Welcome to Room 36 at Lord Selkirk School

Greetings to you all,

Hello! My name is Lannea Millar and I am THRILLED to be your child's teacher this year in room 36 © Fifth grade brings many new and exciting learning opportunities and I am looking forward to our year ahead. You are welcome to contact me anytime via email at lamillar@wsd1.org or call 204-667-8495 and leave a message at the school office and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Grade 5 Highlights

English Language Arts

Students will gain skills to be more effective readers and writers through class read aloud's, reading and writing workshops and book clubs. We will focus on building a strong classroom community of proud readers and writers by having daily opportunities to practice, develop and celebrate our literacy skills.

Reader's Workshop:

Students will develop foundational reading skills and strategies. Every day we will spend time reading good fit books by ourselves and with peers. Reading at home will make a **HUGE** difference in your child's school success. I encourage your child to make reading a part their everyday routine by reading every night for approximately 15-20 minutes.

Students will use the skills they learned in grade 4 and apply them to their new writing units in grade 5. They will continue to develop new strategies and gain more confidence as writers during their narrative, informational, argument and memoir writing units.

Math

In Math, students will work on problem solving, develop mental math strategies and practice communicating their thinking and learning. Important math topics we will be exploring are multiplication, division, fractions, patterns and relations, measurement, 3-D objects and 2-D shapes, data analysis and probability.

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Writer's Workshop:

In Science, students will explore and learn about Maintaining a Healthy Body, Properties of and Changes in Substances, Forces and Simple Machines and Weather. Students will use an inquiry and hands-on approach to explore these topics.

Social Studies

In Social Studies, students will explore the People and Stories of Canada by learning about First People's, Early Colonization, The Fur Trade and Confederation.

Art

Students will explore ways to express themselves creatively and continue to develop skills through art. Students will have the opportunity to think about the importance and meaning of the arts in their own lives, in their communities, and around the world.

Seesaw:

Students will be using Seesaw for learning throughout the year. It is expected that family members connect to their child's Seesaw profile using the "Seesaw Family App." The app will also be used to send home information such as letters and announcements. If you need any assistance, please come and see me personally and I can help you get set up!

Code of Conduct:

At Lord Selkirk Elementary School, we believe that every member of our school community has the right to: Respect, Trust, Safety and Understanding. It is expected that students respect themselves, others, and school property.

Expectations:

School Wide Expectations: The 3 B'S: Be Safe Be Respectful Be Cooperative

These school expectations are to be followed in all common areas of the school. Classroom expectations will be developed by the students in Room 36 at the beginning of the year to ensure we are following expectations and making our learning space a fun place to be and learn.

Friendly Reminders

- Please ensure that your child attends school on a regular basis and on time.
- Due to allergies in our class and at school, please pack your child peanut free recess snacks and lunches (if enrolled in lunch program)
- Please call the office if your child needs to be picked up early so we can have them ready. Once you arrive please call at 204-667-8495.
- Please make sure that toys/personal belongings are kept at home.

