## **Robertson School Newsletter**

WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

"A Community of Learners - Working Together"



Winnipeg School Division



A Message from Administration.....

We hope that you have had a safe and fun Halloween experience. We know that the students enjoyed and showed *great school spirit* during the last week of October participating in our United Way Spirit Week. Thank you for all the donations to United Way and to Ms. Sirdar and Mrs. Sylvester for organizing these events. Students were able to raise \$369.45 for United Way. BRAVO!!!

The students and staff have been working very hard at Robertson School for the past two months. The hallways and classroom walls are full of interesting examples of student work and beautiful creations of art. Classroom teachers are looking forward to having discussions with each family about the skills your child possesses and to identify what they will target as next steps in learning.

As a reminder, report card links will be sent home via Messenger on Tuesday, November 14th. Please remember that you must print or save a copy of your child's report card within the 2-week period of receiving the link. Conferences will take place the evening of Thursday, November 16th and the morning of Friday, November 17th. You will receive an email with instructions for signing up for a time that works for you for the conferences. There will be no school all day on the 17th as teachers will be participating in professional development in the afternoon.

On Thursday, November 2 at 10:00 am room 150 and 153 are hosting our assembly on being respectful by saying Please and Thank You. We look forward to what they will be sharing during this assembly.

On Friday, November 10, Ms. Severa's grade 5/6 class will host a Remembrance Day Assembly starting at 10:40 a.m. in the gym. Students will have the opportunity to learn more about those who gave their lives for us all. Students will deepen their understanding of the sacrifices made that paved the way for the freedom we enjoy here in Canada today, and we will show respect in both our assembly and in our future actions.

Just a reminder that Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday November 5. Please remember to turn your clocks back one hour so that your children will be on time for school the following day.

Stay healthy and safe! Please continue to keep your children home if they are ill.

Thank you! Mrs. J. Guzzi and Mrs. Petrelli

٦	IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER		
	November 3	Litterless Lunch	
	November 5	Daylight Savings Turn Clocks Back One Hour	
	November 10	Student/Staff Remembrance Day Service 10:40 a.m.	
	November 10	Dental College AM	
	November 10	Litterless Lunch	
	November 16-17	Book Fair in Library	
	November 16	Early Dismissal 2:55 pm	
	November 16	Tri-Conferences 3:30pm - 8:00pm	
	November 17	Tri-Conferences 9:00 am-12:00 pm NO SCHOOL	
ġ	November 24	Picture Retakes	
	November 24	Litterless Lunch	
	December 1	Litterless Lunch	
	December 22	Last Day of School	
	January 8, 2024	School Reopens	



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		Day 5 1	Day 6 2	Day 1 3
			Assembly Hosted by Rooms 150 & 153 10:00 am	Litterless Lunch
Day 2 6	Day 3 7	Day 4 8	Day 5 9	Day 6 10 Dental College in AM Staff/Student Remembrance Day Service 10:40a.m. Litterless Lunch
Day 1 13	Day 2 14 Report Cards Go Home	Day 3 15	Day 4 16 _Early Dismissal 2:55 pm Parent/Teacher Conferences and Bookfair 3:30pm - 8:00pm	Day 5 17 NO CLASSES Parent/Teacher Conferences and Bookfair9:00 am-12:00 pm Teacher In-Service in PM
Day 6 20	Day 1 21	Day 2 22	Day 3 23	Day 4 24 Picture Retakes
Day 5 27	Day 6 28	Day 1 29	Day 2 30	

The Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) student committee has been very busy planning and preparing for No Waste November. The intention of this challenge is to empower and encourage Robertson School and the rest of the community to reduce pollution, personal waste, and promote education about sustainability. We hope that by the end of November, the community has developed new healthy habits that will positively impact Mother Earth. No Waste November was established in 2017 through the Jane Goodall foundation. One sentence that inspired us to initiate No Waste November and create change was made by Jane Goodall herself, "people waste food while people are starving, and throw away plastic bags which pollute the ocean, and people need to think of ways to prevent your personal waste." The challenge will include activities and learning such as, no power hour, trash challenges, litterless lunches, outdoor learning, examining personal food carbon footprint, winter clothing donations through Koats for kids, and utilizing Robertson's little lending library.

No Waste November strongly aligns with the United Nations' 17 goals for Sustainable Development. We are excited and ready for a month of learning and creating positive change that will impact Mother Earth.

