

# NEWSLETTER

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Maria Manzano, Principal

Dear Prairie Rose Families,

With Thanksgiving on the horizon, I would like to say how thankful I am to be part of the Prairie Rose School community. The commitment to children's rich learning opportunities is evident where students are enthusiastic and engaged in their activities. A big thank you to all of our families for your support and continued cooperation as we came back to school.

We will continue to send our newsletters out by email using 'School Messenger' as an alternative to paper copies. We will still have limited paper copies to hand out per family as Newsletters are also posted in our school website every month. Every month, teachers will be sharing their students' learning in the 'Classroom News' section of the newsletter. Continue to stay connected through your child's SeeSaw as well as e-mails for any letters that may be sent home. Please ensure your e-mail is up to date so that you do not miss important information.

Each Winnipeg School Division school follows the division protocol for preparing it for emergencies. This includes: bus evacuation drills (Bus Ridership), school evacuation drills (e.g. fire drills and relocation practice) and lockdown drills. We have already completed our first fire drill (out of 10 per year). This month, we will be completing one out of three lockdown drills and one evacuation drill (weather permitting) to Garden Grove School, which is our safe evacuation site. Teachers will be going over these safety protocols with students this month.

At the end of the month, we look forward to classroom Halloween activities. We will have a short parade to kick off the afternoon festivities in our gymnasium!

It has been a wonderful first month of the school year and we are excited for what is in store for Prairie Rose School.

Yours in education,

Mrs. Manzano





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- No School Days:
  - October 9 Non Instructional Day
  - October 14 Thanksgiving
  - October 25 Non-Instructional Day

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### **MEET THE STAFF NIGHT**

some pictures of the event

#### ~ THANK YOU FOR MEETING US ~

Thank you for attending our Meet the Staff Night last month!

We had a great turn out of families gathered at school to meet the staff, and we were so happy you came to meet us. Thank you for writing a special letter to your child(ren) and taking a family photo. Here are some pictures of the evening.

















### REMINDERS

## additional information / changes in date

### HALLOWEEN

Halloween is one of the most anticipated days during the year.

Classrooms will have Halloween activities planned that may include snacks. Students may bring their own individual treats or they can bring for their class.

Classroom Teachers will be sending information later this month about class decisions regarding snacks. We are a peanut/nut-free school so please be mindful of allergies this time of the year.

We ask that families follow our **Halloween Costume guidelines**. They are in place to keep our school day positive and fun for all.



Scary masks with any type of blood or gore and weapons of any kind (swords, knives, guns, etc.) are not permitted

## UPDATE

#### **PICTURE DAY DATE CHANGE!**

Our <u>new</u> Picture Day is <u>Thursday, October 17th</u> (a day earlier than stated in the September calendar. So it is <u>not</u> on Oct. 18th)

This picture day will focus on **individual photos** only. *Edge Imaging Photography* will be coming back in the Spring to do Spring Photos that will include class photos.

Picture Retake Day in November 26th



Voluntary Student Accident Insurance from Old Republic Insurance
Company of Canada are now available. Those parents/guardians with an
active email address have already received the information via
School Messenger. Printed copies of the brochure are
available through the school office.

School Incidents can be reported on HUB International's website: <a href="http://www.hubinternational.com/msba">http://www.hubinternational.com/msba</a> and click "REPORT AN INCIDENT".



#### NURSERY, KINDERGARTEN - ROOM 113 | MS. D

Once again, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our students and their families to the Nursery / Kindergarten program!

I would also like to say "Thank-you", to all of the parents for taking the time out of their busy schedules to attend the in-take interviews. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to meet you in-person, share information about our program and show you the classroom.

The children have been doing an amazing job adapting to their roles as Prairie Rose students and have already become familiar with our daily routines! They have also begun learning about the Seven Sacred Teachings, with a focus on Humility, which is represented by the Wolf. Humility is the knowledge that you are no more or less important than any other living being. Like wolves that are devoted to protecting and working for each other in a pack or family), we have all been created equal and should think of others before we think of ourselves.

In addition, they have been working on their literacy, math, drawing, painting, colouring, cutting and social skills. They have also been learning about Trees, including the various parts of a tree and what is happening to the trees with the arrival of the Fall season.

October is shaping up to be a very busy and exciting month as well, so please continue to join us on SeeSaw in order to stay informed about upcoming events (i.e., Class Halloween Party) and see the "Fall Tree" and "Wolf" artwork the children have been creating!

Over the Thanksgiving weekend, please try to think of all that you are thankful for and know that we at Prairie Rose are very thankful for all of you and your endless support!



















#### **GRADES 1, 2 - ROOM 208 | MS. CELESTINO**

Welcome to another school year! Our studious grade 1's and 2's in Room 208 have been working extremely hard! In math, they started doing the number of the day, where they enjoy adding and subtracting big digits that make up the number of the day! Very Impressive! They also enjoy the skip counting games where we count by 5's and 10's. We started our Daily 5 routines for Language Arts! You will be amazed when you visit our class, everyone is eager and focused reading to self and listening to reading (Reading Eggs). We also started our writer's notebook; our first topic is the Fall season. In Science, we are currently learning about the weather and seasons. Our artists in Room 208 have painted their own Self-Portraits and Fall Trees using watercolours, they are posted on the bulletin board just outside our classroom! Please come check it out! Lastly, to commemorate the Truth and Reconciliation Day, we read the book "When We Were Alone" by David Robertson, an age-appropriate introduction to residential schools. We also learned about the bear – one of the Seven Teachings about courage and presented at the school assembly.













