

# OCTOBER 2023



## A message from Administration...

September flew by and October is already here! Thank you for ensuring that you are continuing to monitor your child/children for any signs of illness before coming to school, keeping them home if they are ill. Thank you as well for dropping off and picking up your child promptly in their designated outdoor line-up areas at 8:45am and 3:25pm.

We are so excited to showcase some of our classrooms each month in our Newsletter. Staff and students are always excited to share their learning with others. Each class will be featured at least three times within the school year. We look forward to hearing about their engaging learning.

Students also participated in the Terry Fox Run around the perimeter of the school in the rain and learned about the life story and success of Terry Fox. They all did a great job following safely when crossing the roads with adults. Our school raised \$ 194 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Bravo!!

Students at Robertson recognized and observed September 29th for the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. We hope that each family will celebrate on September 30th. A moment of silence was also held on September 29th at 2:15 pm. We are proud of how our students and staff exemplified great spirit and respect for both events.

Our grade 5/6 students have been selling chips this month. They have raised \$ 197 for the Grade 5/6 end of year celebrations.

Please remember to book at an appointment ahead of time if you need to meet with a teacher or administration at the school.

Thank you for staying safe and we wish you a very happy upcoming Thanksgiving!

Jude Guzzi  
Principal

Alison Petrelli  
Vice-Principal

<u>IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER</u>	
October 3	Professional Development NO CLASSES
October 6	Litterless Lunch
October 9	Thanksgiving Day NO CLASSES
October 20	Professional Development NO CLASSES
November 3	Litterless Lunch
November 16	EARLY DISMISSAL at 2:55 pm Parent Teacher Conferences
November 17	Parent Teacher Conferences NO CLASSES



~ATTENDANCE~

SAFE ARRIVAL

Before the bell time of the current day, call 1-855-278-4513 or visit

<https://go.schoolmessenger.ca> to report your student's absence or late arrival. An automated system will call out if your child is not in their classrooms by the 9:00am & 1:00pm to check in for attendance.





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<b>Mon</b>		<b>Tue</b>		<b>Wed</b>		<b>Thu</b>		<b>Fri</b>	
Day 2	2	Day 3	3	Day 4	4	Day 5	5	Day 6	6
		PD Day: No School  Make sure to go to Vote!		Bus Ridership P.M.  				Litterless Lunch	
	9	Day 1	10	Day 2	11	Day 3	12	Day 4	13
THANKSGIVING <u>NO SCHOOL</u>  									
Day 5	16	Day 6	17	Day 1	18	Day 2	19	Day 3	20
								<u>NO SCHOOL IN-SERVICE</u>  	
Day 4	23	Day 5	24	Day 6	25	Day 1	26	Day 2	27
SPIRIT WEEK  "Workout Day"		"Hair, Hat or Wig Day"		"Backwards Day"		"Pajama Day"		"Orange/Black Day"	
Day 3	30	Day 4	31			Please remember to update your contact phone numbers & email addresses with your child's teacher or the school office. See our website for up to date information for Robertson School.			
		Halloween  							

# UNITED WAY Spirit Week - Mon. Oct. 23 - Fri. Oct. 27

\*We are asking each student to bring in a loonie (\$1) to participate in the events below. All contributions will go towards the United Way Winnipeg.

## **Monday Oct. 23rd**

**Workout Day-** Wear your favorite exercise gear - sweatpants, track pants, leggings, t-shirts, jerseys...OR the clothes you'd wear to cheer on your favorite athlete or team.

## **Tuesday Oct. 24th**

**Hair, Hat or Wig Day-** Wild, fancy, or funny...show your personal style through your hair, hat, or wig!

## **Wednesday Oct. 25th**

**Backwards Day** - Pick your favorite clothes and wear them backwards!

## **Thursday Oct. 26th**

**Pajama Day-** Wear a clean pair of cozy pjs and bring a stuffy to snuggle with.

## **Friday Oct. 27th**

**Orange/Black Day-** Wear your favorite orange and black clothes!



## **Why are we supporting the United Way Winnipeg this year?**

- The United Way helps kids in Winnipeg grow up to be their very best - in school and in life
- United Way donations are invested in programs and projects that will prepare children for Kindergarten and give them a safe place to go after school to play, learn, and just be a kid
- United Way invests in early education, mentoring, counseling, out-of-school programs, and mental health supports for kids in Winnipeg

Please visit the United Way Winnipeg website for more information on the important work that they do in our city and how you can get involved:

<https://unitedwaywinnipeg.ca/>



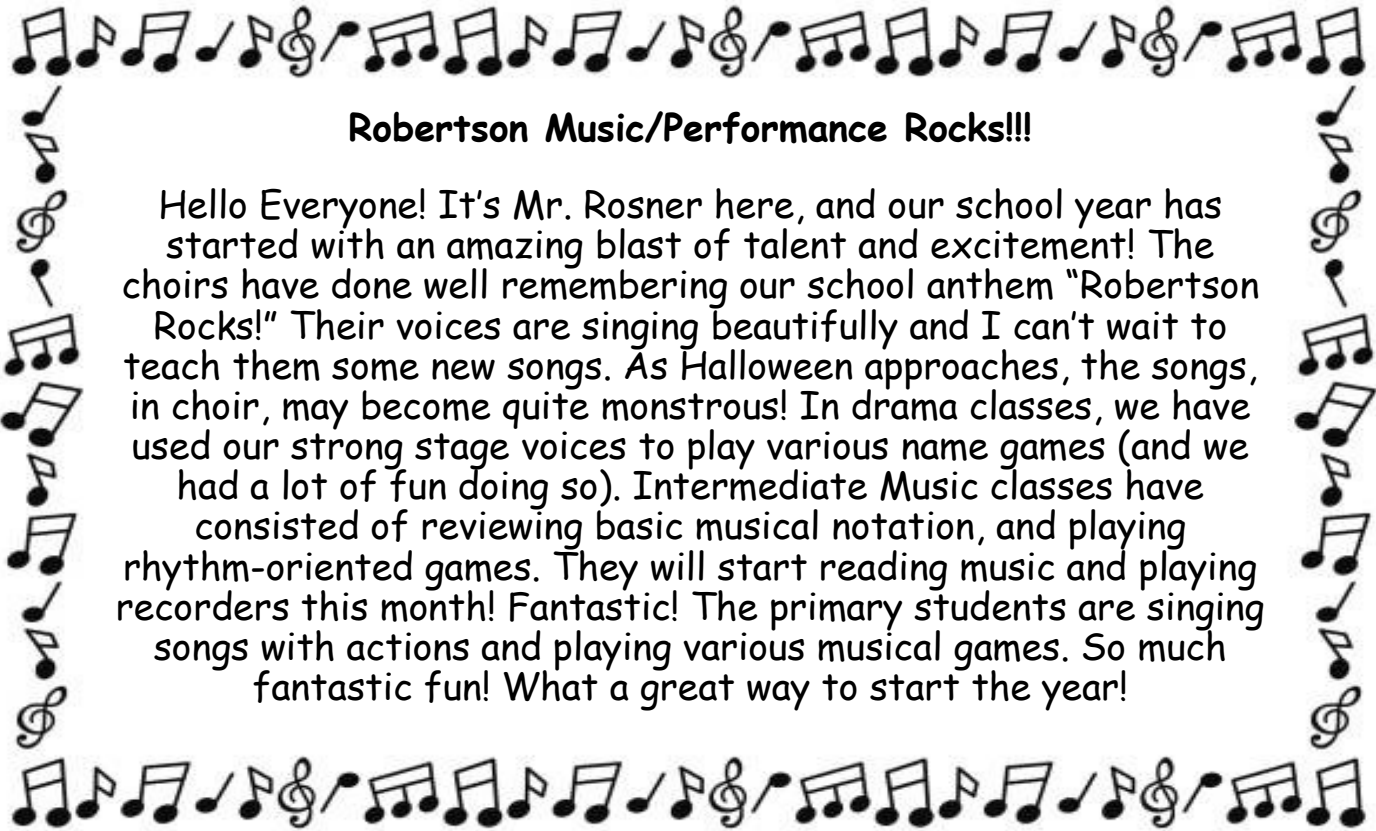
# Spirit Week



Robertson School recently had a Little Free Library installed in the front of our school for families and the community to place or take already loved books. We hope to continue to build community connections, inspire readers and expand access to books around our community. Feel free to take some books home to read or even put books that you are done with in our library for other families to read and enjoy. We hope that this Little Free Library brings you joy as you dive into a book.







## Robertson Music/Performance Rocks!!!

Hello Everyone! It's Mr. Rosner here, and our school year has started with an amazing blast of talent and excitement! The choirs have done well remembering our school anthem "Robertson Rocks!" Their voices are singing beautifully and I can't wait to teach them some new songs. As Halloween approaches, the songs, in choir, may become quite monstrous! In drama classes, we have used our strong stage voices to play various name games (and we had a lot of fun doing so). Intermediate Music classes have consisted of reviewing basic musical notation, and playing rhythm-oriented games. They will start reading music and playing recorders this month! Fantastic! The primary students are singing songs with actions and playing various musical games. So much fantastic fun! What a great way to start the year!

