



The energy in the hallways of Prairie Rose School is electric! The students have quickly embraced the opportunities and experiences offered to them by our dedicated team of staff, be it in the classroom, the hallways, the gymnasium, extra-curricular or on the playground. School spirit is evident in the number of students who have made the commitment to our Soccer Teams, school fundraiser or Terry Fox Run.

The Fall Classroom Fundraiser is organised and will again feature the quality Kernels Popcorn. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly to support classroom programs and activities. Thank you to the students who participated and to the community for your generosity and support. The popcorn orders are expected the first week of November. Please watch Seesaw for updates.

Thank you to all of the parents and community members who came out to our Meet the Teacher evening. It was nice to meet all of the new faces and reconnect with familiar ones. We invite you to stop by anytime you have a question or a comment.

We also want to congratulate our amazing students for an excellent start to another year of learning, their behaviour and focus on learning is noteworthy! We strongly believe in working together with the parents and the community to provide the best possible experiences for your children and encourage parental involvement in all of our programs.

Ken Romaniuk





Nursery/Kindergarten By Ms. Dawybida

I would like to take this opportunity once again to welcome all of our students and their families to the Nursery / Kindergarten program!

I would also like to say "Thank-you" again, to all of the parents for taking the time out of their busy schedules to attend the in-take interviews. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to meet you in-person, share information about our program and show you the classroom.

The children have been doing an amazing job adapting to their roles as Prairie Rose students and have already become familiar with our daily routines! They have also begun learning about the Seven Sacred Teachings, with a focus on Truth, which is represented by the Turtle. Truth is the knowledge of all Sacred Teachings (i.e., Respect, Humility, Love, Truth, Honesty, Wisdom, and Courage) and like the Turtle, it is the understanding that the journey, no matter how long it takes, is as important as the destination.

In addition, they have been working on their literacy, math, drawing, painting, colouring, cutting and social skills. They have also been learning all about Trees, including the various parts of a tree and what is happening to the trees with the arrival of the Fall season.

October is shaping up to be a very busy and exciting month as well, so please continue to join us on SeeSaw in order to stay informed about upcoming events (i.e., Class Halloween Party, Popcorn Fundraiser) and see the "Fall Tree" and "Turtle" artwork the children have been creating!

Over the Thanksgiving weekend, please try to think of all that you are thankful for and know that we at Prairie Rose are very thankful for all of you and your endless support!















Grade 1 & 2 News by Ms. Nassar:

In Ms. Nassar's grade 1/2 class we love learning. We have been working hard and our year is off to a great start.

In math we are working on counting by 1's, forward and backwards. You can help your child at home by asking them questions such as: What number comes before 20? After 45? etc. and counting at home. We have started with Dreambox, an online math tool and game and the students are completing a minimum of 5 lessons per week.

In our room we really love art! We have done three art projects already and celebrated the first day of fall by making warm colour leaf paintings to go with our Fall Poems.

In Science we are each creating an Interactive Science Journal. Our first unit is The Five Senses. We had fun smelling and tasting mystery items and rating how they smelled and tasted.

In Daily 5, we have been practicing our reading stamina. The students beat their goal of reading for 20 minutes straight and we celebrated with a mini party with popcorn and chocolate! I am so proud of the students in this classroom, this is the quickest any class has reached this goal!

Reading groups will be starting this month. Your child will receive a book bag and will begin to bring books home to practice, from their reading groups. Please ensure that the book bags are returned to school **every day** as we will use them in our classroom each day. It is a great idea to keep your child's agenda in the book bag and the students will record how long they read at home each day in the agenda, and will receive a stamp the next day.

It was lovely to meet most of you at the Meet the Teacher night. I look forward to working with you. If you have any questions or comments the easiest and quickest way to reach me is through messaging on SeeSaw. Please ensure you are logged in and are receiving updates. I can also be reached by email at nnassar@wsd1.org. Thanks!

