



March NEWSLETTER

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Maria Manzano, Principal



Dear Prairie Rose Families,

March brings warmer weather, celebrations and change. Spring is near and we are looking forward to a new term ahead.

Our Student-Led Conferences are right around the corner, and we invite families to attend either on Thursday, March 13 during the evening or the morning of Friday, March 14 to participate in your child's learning. This is also a great opportunity to discuss your child's student portfolio, ask questions and help set goals for the upcoming term. Please send your request for appointment times back as soon as possible and it will be confirmed when Report Cards are sent home on Tuesday, March 11th.

Special thanks to our 'I Love to Read' committee for a fabulous month full of great activities that encouraged staff and students to showcase their love of reading in different ways. It was wonderful to see several guest readers at Prairie Rose School! Please read more about it from our I Love to Read Committee members on page 3 to learn more and pages 12-14 to see some pictures.

Registrations are now open for new students! A reminder that Nursery and Kindergarten registrations for September 2025 begins now. To be eligible for Nursery, children must be 4 years old before December 31, 2025 and born in 2021. Registration forms are available online on our school website under the 'Student Registration' tab. Grade 6 transitioning process is now underway with visits and orientations are happening this month. We are working closely with Junior High School staff to help make this transition a smooth one.

Spring Break is within the last week of March and students return Monday, April 7th.

Yours in education,
Mrs. Manzano



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 - March 14 - NO SCHOOL
- March 27
 - Pizza Lunch - PAC fundraiser
- Spirit Week
 - March 24-28
- Spring Break
 - Monday, March 31 to Friday, April 4

CONTACT

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I LOVE TO READ

Committee

During the month of February, Prairie Rose School celebrated another successful I Love To Read month! This year's theme was "It's Cool to be Kind"! All students in our school participated in fun activities planned to celebrate reading.

Throughout February, students participated in activities such as the weekly Mystery Reader contest, Kahoot games and a whole school reading challenge. Each week featured a Book Blitz where students had to stop everything and read when they heard a special chime over the PA system! The whole school came together to create a Kindness Tree. Throughout the month, students and staff would write acts of kindness or ways to be kind on a heart to add to our tree. It is looking full and beautiful!

This year we were honoured to have many guest readers come to our school to share with us. School Trustee, Ann Evangelista read stories to us and even taught us a few Japanese words! Chandra from the Assiniboine Park Conservancy read stories to our students and talked about polar bears and tortoises. She brought a tortoise shell and polar bear fur for the students to see and feel! Naomi from The Winnipeg Humane Society brought books to read to us. She talked about the animals at the Humane Society and how important it is to provide shelter for these animals until they find their forever homes. MLA Cindy Lamoureux came to visit and read to us. She answered questions about her role in our government and working at the Legislative Building. We were excited to receive bookmarks that she brought for all of us! This year, her husband and baby Hudson joined us as well! Our former principal, Mr. Romaniuk visited us for I Love to Read! He brought one of the very first books he ever owned to show us! Winnipeg Goldeyes player, Max Murphy read books about baseball and told us all about being a baseball player and his team! Our very last reader of the Month, CTV's Weather Specialist Terri Apostle, brought one of her favourite books to share with us.

Students learned so much about her job with the news, how she predicts weather, works in front of a green screen and what it's like to be on TV!

I Love To Read week would not be complete without our Dress Up days. Staff and students celebrated Wear a Shirt with Words Day, Wacky Hair/Hat Day, Rainbow Day and Pajama Day! Our school achieved our whole school reading challenge which earned the students a movie afternoon in the gym with popcorn! What a fun way to celebrate our reading and wrap-up the month! Thanks to everyone who made I Love to Read month a success. Keep on reading!

-Your I Love To Read committee!





CLASSROOM NEWS...

NURSERY, KINDERGARTEN - ROOM 113 | MS. D

On behalf of the kids and I, a BIG Thank-You goes out to all of the families that made our Valentine's Day Celebration such a success! Not only did you help to create / purchase and sign Valentine cards for us to exchange, but you were extremely kind and generous to send special treats and snacks as well! We cannot THANK-YOU enough for making it such a special day for all of us!

Even though "I Love to Read" month has come to an end, we continue to love books and reading every day in our classroom. Please continue to encourage your children to read their home reading books every night and celebrate all of their success, as they continue to build confidence in their reading skills!

