



# ARTHUR E. WRIGHT COMMUNITY SCHOOL

## November Newsletter 2021

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We acknowledge that we are on Treaty 1 Territory, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree, and Dakota peoples, and the heart of Manitoba's Metis Nation.

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 constantly reflect on how we are contributing towards reconciliation today and everyday.

### A Message From the Principals

We have come to the end of our first term and winter holidays will be arriving soon. Thank you to our Arthur E. Wright families, teachers, support staff, and community members who all have played a critical role in supporting our children in their growth: social, emotional, physical, and academic. Positive, supportive, and open relationship between home and school, parent and teacher is important. When parents and teachers work well together, everyone benefits. Both can provide each other with unique insight and different perspectives about the same child. The teacher is well-versed about the curriculum and the school culture, whereas parents know more about their child's personality, tendencies, and family life. A successful parent-teacher partnership also shows a child that an entire team of caring adults are on their side. Together, we can foster a school experience for our children that inspires them to be life-long learners and caring contributors to our world. We are looking forward to our continued collaboration in the months ahead.

### Dress for the weather

Children are expected to play outdoors during their two activity breaks. Many children walk to and from school. Yay!! For children to be comfortable and enjoy being outside, proper outerwear is a necessity.

Winter Jackets

Ski Pants

Winter Boots Hats or Toques

Mitts or Gloves

Scarves or Neck Warmers



***When the temperature reaches below -27C children will stay indoors.***

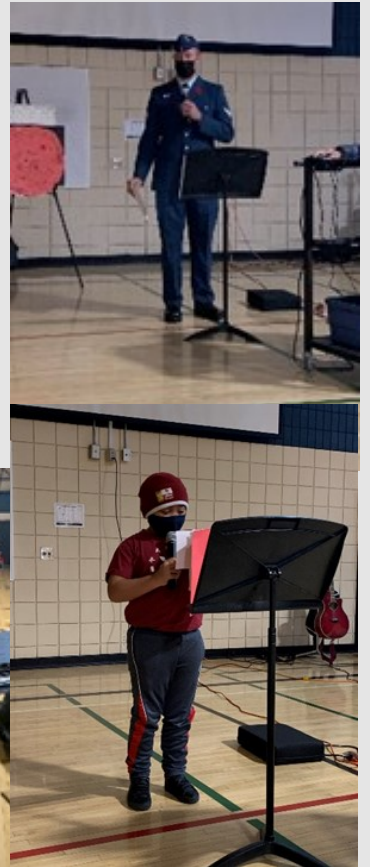
**Arthur E. Wright's in-school COVID-19 vaccination clinic has been scheduled for December 7th, 2021.**

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# Remembrance Day Virtual Assembly

On Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, Arthur E Wright invited Corporal (CPL) Dillon Loewen from CFB - 17 Wing Airforce to recognize and remember those who served and continue to serve in our Canadian Armed Forces. The school was engaged in a virtual assembly, in which students from different classes shared their learning and understanding of why we recognize Remembrance Day. The students shared everything from why we wear the poppy, to understanding the injustices around how Canada treated our Indigenous war veterans - and ways in which we can move forward in Truth and Reconciliation. Middle years music teacher Mr. Thiessen led Mr. Militano's students and our grade 7/8 choir students in a beautiful rendition of Highway of Heroes (The Trews). Arthur E Wright thanks all who have served and continue to serve in our Canadian Armed Forces, to ensure peace and equity in Canada and throughout the world.



## Ms. Gill And Mrs. Baisburd Class

In Room 9, we have been exploring Canadian artists. This term, we focused on learning an Indigenous artist Emily Carr. Most of her paintings are landscapes of forests or trees. We found green is the dominant colour in her paintings. We made drafts before actual painting in which we learned how to observe and draw trees. Then, we created a landscape with water colours. Each landscape turned out beautiful.

