



The Communiqué

Monthly Newsletter of École Luxton School

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I'm so happy to be welcoming back our students into the building for the 2022-2023 school year.

An important date is fast approaching in the calendar: **Meet the Teacher** will be held **Thursday, September 14**. Parents / guardians will get the chance to meet their child's teachers face-to-face and see the classroom. Teachers will be available to talk to parents about their program.

New teachers have joined École Luxton School:

- Grade 2/3 French Immersion Teacher: **Adriana Litardi**
- Physical Education and Health: **William Kay**
- Grades 4/5 English Programme Teacher: **Kim Ellana**

Please be mindful that École Luxton is a scent-free environment. We have staff and students with sensitivities.

W. Nickerson, Ph.D.

Directeur / Principal

SAFE ARRIVAL

Safe Arrival is the system the school uses to verify student attendance. It's easy to report your child's absence.

With SafeArrival, please report your child's absence in advance using any of three convenient methods:

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>).
2. Use the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca> . The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account > Select Attendance > then Report an Absence.
3. Call the toll-free number **1-855-278-4513** to report an absence the automated phone system.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

LUNCH PROGRAM NEWS

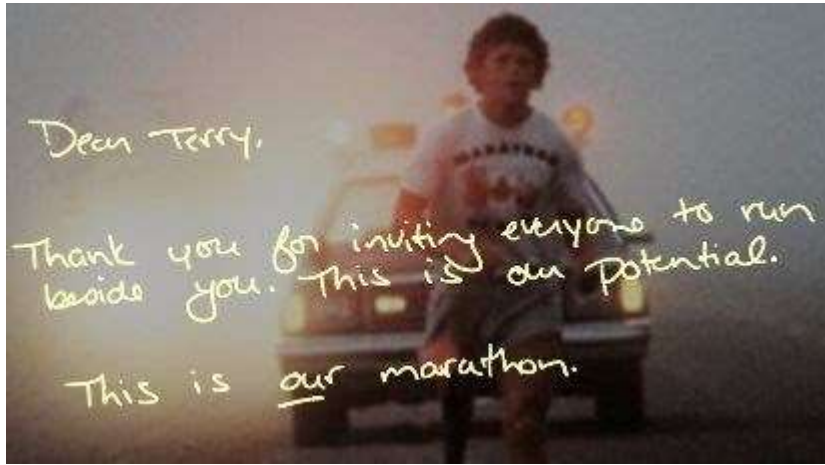


We have had an overwhelming response for our grades 1 – 6 PAC lunch program. While lunch program applications are now available, the program has reached its full capacity. New applications will be placed on a waiting list. Please note that Lunch Program is designed for Parents/Guardians who are currently working or attending school and have no one to care for their child during the noon hour. If you are at home during the day, please pick up your children for lunch.

For those who stay for lunch, please ensure lunches and snacks are “PEANUT FREE.” After eating lunch, all children go outside for supervised play. Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather.

There is a shortage of available lunch program supervisors. If you are available to work in our lunch program, please get in touch with the Rita Legary by phoning the school at 204-589-4368.

TERRY FOX RUN



In September, students and staff participate in the Annual Terry Fox School Run. The Nursery/Kindergarten, and grades 1 to 3 students run together in our school yard, while the grade 4 to 6 students run a course through the École Luxton School Community.

We have established a link for those wish to donate to the Terry Fox Foundation in the name of Luxton School. Our goal is to raise \$1000 for the foundation:

DONATION LINK: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/35518>

The Terry Fox School Run will take place Mr. Kay's physical education classes from September 19 - 22, 2023.

ACADEMIC STAFF - 2023 - 2024

Grade Level / Role	English Programme	French Immersion Programme
Nursery / Kindergarten	A. Kuyp (AM and PM) Room 7	T. Pronyk (PM) Room 6
Grade 1	K. Sampson Room 9	S. Slobodian Room 8
Grade 2/3	K. Howard Room 13	A. Litardi Room 16 E. Ross-Moore Room 15
Grade 3/4	A. Chan Room 18	
Grade 4/5	Y. Sisko Room 26	A. Groff Room 25
Grade 5/6	K. Ellana Room 24	T. Prince Room 27
Featured Programs	J. Kelsch T.A.P. (grades 3-5) Room 23	D. Armenti Links (grades 4-6) Room 20
Physical Education	W. Kay	
Music Education	E. Golubchik	
Resource Teacher	K. McCartney	
Guidance	K. Zeglinski	
Principal	W. Nickerson	

PROFILES OF OUR NEW STAFF



K. Ellana

Hello! My name is Kim Ellana and I am very excited to be joining the team at École Luxton School.

