

William Whyte Community School

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*Where students
Believe, Dream, Dare,*



To be the best they can be

Out of respect for the Indigenous people of Manitoba, we at William Whyte Community School and the Winnipeg School Division recognize that the school we attend resides on Treaty 1 land, known as First Nations Territory, as well as the homeland of the Red River Métis.

NOVEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

Message from the Principal and Vice Principal

We are pleased to welcome to our staff a new clerk who will greet parents / guardians, students and guests each day. **Ms. Joverly Stewart** is coming to us from Prince Charles Education Resource Centre. Welcome, Ms. Stewart!

It is wonderful to see parents/guardians taking an active part in our Family Room activities each week. You can find the calendar of activities in this newsletter. Last month we welcomed parents/guardians to our first Parent/Guardian Advisory meeting. Another opportunity to join will be on Thursday, November 17, at 9:15am. This month you are invited to stay for a Bingo. We thank Kayla Cook for volunteering to be our parent representative at the School Board Parent Council Advisory meetings.

This month we are very excited to begin *Music Equals* fiddling and keyboarding sessions. Hall of Fame Métis fiddler **Patti Kusturok** will be teaching fiddling to interested students in grades 5 – 8. **Grace Hrabi**, a musically talented performer will be teaching the keyboarding program to grade 5 – 6 students.

In the evening of November 17th, and during the day on November 18th, you will have an opportunity to hear about your child's/children's progress during Tri-Conferences (parent-teacher-student). This year you will have the option of an in-person conference, a virtual conference or a telephone conference. Please return your preference form to the school by November 7th. Report cards are going home on November 15th.

Sincerely,

Mrs. W. Verbong

Principal

Vice-Principal

Mr. W. Nickerson

Learning Highlights



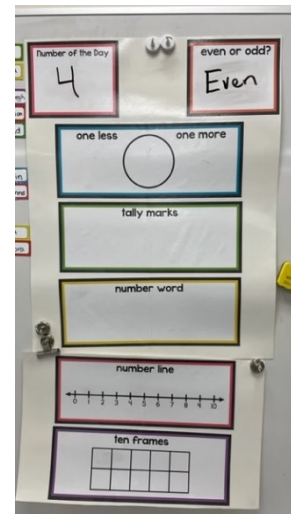
Pumpkin Carving

Grades 7 and 8 students helped their schoolmates in grades 1 – 2 carve pumpkins for Halloween. There were lots of pumpkin seeds, “guts,” and scary faces.



Hello Fall! Rm. 209
share their poems and
descriptive words.

Number of the Day!
How many ways can
you represent the
number 4?



Parent Room News

Donations and a Special *Thank You*

The parent room has clothing donations. If you would like access to the parent room while it's closed, please make an appointment with either Bonnie or Patricia.

Ideas are welcome for our parent room. We would like to thank Kayla Cooke for stepping forward to be our voice / lead for the Parent Advisory Committee meetings. If you would like more information regarding our parent room, please contact the school for Bonnie and Patricia at 204-589-4313.

Thank you to the generosity of Mr. Smith's grandmother, **Audrey Blandford**, for knitting and delivering a huge bag of toques to our school, just in time for the cold weather.



NOVEMBER 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Room Closed Food Security 8:30-11:30	2	3 Bingo at 9:30 Room Closed PM	4 Craft- Bear painting 915-1130 PM Room closed
7 ROOM CLOSED AM CSW meeting 1-4	8 Coffee club Health Nurse Jamila meet and greet 9:30-10:30	9 Literacy with your younger child: Read, write 9:15-10:30	10 Harvest 9:10 –DROP OFF HAMPERS Room closed ALL DAY	11 Remembrance Day SCHOOL CLOSED
14 ROOM CLOSED all day	15 Room Closed Food Security RB Russell 830-1130	16 Literacy with your younger child: Read, write 9:15-10:30	17 Parent Advisory Mtg- 9:15am followed by Bingo Room Closed PM	18 Craft- Bear painting 915-1130 PM Room closed
21 ROOM CLOSED all day	22 Cooking Chili with Parents 930 am – 11	23 Literacy with your younger child: Read, write 9:15-10:30	24 Harvest 9:10 Room closed ALL DAY	25 Hampers Drop off Room Closed ALL DAY
28 ROOM CLOSED all day	29 Room Closed Food Security RB Russel 830-1130	30 Literacy with your younger child: Read, write 9:15-10:30		

Indigenous Visual Arts Update – Ms. Cloutier

This past term the main focus was the Elements of Art.

The students learned a variety of ways to improve their visual art creations.

Here are some examples:



Next term, we will be exploring First Nations and Metis artists! I look forward to showing off the students' creations.

Physical Education Update – Mr. Smith

Several after school athletic opportunities have started up again. A number of William Whyte Wings are participating in **Hockey Heroes**. Coming up in November, Winnipeg Flag Football will be starting in the next two weeks. Stay tuned for application forms.

Intermurals will soon begin for grades 5-8. So far it's been warm out and students continue to enjoy *Four Square*. As the weather turns cold, intermural sports for grades 5-8 will begin from 12:30-12:55 on Wednesdays.

