



MAY 2024  
Newsletter



# PRAIRIE ROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Ken Romaniuk, Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians:

May has arrived with sunshine and wonderful weather. May also reminds us that the school year will soon come to an end. We remain focused on the educational goals that we are working on and to use the remaining time left to make the most of the school year and our time at Prairie Rose School.

Safety for our students is always on our minds at Prairie Rose School. Daily, as we drive to school and while we supervise students entering the building, we are concerned about the car and pedestrian traffic. During the busy times, before and after school, there are many cars dropping off and picking up children around the school. As the children get in and out of the cars and cross the street there is the potential for accidents. It is also imperative that speed is reduced in our school zone and you follow traffic parking signs. Thank you for helping to keep our students safe.

As we enter into the last two months of school we encourage everyone to reflect on their learning goals and stay focused on reaching their highest level of achievement possible this school year. Also looking forward to next school year the Parent Teacher Advisory is already making plans for next years lunch program. Please note there are limited spots available and everyone must pre-register for the lunch program if they wish to attend the program. Also please note they are asking for 10 postdated cheques to be provided at the time of registration, this will help the time spent on accounting and tracking down fees.

Thank you to all those who have supported our Spring Fundraiser we had a tremendous response and were able to raise just over \$4,000.00 that will be directed towards school activities and technology. We appreciate everyone's ongoing support.



## Land Acknowledgment

**“The students, staff, and communities of Winnipeg School Division are committed to truth and reconciliation through building relationships with Mother Earth, the original peoples of this land, and the stories that bring us together. We acknowledge the place in which we gather is on Treaty 1 territory, the homeland of the Red River Métis, and the ancestral lands of the Anishinaabe, Ininiwak, and Dakota Oyate peoples.”**

# Prairie Rose School

## Registration for the 2024–2025 School Year

- Registrations will be accepted for the next school year starting February 26th for Nursery to Grade 6
- If your child will be 4 years of age before the end of December 2024 you can register for Nursery.
- Documents needed are your child's birth certificate, proof of residence and your Manitoba Health card. Please refer to the registration checklist on the website under the registration tab.
- Registration packages will be available from the office and on line at <https://www.winnipegssd.ca/schools/PrairieRose/Pages/default.aspx>

If you have any questions, or to arrange registration pick up, please call the school at 204 633 4092.



## WSD NEW STUDENT SCHOOL REGISTRATION STARTS FEBRUARY 26!

If your child is turning four or five by December 31 this year, it's time to register them for Nursery or Kindergarden.

Starting Nursery or Kindergarden is an exciting time and we're here to help.

Find your neighbour school on [winnipegssd.ca](http://winnipegssd.ca) and learn more about your child's school and the special role it has in your community.

Start your child on the journey of a lifetime of joyful and deep learning.

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WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

# Prairie Rose School

## Nursery & Kindergarten Registration for the 2024 - 2025 School Year



Nursery & Kindergarten registrations for September 2024 are now being accepted. Children entering Nursery must be 4 years old and students entering Kindergarten must be 5 years old by December 31, 2024. Verification of age must be shown for new students registering. Please bring with you, when registering, a copy of a birth certificate and/or a Manitoba Health Card, along with proof of residency (Hydro bill or property tax bill). We presently have morning Nursery/Kindergarten. Class configurations depend upon the number of students we have for Nursery and Kindergarten.

If you have a neighbor with young children, please let them know about the Nursery/Kindergarten registration.

Students attending Nursery at Prairie Rose for the current school year 2023-2024 are automatically registered for the Kindergarten program.

- Online forms are available on our school website <https://www.winnipegssd.ca/schools/PrairieRose/Pages/default.aspx> You can print them and drop them off at our school or email them to [prairierose@wsd1.org](mailto:prairierose@wsd1.org).

**NOTE: You must be a resident of the Winnipeg School Division in order to have your child enrolled at no cost in the nursery program.**

### Are you Moving?



#### Moving?

Please notify the school if you know that your child will not be attending Prairie Rose School next year. This information helps us make a more accurate projection of student enrollment for the upcoming school year. Your cooperation is required by completing the cut off provided and returning it to the classroom teacher. \*Not required if your child is in grade 6.

