



November 2023
Newsletter

PRAIRIE ROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

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Ken Romaniuk, Principal

November has arrived and brings many occasions for us to spend time reflecting and celebrating our accomplishments and successes. November marks the end of term one and the first term of learning. Students and Staff have been working very hard on many assignments, projects and skill development. Our Parent Teacher Interviews on November 16 and 17 will be focussed on recognising this term's achievements. These interviews will provide a valuable opportunity to not only celebrate the accomplishments of this the term but also allow to establish goals to help focus the learning on areas that may need some extra attention and time.

We also need to acknowledge our School Safety Patrols for insuring our student's safety on their way to and from school. Please remember to cross at cross walks with patrols.

Prairie Rose School will take time to pay respect and commemorate Remembrance Day with a school wide service on Friday, November 10 at 11:00 A.M.

Our Parent Staff Association plays an important and active role in our school and always welcome new faces to their monthly meetings. Parents have the opportunity to engage in discussion and provide feedback regarding all aspects of school life and benefit from information shared by guest speakers. Please mark your calendars for the first meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Watch Seesaw for the notice and the link.**

We remind students and families to continue to use the Prairie Rose agenda books as a way to communicate with your teacher and stay organised for the learning week. Please message your teacher via Seesaw if you have any questions or comments to share. Also please ensure you are dressed for the weather so everyone can enjoy fun and enjoyable recess breaks outside.

Mr. Romaniuk
Principal



Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences will take place:

- Thursday, Nov. 16th - 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- Friday, Nov. 17th - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
(No School for Students on that day)

Remember that if you have questions at any time, please contact your child's teacher to discuss the student progress.

You can check in anytime about your child's progress and do not need to wait for a formal reporting period.



Remembrance day

Remembrance Day



Prairie Rose plans to pay respect on Thursday November 10th at our Remembrance Day Service in the gym for our students and staff. Poppies will be distributed and we will be accepting donations.

If you would like to support this valuable cause you can visit the Royal Canadian Legion website and see how to make a donation at <https://legion.ca/donations>.

Honouring those who serve every year, The Royal Canadian Legion conducts the Poppy Campaign, along with thousands of our members who volunteer from coast to coast to raise funds in support of Veterans and their families. Poppies are distributed freely, but your generous donations are invaluable.



Safe Arrival/School Messenger



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

SAFE ARRIVAL

Before the bell time of the current day,
call **1-855-278-4513**
or visit <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>
to report your student's absence

Please note that all students who are not in attendance at school during any given day, are part of the school-wide call back system.

Teachers report the names of children who are absent, and if the parent of the absent child has not called the Safe Arrival Call In System at 1-855-278-4513 to report their absence, they will be notified by phone at their home or workplace regarding the student's absence by the automated system.

They will continue to be called every 5 minutes until they verify the absence, in order to ensure the safety of our students.

You can also use the App on your phone called School Messenger (the blue icon). Simply download it and follow the prompts, and you will be able to enter any absences in days, weeks or months in advance.

Do not call the school to inform of an absence, you **MUST** use the safe arrival system to report absences.

Students who arrive at school late are instructed to call the office once at Cohort door for a staff member to pick them up.

Home Information Updates

If, at anytime during the school year, your HOME INFORMATION, work and any other contact telephone numbers change, please let the office know as soon as possible.



This information is vital in the case of an emergency, if your child is injured or becomes ill.

Current home and work (as well as cell) telephone numbers are necessary to ensure that you, or your emergency contact person can be reached.



Prairie Rose School Fall Fundraiser

Thank you to all who supported our classroom fundraiser. All money raised will stay in the classroom and be used for classroom based resources, supplies, and activities. Each classroom teacher will have access to the funds raised by their class to spend on their own classroom

We raised a total of: \$3017.00



Thank you for your support!



Colder Weather Arrival and Dismissal:

With the Colder weather please remember the arrival times and drop off times. To avoid lines and waiting please do not arrive early. We are still following our Cohorts and assigned doors and times.