We are going to continue our study of Colours and Letters, Words and Numbers, while beginning to explore Shapes, with a variety of fun-filled St. Patrick's Day activities. We are also going to celebrate the upcoming arrival of Spring as we revisit our study of Trees and observe their seasonal changes!

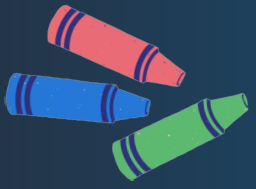
We look forward to welcoming all of our families to the Student-Led Conferences on Thursday evening, March 13th and Friday morning, March 14th, 2025. The children have been working very hard and they are very excited to share their learning and explorations with their loved ones. When you receive your scheduled times, please mark them on your calendars, in order to ensure that you do not miss out!

I wish you a fun, relaxing and safe Spring Break (Monday, March 31st to Friday, April 4th) and look forward to seeing you again on Monday, April 7th!



♥️😊 Ms. D





CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 1, 2 - ROOM 208 | MS. CELESTINO

Last month was “Love Month” February and it was also I LOVE TO READ MONTH. We reached our school goal and read 100 books per classroom this month! The students in Room 208 participated in every Wednesday dress-up day by dressing up and truly tried their best to read at least 3-5 books each day. Here’s last month’s recap! In Math, we started practicing more addition and subtraction strategies to make math more fun and engaging. We also played a math games in grouped stations where we practiced: number line, number bond, dice math game, and rainbow to 10. In Dreambox, we practiced analyzing word problem strategies. In ELA, lots of reading and practicing some sight words. We are also learning more styles of poetry. In Science, we are learning about the sources of water in the environment and why water is so important to living and non-living things. In Social Studies, we are learning about our community and Indigenous ways of learning. Lastly, in Art class, we have a sketchbook for everyone to free-draw. Here, students are encouraged to draw whenever they feel sad, happy, and excited. The drawing book is within their reach in the classroom that also connects with topics taught in the Health curriculum.

We look forward to what March has to bring next!



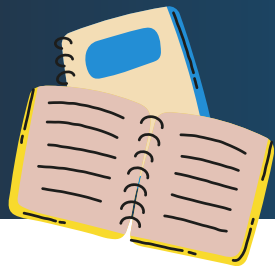


CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 1, 2 - ROOM 209 | MS. TURNER

This past month has been incredibly busy with I Love To Read Month! This year's theme for I Love To Read Month was "Cool to be Kind". This has been an extremely fun theme that everyone was able to take part in! There have been many eventful activities such as Book Blitz, Mystery Reader, Guest Reader, Kahoot, the Kindness Tree, surprise teacher reading to different classes and making a heart chain based off of the amount of books/pages that students have read this month...just to name a few! It has been jam packed with so many different activities and we have definitely had so much fun completing them! Even though it has been extremely busy, Room 209 has been working hard on many different subjects! In Science, we have been continuing with our learning on Growth and Changes in Animals and will be finishing up shortly! In mathematics, we are continuing with adding and subtracting, which has been a lot of fun, especially when using different objects from the classroom to further our understanding! In ELA, we have been working on our spelling, but also on writing imaginative stories! It has been a lot of work to use our creative side but we are very excited to publish/show you our stories! In Social Studies, we have continued with our unit called All About Canada and have learnt about our province, national symbols, traditions and much more! Room 209 celebrated 100 days of school by creating a 100 fruit loop necklace, worked in groups to create a tower out of 100 cups, and did some 100 day math and writing activities to end our celebration! We are looking forward to March already!





CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 3, 4 - ROOM 212 | MS. DENISE

February has flown past! We spent the past month celebrating “I LOVE TO READ” month by engaging in contests, games, listening to fantastic speakers and reading!

Our students were able to guess our mystery reader on Wednesday mornings, but everyone was tricked by the last Mystery Reader!

We had some special visitors from the Winnipeg Humane Society, Winnipeg School Division, Member of Legislative Assembly, Winnipeg Goldeyes and CTV! Wow! As usual our class was kind and respectful to all our visitors. Our class would like to thank the teachers, educational assistants and custodians who made the experience exciting and super memorable.

Swimming Matters is done for the Grade 4's this year and the Grade 3's are looking forward to attending classes next year. I hope parents got to check out their child's certificate and special coupon.