I have been teaching for three years and have experience working with early-middle year students!

Outside of school I enjoy spending time with friends and family, reading, exercising and trying out new restaurants around the city! I am also very passionate about the arts, specifically singing. I have sung with

a community choir for many years and continue to support different choral groups in the city.

I am looking forward to meeting all of you and to kickstart a year filled with growth and loads of learning opportunities!

W. Kay

Hello! I am William Kay, and I am excited to join the team at École Luxton School as the new Physical Education teacher.

I have been with the Winnipeg School Division for four years and cannot wait to meet my new students! Together, we will learn and practice fundamental skills to help us live an active and healthy life. I have two daughters, ages ten and six, and two cats, Athena and Persephone. In my spare time, I enjoy music, video games, hiking, and bike rides with my daughters to the park to find painted rocks.

I look forward to seeing you in September and having an exciting year together!



A. Litardi

Hi! My name is Adriana Litardi and I'm looking forward to meeting the staff and students of Luxton School this fall!

I have two cats. I love photography. I also enjoy travelling, drawing and painting.

Lastly, I am an avid Winnipeg Blue Bombers fan. It is my first-year teaching, and I'm excited for the year ahead!

W. Nickerson

Hello, Luxton Community. I'm your new principal, Warren Nickerson. I am coming to you after serving as a school leader at Robert H. Smith, William Whyte, and Carpathia schools. Before that, I had been an education consultant. I taught for English language arts and English as additional language for fifteen years, mostly in the St. James-Assiniboia School Division.

My own children, Zach and Delaney, are in their twenties. Frank, a French bulldog, and Barney, a Corgi, take care of my wife and I. I am an avid Arsenal FC fan and also play rec soccer.



SCHOOL PATROLS

Mme Prince and Mrs. Lotz are coordinating our school patrols this year, with the support of Ms. Ellana and Mr. Kay. Student patrols have put their names forward and the grade 4s will be trained soon. Patrols are a great opportunity for students to learn leadership and contribute positively to keeping their community safe.

Schedule:

- September 11 – 15 TROOP A
- September 18 – 22 TROOP B
- September 25 - 29 TROOP C

Thank you to each our volunteers and the student patrols for stepping up and helping with this worthy endeavor.



FUNDRAISER



A vs **W** | **FRI SEP 29 | 7:00 PM**

PRINCESS AUTO PRE-GAME TAILGATE AT THE PLAZA OPENS 5:00 PM
& GATES OPEN 6:00 PM

FUNDRAISER WITH THE BOMBERS
TO REDEEM OFFER: SCAN THE QR CODE – SELECT THE BEST SEAT OPTION FOR YOU
\$5 OF EVERY TICKET PURCHASED USING THE QR CODE WILL GO TOWARDS
ÉCOLE LUXTON'S SCHOOL PAC FUNDRAISER
**COME CHEER WITH THE CFL LOUDEST FANS WHILE SUPPORTING
ÉCOLOE LUXTON SCHOOL PAC – GO BLUE!!**

COME EARLY AND ENJOY GAME DAY SPECIALS UNTIL KICKOFF

\$5 BEER | \$3.50 HOT DOG | \$3.50 FOUNTAIN DRINK

*\$55 ML. CANNED MOLSON COORS & MOLSON COORS LIGHT UNTIL KICKOFF ON THE CONCOURSE. EXCLUDES SUITE LEVEL.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SEPTEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4 Labour Day	5 No School (Administrative Day)	6 First Day of School for Grade 1 – 6 and Links N/K and TAP Interviews	7 N/K and TAP Interviews	8 N/K One Hour	9
10	11 Half-day classes begin for N/K	12 PBIS Common Area Training	13 Bravo Blitz (until Friday)	14 Meet the Teacher (4-6)	15 <i>International Day of Democracy</i>	16
17	18	19 Terry Fox School Run Campaign (in gym classes)	20	21 <i>International Day of Peace</i>	22	23
24	25 School Support Staff Recognition Week	26	27 PAC Meeting	28	29 <i>National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day)</i>	30

Upcoming Dates

- Tuesday, October 3, Election Day – No School
- Thursday, October 5, Grade 6 Immunizations
- Monday, October 9, Thanksgiving Day – No School
- Tuesday, October 17, Bus Ridership
- Tuesday, October 17 to Thursday, October 19th, Hearing Screening
- Friday, October 20, MTS PD Day – No School
- Thursday, October 26, Picture Day