Morning arrival is between 8:45 to 9:00 AM
Nursery Kindergarten Pick up is at 11:30 AM
Lunch Pick up is at 12:00 PM
Return after Lunch is 12:55 PM Please do not come earlier.
Dismissal is at 3:30

It is important to follow these times and use your Cohort Doors.
If you are ever late or need to pick up your child early please call the office to make arrangements!



Parent Council

Prairie Rose Parent Advisory Council Meeting Tuesday November 14h at 6:30 PM on Zoom.

All parents are invited to our first Parent Council Meeting of this school year.

- * Meetings will be held once a month from November to May.
- * The meetings are planned for every month at 6:30 PM, they will be held on the Zoom platform and the link will be sent out to parents on Seesaw.



Items discussed at the meeting will range from school fundraising to planning school activities if and when possible.

We look forward to seeing you at our Virtual Parent Council Meetings!



Our School Student Survey

The Winnipeg School Division and Prairie Rose School is undertaking a division wide student survey. The students selected to participate in the survey at Prairie Rose School will be in grades 4 to 6. The survey is designed to gather student feedback about our school in our continuing effort to further enhance school programming. Questions will range from what school intra-mural programs the student participates in, to library and computer usage.

The survey will be conducted in the Computer Lab with their teachers during the school day. The survey should take approximately thirty minutes and take place sometime in the month of November. This is a survey of student opinion and there will be no evaluation given to responses. Students are encouraged to complete the survey, but may choose not to. Everyone completing the survey will be given a random username and password. Thus, respondents cannot be linked to their responses, ensuring anonymity.

Results of the survey will be used to help our school reflect on current programmes and activities and help with future school planning.

We appreciate having this opportunity to hear from our students in this Winnipeg School Division Survey.



We would like to begin by extending a HUGE THANK-YOU to all of our families and friends who were able to support our Kernels Popcorn Fundraiser!!! Due to your efforts and generosity, we will be able to plan some amazing field trips and class activities, and maybe even purchase some fun new toys and materials for the classroom! You are all incredible and we cannot thank you enough!

The month of October seemed to go by in a flash, as we were extremely busy putting the finishing touches on our Turtle (representing Truth) board and creating our Petra-form (rock) Turtles, Fall Trees and Turkeys. We also enjoyed our explorations of Spiders, Pumpkin carving, and our fun-filled Halloween celebration!

This month, we will continue to work on many of the skills from last month and introduce many new ones, in the areas of Language Arts and Mathematics, as we explore the topics of Remembrance Day (with a focus on the importance of Peace and why we wear a Poppy), Winter and Polar Bears. We are also going to continue our study of the alphabet (letter recognition and sounds), printing and rhyming.

Initial assessments have been completed and report cards will be sent home on Tuesday, November 14th, followed by **Parent-Teacher Interviews on Thursday evening, November 16th and Friday (N/K will be Morning only), November 17th**. You will be receiving an interview request form shortly. When you receive your appointment time, please make sure to mark it on your calendars. The children have been working extremely hard, adding many things to their portfolios, which they are extremely excited to share with you!

Finally, please make sure you clear your schedules for the Best Event of the Holiday Season – **The Annual N/K Winter Celebration!** This year's festivities will be held on **Friday, December 15th** and their **performance will begin 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!

Sincerely,
Ms. R. Dawybida



Grade 1 & 2 News by Ms. Nassar

Our room has been really busy:

Math News: Help us learn to skip count at home. We are practicing counting by 1s, 2s, 5s, and 10s - forwards and backwards. Many students are also working on recognizing numbers when they are out of order – for example: Which number is 14? Have your child practice by writing the number or pointing to it in a list of numbers.

Daily 5 News: We are off to a great start. We get to pick our own jobs every day on the Smart Board. We choose between reading to self, listening to reading on Raz Kids and working on writing. Your child can practice reading at home, online on RazKids. Simply go to www.raz-kids.com and click on “Kids Login”. Enter the teacher username: nnassar and your child will know how to enter their own password.

Home reading has begun. Please **ensure** that your child brings their home reading bags back to school each day as we will use the books in our reading group. A good idea is to always keep the bag in your backpack. Students will have 1-3 books from me at all times. I will not change their books until they have mastered the reading and the comprehension – generally the books will stay with them for about a week.