We were also so excited to participate in the track event at the University of Manitoba. Go Panthers! We look forward to sharing our hard work with our families in March!





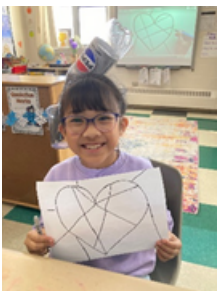
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GRADES 3, 4 - ROOM 214 | MRS. SIMONS

February was such a fun month! Students had a great time celebrating Valentine's Day, I Love to Read Month and going to Track at the University of Manitoba. Students did a wonderful job at our track event. Thank you for representing our school so well! Grade 4s completed their Swimming Counts program where they learned a lot and had fun!

In Math, we are now learning about how to tell time and using positional language. Social Studies has focused on learning all about Canada's North, particularly Nunavut. Students worked hard on their Arctic animal research project which is displayed in our main hallway display case with their dioramas! They also designed and built their own games using various materials when learning about recreation in Nunavut long ago. We just started a new Science unit about sound which we will be focused on for the month of March.

This month in ELA we started our Reader's Chair. Each Wednesday, one of our students chooses a book to read to the class! It's been going very well so far. We are almost finished reading our class novel, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We are zipping through our Six Minutes podcast that we are still listening to each day. We started using the New York Times "What's going on in this picture?" for our personal writing activities. Students use their inferencing and prediction skills to try to figure out what's happening in the picture or make up a story based on the picture. Afterwards, we read the original news article to figure out what the picture was really about! I am looking forward to meeting with families at our upcoming Parent-Teacher conferences to celebrate your children's learning. Have a wonderful March!





CLASSROOM NEWS...

GRADES 5, 6 - ROOM 211 | MR. TOSCHAK



February was very special as it was “I Love to Read Month”. We had multiple guest readers who were able to talk about their careers and read to our classroom. The best part about I love to Read Month was all the special activities. We had unique days, such as Wear Words day, Wacky hair/hat day, Rainbow Day and PJs day.

We also had great contests such as guessing the mystery reader, Kahoot trivia contests and a whole school reading chain. We are so sad I Love to Read Month end but looking forward to all the new learning activities in March!

GRADES 5, 6 - ROOM 215 | MR. FORBISTER



Another busy month in Room 215. Here’s a look at some of the things that we did!

In Math, we are starting to learn about Fractions. We are still using Prodigy for math learning as well. It really keeps things exciting when we are learning.

In Science, we kept learning about Electricity. We were able to use Snap Circuit kits to create our own electrical devices. We really liked playing with the fans and the radio tools. It really helped us understand electricity more than before. Grade Sixes finally went to Winter Camp at Camp Assiniboine. It was a great day to be outside playing. We really liked the Hay Ride and the Archery. We had so much fun tobogganing and skiing too! What a great way to end February!

Finally, it was I Love To Read month! We did a lot of really fun activities this month and had a lot of guest readers come to the school to read with us. It was great to see all the different books that we can read.



CLASSROOM NEWS...

PHYSICAL EDUCATION | MS. MCFADYEN

During the month of February students practiced for the Elementary Relay Track Meet. I am so proud of their hard work and their efforts at the Max Bell Centre Track Meet on the February 25th. Students in Grades 3-6 participated in long jump, shot put, shuttle run and relay.

This month we also started our dance and gymnastics unit. Students have the chance to try out the Heel Toe Polka, 7- Step, Red River Jig, and Tinikling. Students also created and presented dances to their classmates. For gymnastics students had time to explore the beam, vault and floor and try out some new moves.



CLASSROOM NEWS...



MUSIC | MRS. HIGHAM



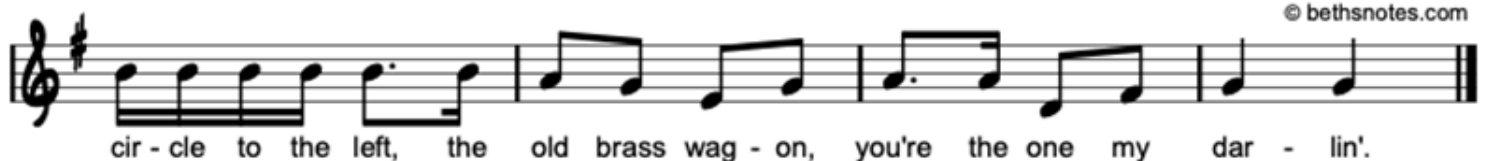
March is here and hopefully some warmer weather is heading our way! Here is what is going on in music this month: Our featured composer this month is Florence Price (pictured below), she is a famous classical music composer. Ask your child if they can tell you a bit about her life and background. She was the first African American woman to have her music performed by a major orchestra. We are also working in the classroom on finishing units before we head to break.