-Ms. Nassar







Grade 1 & 2 News by Ms. Barros;

Hello Prairie Rose families! We are off to a great start in Grade 1 and 2. We have spent some time getting to know each other and learning our classroom routines. Every morning we have to do our Morning Message, a check in, change our Home Reading books, and our Calendar. It's a busy start to our day! It was great seeing families at Meet the Staff and thank you for reviewing and signing the student description forms. On September 15 we celebrated Dot Day! It is a day based on the book The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds. This book and the day are a reminder that our kindness and help towards others can make a big difference in someone's life and that everyone is capable of achieving and making amazing things. We had a chance to do some art and use our imagination. In Math we are practicing our counting and introducing skip counting with counting collections and other activities. We are learning about our 5 Senses in Science and building positive relationships with friends in Health. For Language Arts we practiced our Daily 5 stations and have started Guided Reading groups. A reminder to read daily and write the title of the book read in your child's agenda. The book bags are to be returned to school each day with the following: Agenda, Guided Reading Book and a book the child had selected to read. Thank you for your continued support and communication. Please check Seesaw for updates, reminders and photos of what the class has been doing. All families received the login information for Seesaw, Raz Kids and Dreambox. Let me know if you need any assistance accessing these websites. Talk to you soon:)











Grade 3 & 4 News by Ms. Simons

The grade 3s and 4s have had a wonderful start to the new year! We have spent a lot of time getting to know each other and familiarizing ourselves with classroom and school routines and expectations. In Math, we started a camping project where students are working on skills like addition, creating charts, working with money and problem solving while planning a family camping trip. We have also been reviewing various math concepts in our number puzzles booklets. Every morning, students work on the Dreambox math program in the computer lab. In Language Arts, we have been practicing our Daily 5 routines. Our biggest focus right now is building stamina when reading to ourselves. Students have enjoyed choosing books from the school and classroom libraries, and reading them independently during "Read to Self" times, or sharing them with their partners during "Read to Someone" times. This year, we will be doing Daily 5 everyday in the afternoons, and once we're all comfortable with our jobs during Daily 5, I will start with reading groups. Spelling will often be incorporated into our Daily 5 time as well. In Health, we started to learn about the Zones of Regulation. The different zones refer to different feelings we have and we are learning about different tools we can use to regulate ourselves. It is clear that our students enjoy art and are very creative! We have completed different art activities including our Fall Trees and Dot Day activities. Celebrating Dot Day on September 15 (which is inspired by Peter H. Reynolds' book 'The Dot') was a lot of fun. Students did very well with their "Dot" math and used their imaginations to create different art out of dots! I am really enjoying getting to know this wonderful group and it was great to meet so many families at our Meet the Teacher evening! Please make sure to check Seesaw for pictures from our class activities, reminders or messages. Student Dreambox, Raz-Kids and Seesaw log-ins were sent home during Meet the Teacher, or they have been glued in the students' agenda books. This is going to be a great year! Have a great October!

Mrs. Simons













Grade 3 & 4 News By Mr. Young;

A big welcome to all new and returning students! We have had a great start to the school year. We have been working on rules and routines. Mr. Young has completed the first round of reading assessments and the students have been placed into guided reading groups. The students will be working on specific reading goals relating to reading the words themselves, comprehending the text, the flow of their reading or learning new words depending on their individual learning needs. We are also currently assessing the students writing and math skills. Results of assessment testing will be shared with parents at the next reporting period. Library is Day 1 on the school cycle so students who have taken books home to read need to return them to get new books to take out. Grade 4's need to wear gym clothes on days 2,4 and 6. Music is on Days 1, 3 and 5. For those that took their recorders home to practice need to make sure they bring them back for music class.

The Dreambox math program is up and running, and if your child would like to work on it at home please let me know and we can send you the url to and passwords to sign in. We also have the subscription to RAZ kids reading program. This program has leveled books to read and the program, can also read to child while highlighting the word's as it reads. If you would like access to this program please let me know and we can send you the appropriate info to use it.







Grade 5 & 6 News By Mr. Tosczak;

Welcome back to Prairie Rose School for another year of learning! We are glad to see that everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer! In our room, we welcomed many students to our classroom who have come from the grade 4 classrooms. However, one new student in our classroom is brand new to Prairie Rose School and we would like to give a special welcome to Darianna. We thought that coming back to school would be hard this year but it feels like we never left and we have already learned so much in such a short time.

In Math, we have started our interactive notebooks, where we learn different math skills each week and add them to an ongoing workbook. Our favourite activity so far was stacking Oreo cookies and figuring out the mean, median, and mode (As a bonus, we ate some Oreo cookies). Our class has also started reviewing the 4 math operations (Addition, Subtract, Multiplication and Division). We will be spending the next month focusing on how to use mental math strategies to solve a variety of questions. We have also been using our Dreambox every day and each one of us gets to work on our own individualized math goals assigned by Mr. Tosczak. (Did you know we can use Dreambox at home?)