NO WASTE NOVEMBER #NoWasteNovember			
Engage in a no power hour	Use a reusable water bottle	Learn about how quickly fashion impacts the environment	Share your ideas with the community
Discuss food waste	Plan a home/classroom waste audit to see what you can reduce	Donate or take from the Robertson winter clothing drive	Research sustainability with your classroom
Brainstorm ways to reduce food waste	Avoid plastic wrap and try a reusable snack bag or a beeswax wrap	Recycle your markers in room 101	Avoid bringing single use items
Add a book to Robertson's little lending library	Reduce your carbon footprint by walking, biking, or using public transit more frequently	Participate in litterless lunch each Friday in No- vember	Set classroom goals for No Waste November
Investigate/discuss your food carbon footprint (food print)	Participate in the trash challenge (November 10)	Recycle batteries in room 101	Switch off/unplug appliances when not in use

# 137 CLASSROOM NEWS



#### GETTING OUTSIDE

As the warm, sunny weather leaves us, we look back at all the inquiries we had about the seasons changing. What happens to the leaves? What happens to the animals? We had fun learning about all the changes that come as the weather gets cooler.



#### NUMBERS

We continue to explore numbers in many different ways. Numbers are around us everyday! We practice writing our numbers everyday. We also looked at all the different coins and their value.



### ART

We love art in room 137! Here, we are working on button art on our fall trees. We also talk about how certain art activities, such as colouring, can make us feel peaceful and calm.



We work hard in 137 but we also have a lot of fun while doing it! Our classroom community is built on care for each other and respect for those around us. The children in room 153 have been busy working adapting to the demands of attending school full-time, adjusting to a temporary classroom and finally celebrating the move to our classroom that will be our "permanent home." We would like to welcome Ms. Crystal, to our room on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. She is training to be an Educational Assistant. The children are enjoying teaching her the "ins and outs" of our grade 1/2 classroom activities and expectations. We are looking forward to performing in the



November assembly along with Mrs. Sylvester's class to teach the school about the important use of the kind words "please and thank you." Feel free to come watch on Thursday, Nov. 3rd at 10:00 am if you can!

Academic News From Room 152!

**English Language Arts:** We are working on writing stories on real life small moments. It is amazing to see how students' writing is evolving. We share our writing experiences with our peers and get feedback and inspiration from their writing style.

**Mathematics**: We are working on the idea of a concept circle where we are learning to represent a number concretely, pictorially and symbolically. We are also learning about different mental math strategies.

**Science**: We are learning about structures in Science. We looked at the variety of pictures of human made and natural structures. We even did a structure hunt in the school yard to look at some structures around us and explored the function, design, materials used in those structures.



**Social studies:** We are learning about local communities. We compared the urban, suburban and rural communities and identified the kind of community we live in. We also explored the structures found in our community.

**Health:** We are learning about healthy eating habits. We are learning to differentiate between "everyday" and "sometimes" food in Canada's Food Guide to Healthy Eating.

The second month of the school year has been full of exciting progress, and we can't wait to bring you more updates on our educational journey in the forthcoming newsletters.

In Room 132 we are beginning our inquiry into 'how we have impacted the land' and 'how has the history of the land impacted the way we live today'. We have begun by brainstorming what we think the land looked like 200 years ago. White and black TVs, no devices, dinosaurs and horse and buggies are some of our ideas. We have been utilizing our Discovery Education accounts to practice research skills using keywords such as fossils, glaciers, and grasslands. During the first week of November, our class along with the other  $\frac{3}{4}$  classes and the  $\frac{4}{5}$  class, will be braving the chilly temperatures to explore the Stonewall Quarry and add to our new knowledge of how our land changes through history. We are looking forward to learning about the rocks and minerals so close to home.

In Math we have been focusing on the 4 C's of problem solving; Critical thinking, Cooperation, Collaboration and Communication. Through Thinking Classroom problems, we have been practicing communicating our strategies with each other in small groups. We will continue to build stamina to persevere through the challenges of problem solving.







Robertson School is in the middle of some exiting changes! Last spring, we applied for a grant through the Teacher's Idea Fund, which is funded by the Manitoba government. We were excited to learn in June that our application was successful!

The first phase of our vision has already been completed—we have moved our library to the old computer lab just down the hall. The next

phase is a work in progress. We are turning our old library into a multipurpose space where students can go to learn, connect, regulate, meet as a class, and participate in a variety of activities.

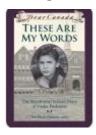
We are in the beginning stages of forming a student group to help with the new space and will have more detailed information (and maybe even part of the new space ready) to share at conferences in November. Stay tuned for more updates in future newsletters!