The student listed below will not be returning to Prairie Rose School next year.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent/Guardian Signature**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



Wow! It is hard to believe that May is already here! Where has the time gone? With only a few weeks left, we are beginning to look forward to next year (2024 – 2025), as we prepare to host our **“Welcome to Kindergarten”** Meet and Greet event on **Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**. This event is held for all of our current (returning) Nursery students and NEW Kindergarten registrations, in order for their families to learn more about the program and for them to receive a bag of fun, play-based learning materials to use at home. Further information will be provided via SeeSaw messaging or email in a few days, so please make sure to check your messages regularly.

Throughout the month of May, we are going to extend our classroom to the outdoors to explore the various changes happening around us. We will be searching for bugs, numbers and letters in our environment and will continue observing the Trees to see who or what may be inhabiting them. We will also spend time in our ever-changing centres, while exploring more challenging Math and Language Arts skills in preparation for next year!

As a follow-up to our explorations throughout the year, we will be going on a **Field Trip** to the Manitoba Museum and Planetarium on **Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**, leaving the school at **9:15 am** and returning at approximately **1:15 pm**. A note with all of the details will be sent home very shortly.

Finally, please make sure you clear your schedules and mark your calendars for a PARTY in honour of our amazing Nursery / Kindergarten Children and all of their accomplishments - **The Annual N/K Year-End Celebration!** This year’s festivities will be held on **Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>** with the **performance starting at 9:45 am**. An official invitation will be sent home early next month with all of the details, so please make sure to look for it!

We always look forward to sharing our learning and discoveries, so please feel free to stop by and visit any time!

Sincerely,  
Ms. D





## Grade 1 and 2 News by Ms. Nassar

We had fun in April! We are so excited that the weather has finally decided to warm up and are looking forward to some “outdoor classroom” time. Here is an update on what we have been learning in Room 208:

**Math:** We are challenging our brains and working through “The Think Tank” – a box of math cards that challenges the students to think critically and problem solve. We completed our unit on measurement and are working on adding double digit numbers.

**ELA:** In writing we are working on writing longer, more detailed stories by learning to focus on small moments.

**Science:** We started our unit on Solids, Liquids and Gases and so far have learned about the different properties that each state of matter have. We will be doing some fun experiments coming up. We also had a great time learning about the solar eclipse at the beginning of April and were so happy the clouds cleared and we were able to see the eclipse.

We are excited to finish up the year strong and to continue to make learning fun. We will be going on a couple field trips, more information to follow.

Talk soon,  
Ms. Nassar





Hello Prairies Rose families! Finally the spring is Blooming In!!!! As the days are getting warmer, kids enjoy spending their recess time outside and embracing nature. We always look forward to sharing what we've learned with our families, and here's a look at the work we've been doing this month in room 209.

This month in ELA, we have added a couple of new lessons in our Daily-5 Program. We have started learning about digraphs and synonyms. We are also working on personal narrative writing where students love writing about their favorite things and writing stories. In math, we have started shapes and space unit where students are learning about 2D and 3D shapes by investigating different objects. Students continue to use different math centers for practicing their addition and subtraction skills. In science, we have been learning about solids, liquids and gases. Students are developing their understanding of matter by investigating properties of solids, liquids and gases. We are also conducting some experiments to enhance student's learning and help them make connections between these learning experiences.

This month passed so quickly, and we had great time picking up new skills. I hope we'll continue to learn new things and have a successful end to this school year.



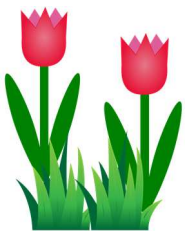


April was such a fun month filled with lots of different activities and learning. We are glad that the warmer weather has decided to stick around so that we can enjoy being outside!

