Meadows West School Community Report 2022-2023

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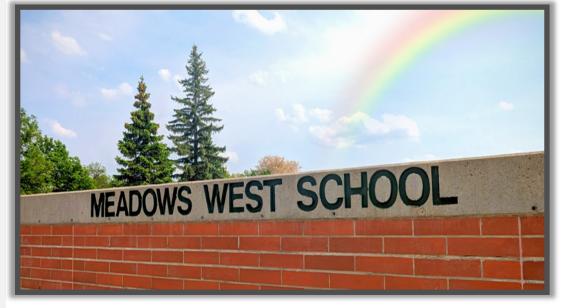
Our Purpose

Winnipeg School Division provides a learning environment that fosters the growth of each student's potential and provides equitable opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills, and values necessary for meaningful participation in a global and diverse society.

Our Vision

Is for current and future people learning and working within Winnipeg School Division to be: Engaged, Confident, Inspired, and Successful Learners.





About our school

Meadows West School opened in April of 1988. The community is continuing to expand and grow larger and more ethnically diversity. There are 448 students that attend Nursery to Grade 8.

At Meadows West School students have the opportunity to explore ideas and be creative. They have the opportunity to participate in school activities and clubs to develop their leadership skills and engage in meaningful discussions about current events and issues globally.

Students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of extra-curricular activities including, sports, the Arts and STEM activities.

Highlights

- Destination Imagination
- Indigenous Learning Journey
- New ASD Program
- Musical "Pirates"
- Challenger Baseball
- Filipino Bilingual Program- Start date September 2023
- Field Trips: Children's Museum, Oak Hammock Marsh, Uptown Alley, Lilac Resort, Assiniboine Zoo
- School Patrol Group
- Chess Tournament
- Cross Country
- Volleyball
- Grade 7/8 Basketball- 3rd Place Division
- Grade 7/8 Badminton- Finalist in
 Division
- Gr. 7/8 Boys Soccer Champions
- Grade 5 Students Participated in Animation Jam at Sisler High School
- Sisler Create
- Jr High Divisional Science Fair
- WSD Elementary Years Choral Celebration
- K-8 participated in school Talent Show
- GSA Club
- "Maawanji'idiwag" (They came together) Indigenous Learning Group
- Fundraising: Popcorn, Pizza, Henna.
 Bake sale for Ronald McDonald
 Charities House Manitoba
- Red Cross Babysitting Training Course
- Guidance: Friendship Group, Leadership, Social Action group, Roots of Empathy, GSA Fundraiser to put towards club activities, "Moms"Who Care Group, IYLP in collaboration Shaunnessy Park, École Waterford.



















Priorities for 2022-2023

Literacy Learning Maintain and support our work on reading and writing instruction. Continue to build on our learning by sharing and developing common strategies across the grades.

Numeracy Learning

Collaboration between grades to develop common language and understanding of the concepts at each grade level. Focus on the importance of integrating problem solving into daily practice. STEM approach to building thinking classrooms.

Strengthening Community

Connections Create more opportunities for community and families to come together after school learning sessions, monthly broadcasts, Newcomer Family session, "Mom" support group highlight learning achievements and much more.

Indigenous Learning Journey

Continue our journey of understanding of Aboriginal teachings and its application to everyday life using the Mamahtawisiwin: The Wonder We Are Born With Indigenous Education Policy Framework and Global Competencies.

Roots and Shoots

Find and discover solutions for issues that relate to educational sustainability. Improve outdoor learning environments for students, staff and the community. Continue our journey of understanding of Aboriginal teachings and its application to everyday life.

Create Safe and Caring School for all

Ensuring students feel safe, nurtured and cared for in an inclusive learning environment.



Priorities for 2023-24

School and Community Relationships

- Community building: within and outside of the school
- Support our families
- Invite Families to support the school
- Reduce Cultural Barriers
- Nurturing Smooth Transitions

Social and Emotional Wellness

- Support the wellness of Staff, Students, and Families
- Share strategies to support collaboration
- Create strategic pairings of staff & students (skill building, skill sharing, relationship building)
- Build awareness & strategies related to specific needs (traumainformed, anxiety reduction, ADHD, ASD, organization, time management)
- Embracing diversity and empowering student voice.
- Promote school wide programs: Second Step, We Thinkers, Kids in the Know, Healthy Minds Week (Mental Health Awareness)

Academic Learning Journey

- Reading/Writing Growth Areas
 - o Create authentic and genuine piece of writing
 - Communicate more effectively using visuals and text.
 - o Make connections with print
 - Writing Conventions & Organization
- Math Growth Areas
 - o Visualization
 - o Critical Thinking
 - Infusing Real World Applications
 - Discussing and collaborating to work on a problem solving task.

Parent and Community involvement

Meadows West Parent Association

We were fortunate to have an amazing group of parents continue to be a part of our Parent Association for the 2022-2023 school year. We also welcomed many new parents joining the Executive Committee.

Together they ran several successful fundraisers. Successful fundraising meant that the Meadows West Parent Association could contribute to a variety of initiatives such as:

- Field Trips
- Grade 8 Farewell Celebration
- Patrol Appreciation
- Extra-Curricular Activities
- New Equipment purchasing
- Support for Community Members.

The MWPA runs a successful school lunch program.

There are 20 community member employed as Lunch Program Supervisors

Access NorWest and Intercultural Support Workers (ISW's)

Access Nor West has provided numerous opportunities for our families to enrich their lives. They offer Community Advocacy Training, Mom Discussion groups and Welcome Newcomer events.

ISW's have supported our school and families. Throughout the fall home learning packages were provided to Nursery and Kindergarten families and ISW's provided food drop off services for families in need of assistance. The ISW supported the school by communicating with families in language other than English and providing translating services during parent teacher conferences.

City Councilor Vivian Santos

City Councilor Vivian Santos has continued to provide support for the construction of an outdoor learning area. We plan to break ground in the Fall of 2023. In addition, Vivian Santos continues to be an advocate for the Filipino Bilingual Program which is opening in September 2023. Meadows West will be the first school in WSD to start the Filipino Bilingual Program for Kindergarten and Grade 1.