In ELA, we have started learning about the Daily 6 and how it can improve our reading and writing skills. We have to do six different things almost every day. The first one is Read to Self, where we practice independent reading. The second one is Read to Someone where we practice reading to a partner. The third one is work on project where we spend time on our own personalized inquiry project. The fourth one is work on writing where we focus on a different writing trait everyday. The fifth one is listening to reading where we use the program Raz Kids, where a book is read to us and it helps us to understand books. The final one is word work, where we have been working on the parts of speech such as Nouns, Verbs and Adjectives.

We spent so much time learning and having fun in the few weeks since returning to school. We hope that we will learn many new things and have even more fun during the rest of the school year! See you in next

month's newsletter!











Grade 5 & 6 News By Mr. Forbister;

Welcome to Mr. Forbister's Grade 5 and 6 classroom at Prairie Rose School. We are a classroom full of good kids who love to learn. Every month, we are going to share our learning with you. We hope this will help you see what we are doing in the classroom.

In ELA we read a novel called Fatty Legs. It's about an Inuit girl named Olemaun who goes to a Residential School. At first, she wants to go because she wants to read. However, she doesn't like the school because the nuns were mean to her. This is a true story by a survivor of Residential Schools. We were surprised that she wanted to go to school and surprised again when Olemaun learned that she wasn't even allowed to read for many months. We are also learning about the Seven Teachings. Our teaching is Respect, which is represented by the buffalo.

In Math, we started the year with Minute Math. These have a lot of questions that we need to think about quickly, like multiplication, division, patterns, and fractions. We are also working on patterns and algebra, including growing patterns with shapes. We are working on our problem-solving skills too. When we are problem solving, we can use the multiplication sheet, we can think about different ways to solve the problem, and sketch out the problem. We are going to continue working on these skills all year long.

Finally, in Social Studies, we are learning about the Provincial Election and why it is important to vote. It is important to vote because you might want change in the government if you aren't happy with how things are going. We are doing a program called Student Vote. We are looking up the different candidates, watching debates, and will be submitting our own votes just before the election day.

Thank you for reading this article. We are excited for a good year!







Prairie Rose Pumpkin Contest



Tuesday, October 31st, 2023

9am - 3pm in the Library

Bring your carved and/or decorated pumpkin to the library in the morning on October 31st

Pumpkins will be judged by teachers and EA's

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd pumpkins

(everyone gets a small prize for entering)!

Good luck and Happy Halloween!!!

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THURSDAY October 12

Motts Fruitsations	Fruitsations ASSORTED FRUIT	\$0.50	<u>Quantity</u> #
Rice Krispies Square	RICE KRISPIES TREATS Original	\$0.50	#
Wagon Wheel	40 MEGAPACH Dare NOWHEELS WAGON WHEELS	\$0.50	#
Bag of Ketchup Chips	Old & Untch Ketchup Danie Ghora-Generalita 19	\$1.50	#
Bag of Original Chips	Original Justin	\$1.50	#
Pizza Pop	POPS	\$1.50	#

Total amount:	\$ (Exact Change only Please)
Student Name:	 Rm#

Orders Due: Wednesday October 11th



Winnipeg School Division is hiring:

- School clerks
- Educational Assistants
- 5th Class Power Engineers
- Bus Drivers



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Prairie Rose School Fall Fundraiser

We are holding our Annual Fall Classroom Fundraiser. We are excited to offer Kernels Popcorn!

Orders will be collected from October 1 to 16.

Delivery is expected October 30, 2023. However, it is dependant on Kernel's ability to fill the order and the date will be communicated to families when the order arrives.

All funds raised stay with each classroom and will be used for classroom-based activities and educational fieldtrips.

Please ask family and friends if they would support our efforts. Orders will be collected and handed in to each classroom teacher. Extra Order forms are available from the teacher or in the office.

Thank you for your support!



Message To Parents:

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO PARENTS

Student safety is always a concern for Prairie Rose School and it is noted that many of our students do not know their name, address, phone numbers or name of parents.

