



ARTHUR E. WRIGHT COMMUNITY SCHOOL



Principal Teacher—*Anna Mangano* Acting Vice Principal -*Jenny Hughes*

At Arthur Wright, WE GROW

*Healthy Hearts, Healthy Minds,
Healthy Bodies and a Healthy World!*

Remembering a Hero - Sergeant Tommy Prince



"In total he received 11 medals for his acts of bravery." ~Sakshi Badhan ~

"He left the army in 1945 as the most decorated War Hero in Canadian history." ~Gurlal Handa ~

"Tommy Prince was my third cousin. He was my great- grandmother's 1st cousin...do the math."
~Zachary Tavares~

"We ought to be proud of our hero! Miigwetch Sergeant Tommy Prince!"
~Dru Asham~

We had an amazing journey through Manitoba history as we learned about the life of Sergeant Tommy Prince. Over the past century, thousands of Indigenous Peoples have fought with the Canadian military but little is mentioned about those sacrifices. As an educator it is my responsibility to demonstrate the ongoing presence and participation of the Indigenous people in Canadian society - to provide a full picture to my students - to identify the holes in the story of our country and note what has been left out. I strive to provide a learning environment that strengthens opportunities to explore, appreciate, understand, and value the contributions of Canada's Indigenous communities to the social and cultural fabric of our province.

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Jump Rope for Heart



Throughout October, Mrs. Slobodian and Ms. Babcock/Brown's classes in Rooms 5 and 2 have participated in the Jump Rope For Heart Program in support of the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Through the program the students have been learning about how to keep their hearts healthy through healthy eating and plenty of exercise. We've been learning how to use a jump rope through games and activities - we've even learned some cool tricks! As part of the program, the students have fundraised money through a bake sale and gathering sponsors. These monies will be donated to the Heart and Stroke Foundation.



Thank you to everyone who has helped to make this program a success, and a HUGE THANK YOU to Ms. Neiuwenberg for her knowledge, enthusiasm, and participation!

Together we raised \$455.00!!!

CELL BIOLOGY PROTOTYPES



Children in Mrs. Ranouta's class were busy creating prototypes of animal and vegetable cells. Students got creative using a variety of materials! Check out the display along our library gallery!

Music News

From the Music Room,

December is such a festive and wonderful time of the year! In music class the students are busy preparing for our "Holiday Gifts Of Song!" You are cordially invited to enjoy your children at A. E. Wright and Amber Trails showcase their wonderful festive singing!

Please mark these important dates on your calendar for their carolling at

Garden City Mall!

Monday, December 15, 2014 for Grades 3/4's

11:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. (Wagner; Ames; and McGillivray)

1:30 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. (Tryon; Toor; and Wright)

Tuesday, December 16, 2014 for Grades 1/2's

11:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. (Babcock/Brown; Cobb; Manangan; and Sutherland)

1:30 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. (Romanoff; Gonzales; Slobodian and Mota)

A special "Thank-you" to Miss Pustogorodsky our teacher candidate, who is finishing up her first teaching block with us. It has been a wonderful opportunity working with her and the students love her. We look forward to her next teaching block with us!

Lastly, it has been great working with Mrs. Mary Lynn Berti and the Amber Trails students! We are excited for them to begin the New Year in their new school, but we are going to miss our time together. It has been "Double the Fun!" Thank-you for all the great music-making times we have had!

Musically yours,

Ms. Deck



News from the Band Box

Seasons Greetings!

December will be an extra special month here in the music department at AE Wright! The band and choir students have been working very hard getting ready for the Winter Concert. We are so lucky to be sharing the night with our Amber Trails classmates! All of us are excited to share our music making with you! Here are the details:

Who: Grade 5/6 and 7/8 choir and band students from AE Wright and Amber Trails

When: Wednesday, December 10, 2014

Time: 7-8 pm

Where: AE Wright large gym

Cost: Silver Collection in support of Siloam Mission

Come on out for a wonderful night of music and celebration
(and a few door prizes too)!

Musically yours,

Ms. Kosheluk, Ms. Deck, Ms. Lamontagne (Amber Trails), and Mrs. Berti (Amber Trails)





The last 9 spaces in the south corner of the parking lot are reserved for visitor parking. All remaining spots are assigned to school staff. Please use these visitor spots only or street parking when visiting the school; this will limit traffic in our lane and promote greater safety.



The cold weather is upon us. Please help to make sure that children are dressing appropriately for the weather. Hats, scarves, mittens, jackets, ski pants and boots are highly recommended.



If the temperature is -45 in the morning, busses will not be running. Please check the divisional website or listen to the radio for this information.



PATROL REMINDER:



Please report to your post on time and make sure to dress warmly!!



Parent Council Meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 2

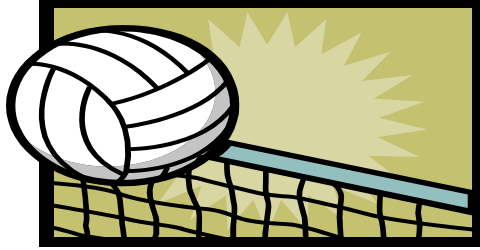
6:30-7:30 p.m.

We would love to see you at our parent council meetings. Please contact the school office at 204-632-6314 if you require childcare for this time. We look forward to seeing you there!