In Math, we focused on 2D and 3D Shapes for most of April. During the week of Earth Day, students completed a Real Life math project where we used different kinds of graphs to help with problem solving. Social Studies has been so much fun the last few weeks! We have been learning all about Mexico! We have been exploring Mexican culture, art, music, food, transportation, climate, traditions, language and so on. Next, we will learn all about Zimbabwe! It was really exciting to learn about the Solar Eclipse and have the opportunity to experience it with our Solar Eclipse glasses at school on April 8. A memory that'll last a lifetime! In art, we created Solar Eclipses using chalk pastels. We also drew sombreros and Mayan pyramids. When learning about Mexican huts, we created our own using shoeboxes, sticks and grass. We learned about two famous Mexican artists, Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera. Frida Kahlo is known for her colourful portraits, and Diego Rivera is known for his vibrant murals and mosaics. Students created their own mosaics by cutting square pieces of paper and organizing them into a picture of their choice. Our Earth Day collages turned out beautifully. Students took their time to tear magazine pieces to create a picture of the Earth. We discussed different things we can do to help our environment, and students completed a writing piece to go along with their Earth artwork.

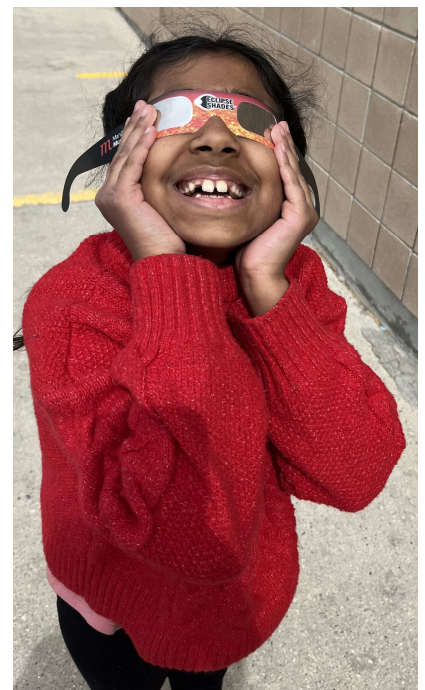
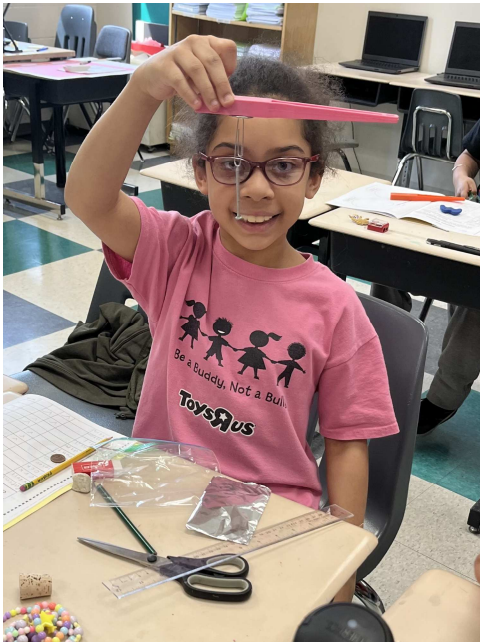
We are looking forward to making the most out of our last two months of the school year!

-Mrs. Simons





The last term for this school year has been off to a great start! In Room 212, we have been working hard, having fun and learning lots. At the beginning of April, we were all lucky enough to be able to experience the partial solar eclipse with our special eyewear. During Writing, we have focused on adding detail in order to “paint a picture” for our readers. We wrote about Spring and all that it brings. In Math, we have been working hard on division, understanding the relationship between division and multiplication and developing our mental math skills. During Science classes, we have been exploring with magnets. We are learning about which items are magnetic and which items are non-magnetic. We have been learning about magnetic poles and how opposites attract and like poles repel. We have created static electricity. We look forward to creating magnetic games in cooperative groups in May. This past week, we focused on Earth Day and have brainstormed all the things we can do to help take care of our Earth. We completed lots of graphing activities centered around Earth Day. We also created Kindness posters for our school hallways. Wow...what a month! Have a wonderful May everyone!





## Grade 5 and 6 News by Mr. Toczak

The month of April was filled with many fun events and activities. In this newsletter we will tell you all about those events.

First, we need to start with something very unique.... THE SOLAR ECLIPSE. This happened at the beginning of April and our school had the privilege of using safety glasses to witness this rare event. In Winnipeg we were able to see a partial eclipse, meaning that we saw about 58% of the sun being covered by the moon. It was also fairly cloudy that day so it took a few tries, but thankfully we saw it perfectly at its peak and it was AMAZING!!!!