Dear Families and Guardians,

My name is Mona Kaushal and I am Grade 1/2 teacher at Robertson School. Here's what is happening in room 149. In the month of September, students of Grade 1/2 learned about classroom routines. They are getting to know their friends. Room 149 is getting prepared for October's assembly which will be on "Following the Instructions." The students practiced this skill by playing games like "Simon says" and role-played to practice following instructions. Through this skill, students learned the importance of listening carefully to the instructions, asking questions about anything they don't understand and then, repeating the instructions to themselves. Following instructions is important in helping children learn new skills and functions well in different environments. You are welcome to come and see your child's performance in the Assembly on October 4, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in the gym.

Thank you,  
Mona Kaushal  
(Homeroom-149, Grade- 1/2)

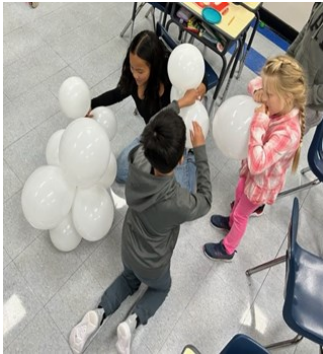
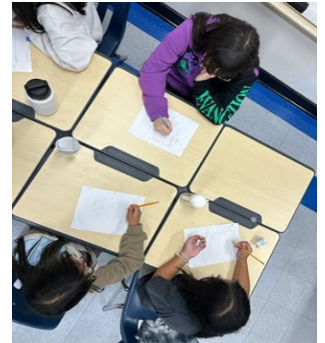


## Room 101 Update

The grade 5 & 6 students of room 101 have been busy learning and enjoying their days at Robertson School. Some of the highlights thus far include: learning through math games, engaging in STEAM challenges, caring for Mother Earth, and taking their learning outdoors.

### Math Games:

Students explored place value, multiplication, and multi-digit addition while engaged in math games with their peers.



### STEAM Challenge:

Students engaged in the design thinking process while working collaboratively with peers to build the tallest balloon tower. Students investigated static electricity and experienced the value of researching, planning, and refining their original plan(s).

### Caring for Mother Earth:

Conversations about caring for the community and Mother Earth led students outside. While outside students were provided with the opportunity to learn about perennial and seasonal plants as they tidied up the front of Robertson School.



### Learning Outdoors:

With the beautiful weather this September the students were able to take their learning outdoors. Learning outdoors allows students to spend time in nature, move about freely, and take a break from learning at their desks.

*“Earlier today, Ms. McLennan and room 101 decided to go outside of the classroom to get some vitamin D from the sun, but our main goal was to care for our community. While we were removing pieces of dead plants I was purely delighted to feel the hot beams of light shine onto my body. The feelings that I felt were relaxation and at ease. In the process of weeding and removing dead plants, I managed to get along with my other classmates. The overall experience was pleasant. Caring for Mother Earth and Robertson School is an opportunity I love to be passionate about.” -Anna F*



The school year is off to a great start and we look forward to sharing more about our learning in the upcoming newsletters.



## Fall Newsletter: Embracing the Beauty of Autumn-Rm 115 Autism room

As the leaves begin to paint the world with their vibrant hues, we warmly welcome you and your children back to school for the new academic year. We're thrilled to have our students back in the classroom, and we're diving headfirst into the wonders of autumn!

### **Sensory Exploration:**

This season is all about engaging our senses, and we've been busy immersing ourselves in the sights, sounds, tastes, and scents of fall. From the crisp crunch of leaves beneath our feet to the comforting aroma of cinnamon and apples in the air, we're savoring every moment.

### **Creative Expression:**

Our students have been unleashing their creativity through various autumn-themed crafts. The classroom has transformed into a colorful gallery of their masterpieces, showcasing the beauty of the season. From leaf-inspired paintings to pumpkin decorations, their artistic talents are shining brightly.

### **Exploring the Season:**

In our morning meeting time, we've been delving into captivating stories that revolve around the magic of fall. Through these tales, our students are learning about the transformations this season brings to the environment and the fascinating ways it affects the world around them.

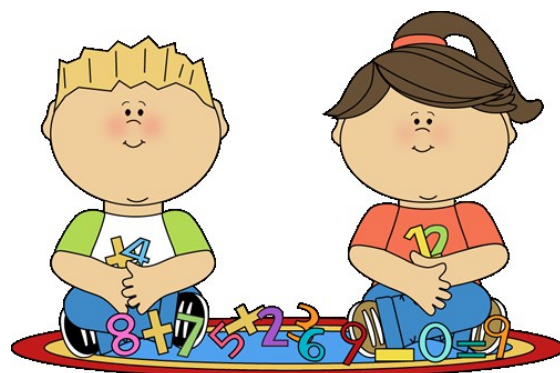
We're excited to embark on this autumn journey with your children, encouraging their curiosity and celebrating the beauty of change. As we continue to explore the wonders of fall, we invite you to join us in embracing this special time of year.



