



# ARTHUR E. WRIGHT COMMUNITY SCHOOL

**September 2023**  
**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.*

## A Message From the Principals

**Dear Parents/Guardians,**

*Greetings and welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! This month marks the start of a new academic year.*

*We would like to extend our gratitude to families for attending the orientation appointments held in the first week of school. We were very grateful to meet up with both returning and new families before the start of classes. This provided our teachers to meet with you in-person, share their expectations and understand your hopes and dreams for your child(ren).*

*We are very grateful to our families who came out on September 21 to our Welcome Back to School BBQ.*

*We want to share that our school has received a significant grant from the provincial government to work with Elders and Knowledge Keepers from the Indigenous community in regular and ongoing ways, and to offer experiences to students, staff and families for learning and community. As part of the commitment to this work, we are tasked with collecting information about parent, family, and community member attendance at school events like concerts, community gatherings, and parent-teacher conferences. You may be asked to sign a guest book or rsvp for events. This is, of course, optional, but will help us to know if our efforts are making a positive impact on our community. Please know that no personal or identifying information will be shared as part of the grant reporting or on school correspondence to staff or families. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us to discuss further.*

*We are very grateful to our staff for their continued commitment to the school, students, and families. Our staff has worked very hard to support students impacted by the disruptive period of the COVID-19 pandemic and experienced difficulty transitioning to remote learning and then back to in-person learning. As we continue to navigate the post pandemic landscape, our objective is to equip our students with tools and resources necessary for their overall wellbeing.*

***Our first Parent Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 19 in the school library at 6 p.m.*** We encourage families to attend the meeting. Your partnership and voice help us to improve the education and well-being of our children.

*Finally thank you for your continued support in helping us enrich and nurture the growth of young minds who are our future.*

**Harpreet Panag**

**Porfiria Pedrina**

**Jillian Green**





## *PICKUP AND DROP OFF TIMES AT AEW*

We would like to send a friendly reminder to our families that supervision at our school does not begin until **8:45am**, therefore no drop offs should be taking place before this time.

Additionally, we would like to remind parents that the pickup time at the end of the school day is **3:30pm**. Students should be picked up on time, at their pod doors. For any early pickups during school hours, please call 204-632-6314 to advise the office so that we are able to have your child waiting for you upon arrival.

Lastly, we would like to once again advise that parents should not be entering our back-lane during the school day or during pickup and drop off times for the safety of our students.

Thank you!

# Reminders for the 2023-24 School Year at AEW

**Student absences**— If your child will be late or away from school for any reason, please phone our school office at 204-632-6314 **prior to 9am**. If you call outside of school hours or are unable to speak to one of our administrative assistants, please leave a detailed voicemail clearly stating the following information: child(ren)'s first and last name, room number or teacher name, as well as the reason for the absence.

**Please do not email your child(ren)'s teacher or our school email to report absences as they are not regularly monitored.**



## School Day Schedule

8:53 am - Entry Bell

9:00 am - School Begins

10:45 am - Activity Break Outside (Grades 1-5)

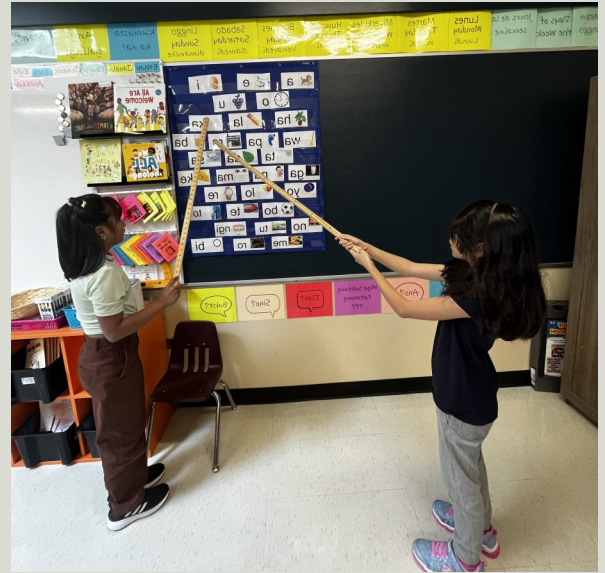
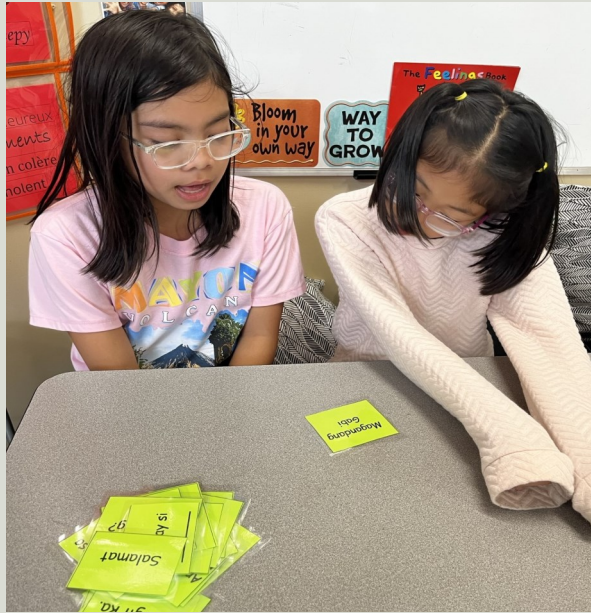
11:15 am - Activity Break Ends

12:35 pm - Nutrition Break (Grades 1-8)

1:00 pm - Active Living Break Outside (Grades 1-8)

1:30 pm - Afternoon Start Bell

3:30 pm - Dismissal Bell



The students in **ROOM 12** in our grade 3/4 Filipino Bilingual Program have been strengthening their language skills through reading, games, art, and practice. They work in pairs, small groups, or by themselves. They have started working on their identity writing piece and art which reflects what makes them Filipino as it relates to Canadian culture.



**ROOM 19** took a field trip to Chapters earlier this month where students were able to personally choose books for our classroom library!

*“Pumili kami nang mga libro para sa aming library”*



A.E Wright welcomes two tiny teachers, and two families to the community for *Roots of Empathy!*

Roots of Empathy is an award-winning program delivered in every province of Canada and on four continents around the globe. Founded in 1996, over 1,200,000 children have been learning to respect and care for one another with the lessons started through their Roots of Empathy baby (the tiny teacher). Roots of Empathy is a tried, tested and proven effective program that increases children's kindness, caring, including, sharing and helping behaviours as they develop empathy. Click the link below to learn more about **Roots of Empathy.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zrqt4dPGBXo>





**Roots of Empathy**

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**Racines de l'empathie**

# October 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3 <b>DIVISIONAL PD DAY</b> <b>NO CLASSES</b>	4	5 RM8 swimming Grade 4/5 xcountry meet	6 MY xcountry meet
9 <b>THANKSGIVING</b> <b>NO CLASSES</b>	10	11	12 RM8 swimming Grade 4/5 xcountry meet RAINDATE	13 MY xcountry meet RAINDATE
16	17	18 <b>PICTURE DAY</b> 	19 RM8 swimming	20 <b>MTS PD DAY</b> <b>NO CLASSES</b>
23 Vision screening	24	25	26 RM8 swimming	27
30	31 Halloween 			

## Looking ahead...

Wednesday Nov. 1	Divisional PD Day– No Classes
Friday Nov. 17	AEW PD Day– No Classes
Thursday Nov. 23	Parent/Teacher Conf. (evening)
Friday Nov. 24	Parent/Teacher Conf– No Classes
Mon Dec. 25-Fri Jan 5	Winter Break– No Classes

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