

CHAMPLAIN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2022



STAFF 2022-2023

Principal Mr. Paulo Teixeira
Head Clerk Ms. Shelley Brezinsky

Classroom Teachers

Nursery/Kindergarten	Ms. Hughes
Grade 1	Ms. Rempel
Grade 1/2	Ms. Samson
Grade 2/3	Ms. Husarewycz
Grade 3	Ms. Grant
Grade 4	Mr. Eccles
Grade 4/5	Ms. Bedard
Grade 5/6	Mr. Clearwater
Grade 6	Ms. Siller

Support Staff

Phys Ed	Mr. Law
Computer/Library	Ms. Olver
Resource/IERT	Mrs. Mira
Resource/IERT	Ms. Mancusi
Guidance	Mr. Claassen
Performing Arts	Mr. Shymko

Educational Assistants

Ms. Johnson	Ms. Starr
Ms. Pollock	Ms. Giroux
Ms. Kopychanski	Ms. Benjamin
Ms. Mlodzinski	Ms. Ramalloza
Ms. Dinglasan	Ms. Minenko
Ms. Thomson	Ms. Stewart

Clinical Support Services

Area Support Director	Ms. Johnson
Reading Clinician	Ms. Normandeau
School Social Work	Ms. Mcrae
School Psychologist	Ms. Holt
Speech-Language Pathologist	Ms. Peterson

School Support Worker

Ms. Thomson

Custodial Staff

Mr. Yap - Head caretaker—Days
Ms. Mendes—cleaner

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"A safe and caring learning community"

Where Everyone Counts!

Dear Champlain families,

Welcome to Champlain 2022-2023 school year! It has been a busy start this year and we are so excited to see all our students and families back this fall!

Welcome Mr. Shymko as our new Performing Arts teacher this school year. Mr. Shymko worked in the grade 3/4 classroom last year. Welcome Ms. Brezinsky, our new head clerk. She joined us this fall and we appreciate all your learning and smile.

Thank you to our Nursery and Kindergarten parents for joining us for the Introduction to Nursery/Kindergarten evening on September 21st, 2022. It was a wonderful to learn together. Thank-you to Mrs. Hughes for coordinating the wonderful evening.

Thank-you to Matt Mousseau, our divisional Inclusion Support Teacher, that led our students and staff through Tipi and Feast teachings at this years Fall Feast and Meet the teacher evening on September 21st. It was a joy to meet and greet families and be together again. A special than-you to all the staff and volunteers for helping coordinate our first Feast and family event in three years.

A reminder that Champlain is a PBIS school and we practice our 3 Beliefs: Be Safe, Be Respectful, and Be Ready to Learn! These beliefs help us to be a caring learning community.

We also would like to remind you again about the Safe Arrival program. If your child is going to be away from school or will arrive late due to illness or an appointment, please phone the Safe Arrival number (1-855-278-4513). If their absence is not called in, and your child is not present at school, you will receive a phone call inquiring as to their whereabouts. This is a safety precaution to ensure that children who leave home for school arrive safely.

Our first parent council meeting was October 5th and our next parent council meeting will be **Wednesday, November 9t at 10am**. Hope to see families again. Please connect with Ms. Elizabeth.

Our parent council run lunch program continues to be in rm 117 and 103. Lunch program fees pay for adult supervision and daily per child. Students that go home for lunch are to wait until 12:55 p.m. to return to school, as there is no supervision at this time.

Champlain School continues to be a great place for kids to learn and grow, thanks to the collaborative teamwork of students, parents and staff. Read to Me, Talk to Me, Parent Council, Professional Learning Communities, and ReconciliACTION initiatives are all part of how we learn and grow together.

Mr. Paulo Teixeira
Principal



**School Hours/Supervision of
Students**

8:50	1st Bell - Students line up on hard top
8:55	Students enter school
9:00	2nd Bell - Announcements, School day begins
10:15-11:15	Grades 1-6 Classroom Dependent Recess
11:30	N/K (a.m.) - dismissal
12:00	Lunch hour dismissal
12:55	1st Bell - Students enter school
1:00	2nd Bell - Afternoon classes begin
2:15	Recess – All Grade 1-6 Classrooms
3:30	Dismissal



**ATTENTION PARENTS AND
GUARDIANS**

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Drop-off and pick-up at school has been busy. Please drive slowly through the back lane or park on the street.

THANK YOU

Playground supervision

The playground supervision over the lunch hour is limited to lunch program students. If your child does not stay for lunch at school, please do not send them to play on the playground as there is no supervision. Please do not send your children before 12:55 PM as they are asked to sit on a bench until the bell rings. If you would like your child to play on the field or play structure over the lunch hour, you are welcome to come with them and supervise.