In September and October, students in Room 105 have had a great time learning with their eyes always at their GOAL. We started off the school year learning about goal setting and how it looks like each day as we set and work towards our daily learning goals in class. Here are some of what we've accomplished so far:

#### SOCIAL STUDIES



Students learned the concepts of citizenship, rights and responsibilities. They also learned the history of the electoral process from 1870 to 2011. A guest from Elections Manitoba conducted a workshop where the students experienced the election process through a simulation activity.



During Novel Study, students read a historical fiction book: These Are My Words: The Residential School Diary of Violet Pesheens to be able to see from the perspective of a child their age, how the Residential School System experience was in 1966.

#### SCIENCE



Students have been quite engaged in learning about the Human Body through science experiments, watching Discovery Education videos and using other resources. So far, we have explored the concepts of cells, cell theory, and the digestive system.



#### MATH

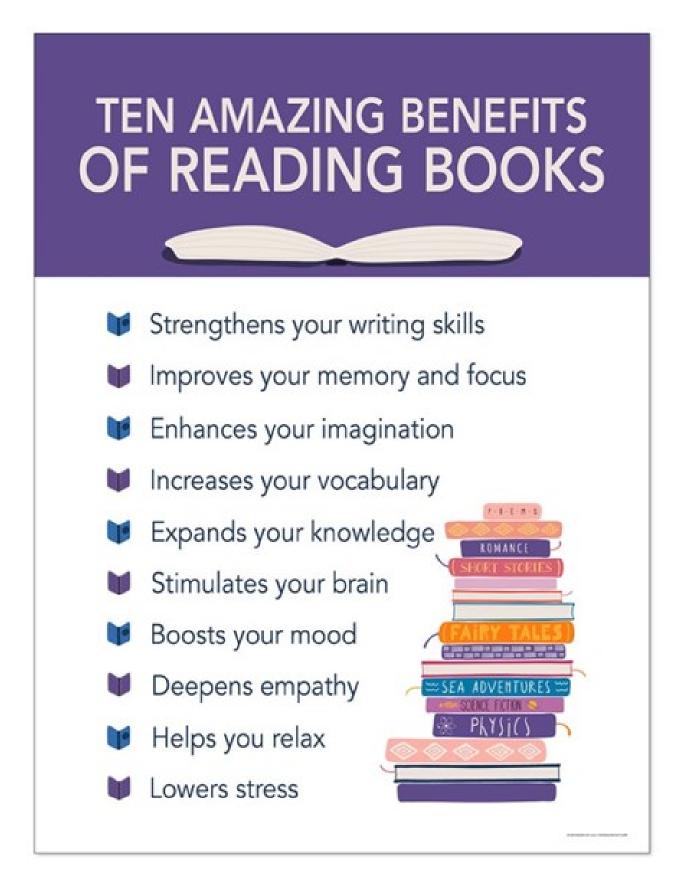
Students also loved engaging in Probability experiments to determine the experimental probability and compare them to theoretical probability of an event. We have also been looking at the different ways to organize and analyze data using graphs and charts. Through random grouping, students also worked together on problem solving questions twice in a cycle. To review math concepts learned, students in class also used the Mangahigh Online Math program where they also played prodigy games.