In math we have been learning about fractions. We have been creating our own imaginary coffee cafes with a booklet filled with all sorts of math but mainly focused around fractions and decimals. This is a great way to keep us entertained while doing math and it was quite interesting to hear about some of the different cafes created by our classmates.

Lastly, we would like to talk about the food experience that the grade 6s were able to participate in to celebrate their final year at Prairie Rose School. The grade 6s were able to make their own pizzas, salads and even made a chocolate mug cake, it was a wonderful afternoon and as much fun as it was, it makes us a little sad that our time is ending at this amazing, one of a kind school. We will always be Panthers!!!!

Overall, April was a short but fun filled month with lots of learning. Thank you for taking the time to read this and we hope you have a great May!!!





Another month has come and gone in our room. We had a really busy month. Read on to see what we did! We finished reading our novel, *Howl's Moving Castle*. It was a great story with a lot of twists and turns. We were predicting where the story would go the entire time and had a lot of fun finding out if our predictions were right or wrong. The story had some really big surprises in it. We finished off our unit by watching the movie, which was VERY different.

In Math, we continued to work on our Multiplication, Division, and adding skills. We are still learning new ways to help us answer questions quickly. We also started looking at measurement, which includes length, distance, time, and even angles. There were a bunch of fun activities and we got to measure the distance of different things in our classroom.

We are finishing off our Social Studies unit. We looked at the history of Canada up until 1867 and took a look at the journey of the Voyageurs. We watched a really interesting series called *Quest for the Bay*. This is about a group of modern day people who try to recreate the journey of the Voyageurs in the past. It made us realize that the journey from Winnipeg to Hudson's Bay was really hard and often dangerous.

Finally, we were lucky enough to be able to see the solar eclipse earlier in the month. We were able to get eclipse glasses for the whole school and take a look at this wonderful phenomenon for ourselves. We were worried that it might be too cloudy for us, but luckily the clouds cleared just when the moon hit the apex and covered most of the sun. What a great experience that none of us will forget.

This month, we are going to go to the Narcisse Snake Dens to kick off our final science unit. Thank you for reading!







## Welcome to Kindergarten™

CANADIAN EDUCATION WAREHOUSE

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

We will be holding a Welcome to Kindergarten introductory event on Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, in order to help you prepare your child(ren) for school next fall. During this time, you and your child(ren) are invited to come to the school, where your child(ren) will receive a Welcome to Kindergarten bag, filled with fun and enjoyable materials and activities for you to use with them at home.

Invitations will be sent out via email or SeeSaw messaging later this month.

For more information about the Welcome to Kindergarten program and additional activities, tips and tricks to help better prepare your child for Kindergarten please visit:

<https://welcome-to-kindergarten.ca>

**Let's make your child's Kindergarten year a success**



### Music News;

This past month we have used a theme about frogs, in particular, the book: "The Wide Mouth Frog". Students from all the classes have watched a variety of versions of the story, compared and contrasted, discussed and listened, shared and suggested alternative animals and story lines.

Students in grades N-2 have been learning some frog songs, keeping beat and balance with Froggie bean bags. Students in grades 3-6 created their own melodies to go with animals that they might like to hear in a version of "The Wide Mouth Frog", including lyrics, melody and music theory. They are completing and rehearsing a group collaboration to prepare for peer performance of their own story. It will be fun to see and watch all these new stories.

Our dance this month was "Numa Numa", which the students seemed to enjoy. It included more hand and arm movements.

Drama games this month included actions, emotions, movement, and games such as "Frog in the Pond", "Martha", and "Pass The...". Students have tried out improvisation with scene scenarios and improving their self confidence in front of an audience. It has been nice to see students willing to try even when this may be something very new to their experiences. It can be a challenge to get up in front of others to speak and present information so it is always good to practise now in a safe environment. It helps later on in life!!

Next month we will try other drama games and more improvisation from brief scene settings. Students will work on their understanding of Instrument Families: Strings and Woodwinds. We will compare and contrast a variety of versions of the folk tale "Peter and the Wolf", and have discussions on the instruments used and have an opportunity to try readers theatre with the story.