After school, we clear the playground and ask that all children go home or to the place you have designated for them in order to “check in” with an adult. Our desire is for all students to be safe.

Let’s remember our three beliefs.

Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be Ready to Learn



CHAMPLAIN SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM is a parent council run lunch program that is in place to ensure our students have a safe place to eat their lunch during the school year. We would like to thank all families for making the effort to pay their lunch fees in a timely manner this month. Thank you for your support.

Champlain Parent Council.

NURSERY/KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Just a reminder, registrations for Nursery and Kindergarten for 2022-23 school year are available at the office.

If your child was born in 2018, you may register them for Nursery.

If your child was born in 2017, then you may register them for Kindergarten.

Winnipeg School Division offers Nursery School free of charge to all residents of the Winnipeg School Division.

Residency is determined by where the parent/legal guardian lives. We will require a copy of your Manitoba Health card with your current address along with either a property tax bill, Child tax credit assessment, or tenant/rental agreement. Also, please make sure you provide a birth certificate for your child.



Students being street smart

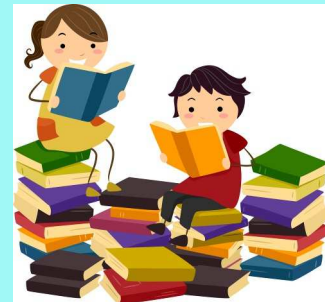
Does your child know how to be **street smart**? It's something we talk about in our classrooms because the safety of our students is very important. It's also a good thing to talk about at home as a regular reminder for your child.

Being street smart means knowing how to keep safe from strangers when we're alone or with other kids. Walking to school, the bus, the playground or riding your bike in your neighborhood, being street smart helps you stay **safe**.

Our school takes it very seriously when a student reports a suspicious person. In most cases, a police report is made and, sometimes, police are able to quickly interview the "suspicious" person and determine that it was a misunderstanding. At other times, however, police are required to conduct a bigger investigation of a more serious threat. We will let you know if we make a report of a suspicious person to police on behalf of one of our students, because we believe that an informed community is a safer community.

Parents are encouraged to go to the **winnipeg.sd.ca website and click on Parents – Safe Schools** to find a link called **"Be Street Smart"**. Here you will find a list of topics to share with your child to help them be street smart and safe, including knowing:

- Who are strangers?
- Who needs to know where I am and why?
- Why should I stick with a friend?
- What are my safe spots?
- What are the places that aren't safe for me?
- What should I do if a stranger asks me for help?



We're proud to work with you in keeping our community and children safe!

CHAMPLAIN SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR

Day	Date	Item
3	Wednesday, October 5, 2022	Parent Council Meeting
5	Friday, October 7, 2022	Picture Day
	Monday, October 10, 2022	Thanksgiving—No Classes
2	Friday, October 21, 2022	Non-Instructional Day—No Classes
6	Thursday, October 27, 2022	Gr. 6 Immunization Clinic 1:15-3:15 PM
	Friday, November 11, 2022	Remembrance Day—No Classes
5	Monday, November 14, 2022	Report Cards go home
2	Thursday, November 17, 2022	Student-led conferences (4—8 P.M.)
3	Friday, November 18, 2022	Student-led conferences Non-Instructional Day—No Classes
1	Friday, December 2, 2022	Non-Instructional Day—No Classes
2-6	Monday, December 5-Friday, December 9, 2022	Mobile Vision Care Clinic
2	Wednesday, December 21, 2022	Last Day of Classes before Winter Break
	Thursday, December 22, 2022— Wednesday, January 4, 2023	Winter Break—No Classes
3	Thursday, January 5, 2023	First Day back from Winter Break
6	Friday, February 3, 2023	Non-Instructional Day-No Classes
	Monday, February 20, 2023	Louis Riel Day—No Classes
5	Tuesday, February 21, 2023	Celebration of Learning—5 P.M.
1	Monday, March 13, 2023	Report cards go home
4	Thursday, March 16, 2023	Student-led conferences (4-8P.M.)
5	Friday, March 17, 2023	Student-led conferences Non-Instructional Day—No Classes
4	Friday, March 24, 2023	Last Day of Classes before Spring Break
	Monday, March 27-Friday, March 31, 2023	Spring Break—No Classes
5	Monday, April 3, 2023	School Reopens after Spring Break
	Friday, April 7, 2023	Good Friday—No Classes
1	Friday, April 14, 2023	Non-Instructional Day—No Classes
5	Friday, April 20, 2023	Celebration of Learning—5 P.M.
6	Monday, May 1, 2023	Non-Instructional Day—No Classes
	Monday, May 22, 2023	Victoria Day—No Classes
4	Wednesday, May 24, 2023	Celebration of Learning — 5 P.M.
6	Monday, June 5, 2023	Non-Instructional Day — No Classes
2	Thursday, June 15, 2023	End of year celebration feast—5 P.M.
5	Wednesday, June 28, 2023	Grade 6 Farewell—1:15 P.M.
1	Friday, June 30, 2023	Last Day of Classes - Classes dismissed at 11:30AM

SCHOOL PATROLS

Our school provides student patrols to assist children crossing the busy intersections near our school.

