



ARTHUR E. WRIGHT COMMUNITY SCHOOL

September 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 Parents/Guardians,

Greetings and a warm welcome to the 2024-2025 school year!

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the families who attended the orientation meetings during the first week of school. It was a pleasure connecting with both returning and new families before classes began. These meetings gave our teachers a chance to meet with you in person, share classroom expectations, and listen to your hopes and dreams for your child(ren).

A special thank you to everyone who joined us on September 19th for our Welcome Back to School BBQ. Your presence and support made it a fantastic start to the year, and we look forward to creating many more memorable moments together.

At Seven Oaks School Division, we believe every student deserves to feel safe, respected, and valued—both at school and in the wider community. Providing a safe and caring school environment that fosters respectful and responsible behavior is our top priority. We embrace the unique identity and experiences of each individual, ensuring that all students are accepted, supported, and have access to age-appropriate curricula and diverse learning resources.

Guided by Safe and Inclusive Schools legislation, we are dedicated to maintaining respectful and purposeful learning environments for all students, staff, and our broader community. As part of this commitment, all schools in the Seven Oaks Division conduct 10 fire drills and 2 lockdown drills each year to ensure we are well-prepared for any situation.

Additionally, we adhere to the following cellphone guidelines:

Kindergarten – Grade 8: Students are not permitted to use or access cell phones during the school day, including breaks and lunch. Cell phones should be left at home, in their bags, or lockers during school hours.

Kindergarten – Grade 12: Students with specific educational or medical needs, as outlined in Student-Specific Plans, will have access to cell phones as necessary.

Staff: Staff may use cell phones for instructional purposes or as directed by the administration to support school operations. Personal cellphone use is limited to breaks and lunch periods. Staff with medical needs or emergencies requiring cellphone use should inform the administration to ensure appropriate accommodations while maintaining overall guideline consistency.

We believe that learning from and with each other fosters a sense of belonging and safety while celebrating the diversity of our learners. This shared responsibility involves students, staff, and families working together to ensure our schools remain safe and inclusive for everyone.

Our first Parent Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 3, in the school library at 6 p.m. We encourage families to attend and share their voices, as your partnership helps us improve the education and well-being of our students.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school a safe, welcoming, and nurturing place for all.

Harpreet Panag

Porfiria Pedrina

John Holmes



PICKUP AND DROP OFF 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 that they should not be using our back lane or Jefferson when picking up and dropping off their child(ren) for the safety of our students.

Thank you!

Reminders for the 2024-25 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

New Staff at AEW 2024-25 School Year



Mr. John Holmes
Vice- Principal



Miss Kelly Nguyen
RM15 Teacher



Miss Morgan Reitberger
RM1 Teacher



Mrs. Sabahat Waseem
P5 ITEP Teacher



Miss Patricia Panganiban
RM7 Teacher



Mrs. Brenda Bracken
Educational Assistant



Mr. Jonathan Martin
RM21 Teacher



Mrs. Maninder Jawanda
RM6 ITEP Teacher



September 30th is now recognized by Canada as the National Day for Truth and reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day. On this day we take the time to recognize the ongoing trauma caused by residential schools, and remember those who never returned home, survivors and their families. It is also an opportunity to commit to the process of truth, justice and reconciliation for our First Nations Communities. At Arthur E. Wright, we commemorated this important day on Friday, September 27th, with a school-wide walk, symbolizing our collective support for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. This walk was a demonstration of our humility and our pledge to walk alongside our Indigenous communities in solidarity, with the message that Every Child Matters. Later that day, we were honored to host Elder Winston Wuttunee for a Sacred Fire on our school grounds, creating a space for reflection, learning, and unity.



The AE Wright Patrols went on a field trip to Deer Meadow Farms on Wednesday September 25th as a thank you for their commitment to keeping our school community safe!



Room 4: Community (Pamayanan)

Mr. R's Room 4 Filipino-Bilingual class began a project that brought them into deeper understanding of the meaning of 'community' or 'pamayanan' in



Filipino. This project is based on the learning intention that we agreed to accomplish for the first three weeks. Creating miniature models, map reading, knowing directions (North-Hilaga, East-Silangan, South -Timog and West – Kanluran), applying bar graphs in collecting information and writing paragraphs about community in English were the activities that kept the students busy. Now we can proudly say that we accomplished our goal. Come and visit our learning board display adjacent to Room 4 to see the beautiful learning outcomes posted.





Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2 4/5 X-Country Meet P3 Swimming	3 Tech Hub GR 7/8	4 MY X-Country Meet
7 P5 Swimming	8 DIVISIONAL PD DAY NO CLASSES	9 P3 Swimming	10 4/5 X-Country Meet Tech Hub GR 7/8	11 MY X-Country Meet
14 THANKSGIVING NO CLASSES	15	16 P3 Swimming	17 PICTURE DAY  Tech Hub GR 7/8	18
21 P5 Swimming	22	23 P3 Swimming	24 Tech Hub GR 7/8	25 MTS PD DAY NO CLASSES
28 P5 Swimming	29	30 P3 Swimming	31 Halloween  Tech Hub GR 7/8	

Looking ahead...

Monday Nov. 11 Remembrance Day– No Classes
 Thursday Nov. 21 Parent/Teacher Conf. (evening)
 Friday Nov. 22 Parent/Teacher Conf– No Classes
 Mon Dec. 23-Fri Jan 3 Winter Break– No Classes

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