Rooms 208 and 209 will be working on St Patrick's Day music and music from Ireland this March. Rooms 214 and 212 are working on Tika-ti, Ti-tika, and TikaTika rhythms as well as working on their next recorder belt song Old Brass Wagon. They are also doing some song and rhythm composing on the build a burger unit. Then rooms 211 and 215 are starting to do a bit of movie music composing themselves on a unit called music makes the scene.

Student led conferences are this month, if you are wanting to come stop in and visit with me in the music room I will be at Prairie Rose all day on March 14. Hopefully you all have a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable spring break!

Old Brass Wagon

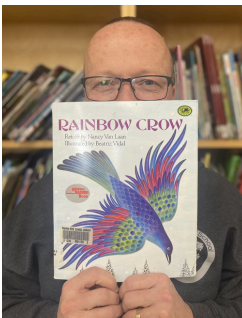
Folk song



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I LOVE TO READ

Celebration Assembly



THANK YOU I LOVE TO READ COMMITTEE for providing an excellent month of activities! We achieved our reading goal and celebrated our success together! Kudos to all of the winners! Everyone took home a NEW book.



THANK YOU Student Leaders for helping during the entire month of February with the guest readers, prizes, activities, assembly and photos!



THANK YOU Mystery Readers for reading books about *Kindness* and tricking our listeners with your funny (mystery) voices!





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.



WE ARE AN **ALLERGY AWARE** SCHOOL



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

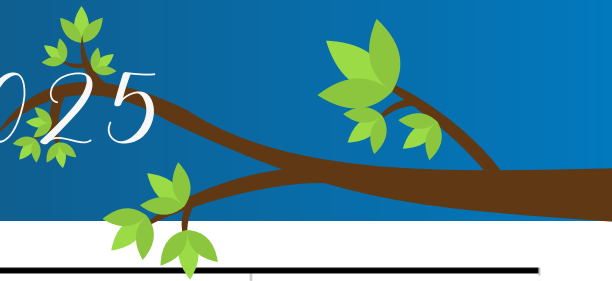
The **front doors of Prairie Rose School will now be locked**. Please call (204)795-0547 upon your arrival and a staff member will let you inside. Another option is to access through the Lucas side doors and **Press #2** on the outdoor keypad and wait to be buzzed into the building.

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.





MARCH 2025



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3/ Day 2 International World Wildlife Day 	4/ Day 3 PATROL Field Trip Rooms 211, 212, 214, 215 	5/ Day 4 Grades 3-4 Badminton Intramural 12:30 pm 	6/ Day 5	7/ Day 6 Grades 5-6 Badminton Intramural 12:30 pm
10/ Day 1	11/ Day 2 Report Cards Go Home Room 211 & 215 Field Trip Freeze Frame	12/ Day 3	13/ Day 4 Room 212 & 214 Field Trip - JETs Practice Student-Led Conference 4:00 - 8:00 pm	14/ Day 5 Student-Led Conference 9:00 - 11:30 am NO SCHOOL
17/ Day 6 Happy St. Patrick's Day Grades 5-6 Intramural 12:30 pm	18/ Day 1	19/ Day 2 PAC meeting 3:30 - 5:30 pm 	20/ Day 3 HELLO SPRING 	21/ Day 4 Grades 3-4 Intramural 12:30 pm
24/ Day 5	25/ Day 6 Grades 5-6 Intramural 12:30 pm	26/ Day 1	27/ Day 2 Pizza Lunch PAC fundraiser 	28/ Day 3 Last Day Before Spring Break

→ SPIRIT WEEK: March 24-28

SPRING BREAK
March 31 - April 4

- MONDAY** • rainbow day
- TUESDAY** • sports day
- WEDNESDAY** • backwards day
- THURSDAY** • twin/triplets day
- FRIDAY** • pajama day

SEE YOU BACK
Monday, April 7th