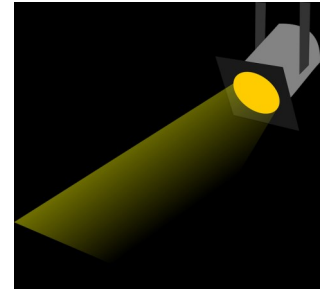
## Nursery/Kindergarten Room 135

We have had a busy, fun start to the 2023-2024 school year! Both our morning and afternoon classes follow similar schedules every day, with time for stories, singing, learning activities, exploring, playing with peers, and outdoor play. Following the same daily routine helps the children in many ways--they use our visual schedule, know what to expect, and transition more easily between activities. We have begun to explore shapes, colours, numbers, and letters and are learning to interact with each other in positive ways. We are excited to see where the year takes us!

Ms. Corinne



# Spotlight on P1



It has been a great first month in grade 3/4! We have built community, knowledge, and skills, and have had a lot of fun! Here is a glimpse into what we have been working on:

## English Language Arts

We kicked off the year with narrative writing - telling our own captivating true stories. It has been amazing to see students balancing actions and dialogue, telling their stories bit-by-bit, using descriptive words and phrases, and including setting details! We have been increasing our stamina while working on independent reading as well.

## Math

We have been exploring estimation - making reasonable estimates using a referent. We have also been representing numbers concretely (ex. using manipulatives such as dice, dominoes, rekenreks, beaded number lines), representationally (ex. using pictures of base 10 blocks, jumps on a number line, paths on a 100 chart), and abstractly (ex. using number sentences).

## Social Studies

We have studied maps and globes as representations of the earth. We have learned about the cardinal directions, oceans and continents, and have practiced navigating from one place to another.

## Science

We have begun our inquiry into Rocks, Minerals, and Erosion. We have been rock detectives - describing and sorting rocks by colour, texture, size, shape, weight, texture, hardness, lustre, and type (sedimentary, igneous, and metamorphic). We even wrote poems to describe our rocks!

## Art

We focused on two Elements of Art: balance and line. We made self-portraits, emphasizing the scale and placement of our facial features. We created Folk Art Trees, using different line types (vertical, horizontal, diagonal, zig zag, curved, and broken) and line quality (thick/thin).

## Health

We have learned how to regulate our bodies and prepare our minds for learning by using mindful moments (ex. visualizing activities) and deep breathing. We are set up for success!



# Counsellor's Corner

FRIENDLY REMINDER...

We want to hear from you!

Please take a moment to complete our [Parent/Guardian Survey](#). Your responses will help shape the guidance program for the year. Please ctrl/click the link below or scan the QR code to complete and submit the survey.

<https://forms.gle/eutT7GFjPdL6ePia7>



If you have any questions, please contact Erin Herkimer by email at [eherkimer@wsd1.org](mailto:eherkimer@wsd1.org) or by phone at 204-589-4745.



## **North West Ringette Association**

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

### **REGULAR SEASON REGISTRATION FEES**

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

<b>Level</b>	<b>Registration Fee</b>	<b>Association Fee</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Total Fees After New Player Discount</b>
R4U	\$340	\$60	2015 birth year and after	\$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 [JumpStart](#) and [Kidsport](#). If you require assistance or have a older than 11 years old, please contact [registrar@nwra.ca](mailto:registrar@nwra.ca) for more information.

EACH SESSION IS 60 MINUTES IN LENGTH  
AT THE SAME TIME AND SAME PLACE!

INTRODUCING

# INTRO 2 RINGETTE

INTRO 2 RINGETTE IS A FUN 4 WEEK  
PROGRAM THAT IS GOING TO  
INTRODUCE YOU TO THE SPORT OF  
RINGETTE.



**\$60**

SEPTEMBER SOUTH - 10, 17, 24, OCT 1 @1:50PM  
 OCTOBER SOUTH - 8, 15, 22, 29 @1:50PM  
 NOVEMBER SOUTH - 5, 12, 19, 26 @12:00PM  
 OCTOBER NORTH - 7, 14, 21, 28 @ 4:30PM  
 NOVEMBER NORTH - 4, 11, 18, 25 @ 4:30PM

**HOW TO REGISTER:**  
 PLEASE CLICK THE LINK BELOW  
 THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
 REGISTER FOR - SPACE IS LIMITED



**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: <https://ringetteманitoba.ca/intro-2-ringette/>

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



# BE THE INSPIRATION

Winnipeg School Division  
**is hiring:**

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



**JOIN US**

[winnipegssd.ca/careers](http://winnipegssd.ca/careers)



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# Cell Phone Expectations

Cell phones will be collected by the classroom teacher every morning and afternoon. They will be locked in a secure location until dismissal.

If the classroom teacher is away, one of the other classroom teachers will be designated to collect the cell phones for the day.

A letter has been sent home to families in Room 101, 103, 105, and P2.



# Truth and Reconciliation