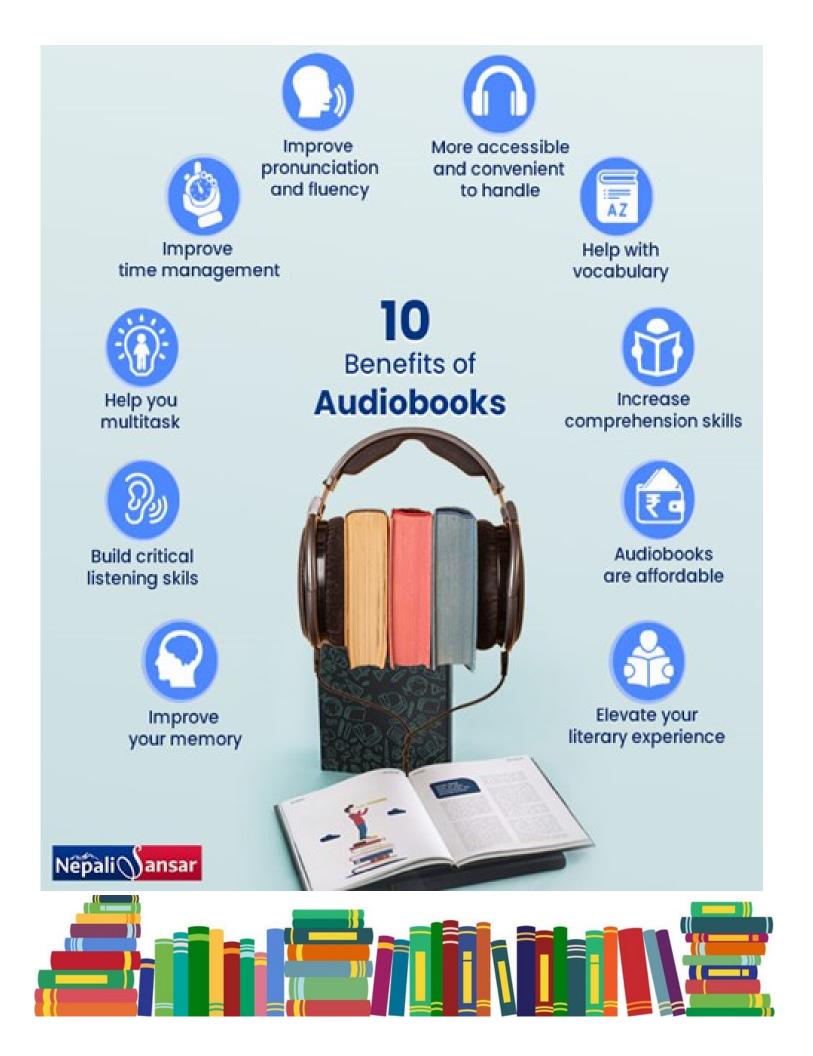
#### ELA

In Writing, our focus was on writing personal narratives. Students have been working towards re-living the memory and bringing it back to life through their powerful and descriptive writing.

We are looking forward to a great year ahead.

Reading improves your focus, memory, empathy, and communication skills. It can reduce stress and improve your mental health. Reading also allows you to learn new things.





#### **North West Ringette Association**

#### **REGISTRATION LINK:** <u>http://NWRA.rampregistrations.com</u>

#### **REGULAR SEASON REGISTRATION FEES**

\*Fees include Ringette Manitoba and Winnipeg Ringette League fees, regular season games (including fees for refs and minor officials).

Level	Registration Fee	Association Fee	Age	Total Fees After New Player Discount
R4U	\$340	\$60	2015 birth year andafter	\$230.00
U10	\$395	\$60	2014 & 2015 birth year	\$257.50
U12	\$395	\$60	2012 & 2013 birth year	\$257.50

#### **ASSOCIATION FEE - \$60**

Association fees go towards, but are not limited to, RAMP Registration costs, website fees, Just Try Ringette, cage rental at Seven Oaks Arena to store NWRA equipment, jerseys, rings, whistles, whiteboards, etc.

#### **NEW PLAYER INCENTIVE**

For the 2023-2024 season, NWRA will offer any new players to Ringette a 50% discount on registration fees ONLY.

Use PROMO CODE "2023newR4U" to receive \$170.00 discount for any child born between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2020!!!

Use PROMO CODE "2023newU10" or "2023newU12" to receive \$197.50 discount for any child born between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2015!!!

#### **Subsidy Information**

Subsidies are available through <u>JumpStart</u> and <u>Kidsport</u>. If you require assistance or have a older than 11 years old, please contact <u>registrar@nwra.ca</u> for more information.



#### RMB wants to introduce YOU 2 Ringette!

Intro 2 Ringette is a fun 4 week program that is going to introduce players 3-8 years old to the sport of Ringette. The cost for 1 session (4 ice times) is only \$60.00

#### What you need 2 Play:

- Helmet with face mask (preferably a ringette face mask)
- Gloves or heavy mittens
- · Skates

#### *How to Register:*

The link to register: <u>https://ringettemanitoba.ca/intro-2-ringette/</u>

October Session North 4:30pm	November Session North 4:30pm
Seven Oaks Arena (745 Kingsbury)	Seven Oaks Arena (745 Kingsbury)
October 7	November 4
October 14	November 12**
October 21	November 18
October 28	November 25

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# Winnipeg School Division is hiring:

- School clerks
- Educational Assistants
- 5th Class Power Engineers
- Bus Drivers



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# November 16th and 17th

We are excited to have the bookfair again this school year during our Tri-conferences.

We will be opened for classrooms to come visit the Wednesday, November 15 and Thursday, November 16 for classrooms to explore and **purchase books and items** during this time. Students can bring money to purchase items when their class attends the bookfair.

The bookfair will also be open during our Tri-Conferences on November 16th and November 17th.

#### Hours of Bookfair:

November 16th- 3:30 pm-8:00 pm November 17th-9:00 am-12:00 pm

We will also have classroom wish lists posted for each classroom in case you would like to purchase a book for your child's classroom teacher.

We look forward to seeing you at the bookfair!