#### GRADES 1, 2 - ROOM 209 | MS. TURNER



I hope that everyone had a great summer! The Grade I's and 2's have had a great start to the year in Room 209! The students always come into the classroom with enthusiasm and are excited to learn! So far this term, we have introduced many new concepts. In mathematics, we have been practicing our counting using different math manipulatives and learning number sense. Room 209 has been working hard with starting and integrating Daily 5 into our routine. We have also began our Writer's Workshop and have been learning the basics of writing! In Science, Room 209 has started our Weather and Seasons Inquiry unit. We have also painted some fall trees that are posted on our classroom bulletin board that ties in with our Inquiry unit.

#### GRADES 3, 4 - ROOM 212 | MS. DENISE

Greetings from Room 212! This month has flown past! We have been so busy getting to know one another and working on a variety of projects such as their fabulous This is Me poster. The students worked on creating a "selfie" of ourselves and of some of the adults in our school and did a fantastic job! In math, we are working on our Math Mystery Numbers, math minutes and putting on our critical thinking caps for some challenging Think Tank questions. We also have been busy doing a novel study on The Wild Robot, each chapter leaves us excited to see what the adventure our main character will go on. We have been learning about the Seven Sacred Teachings for the last several weeks reflecting and sharing our thoughts and questions about what Truth and Reconciliation Day means to our students, and our nation. I am looking forward to a great year! If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached on Seesaw and at ddesjarlais@wsd1.org







#### GRADES 3, 4 - ROOM 214 | MRS. SIMONS

Our year is off to a speedy and wonderful start! We have such a lovely group of students who are kind, considerate and eager to learn! This month we have been focusing on getting to know each other and building classroom routines. We have worked on opinion writing, personal writing, developing stamina during Read to Self and started our first class novel, Matilda. We have been building different mental math strategies in math and working on our first real life math project where students are running their own fast food restaurant. This project has us developing addition and subtraction strategies while working with money, interpreting graphs and reviewing place value. We have been having lots of fun being creative with several different art projects this month. We have been learning about Terry Fox, his life and his legacy. We had a great time during our school's Terry Fox run! For much of September, we learned about the Seven Sacred Teachings, Orange Shirt Day and Truth and Reconciliation. Our class focus this year is Respect. This month, we will begin our first Social Studies and Health units of the year. We've had a great first month together!

Please make sure to check into Seesaw regularly for important messages, updates or pictures from our classroom learning.

















#### GRADES 5, 6 - ROOM 211 | MR. TOSCZAK



In Room 211, we welcomed many students to our classroom who have come from the Grade 4/5 classrooms. However, two new students in our classroom are brand new to Prairie Rose School and we would like to give a special welcome to Marcus and Josh. We have already started to learn so much in the first few weeks of the school year and in math we have started exploring how to run a pet shelter while developing our addition and multiplication facts. In ELA we have started working on inquiry projects, improving our reading and writing skills during Daily 6 and have begun a novel study on Coraline. We have also been learning about the seven scared teachings as we focus on Truth and Reconciliation, and finally we started our science unit on Space. It has been a great start to the year!





#### **GRADES 5, 6 - ROOM 215 | MR. FORBISTER**

It's great to be back in Room 215. To start the year off, we welcomed all the new Grade 5 students into our room. We have hit the ground running with all our school subjects. We started our Daily 6 reading and writing program. Everyone has great ideas on what to write! We also started our novel study. We are reading My Name is Seepeetza by Sherley Sterling. It's a diary about a girl's life in residential schools. In math, we are developing our problem solving and place value skills. For Social Studies, we are looking at Indigenous culture and the Seven Teachings. Our class is focused on the Truth teaching, represented by the turtle. What an exciting start to the new school year!







#### MUSIC | MRS. HIGHAM

Welcome back to school Prairie Rose community! I hope students were excited to come back to school and get back to routine. Music class will once again take place in room 210 which is on the second floor beside the library. I am back after my year away on maternity leave with my baby girl. It was sad to leave her, but I am excited to be working with your children again.

Students in Grade1-2 will focus on the fundamentals of music education. They will start with the basics, such as: steady beat, simple rhythms, simple music language and beginning notation. Students will discover these things through playing, exploring, dancing, and creating.

Students in Grades 3-6 will continue their music education with a more focused approach. Students will experience the basic fundamentals of music education in more depth through playing, exploring, dancing, and creating. They will be able to apply the fundamentals in many different music situations.

This year there will be a focus on music theory, music history, and song writing. Students in Grade 3-6 will once again be playing recorder this year! As well as the Students in Grades 5/6 will continue the keyboard music program that was created four years ago. I look forward to making music with you in the music room this year!