The patrols are on duty from 8:40 - 8:55 a.m., from 12:00 - 12:10 p.m. and after lunch, from 12:40 - 12:55 p.m. and from 3:30 - 3:40 p.m. Please watch for them and assist them by slowing down and obeying all traffic laws.

ALL CHILDREN ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW THE DIRECTION OF THE PATROLS.



WHY ARE PATROLS IMPORTANT?

Champlain Patrols...

- Help students get home safely
- Signal the cars to stop so students can cross the street safely
- Protect the students
- Are a visual signal to drivers that students are around
- Are role models who represent our school

Patrols can save lives!

Champlain patrols are safe, respectful and responsible

Safe Arrival call back system.

Reporting your child's absence? Make sure you call our Safe Arrival line
If you have already activated an account you must make the following changes

If your child is ill, or you know your child will be away for various reasons, you **must** report it by 9:00 AM through our automated system. There are various ways to do this:

1. call into an automated interactive telephone system via a toll free number ([1-855-278-4513](tel:1-855-278-4513)),
2. use the mobile app
3. through the Safe Arrival website.

- If the parents are using the Safe Arrival mobile app, they must download a new School Messenger app for Safe Arrival. Instructions for parents are available on the site.
- School Messenger Safe Arrival will not automatically send an invitation email to parent/guardians of new students.
- Safe Arrival web site for parents to report absences will be go.schoolmessenger.ca. ***
- The toll free number for parents to report absences will remain as [1-855-278-4513](tel:1-855-278-4513).

The system will be available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week, but you must report the absence by 9:00 AM. Future absences can be reported at any time. By reporting your child absent in advance using SafeArrival, you will NOT receive a call.

If your child needs any sort of medication during the school day, there are strict guidelines we must adhere to, according to Winnipeg School Division Policy. Children are not allowed to carry any type of medication on them or in their backpack. If you find you are in need of this service, please contact the office at 204-586-5139. We will be glad to assist you as there is certain paperwork that needs to be filled in.

PARENT ROOM NEWS

thank you

Huge THANKS to all of the volunteers who helped cut vegetables and prepare the food for our Feast! Special thanks to Heather for making all of the bannock! It was so delicious!!

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Explore beading with us in the Parent Room. Check the calendar for dates and times. No experience is necessary. We will supply all of the materials for all participants to leave with a beaded pair of earrings. Come check it out and see how easy it is... or just come out and watch!



Please join us for a volunteer orientation in the parent room. Friday October 7th at 10 am. Come out and learn about the exciting volunteer opportunities waiting for you at Champlain School.

Looking forward to sewing together in November. Star Blanket sewing group coming in Nov.

Please call Elizabeth if you are interested.

Happy Fall everyone!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5 Parent Council Meeting 10 am—room 117	6	7 Volunteer Orientation 10am. All Volunteers must attend!	8
9	10	11	12 Beading Group 10am. -11:30 Parent Room No experience necessary	13	14 Parent Room closed.	15
16	17	18	19 Beading Group 10am. -11:30 Parent Room No experience necessary	20	21 Parent Room closed.	22
23	24	25	26 Beading Group 10am. -11:30 Parent Room No experience necessary	27	28 Parent Room closed.	29
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Day 1	4 Day 2	5 Day 3 <i>1:15PM School evacuation to St. John's</i>	6 Day 4	7 Day 5 <i>Photo Day</i> 
10 <i>Thanksgiving—No Classes</i> 	11 Day 6	12 Day 1	13 Day 2	14 Day 3
17 Day 4	18 Day 5	19 Day 6	20 Day 1	21 Day 2 <i>Non-Instructional Day—No Classes</i>
24 Day 3	25 Day 4	26 Day 5	27 Day 6 <i>1:15PM Gr. 6 Immunization Clinic</i>	28 Day 1
31 Day 2				

Looking ahead.....
Friday, November 11..... Remembrance Day / No Classes
Monday, November 14..... Report Cards Go Home
Thursday, November 1..... Student-led conferences 4:30-7:30
Friday, November 18 Student-led conferences / Non-Instructional Day / No Classes
Friday, December 2..... Non-Instructional Day / No Classes
Monday, December 5-Friday, December 9..... Mobile Vision Care Clinic