



# ARTHUR E. WRIGHT COMMUNITY SCHOOL

**October 2024**  
**Newsletter**

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*We take time to acknowledge that we are here on Treaty 1 Territory, and to honour the Peoples and lands of Turtle Island. Treaty 1 land is on the traditional territories of the Anishinaabe, Inninewak, and Dakota peoples, and the homeland of the Red River Metis. Our water comes from Anishinaabe Treaty 3 territory from the waters of Shoal Lake First Nation #39 and #40.*

*The electricity powering our community comes from generating stations on river in Treaty territories 1, 3, and 5. The Northern Flood Agreement with five Indigenous communities in northern Manitoba remains unfulfilled.*

*We are committed to our Treaty relationship. As a school community, we continually reflect on how we are contributing towards reconciliation today and everyday.*

## **A Message From the Principals**

Dear Families,

**Dagwaagin** (It is fall !)

As we enter the heart of fall, our school community continues to grow and thrive. October has been a month of meaningful learning experiences, as well as opportunities for reflection and connection.

One emerging theme this month has been the importance of **Truth and Reconciliation**, as we gathered to honor September 30th. Our school values listening to and learning from Indigenous perspectives as we work together toward healing and understanding.

Another theme we've focused on is **student well-being and engagement**. We are continually inspired by the curiosity and resilience our students show, and we're committed to nurturing these qualities. Whether through hands-on learning, field trips, or projects that explore our relationship with the environment, students are actively engaged in building their knowledge and skills.

This month also marked the start of the **volleyball season** for our Grade 6, 7, and 8 students. Beyond the excitement of competition, the season emphasizes **team-building, sportsmanship, and school spirit**. The students have been working hard together, fostering a sense of belonging and camaraderie both on and off the court. We are proud to see them support each other, push their limits, and develop skills that extend far beyond the game.

October has also brought a focus on **community support**. We're grateful for the involvement of families in school life, from attending events to volunteering. Your participation makes a difference and strengthens the connection between home and school.

Looking ahead, we are excited about the opportunities coming up this fall, including class field trips, and community-building events. Please keep an eye on the calendar and reach out if you have any questions or ideas to contribute.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Together, we create an environment where every student feels seen, valued, and encouraged to reach their full potential.

**Harpreet Panag**

**Porfiria Pedrina**

**John Holmes**



# **Roots of Empathy**

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## **Racines de l'empathie**

Hello AEW Families!

We are looking for a family who would be willing to take part in Roots of Empathy in an older classroom this year.

If you have had a baby between May 2024 and August 2024, you could be our newest Roots of Empathy family.

Families would be asked to attend a monthly visit, where students would learn about child development and the first year of life.

If you are interested, please e-mail Alyssa Machula

[alyssa.machula@7oaks.org](mailto:alyssa.machula@7oaks.org) or

call at the school 204-632-6314 ext 46046

For more information on Roots of Empathy, click the links below:

[What is Roots of Empathy? \(youtube.com\)](#)

[This is Roots of Empathy \(youtube.com\)](#)



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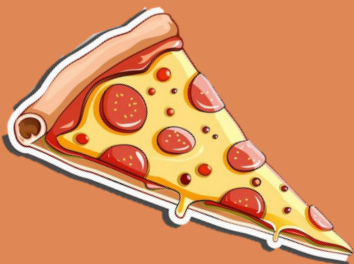


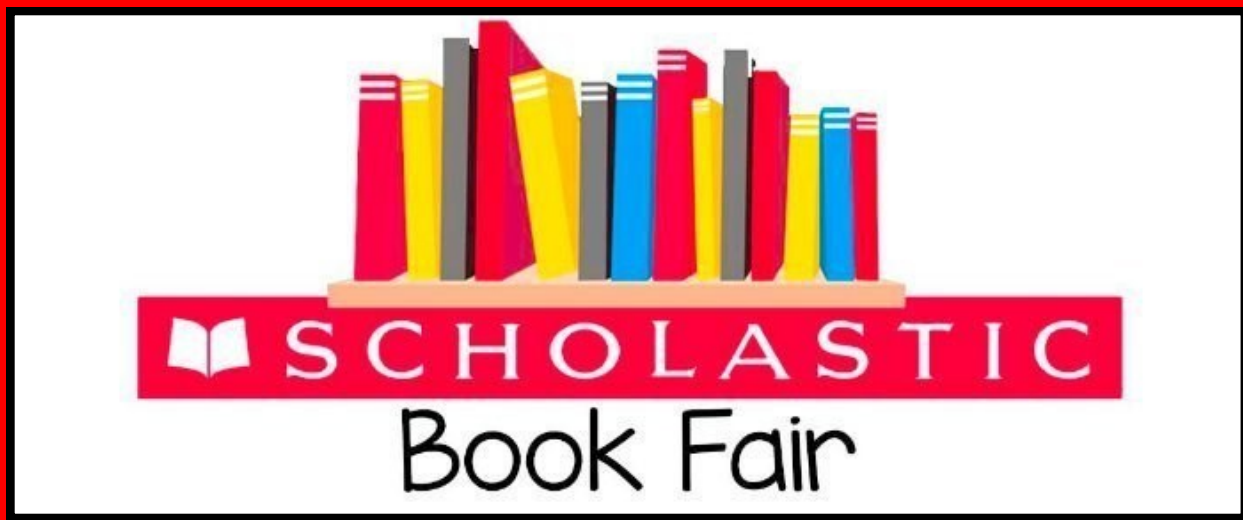
# Pizza Pizza Hot Lunch Fundraiser for Brandon Jazz Festival

The grade 7/8 Jazz Band is fundraising to raise funds to be able to attend the Brandon Jazz Festival. They are organizing weekly Pizza Pizza hot lunches at 12:35pm every Wednesday in efforts to raise funds towards their goal.

