ROOM 25

Welcome to Grade 5!

Mathematics

Room 25 students will be taught a balanced math program which focuses on collaboration, problem solving, and building mathematical confidence. We will focus on a number of strategies such as mental math, estimation, algorithms, and personal strategies. We will cover a variety of topics from multiplication, division, fractions, decimals, measurement, and probability.

English Language Arts

The focus will be on communication skills such as expressing opinions and ideas, active listening and asking meaningful questions. Grade 5 students will think deeply and reflect often in order to take an active role in their learning. A large focus will be on reading and writing skills. Students will explore a variety of genres of literature and take part in reader's and writer's workshops.

<u>Please support your child by having</u> them read at home for a minimum of 30 minutes daily.



Welcome Back

Grade 5 is going to be EPIC! Throughout Grade 5 students transition to become the leaders of Lord Selkirk School. With that in mind there are a lot of opportunities to look forward to:

- Patrols
- Announcement Helpers
- Conflict Managers
- Office Helpers
 - E.A.T. Team

- Recreation Leaders
- Science Fair
- Field Trips
- Roots & Shoots
- And more!



Science

We will study four main topics, which will be guided by student interests. Human body and health, weather, properties of substances (e.g. states of matter), and simple machines and forces. Students will have the opportunity to create a science fair project!

Social Studies

The main topic of study is, "Peoples and Stories of Canada to 1867". This includes First Nations cultures and governance, the fur trade, the rise of the Métis Nation, and interactions of cultures in early Canada.

Art

In art students will learn and use different elements, concepts, and techniques of visual art. We will also explore different forms and styles of visual art from various times and places. As students learn about the visual arts they will question, analyze, reflect, and share personal ideas about how art connects to their own lives, communities, and different cultures around the world.

Assessment

Formative assessments are ongoing and can be attained through observations, conversations, and conferences. Summative assessments occur at the end of a unit and are in the form of final projects, final drafts, and tests. In addition, students are an important part of the assessment process. They will use selfassessment tools such as checklists, goal setting, and will be expected to reflect on their learning journey.

Important Information

Arrival: Students are expected to arrive on time every day. Playground supervision begins at 8:45 a.m. Room 25 will enter the school promptly at 8:50 a.m.

Late Arrival: If a student arrives after 9:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. they are considered late and must sign in at the office and bring a welcome slip to their teacher.

Dismissal: Students are dismissed at 3:30 p.m. If you are picking up your child you must meet them at a pre-determined meeting place on the playground. If you are picking your child up early, please phone the office (204-667-8495) so we can have them ready. You will be required to sign them out in the office.

Absences: Missing school negatively impacts your child's learning. Work together at home help your children get a good night's sleep, stay healthy by practicing good hygiene, and be on time and present every day. If your child is going to be absent please call the Safe Arrival hotline.

Lunch: Lunch program is available for students and supervised by Lunch Program Staff. Families must register their child and pay the monthly fee. Students are not permitted to leave the school for lunch unless it is pre-arranged with the office and classroom teacher. Please call the office and/or provide a signed note.

Breakfast Program: Breakfast program is offered beginning at 8:30 a.m. every morning in the Nutrition Room.

School-wide Expectations: At Lord Selkirk School everyone is expected to follow the 3 B's in all common areas as well as the classroom.

- Be Safe
- Be respectful
- Be cooperative

I am thrilled by the opportunity to work with you this year. If you have any questions or concerns at any time please reach out to me at the school 204-667-8495 or email <u>dfrank@wsd1.org</u>.

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