



PRAIRIE ROSE
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

August 29, 2024

Dear Prairie Rose Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! We are excited to welcome returning students back and meet new students and families to Prairie Rose School.

We would like to thank our dedicated staff for preparing for another wonderful school year in ensuring our school is welcoming, inclusive and safe. One of the BIG changes you will notice is in our school field. Our new play-structure has been installed, ready for the community to enjoy! Thank you to the families and Parent Council for fundraising and our Winnipeg School Division for this much needed new upgrade to our school as it has been a few years to make this dream a reality. Another change to our school is the updated security. Our exterior doors require students, staff, and community to “ring the doorbell” into our school by using the keypad bell located in our Lucas doors (bus loop/parking lot doors) prior to entry. Please note that all our exterior doors will be locked by 9:15 a.m. If your child is late, please use the Lucas side doors where they will use the doorbell and wait to be let inside. Children attending NorWest Co-op Daycare, please continue to use the front doors on Torwood, and a daycare staff will let you in. We will continue to use designated doors to help with movement in and out of the school as follows:

- Nursery & Kindergarten - Torwood Crescent front doors
- Grades 1 & 2 - Lucas Avenue bus loop doors
- Grades 3 to 6 - Chisholm Drive side doors

First day back for our Grade 1 to Grade 6 students is on Wednesday, September 4th

Teachers will gather students outside in a designated marked area (according to their entry doors) and enter the school by 8:50 a.m., when the bell rings. These designated areas will be marked by pylons and teachers will be holding up a sign as well. Students will exit using their same entry doors for lunch (12:00 p.m.) and dismissal at 3:30 p.m.

First day back for Nursery and Kindergarten students is the morning of Monday, September 9th

Class begins at 9:00 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m. daily. A letter has been sent out to families with a pre-assigned interview time for either Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday of September 4-6th. Please check your mailbox if you haven't had a chance to see your interview time yet or contact, Ms. Rachelle Dawybida at rdawybida@wsd1.org for more information.

Please save the date for our **Meet the Staff Night**, which is on **Thursday, September 19th at 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.** This is a terrific opportunity to submit any new forms, sign-up for Lunch Program, inquire about activities and to meet our staff, including new teachers, Ms. Turner, Ms. Desjarlais and myself, Mrs. Manzano. We look forward to meeting you and showing you around our school.



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INTRODUCING PRAIRIE ROSE STAFF OF 2024-2025



Classroom Teachers

Ms. Rachele Dawybida, Nursery, Kindergarten - Room 113
Ms. Nadine Nassar, Grades 1, 2 - Room 208
Ms. Allesandra Turner, Grades 1, 2 - Room 209
Ms. Denise Desjarlais, Grades 3, 4 - Room 212
Ms. Carla Simons, Grades 3, 4 - Room 214
Mr. Jeremy Tosczak, Grades 5, 6 - Room 211
Mr. Randy Forbister, Grades 5, 6 - Room 215

Specialty and Support Teachers

Mr. Jason Mills, Inclusion Support Resource Teacher
Ms. Shannon Riccio, Inclusion Support Resource Teacher
Ms. Mara Higham, Music - Room 111
Ms. Devyn McFadyen, Physical Education - Gym

Educational Assistants

Ms. Heather Campbell
Mr. Rico Dippolito
Ms. Stephanie Farrow
Ms. Shannie Gutknecht
Ms. Candace Iwasienko
Ms. Augustina Izokun
Ms. Tracy Jones
Ms. Melanie Kyrliuk
Mr. Sean Matenchuk
Ms. Edelyn Mendoza
Ms. Jenna Mendoza
Ms. Kaitlyn Merry
Ms. Melanie Nowell
Ms. Cyndy Szwaluk
Ms. Tara Venturini
Ms. Tracy Wilding

Clinical Support Services

Ms. Laura Reynolds, Reading Clinician
Ms. Roxanne Boily, School Psychologist
Mr. Kevin Manabat-Fewings, Speech & Language
Ms. Shelly Armstrong, Social Worker

Custodial Staff

Mr. Darryl Marchuk, Head Caretaker
Mr. Suwinder Katnoria, Caretaker

Administration

Ms. Charlene Nichols, Head Secretary
Mrs. Maria Manzano, Principal

School Supply List has been sent out in June, with your child(ren)'s report card. Please note that there is a small amendment to the school supply fee as we are now asking \$40 for students in Grades 1 to 6 and \$30 for Nursery and Kindergarten students. To limit the number of paper copies that go home, we will be using SchoolMessenger and our school website, www.winnipegdsd.ca/PrairieRose, and SeeSaw to communicate with families.

We are extremely excited to embark this school year with a lot of joy, love and rigour as we make the 2024-2025 school year a wonderful year of learning and celebration. We look forward to meeting you all soon!

Yours in education,

Mrs. Maria Manzano



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