



## PRAIRIE ROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

August 25, 2025

Dear Prairie Rose Families,

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! We hope you had a wonderful summer break and are ready to start the new school year. We are excited to welcome returning students and meet new students and families to Prairie Rose School.

We would like to thank our dedicated staff for preparing for another exciting school year in ensuring our school is welcoming, inclusive and safe!

We will be offering a no-fee Lunch Program to students who require to stay at Prairie Rose during the lunch hour for Grades 1-6. Students are required to bring a bagged lunch and inform their classroom teacher if they are staying for lunch or going home. We would like to acknowledge Ms. Kim Cychowski for helping us run the lunch program last year and thank Kim for her service. (More information regarding Lunch Program to follow.)

Our entry/exit doors require students, staff, and community to “ring the doorbell” by using the keypad bell located on the wall by our Lucas doors (which are the 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 and not Torwood doors to be let inside. We will continue to use the designated doors to help with movement in and out of the school with slight changes in which doors to use from last year, as follows:

- Room 113 – Nursery & Kindergarten → Torwood Crescent (*front doors*)
- Rooms 208, 209, 214 – Grades 1 to 3 → Lucas Avenue (*bus loop doors*)
- Rooms 212, 215, 211 – Grades 4 to 6 → Chisholm Drive (*side doors*)

### **First day back for our Grade 1 to Grade 6 students is on Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Teachers will gather students outside in a designated marked area (according to their entry/exit doors) and enter the school by 8:50 a.m., when the bell rings. Students will exit using the same assigned 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 8<sup>th</sup>**

Class begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 11:30 a.m. daily. A letter has been sent to families with a pre-assigned interview time for the week of September 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> for families to attend a short meeting with their teacher. Please check your community mailbox if you haven't had a chance to see your interview time yet or contact, Ms. Rachelle Dawybida at [rdawybida@wsd1.org](mailto:rdawybida@wsd1.org) for more information.

Please save the date for our **Meet the Staff Night**, which is on **Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.** This event is a terrific opportunity to meet the staff and submit any new forms or inquire about upcoming events/activities.



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## INTRODUCING PRAIRIE ROSE STAFF OF 2025-2026



### Classroom Teachers

Ms. Rachelle Dawybida, Nursery, Kindergarten - Room 113  
Ms. Sandeep Kaur, Grade 1 - Room 208 (*term – until November*)  
Ms. Nadine Nassar, Grade 1 - Room 208 (*starting November*)  
Ms. Anabela Barros, Grades 2, 3 - Room 209  
Ms. Carla Simons, Grades 2, 3 - Room 214  
Ms. Denise Desjarlais, Grades 4, 5 - Room 212  
Mr. Randy Forbister, Grades 4, 5 - Room 215  
Mr. Jeremy Toscak, Grade 6 - Room 211

### Specialty and Support Teachers

Mr. Jason Mills, Learning Support Teacher (*Inclusion Support Resource Teacher*)  
Ms. Shannon Riccio, Learning Support Teacher (*Inclusion Support Resource Teacher*)  
Ms. Devyn McFadyen, Integrated Arts – STEAM (*Days 1,3,5*) / Physical Education - Gym (*Days 2,4,6*)

### Educational Assistants

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

### Clinical Support Services

Ms. Lauren Reynolds, Reading Clinician  
Ms. Diana Martyniuk, School Psychologist  
Ms. Deanna Barsy, Speech & Language  
Ms. Karen Wiebe, 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 provide \$40 (cash) for students in Grades 1 to 6 and \$30 for Nursery and Kindergarten students. Notes and reminders will be communicated via email using *SchoolMessenger* and *SeeSaw*. Please continue to visit our school website at [www.winnipegdsd.ca/PrairieRose](http://www.winnipegdsd.ca/PrairieRose) for additional information.

We are extremely excited to embark on this 2025-2026 school year with a lot of joy, love and rigour by engaging in learning opportunities and celebration. We look forward to meeting you all soon!

Yours in education,

*Mrs. Maria Manzano*



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