In November, here's what's coming up in Physical Education Classes:

- Nursery to Grade 2: Transport skills and introduction to manipulative skills
- Grades 3 – 4: Whole group collaborative games and talk
- Grades 5 – 6: Developing overhand throwing and catching skills
- Grades 7 – 8: Introduction to small-sided games

Velveteen Rabbit at MTYP

Students in Ms. Dyck's Room 205 and in Ms. Jones' Room 208 attended a play at the Manitoba Theatre for Young People.

Thanks to MTYP's Jessica McGlynn for offering tickets at an accessible price.

Later this year, our middle years students will attend *Frozen River*, a story told by Grandmother Moon about protecting and honouring Manitoba's waterways.

My favourite part of the Velveteen Rabbit was...

...when the bunny came out of the sock. (Majesta)

...when the boy played pirates with the bunny and the stage looked like an ocean. (Scarlett)

...when the boy and the bunny was playing hide and seek. (Chase)

...when the boy and bunny were cuddling on the bed. (Mercy and McKayla)

...when the doctor went to keep going to take the boys temperature when the boy was sick. (Shelby)

...the boy who was the nanny. (Avery)

...how the three men came on the stage with brief cases. (Nicco)

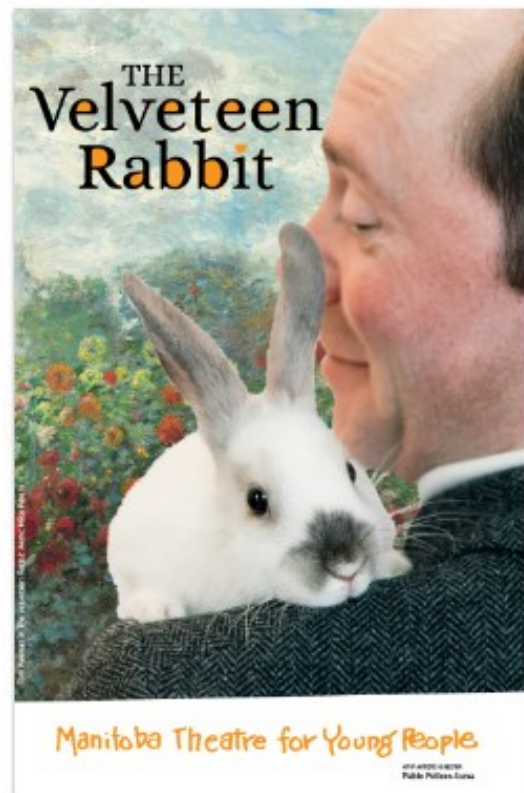
...when the boy was on the swing. (Jordan Smith)

...when the three men were scared of the sock when it was moving. (Majesta)

...when it was snowing. (Chase, Julia and Zalea)

...when the boy and bunny were fighting with the pillows. (Cherish)

...when the real bunny at the end of the play (Jordan Tobacco)



Roots of Empathy Program

Room 208 was invited to participate in the Roots of Empathy Program. This program teaches the students about feelings, their own feelings and the feelings of others. We were all excited to meet our new teacher for this program, Baby Zeref. He will be coming 3 times a month with his mom. The students were all engaged watching Baby Zeref smile and hearing the sounds he made. We learned that he does not like spending time on his tummy. We can't wait to see if that changes as he gets bigger!!



Health

As a community school, William Whyte works with other organizations and government partners to attend to the needs of students. Some of our partners deliver health services in the school.

Mobile Vision Care Clinic, Inc.

The good folks from Mobile Vision Care Clinic tested our students' eyes to determine whether they needed glasses. They brought a complete optician's clinic in to our multi-purpose room. Several students needed glasses and tried on new frames.



Smile Dental Care





Our

friends at Smile Dental Care screened students for any concerns with their teeth.

WRHA Immunization Clinic

This month, we hosted a clinic for grade 6 – 8 students to receive a vaccination for illnesses like Hepatitis B, HPV, Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis.

Calendar of Events - November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 School PD – no classes Gr. 5-6 CanU 4:00-8:00pm	2	3 Gr. 7-8 CanU 4:00-8:00pm Hockey Heroes 4:15-6:00pm	4	5
6	7	8 Indigenous Veterans Day  Gr. 5-8 Basketball 3:30-5:00pm	9	10 Remembrance Day Service Hockey Heroes 4:15-6:00pm	11 School Closed Remembrance Day 	12
13	14	15  Gr. 5-6 CanU 4:00-8:00pm Gr. 5-8 Basketball 3:30-5:00pm	16	17 Tri-Conference Evening – 4:00-6:00pm Gr. 7-8 CanU 4:00-8:00pm Hockey Heroes 4:15-6:00pm	18 Tri - Conference 9:00-3:30 No School	19
20	21	22 Gr. 5-8 Basketball 3:30-5:00pm	23	24 Gr. 7-8 CanU 4:00-8:00pm Hockey Heroes 4:15-6:00pm	25	26
27	28 Parent Advisory Meeting -9:15am Family Room	29 Gr. 5-8 Basketball 3:30-5:00pm Gr. 5-6 CanU 4:00-8:00pm	30 			

Upcoming Dates

- **Thursday, December 8** – Holiday Family Breakfast
- **Thursday, December 15** – Winter Concert
- **Wednesday, December 21** – Last day of school before winter break
- **December 22 – January 4** – Winter holidays
- **Thursdav. Januarv 5** – School reopens