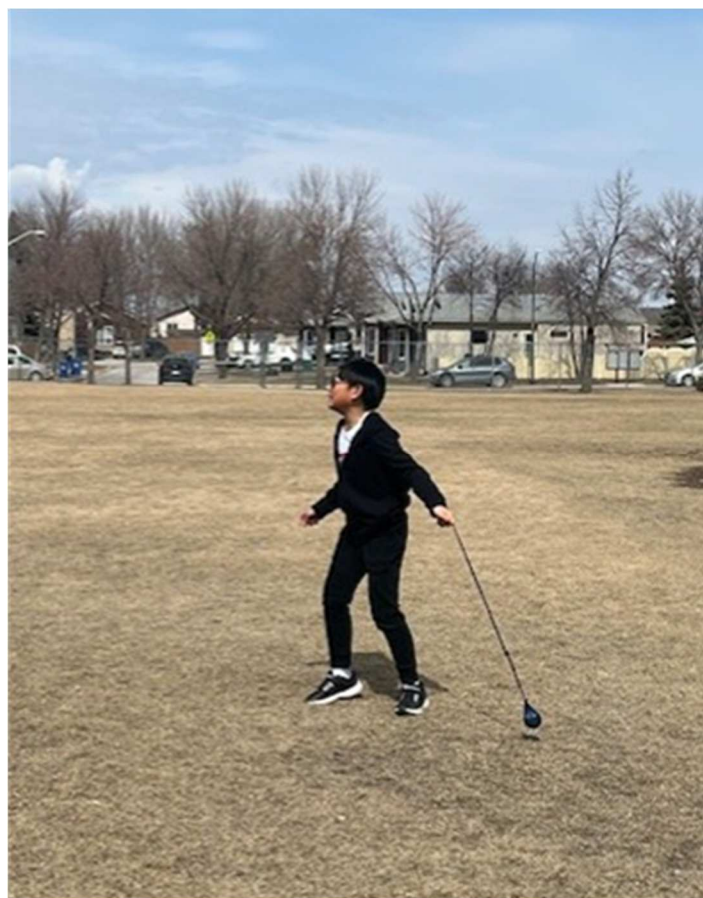
I look forward to seeing where the month of learning leads us.



## Physical Education News by Ms. McFadyen

The sun is shining and we will be spending some time outside in the coming months. We have started learning baseball skills and have played baseball and soccer baseball outside. Students also had the opportunity to learn a variety of Indigenous games including fox tail throwing, fox tail foot fling, bench portage, ring on a string, Inuit stick pull and blind folded direction. 211 and 215 came to the gym together to compete in some of these games.

Students in grades 4-6 have started practicing for the 2km Fit Run that will take place on June 5<sup>th</sup> at The Old Exhibition Grounds.





# Meningitis and Measles Vaccine Clinics

- Newly recommended meningitis vaccine for children born between 2020-2023
- With the increase in measles cases globally, we are also offering catch-up measles (MMR/MMRV) vaccines for children

Please book an appointment if your child is not up to date with these vaccines.

## CLINICS IN YOUR AREA

When: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Where: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_



Scan the QR code  
or call 1-844-626-8222  
to make an appointment.  
Drop-ins are also welcomed.

Full clinic listings are available at [wrha.mb.ca](http://wrha.mb.ca). Meningitis & measles vaccines are also available at a doctor's office, walk-in clinic, or Walk-In Connected Care clinics.



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Prairie Rose School

# PRAIRIE ROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CALENDAR

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## MAY 2024



| Mon                          | Tue              | Wed                 | Thu         | Fri      |
|------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------|----------|
|                              |                  | 1 Day 5             | 2 Day 6     | 3 Day 1  |
|                              |                  |                     |             |          |
| 6 Day 2                      | 7 Day 3          | 8 Day 4             | 9 Day 5     | 10 Day 6 |
| <b>Non Instructional Day</b> |                  | Canteen Orders Due  | Canteen Day |          |
| 13 Day 1                     | 14 Day 2         | 15 Day 3            | 16 Day 4    | 17 Day 5 |
|                              |                  |                     |             |          |
| 20                           | 21 Day 6         | 22 Day 1            | 23 Day 2    | 24 Day 3 |
| <b>Victoria Day</b>          | Pizza Orders Due | Gr. 6 Immunizations | Pizza Lunch |          |
| 27 Day 4                     | 28 Day 5         | 29 Day 6            | 30 Day 1    | 31 Day 2 |
|                              |                  |                     |             |          |