For their safety we ask that you teach your child their personal information so when asked they can help identify themselves.

NAME
ADDRESS
PHONE
NUMBER

For our bus students it would also be helpful for them to learn what bus they ride and the name of their teacher and their classroom number.

Please take some time to review the following with your children and help teach them this important information.

Parking Lot at Prairie Rose School:

Please remember that all parking stalls in the parking lot are reserved and paid for by staff members. When dropping off your child we ask that you use caution and loop through the lot. Do not park in the parking lot. You can however park on any side street surrounding the school. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



Handicap Doors:

VERY IMPORTANT:

Prairie Rose Elementary Schools' handicapped (automatic) doors are located at the south (parking lot) and north entrances (in both the entrance and foyer).

These doors are extremely helpful in assisting our adaptive skills students in manoeuvering into and out of the school. When <u>used unnecessarily</u>, the <u>cost of repair and maintenance is excessive</u>.



We respectfully request that the automatic doors only be used when absolutely needed.

Your assistance in helping us keep the cost of maintenance to a minimum is much appreciated.

Safety and Security Procedures at Prairie Rose School

Prairie Rose School and the Winnipeg School Division believe the safety and security of students and staff is a major priority. While schools cannot prevent a crisis situation from happening, they can be prepared to respond quickly, efficiently and appropriately. Knowing what to do in an emergency situation helps to ensure the safety of all students and staff.



Each year the school takes several precautions to help prepare students and staff for possible situations. Fire drills are practiced in order to prepare

students for a possible emergency. The school also prepares for security issues and also practices for possible emergency security situations with a lock down procedure. Should security of the school be put into danger the school will implement a lock down procedure. If this is required, an announcement will be made stating "Attention all staff and students, activate lockdown, we are implementing a lockdown, I repeat we are implementing a lockdown."

In the event of a possible threat or safety issue outside of the school the school may implement a Hold and Secure procedure. If this is required, an announcement will be made stating "This is a security alert. Please secure the building, I repeat this is a security alert, please secure the building. A Hold and Secure is in effect, I repeat a Hold and Secure is in effect." In the event that the school has to be evacuated please note that all students will be relocated to Garden Grove 2340 Burrows Avenue.

It is important to be prepared for any possible emergency. Prairie Rose School strives to be a safe and welcoming environment for our entire school community.

We will continue with fire drills and will be practicing our lockdown procedures in the next few weeks.

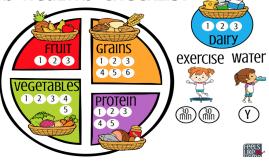
OFFICE HOURS

Please note that our clerical staffing has been reduced and we only have 1 clerk in the office. This means that over the lunch hour the office will be closed Please remember to call between the hours of 8:00AM and before 12:00 or after lunch between 1:00PM to 4:00PM



HEALTHY CHOICES









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."

Physical Education News by Ms. McFadyen:

The first month of school was spent getting back into routines and playing low organized games in the gym. Towards the end of the month we started learning soccer skills and learned the rules of the game. The grade 5 and 6 students started practicing for their upcoming tournament. The students will be participating in a soccer tournament at Tyndall Park School on October 4th

The first intramural activity will be starting at the beginning of this month. Students in Grade 3-6 will have the opportunity to participate in lunch time intramurals. This month the intramural program will be soccer.

If your child goes home for lunch, they may still participate and must be back at school for 12:30.

This month our school raised money for the Terry Fox Foundation. Our run took place on Thursday September 28th.







Music Room News:

Thank you for such a great first month at Prairie Rose School. My names is Ms. Drewniak and I will be filling in this year while Mrs. Higham is away on maternity leave. We have started to get to know each other and are ready to learn many new songs and a few dances. The N/K students will be learning some singing poems, chants, and echo games as well as building movement and actions into music selections and patterns. The Grade 1 and 2 students are learning to read rhythms, sing songs with confidence and on pitch, and participate in singing and movement games and rhythms. The Grades 3 to 6 students will be bringing their recorders home to practice their pieces, building their fluency in note reading, and tuning. They will be working on a composer of the month: Camille Saint Saens (Gr.3-4), and Ludwig Van Beethoven (Gr.5-6). They have also been practising dance routines. It is important to find your love of music through varied and diverse opportunities to live a happy and healthier life.