#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION | MS. MCFADYEN

It was so nice to have all of the students back at school. September was a busy month getting back into school routines. We started by playing low organized games and worked on expectations in the gym. Towards the end of the month, we started our soccer unit. We had some beautiful days, and we were able to spend some time outside. Students worked on dribbling the ball, passing, shooting and throw ins. We also talked about positions and went over the rules of soccer. Students in Grades 3-6 will be having soccer intramurals at lunch on days 4 and 6. Please fill out the intramural permission slip if you haven't done so already. On October 3rd and 4th, we will be sending out grades 5/6 soccer teams to Tyndall Park school to play in a non-competitive soccer tournament.













On September 25th our school participated in the Terry Fox run. Throughout the month of September, students collected donations for cancer research. Classes watched videos and discussed the importance of the Terry Fox run. Each year, schools across Canada, run around their school or neighborhood to help finish Terry's Marathon of Hope. This year we had beautiful weather and were able to enjoy the day running around our field. Our small school was able to collect just over \$400 for cancer research. Terry would be so proud! Check out some pictures from that day on page 14.



## REFLECTING ON

## Orange Shirt Day



To honour and reflect about Truth and Reconciliation, we held an Orange Shirt Day assembly and had an Awareness Walk. Students raised awareness in our Prairie Rose community about Every Child Matters and the importance of repairing broken relationships and pledging their own promise for a better future.































#### SPECIAL OLYMPICS AT GLENLAWN - BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT

We had a few of our students participate in an outdoor Bocce Ball Tournament at Glenlawn Collegiate and represented Prairie Rose really well. Everyone had an amazing time competing against the other schools.













# LOOKING BACK... at some outdoor events



#### **TERRY FOX RUN | SEPTMBER 25, 2024**













Thank you for donating to our Terry Fox Run! We raised a little over \$400. Way to go Prairie Rose!

### **LUNCH PROGRAM**

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

Prairie Rose School Parent Council oversees the Lunch Program at the school in coordination with the principal, Mrs. Manzano. The Lunch Program follows all regulations and policies as outlined by the school and Winnipeg School Division.

PROCEDURES / EXPECTATIONS

The Lunch Program's supervisor, **Kim Cychkowski,** recognizes that the safety and well-being of all students over the lunch hour is of the utmost importance. The Lunch Program is a non-profit organization. The lunch fees are used to pay the wages of adult lunch supervisors who provide indoor and outdoor supervision during the lunch hour.

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. Milk is provided by the program and is subsidized by the school. Every child is encouraged to have milk at lunch. Microwave service is not provided. Children are supervised during the 12:00-12:55 p.m. lunch period. Children eat their lunch from 12:00 to approximately 12:30, 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.



NOTE: bagged lunches only



#### REGISTER?

If you would like your child(ren) to attend our Lunch Program, please complete the <u>registration</u> form link here or pick one up at the school office. To learn more about what Lunch Program offers, download this information pamphlet.

#### 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**

NorWest's Early Learning Childcare Centre is a non-profit child care centre licensed through Manitoba Early Learning and Child Care. We have been in operation for more than 40 years. We have two sites: our Lucas Ave location is licensed to accept 66 children aged 1-12 years (4 infant, 32 preschool and 30 school age) and our Keewatin location is licensed to accept 12 infants (age 3 months to 24 months). Both sites are open throughout the week from 7:00 am - 5:00 pm except statutory holidays.

We recognize each child as an individual with different interests, strengths, and levels of development. Our team of certified Early Childhood Educators and assistants deliver age-appropriate activities aimed to enhance a child's social, emotional and physical development. We also help your child build strong cognitive, language, motor, and self-help skills.

To register please contact Tracy Krulicki at (204) 940-2165 or tkrulicki@norwestcoop.ca. You can also get more information on child care and subsidies by visiting Manitoba Early Learning and Child Care.

\*Please note: once your child is accepted into one of our daycare locations, you must become a member of our co-op. More information on our membership can be found here.



upcoming closure: Friday, November 8, 2024



#### **Child Care Centres**

#### Address:

Prairie Rose School 105 Lucas Avenue Winnipeg, MB R2R 2S8

#### Address 2:

Access NorWest 785 Keewatin Street Winnipeg, MB R2X 3B9

Open Monday - Friday 7:00am - 5:00 pm Closed on statutory holidays.

#### Phone:

(204) 940-2165 (Lucas) (204) 938-5965 (Keewatin)

#### Fax:

(204) 633-4902



Daycare will be closed on this day due to staff's Professional Development





Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1/ Day 2	2/ Day 3	3/ Day 4	4/ Day 5
	Bus Ridership			((")
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7/ Day 6	8/ Day 1	9/ Day 2	10/ Day 3	11/ Day 4
		Professional Learning Day		
		NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS		
14	15/ Day 5	16/ Day 6	17/ Day 1	18/ Day 2
Thanksgiving Day NO SCHOOL			PICTURE DAY	
21/ Day 3	22/ Day 4	23/ Day 5	24/ Day 6	25/ Day 1
		Parent Advisory Council Meeting 5:30 p.m Room 111		Professional Learning Day
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