Room 6 Program Overview

2022-2023

Grade 2 Mr. Corrigan

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year at Lord Roberts School! I look forward to working with each family to provide the best possible learning experience for your child. Please contact me anytime to ask questions, share concerns or offer expertise that you can share with the grade two students. I can be reached through e-mail at dcorrigan@wsd1.org, through Seesaw or you can call the school at 204-453-6639. Also, if you're not already set up with SeeSaw, please e-mail me or get ahold of the school so we can connect you.

I will occasionally teach through overarching themes based on times of the year, engaging topics, and student interests. Science, Social Studies, Art and Health curriculum will be woven throughout these themes, as will our daily work building literacy and mathematical skills.

Language Arts:

Our classroom goals are to continue to develop strong reading, writing, listening and speaking skills throughout the school year. Reading skills are strengthened through whole-class lessons, small-group guided reading lessons, novel studies, sight word practice, silent reading and home reading as the year goes on. Daily writing activities include journaling, Monday Morning News and various creative writing

activities. Students will also develop listening and speaking skills through whole-class and small-group activities.

Math:

Our daily mathematics work will help prepare students to appreciate and value mathematics, confidently solve problems and communicate and reason mathematically. This year we will be using a program called Jump Math that will give us the flexibility to seamlessly continue lessons remotely should the need arise. We will also do morning math warm ups, number talks and a variety of other math activities and games to solidify learning. Through lessons and activities, students will have plenty of opportunities to apply, model and communicate mathematical knowledge in a variety of ways.

Science:

Through our lessons and themes, students will learn about growth and changes in animals, properties of solids, liquids and gases, position and motion and air and water in the environment. Students will have ample practice using the scientific process to ask questions, make predictions, record data, do experiments and draw conclusions based on their findings.

Social Studies:

Integrated into every theme and subject, students will develop a sense of connecting while focusing on our local community, communities in

Canada and the Canadian community throughout the year, with particular focus on indigenous perspectives and education.

Art:

Art will be integrated throughout all subject areas. Students will learn about colour, line, texture, shape and space while working with a variety of tools such as paint, pastels, plasticine and crayons.

Special Subjects:

Phys. Ed will be held each day of the school cycle.

Music will be held on days 2, 4 and 6.

Assessment:

Students will be assessed in many ways. At the beginning of the year, students will be assessed using the Benchmark Assessment System for Language Arts and the Winnipeg School Division Mathematics Learning Pathway for Mathematics. These tools share excellent information about where your child is at and where to proceed. Throughout the year, most of the information gathered comes from your child's daily work, teacher observations and one on one interviews and be assessed on an on-going basis. Additionally, students will begin to assess their own learning by reflecting on their work and setting goals for the next step in learning. Report cards will be sent home in November, March and June.

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and your child's backpack daily for important notes and information from the school. I will also periodically send updates and reminders through SeeSaw or e-mail. Beginning next month your child will be bringing books home each week for home reading. I encourage parents to have their child read every day (or as often as possible) to help build fluency. More information on home reading will be coming soon.

Additionally, a friendly reminder that school supply fees (\$52) are now due, and if you are able to send 2 boxes of Kleenex to school with your child it would be greatly appreciated. Also, students will need a dedicated pair of indoor shoes appropriate for running, and if your child is not yet tying their own shoes I kindly ask that you please send them to school with velcro shoes (or shoes with "self-tying" curly laces) until they are able to do so, and I strongly recommend putting your child's initials inside their shoes and backpack. I am looking forward to working with you to make this a fun and productive school year!

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