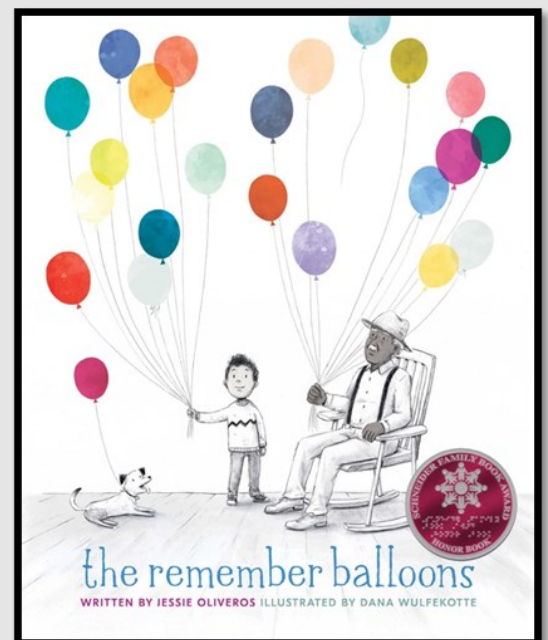




## *"In Flanders Fields"*

### **"Sa Parang ng Flander"**

Inspired by an award-winning book that we read in class, **THE REMEMBER BALLOONS**, written by Jessie Oliveros and illustrated by Dana Wulfekotte, Room 6 created artworks to pay tribute to the heroes of wars who gave their lives for our freedom and liberty. Applying the art style of an artist/poet Christopher Volpe, the students used a sponge to create a landscape using only three colors: brown, green and blue. We added the poppy flower from the poem of John McCrae's **"IN FLANDER'S FIELD"** that we translated to Filipino, **"SA PARANG NG FLANDER."** We also included heroes from the Philippines as we remember the global heroes on **'REMEMBRANCE DAY.'**



# SO ACTIVE SO HEALTHY

The students from Room 14 were marvelous chefs in their Day 6 healthy snack creations! Three delicious snacks were prepared and delivered to all students at Arthur E. Wright School over the course of the past few weeks. Please see the recipes that were prepared so families can create these healthy snack favourites at home.

## Pumpkin Pie Yogurt

<https://www.joyfulhealthyeats.com/healthy-pumpkin-pie-yogurt-parfait/print/23165/>



## Moong Dal

<https://pipingpotcurry.com/green-moong-dal-pressure-cooker/>



## Tomato Feta Pasta

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/food/2021/02/11/baked-feta-pasta-recipe-tiktok/>



# FEM CLUB

**FEM (Female Empowerment Members)** has had a wonderful start to the school year in November. Our first meeting was shared with Porie and Phoebe Pedrina, our own warrior women at Arthur E Wright School. This FEM was called **Generation 2 Generation FEM**, as mother and daughter shared their stories, experiences, and dreams with us. Members got to hear stories of two very different journeys where culture, family, dedication, and working hard were the themes. Much to our delight, Phoebe ended our FEM meet up with two beautifully written songs and raffled some of her new CDs, *Resonate*, out to members.



FEM hosted our very first panel of speakers called **FEM STEM**; STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. We were joined by Simrat, Karman, and Rashmi from Maples Collegiate and Feliciaa from Kelvin High School. All girls shared their dreams of becoming scientists, astrophysicists, and doctors. They spoke about how important it is to have female role models in their lives that empower and build them up!

The students from **Ms. Bartecki's Grade 5/6 class** have been having conversations about how we can help our local community this holiday season. We decided to put on a school-wide fundraiser to support Salvation Army Toy Mountain and Christmas Cheer Board.

Toy Mountain is an organization that raises money to purchase toys for children of all ages who may not otherwise receive a gift over the holidays. Christmas Cheer Board organizes food hampers for children and families that need support during the holidays. Our goal and hope is to bring joy, happiness, and smiles to families' faces during the holiday season.

Due to Covid-19, Toy Mountain and Christmas Cheer Board are asking for donations in the form of money. If you would like to support this fundraiser, any monetary amount is appreciated and can be brought to your child's classroom teacher from Wednesday, December 1 to Wednesday, December 15.

Thank you for reading about our fundraiser and we hope you consider donating!

*Happy Holidays from Portable 3!*

**Room 10** worked very hard on their writing project. We created our own book, *'When Room 10 is Kind'* inspired by Monique Gray Smith's book *'When We Are Kind.'* The illustrations for this book were inspired by the Canadian author and illustrator of children's books, Barbara Reid. We used modelling clay to give 3D effects to our illustrations.



This volleyball season was like no other, after many months of waiting to play team sports again at school. The energy, excitement, and dedication to improving volleyball skills was high throughout all our volleyball practices and games.

Thank you to Mrs. Dombek's volleyball team for a fun season, and thank you to all the volleyball coaches and teams this year for your hard work and energy!

# December 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
6	7 COVID-19 In-school Immunization Clinic	8	9	10 Grade 7/8 Winter Concert Filming- SOPAC
13	14	15 Winter Concert Video Premiere	16	17 Ms. Richards - Field trip to Manitoba Museum Winter Activity Day all 3/4 grades - Kildonan Park
20	21	22	23	24
			<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <b>WINTER BREAK</b> </div>	

## Looking ahead...

- December 23rd - Winter Break Begins
- January 6th - School Begins
- January 28th– School PD Day, No School
- February 2nd– Divisional PD Day, No school

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