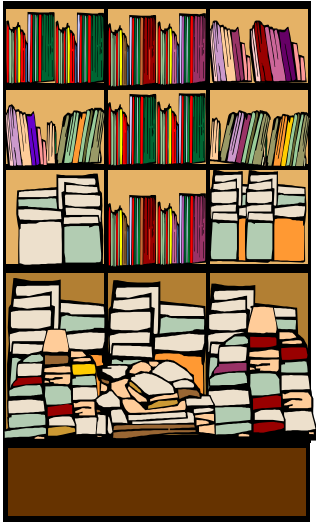
Congratulations to the Grade 7 & 8 Girls Volleyball team. They played in the Ness Middle School Tournament on Saturday and did very well. After round robin play, they ranked third, and had to play a semi-final match against a tough Samuel Burland team that was ranked second. Our girls fought valiantly, and in a three set marathon our AEW girls came out on top. On to the finals, our girls played the #1 ranked team from General Wolfe. They tried their best, and every girl contributed. Unfortunately, we were beaten by a very strong team in the championship match. A second place finish is a huge accomplishment, and the girls should be very proud of themselves. Well done AEW!

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STAFF VS. GRADE 8 BOYS VOLLEYBALL



MEMBERS FROM THE STAFF
PLAYED AGAINST THE GRADE 8
BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAM!
FUN WAS HAD BY ALL!!



A Note from the Library!

Thank you to all who
purchased books from the
Book Fair!

We were able to add
120 new books to our
library with our
rewards!

Parents, please be sure to let the office know if you are picking your child up during the school day and they will not be taking the bus. This is important so that we can remove them from the bus manifest for the end of the day!

UPDATE!



Families, please be sure to let the office know if there are any changes in your contact or emergency contact information. It is very important that we have the most up to date and accurate information!

Wishing everyone a happy, healthy and safe winter break! School will re-open on Monday, January 5, 2105



James Nisbet Nursery School

has a few spaces available for your children to learn, play, & grow.

(located at École James Nisbet School, 70 Doubleday Drive)

Choices of available classes include:

2 or 3 sessions per week AM or PM for children 3 to 5 years old

Monday/Wednesday/Friday PM Class (12:45-3:00) – 1 space

Tuesday/Thursday AM Class (9:15-11:30) – 1 space

Tuesday/Thursday PM Class (12:45-3:00) – 4 spaces

Please note: these classes are available on a first come, first served basis

Please visit our website www.jnns.ca for more information

phone: 204-953-1193 email: nisbetns@mymts.net

Change in School Bus Cancellation Policy

Metro Winnipeg School Superintendents have made a change in the policy for cancellation of school bus service due to cold weather.

The new policy will use the temperature reading at The Forks instead of the Airport.

School bussing will be cancelled if the wind-chill reading is -45 or colder at 6:00 a.m. at The Forks according to Environment Canada.

Notice of school bus cancellations will be provided to media outlets and posted on school division websites as soon as the 6:00 a.m. reading is posted by Environment Canada.

Metro Winnipeg School Divisions are: Louis Riel, Pembina Trails, River East Transcona, St. James Assiniboia, Seven Oaks and Winnipeg. Catholic schools and the Gray Academy also follow the same policy.

The change was made as weather conditions at The Forks are closer to weather conditions in most residential areas where children are waiting for school buses. This should result in fewer cancellations.



City of Winnipeg Leisure Guide

The City of Winnipeg is proud to provide a wide variety of recreation and leisure opportunities that contribute to the overall well-being of our community. The Leisure Guide is published three times per year and is filled with fun and exciting programs for everyone.

For more information on leisure, sport and fitness programs, please pick up a copy of the Leisure Guide, call 311 or visit Winnipeg.ca. Guides are available for pick up at civic indoor pools, libraries and leisure centres, and at a number of retail locations including Safeway, 7-Eleven and Mac's.

Watch for the Winter 2015 Leisure Guide at the beginning of December! Registration for swimming lessons only will begin on December 16 at 8:00 a.m. Registration for all other programs will begin on December 17 at 8:00 a.m. Registration will be ongoing after these start dates.

City of Winnipeg Priceless Fun

Winnipeggers now have easy access to information about free recreation, leisure and library programs with the free programming guide, Priceless Fun.

The winter edition of Priceless Fun, available at the end of December, provides information about the free programs for children and youth being offered by the City of Winnipeg throughout the city, all in one convenient guide.

Hard copies of Priceless Fun are available for pick up at all civic indoor pools, libraries and leisure centres. You can view the current edition of Priceless Fun online at: Winnipeg.ca/cms/recreation/leisureguide.stm. Information about programs is also available by calling 311.



Slide into **Winter Camp** at **Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre**

December 29, 30 and January 2!

Come and join us for a frosty good time at one or all of our Winter Day Camps. Activities may include snowshoeing, bannock baking, cool crafts, winter games and more. Camp runs daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and costs 24\$ for members & 30\$ for non-members. Camp is for children ages 6 to 9. For more information or to register a camper please visit: <http://www.oakhammockmarsh.ca> or call (204) 467-3300.



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COMMUNITY SCHOOL

December 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	 1	2 Parent Council Meeting (6:30—7:30 P.M. Teacher Resource Rm.)	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	 10 Middle Years Band/Gr. 5/6 Choir Concert (Gym—7:00-8:00 P.M.)	11	12	13
14	15 Festive Holiday Caroling at Garden City Mall(Gr. 3 & 4) 	 16 Hanukkah Begins Festive Holiday Caroling at Garden City Mall (Gr. 1 & 2)	17	18	19	20
21	22 Christmas Break Begins	23	24	 25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27
28	29	30	31	<p>No School</p> <p>Christmas Break</p> <p>First Day back to school is Monday Jan. 5/15</p>		