Science and Social Studies News: We finished our first Science unit – The 5 Senses and have begun to learn about Our Local Community in Social Studies.

We had so much fun celebrating Halloween. Some of us joined the pumpkin carving contest and we loved dressing up, watched a movie and had some treats. We are looking forward to learning more and having more fun in the month of November. Stay tuned on SeeSaw for more classroom updates.

-Ms. Nassar



Hello families! Hard to believe it is November already! Thank you all for your support in the Popcorn fundraiser! It was great and we are hoping to use the money in the near future to go on a field trip. Stay tuned for more information about that. Last month we wrapped up our very fun unit on the 5 Senses with some fun hands on experiments. We tasted various foods and tested our sense of smell. We even used our eyes to guess what items were from close and our ears to hear sounds with no images. We had so much fun! In Social Studies we are learning about communities and all the part that make a community run smoothly also, what our role is in a community. For math, we have done pattern work and we got into place value and using place value as a strategies for adding and subtracting. This month report cards will be going home, we look forward to showing you how much we have learned this term! We are loving our Daily 5 time and getting lots of practice reading and making connections to books and new ideas. Please continue to do Home Reading it makes a big difference in the growth we see in class. Also, keep studies those spelling words. Learning new words is a great way to expand our vocabulary and help you to become a better writer! In honour of Truth and Reconciliation the school has collaborated and made beautiful art pieces representing the 7 Sacred Teaching. Be sure go check them out on the fence outside the school. We are grateful for the presentation by Earth Rangers last month, they taught us about different animals and their habitats. Last month we also started Buddy Reading with our friends in grade 5 & 6. Be sure to check Seesaw daily for updates, activities and important information. Reminder to dress for the weather as it gets colder, bringing mitts, hats and scarves will help the kids have more fun when playing outside for recess. Till next month! Take care!



Grade 3 & 4 News by Ms. Simons

Wow! October was a fun and busy month filled with lots of fun Halloween activities, our first canteen day, our first pizza lunch, an Earth Rangers assembly, picture day and bus ridership along with a lot of learning in our classroom!

Students are doing so well with their Daily 5 routines and the start of our Home Reading program. Thank you for supporting your child in their reading journey! We are enjoying our first novel of the year called "The Wild Robot". This novel is the story of a robot who finds herself stranded on an island. Students have been making a lot of excellent predictions and connections as we end each chapter and complete different novel study activities! We continue to do our personal writing each Monday morning in our journals, and we completed some Fall and Halloween writing as well.

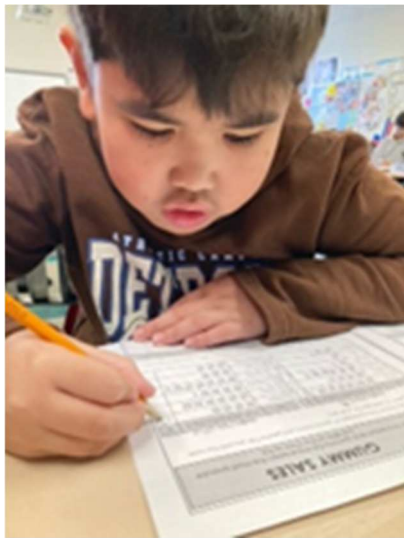
In math, students have been working on a project where they own and run a candy store! This involves working on a variety of concepts such as graphing, addition, subtraction, place value, using money, patterns and problem solving.

In Social Studies, we have wrapped up our Canadian Geography learning. We worked with maps and discussed Canadian provinces and territories, their capital cities, the continents and oceans. This month, we will begin our Science unit on Habitats and Communities.

The students continue to show their wonderful creative side with different fall and Halloween art activities we completed last month! I think our favourite was our pumpkin foil marker prints!

Please make sure to check Seesaw daily for any information, assignments, messages or pictures from the classroom. Thank you for continuing to check your child's agenda and signing it each day! I look forward to meeting with you all during our upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences! Stay tuned for some exciting field trip news!