Pizza is 3\$/slice or 2 slices for 5\$.

If your child is interested in participating, please send them to school with exact cash on Wednesdays.





Get ready! The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way (YAY!). Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them on their journey to becoming lifelong readers. AND—as always—every purchase at the Fair benefits our school.

Here's what you need to know about the Fair, which will take place from **November 19<sup>th</sup> to November 22<sup>nd</sup>** in the school library.

**Time and Dates for BOOK SALE:**

**November 19<sup>th</sup>.** i.e. Tuesday (3:45pm to 5pm),

**November 20<sup>th</sup>.** i.e. Wednesday (3:45pm to 6pm),

**November 21<sup>st</sup>.** i.e. Thursday (3.45pm to 8.00 pm) &

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>** i.e. Friday (9am to 12.00pm)

November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The fair will be open during the lunch time. Kids can bring cash and buy their favourite books at the fair.

Visit the Scholastic Book Fair website to look through the digital flyers

[CA Book Fair Homepage](#) or watch some book trailers found here

[Meet the Headliners - Scholastic Canada Book Fairs](#)

The countdown to more Bookjoy is on! Catch you at the Fair!

Happy reading!!



Do you have any winter gear your children have outgrown?

Once again, at A.E. Wright, we will be collecting new or gently used winter gear to donate to **Koats for Kids**. The following items are needed (infant, child and youth sizes please):

- winter jackets (with working zippers please)
- ski pants
- snow boots
- toques
- scarves/neck warmers
- gloves or mittens



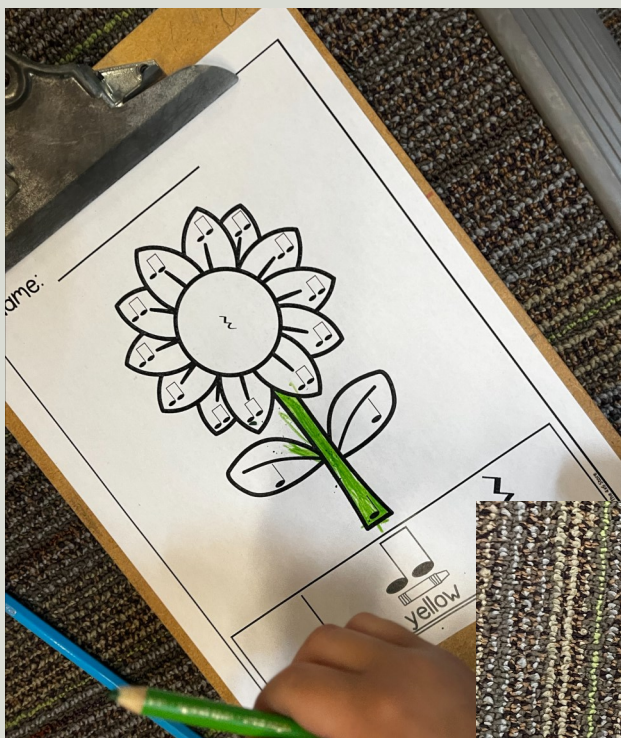
Koats for Kids is a United Way program that helps provide families throughout Winnipeg, **even in our own community**, with winter gear for our cold winters.

From **October 21st to November 8th**, we will be collecting winter gear to donate to Koats for Kids. Please bring your items in a bag labelled, "KOATS FOR KIDS." Items can be dropped off in a bin at the front of the school by the office.



In K-2 music we have been busy this month exploring the instruments, creating and writing rhythms, and making music together!

Our school is also excited to have Amjad Sabir return to the music room and teach us all about the tabla this year!





**Volleyball Season is here!**  
**Shoutout to all our teams and**  
**players who are representing**  
**the Arthur E. Wright**  
**Timberwolves!**



## Fall Update from the AEW Gardening Club:

We had a successful garden this year. Thank you to those in the community who helped us maintain it over the summer, especially to Malakai Brandes, who put in a lot of work. We grew so many tomatoes that we were able to supply many classes with salsa snacks, and stock our mini-kitchen with soup ingredients for the winter months! The students have been digging up and composting the remains to prepare for winter. Our next step is to try Moon Cycle seeding in two of our garden boxes so they might sprout early in the spring. Stay tuned for the spring for our next Garden Club Update!





# November 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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4 P5 Swimming GR6 Vball practice	5 Grade 4/5 Handball Jamboree	6 Grade 4/5 Handball Jamboree P3 Swimming	7 Grade 4/5 Handball Jamboree Tech Hub	8 <b>Indigenous Veterans Day</b> Grade 4/5 Handball Jamboree
11 <b>Remembrance Day</b> <b>NO CLASSES</b>	12 Special O Soccer Event	13 GR6 Vball practice P3 Swimming	14	15 Guru Nanak Jayanti
18 P5 Swimming	19 Karwa Chauth	20 P3 Swimming Monday league vball jamboree	21 Monday league vball jamboree Evening PTI	22 <b>Parent Teacher Conferences-</b> <b>NO CLASSES</b>
25 P5 Swimming	26	27 P3 Swimming	28	29 <b>AEW School PD</b> <b>NO CLASSES</b>

*Looking ahead...*

Mon Dec. 23-Fri Jan 3 Winter Break— No Classes

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