National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

To commemorate the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30, 2023, students in Nursery to Grade 6 at Prairie Rose School are working on a school wide project surrounding the Seven Sacred Teachings. The Seven Sacred Teachings are the guiding principles on how to live our lives and are: Love, Respect, Courage, Truth, Honesty, Humility and Wisdom. Each classroom studied one of the Seven Teachings and painted a special art piece, which will become an art instillation to honour the Indigenous lives affected by the residential school system. In addition to this project, students spent time on other activities to deepen their learning on their teaching. Look for the completed school project to be displayed outside our school very soon! It will be a symbolic reminder that Every Child Matters.

















Did you know that Orange Shirt day is at the end of the month? If not, let us fill you in! Orange Shirt day is a day where we all wear orange shirts in honour of the kids who went to Residential schools. But why orange? Phyllis Webstad was one of thousands of Indigenous children who had to go to residential school. Phyllis got an orange shirt from her grandma and when she arrived at the school a nun took the orange shirt away. This is the story behind Orange Shirt Day.

All of our Prairie Rose School students have been learning about The Seven Sacred Teachings this month. What is our school doing in honour of Truth and Reconciliation? We will be painting plywood with the different teachings to be displayed on the north fence of our school yard.

-Bethany & Meleigha

On Saturday September 30th, 2023 we hope you take the time to recognize and honor the children who attended residential schools and the survivors who were able to return home to their families.











Lunch Program information

Prairie Rose School Lunch Program General Information

Prairie Rose School's Parent Council runs a non-profit lunch program for Grades 1 to 6. Lunch program fees and registration were due September 15th. Thank you to those families who have registered and paid! If you have not yet registered your child for the 2023-2024 Lunch Program, please be advised that payment is required for full time attendance.

Payment is as follows: 1 full-time payment of \$300.00 per child (cash/cheque) 10 post-dated cheques for \$30.00 dated the 1st of each month from September-June. Daily drop-in fee of \$2.50 which includes milk.

Receipts will be given out as money is received and should be kept for tax purposes. Please keep an eye out in your child's lunch box for your receipt. There is a charge of \$10.00 to re-issue a receipt.

Our lunch program will be held in the Room 107 this year.

We do not provide microwave service or cutlery, please pack your child's lunch accordingly.

Should you have a question or a request regarding the Lunch Program, please email Ms. Jenna Mendoza, the Lunch Program Coordinator at jmendoza@wsd1.org

Allergy Alert

Please be aware we have students in the lunch program with allergies to all **nuts**, **seafood**, **fish and egg**. Please remind your child not to share food with friends or accept food from anyone, as well please be mindful of what you pack your child for lunch.

Jenna Mendoza Lunch Program Coordinator Parent Staff Advisory

SAFE ARRIVAL/SCHOOL MESSENGER... How to Report an Absence to the School

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. You can also download the app "School Messenger" the blue icon and this will then allow you to enter in any absences directly from your app on the phone.

They will continue to be called every 5 minutes until they verify the absence. In order to ensure the safety of our students, it is imperative that parents/guardians notify the school of any absences or late arrivals. Students who arrive at school late are instructed to call the office once at Cohort door for a staff member to pick them up.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR PRAIRIE ROSE SCHOOL

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6 First day of school for Gr 1-6 students – Day 2			
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SEPTEMBER 5 NO SCHOOL - Admin Day		NO SCHOOL - Admin Day	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR PRAIRIE ROSE SCHOOL

FEBRUARY	
2	NO SCHOOL - Non-Instructional Day
8	Canteen Day
19	Louis Riel Day
	I Love to Read Week
22	Pizza Lunch
MARCH	TIZZA ZATION
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.



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OCTOBER 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 Day 3	3 Day 4	4 Day 5	5 Day 6	6 Day 1
	Non Instructional Day			
9	10 Day 1	11 Day 2	12 Day 3	13 Day 4
NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Day	Lifetouch Photos	Canteen Orders Due	Canteen Day	
16 Day 5	17 Day 6	18 Day 1	19 Day 2	20 Day 3
Bus Ridership AM				Non Instructional Day
23 Day 4	24 Day 5	25 Day 6	26 Day 1	27 Day 2
Pizza Orders Due	Grade 6 Immunizations		Pizza Lunch	
30 Day 3	31 Day 4			
	Hearing Screening			