-Mrs. Simons



In math, room 212 is learning about mental math strategies for addition and subtraction, for use on multi-digit numbers. We have used the making ten strategy and are currently practicing splitting tens and ones as an addition strategy. We will also be learning about the empty number line and column addition and subtraction for some of the students. We finished our unit on place value.

We are using the daily five method to teach about reading and writing. Each student reads once or twice a day to the teacher during group reading sessions. We are trying to improve a variety of aspects of each students reading and writing skills. Some are improving their accuracy of just reading and pronouncing the words. Others are working on understanding the text and others are focusing on improving their reading fluency and expression, reading with emphasis and phrasing.

In social studies we learning about our government and a little on the election process. We are currently learning about symbols of Canada like the maple leaf and the beaver. We also learned about the seven teaching of courage symbolized by the bear or Makwa. The entire class helped make the bear board which is now hanging on the fence outside the north entrance.



Hello everyone, and welcome to our November newsletter. We had a really busy October. Here's a look at what we did this month.

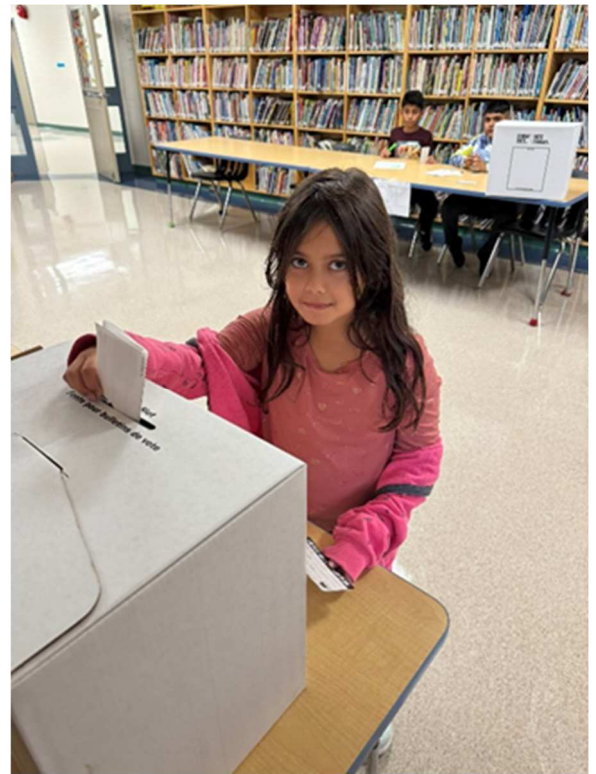
To start the month, we participated in the Manitoba Provincial Election Student Vote. We researched our local candidates and the Provincial Party leaders. We learned about the issues that affect Manitobans and why it was important to vote. This all led to us taking part in the voting process. After the election, we compared the results of the Student Vote to the results of the Provincial Election. The results were pretty close to what we had in our school. This was a really cool process and helped to prepare us to vote when we grow up.

In ELA, we began to read our next novel, *Coraline*. *Coraline* is written by Neil Gaiman and is about a girl who discovers another mirror world where everyone has buttons for eyes. Her parents are kidnapped and it is up to her to save them. This novel shows us that being brave is scary, but important. We also teamed up with younger kids in the school for reading buddies.

In Math, we worked on our patterns, multiplication, and division skills using shapes, T-Tables, and Multiplication charts. Did you know that there are a lot of patterns you can see in a 100 chart when you look at the multiples of a number? It was interesting to see it drawn out.

Finally, in Science, we began to look at the force of Flight. There are four forces that act on an airplane: lift, weight, thrust, and drag. Engineers need to use these forces to create an airplane that is aerodynamic. The more aerodynamic a plane is, the easier it is to fly. We are going to keep looking at flight next month and will even create our own airplane models to see who can fly theirs the furthest.

Thanks for reading our newsletter. See you next month!



Fall Back

**Daylight Savings
Time Ends
Sunday November 5th**



Hello and welcome to the November newsletter. This month we will be sharing what our room has been working on. No more time to talk, lets begin!!!

