Inside activities will occur during inclement weather.

Reminder

The Lunch Program does not provide cutlery or napkins.

There will be NO MICROWAVE SERVICE to heat up food.

~Thank You~

If your child is not participating in the Lunch Program and goes home for lunch, outdoor supervision starts at 12:45 p.m.



NORWEST DAYCARE



DAYCARE PARKING

Please use the designated Daycare parking stalls in the Lucas Parking lot accordingly. The main parking lot is reserved for Prairie Rose School staff only. From 3:45 pm, families are welcome to also use the bus loop if you are only parking your vehicle for less than 10 minutes. Otherwise, please use the daycare spots at all times.

REMINDER

The **front doors of Prairie Rose School will now be locked.** Please call (204)795-0547 upon your arrival and a staff member will let you inside. Another option is to access through the Lucas side doors and **Press #2** on the outdoor keypad and wait to be buzzed into the building.

Our new fenced in area has been working out really well to access outdoor play more efficiently and keep everyone safe. We try to have outdoor play every day (weather permitting) so please remember to dress your child accordingly.



APRIL 2025

Spring Break

SPRING BREAK - March 31 - April 4



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
7/ Day 4	8/ Day 5	9/ Day 6	10/ Day 1	11/ Day 2
BACK to SCHOOL		Grades 5-6 Basketball Intramural 12:30 pm International Day of PINK		Non-Instructional Day NO SCHOOL
14/ Day 3	15/ Day 4	16/ Day 5	17/ Day 6	18
	Grades 3-4 Hockey Intramural 12:30 pm	Spring Photos 	Grades 5-6 Hockey Intramural 12:30 pm	Good Friday NO SCHOOL
21/ Day 1	22/ Day 2	23/ Day 3	24/ Day 4	25/ Day 5
 	EARTH DAY 	PAC meeting 5:30 pm Room 111 hybrid meeting	Pizza Lunch PAC fundraiser 	
28/ Day 6	29/ Day 1	30/ Day 2		
Grades 5-6 Hockey Intramural 12:30 pm	BUS RIDERSHIP 			