Our class had a wonderful month of October, we finished reading a book for novel study called "Stranger at Home" the book is based on a true story. It speaks about Residential school history and what it was like for students who returned home from these schools. During this time, we would have chapter discussions, followed by answering questions in our Stranger at Home work booklet. This also connected to what we are learning about in social studies, so it helped to read a personal story while discussing the true events that took place in Canada.

We have also spent a lot of time this month learning about Canada's government in preparation for the provincial election which took place on October 3rd. We spent time learning about the Canadian Elections and how a democracy works. We also learned about the three different types of governments (Municipal, Provincial, and Federal) and identified some responsibilities of each. Finally, our class participated in a mock election to see which candidate we would vote for. Talk to your child to see who the grade 5 and 6 students voted for at our school.

We have also started a new unit in science and have started learning about flight. So far, we have studied the history of flight and learned about the Wright Brothers. We have also learning about properties and characteristics of air and done numerous experiments to see how air interacts with things around it. Next month we will be having a paper airplane contest where we test our flying devices to see which one will travel the furthest. Look for that in our next newsletter!

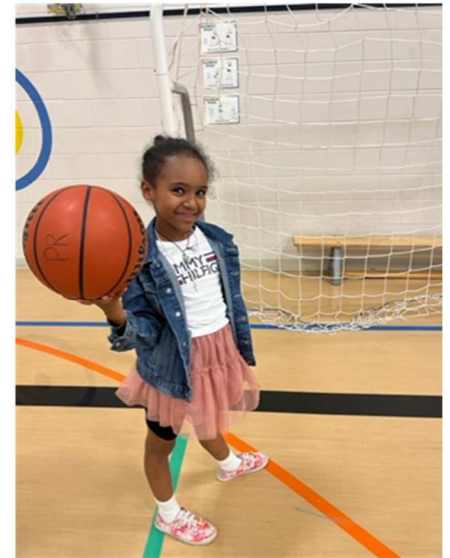
We hope you all had marvellous time reading our newsletter and that everyone had a safe and fun Halloween.



Physical Education News by Ms. McFadyen;

This month the students worked on a variety of throwing and catching skills. The students used their overhand and underhand skills to play team handball. This game requires students to work as a team to pass the ball up the court. This game provides many skills that can be applied to many other games throughout the year. The students in grades 3-6 participated in soccer intramurals at lunch. Grades 5 and 6 intramurals will be every day 6 and grades 3 and 4 will be every day 4. Intramurals will continue throughout the year, with games changing monthly.

Congratulations to all of our grade 5 and 6 students who participated in the soccer tournament hosted by Tyndall Park. Due to rain, students played the tournament inside. They all played well and had a great time!

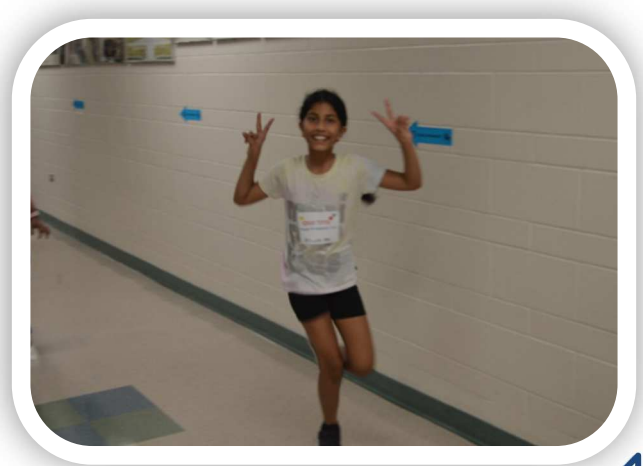


Music News

This past month the students have really enjoyed their "Wednesday Dance" and we have started some new ones. We are reviewing some songs for the Remembrance Day assembly on November 10. We will begin working on our class performances and choir selections for the Winter concert in December. The N/K students will continue learning some singing games, that include movements, and patterns and rhythms. The grade 1 and 2 students are exploring how syllables can create a variety of rhythms. We learned new songs and games, including ways that animals move to show expression within the music. The grades 3 to 6 students have begun to write their own recorder music using well known rhythms and notes that they are familiar with. They will continue to practise their skills for writing and reading music on the staff. Our composer studies this month with Saint Saens and Beethoven include listening maps, movement, comparing and analyzing selections. "Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything." - Plato

Terry Fox Run

This year our school collected \$760. Thank you to all of the families and community members who donated to this great cause. 214 brought in the most money and has won a lunch hour in the gym! Due to a thunderstorm, we had to have our Terry Fox run indoors. Students either ran in the hallways or ran in the gym. After running for 15 minutes students were given a popsicle to thank them for their hard work. I think Terry Fox would be proud of our little school!



Thank you for your support

PR CANTEEN

THURSDAY November 9

Motts Fruitsations		\$0.50	Quantity # _____
Rice Krispies Square		\$0.50	# _____
Wagon Wheel		\$0.50	# _____
Bag of Ketchup Chips		\$1.50	# _____
Bag of Original Chips		\$1.50	# _____
Pizza Pop		\$1.50	# _____

Total amount: \$ _____ (Exact Change only Please)

Student Name: _____ Rm# _____

Orders Due: **Wednesday November 8th**

Truth and Reconciliation:

Over the month of October we have been working on paintings of The Seven Sacred Teachings and they are finally done! On the North side of the school along the fence you can see what we did in honour of Truth and Reconciliation.

Each class has been learning and working on a different teaching. Classes decorated the front and back with their teaching and their handprint or footprint. We used outdoor paint to make them last longer! It took a long time, but it was worth it. We are very proud of the learning and hard work put into this project by staff and students at Prairie Rose School!



STUDENT EXPRESSIONS THROUGH ART



Upcoming Calendar of Events for Prairie Rose School

DECEMBER	
7	Canteen Day
15	N/K Winter Celebration 9:45AM
15	Patrol Activity - PM
19	Winter Concert Gr. 1-6
22	Last day before Winter Break (25th – Jan 5th)
JANUARY	
8	School Opens Day 1
11	Canteen Day
19	NO SCHOOL - Non-Instructional Day
25	Pizza Lunch
FEBRUARY	
2	NO SCHOOL - Non-Instructional Day
8	Canteen Day
19	Louis Riel Day
	I Love to Read Week
22	Pizza Lunch



MARCH	
1	Grade 6 Camp Day
4-8	Mobile Vision Care
7	Canteen Day
12	Report Cards Go Home
14	Parent Teacher Conferences in the evening
15	NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences
19	Patrol Activity
21	Pizza Lunch
22	Last day of School before Spring Break
APRIL	
1	School Opens Day 1
11	Canteen Day
19	NO SCHOOL – Non-Instructional Day
25	Pizza Lunch
23	Bus Ridership (9:30AM)
MAY	
6	NO SCHOOL – Non-Instructional Day
9	Canteen Day
23	Pizza Lunch
JUNE	
13	Canteen Day
	Talent Show
20	Patrol Activity
20	N/K Year End Celebration 9:45AM
21	NO SCHOOL – Non-Instructional Day
25	Report Cards Go Home
25	Grade 6 Farewell – 10:00
	Field Day - AM
28	Last Day of School – Dismissal for Students at 11:30 a.m.

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.”



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is hiring:

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PRAIRIE ROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CALENDAR

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NOVEMBER 2023



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Day 5 <i>Hearing Screening</i>	2 Day 6 <i>Hearing Screening</i>	3 Day 1
6 Day 2	7 Day 3	8 Day 4 Canteen Orders Due	9 Day 5 <i>Canteen Day</i>	10 Day 6  11:00AM <i>Remembrance Day Service in the gym</i>
13 Day 1	14 Day 2 Repot Cards Go Home 6:30PM Parent Council Meeting on Zoom	15 Day 3	16 Day 4 5:00PM Parent Teacher Conferences	17 Day 5 Non Instructional Day Parent Teacher Day
20 Day 6 Pizza Orders Due	21 Day 1	22 Day 2	23 Day 3  Pizza Lunch	24 Day 4
27 Day 5	28 Day 6	29 Day 1	30 Day 2	