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PRINCIPAL SPARLING SCHOOL

Est. 1912



November 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are into regular routines at school! Our first All Star Assembly which took place after 2 years of absence reinforced the important of community and celebrated learning in all classrooms. We were joined by parents and family members to support the importance of learning. All award winners had a group photo to be posted on our website. Our next All Star Assembly will be on November 25th. Parents/guardians are welcome.

Ms. Collins will be leading the Remembrance Day Services with students and staff on November 10th at 11:00 am in the gym. We continue to reinforce the importance of "Peace" and to be thankful to the soldiers who have made the world safer for us all. Please take time to pay respect to our fallen soldiers on November 11th at 11:00 am with a minute of silence.

We return to our in-school Parent Teacher conferences on November 17th in the evening and the 18th all day. Parents/Guardians can sign up for their conference time through "School Interviews" which will be sent out through messenger on November 4th. Please find the time to review report cards with your child prior to attending the conferences. At this time, it is important to celebrate learning and set goals moving forward.

Student Council has begun fundraising through the Snack Shack. The funds raised will support ongoing student initiatives throughout the school year.

Parent Council has also begun fundraising. The funds raised will support student initiatives and our Grade Six Farewell. This will be a busy month as Parent Council will have the Kernel's and Hotdog lunch. As well, the return of Movie Night on November 25th. Our Parent Council meeting is on November 7th at 6:30 pm. See you there!

Please find time to visit our website to view monthly classroom updates from your child's teacher.

Kind Regards,

L. Pang

Principal





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Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
Daylight Savings Time		PD Day No	2 / Day 4 Popcorn Fundraiser Forms Home	3 / Day 5	4 / Day 6	7
	7 / Day 1 Parent Council Meeting – 6:30 pm	8 / Day 2		10 / Day 4 Remembrance Day Reflection in classrooms Popcorn Fundraiser Forms due back	11 Remembrance Day No Classes	13
13	14 / Day 5	15 / Day 6 Report Cards go home	16 / Day 1 Picture Retakes	17 / Day 2 Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30 – 8:00 pm	18 / Day 3 Parent Teacher Interviews No Classes	19
20	21 / Day 4	22 / Day 5	23 / Day 6	24 / Day 1 Hot Dog Lunch	25 / Day 2 All Star Virtual Assembly Movie Night	26
27	28 / Day 3	29 / Day 4 Hearing Screening	30/ Day 5 Hearing Screening			

December at a Glance:

Dec. 1 Dec. 5	Hearing Screening Parent Council Meeting			
Dec. 7	Winter Concert			
	- 2:00 pm - Rehearsal			
	- 6:30 pm Concert			
Dec. 20	PD – pm only – No School			
Dec. 21	Last day before Winter Break			



Resource News



SEVERE ALLERGIES ALERT:

There are children in our school who have severe allergies to peanuts and nut products. Even exposure to a tiny amount of this item could be serious and life-threatening. We can all play a role in preventing such a dangerous and frightening situation at our school. Although the students and their families must take

responsibility to avoid exposure, staff, other children, and their families can also help to make this school environment safe. Our school is a nut aware school which means that we discourage any food products that may contain nut products from coming to the school. The teachers are helping the children understand the need to avoid these food products and we ask parents to help educate their children about allergies. If you can find alternatives to peanut butter and choose healthy snacks for your children that do not include nut products, that would be the safest way to go for these children.

Signs are posted on classroom doors indicating which foods pose a health concern for that classroom. This may be an inconvenience for you, but please realize how important your cooperation is. We would take the same care should your child have such a health care need.

MEDICATION FOR STUDENTS:

A reminder to parents/guardians that when the school is asked to administer any medication to a child, a letter from a medical doctor must support the request. A telephone communication from the doctor will suffice, pending the receipt of written verification that can be faxed from the doctor's office. The medication must be brought from the home by the parents, guardian, or other reliable adult. The medication container must have the dispensing instructions noted on it and must have the official label of the druggist. The container should be for school use a separate container should be kept at home. Students with asthma who bring "inhalers" to school will be allowed to always carry them with them. Students requiring EpiPens should be always carrying these EpiPens with them.

CELL PHONES

A reminder to parents/guardians that cell phones are not required during the school day unless as an emergency. If a parent/guardian provides their child with a cell phone at school for safety reasons, then permission would need to come from the principal to carry one. Cell phones are expensive and often become lost or stolen which then causes problems at school. All cell phones should be shut off during the school day.

Hearing and Screening:

Hearing and Screening will take place at the school on Tuesday, November 29, Wednesday, November 30 and Thursday, December 1, 2022.

SCHOOL SAFETY

The Winnipeg Police Service would like to remind parents and guardians of the importance of the safety of our children as they go to and from school. Each year, serious safety hazards are created when children are being dropped off and picked up from school. Parents and guardians who are stopping or parking their vehicles while dropping their children off are reminded to do so in an appropriate and legal fashion, paying particular attention to no stopping/parking signs in school zones. Drivers should be abiding with the pickup and drop off programs that are already established for your school. Talk to your child about traffic safety and teach them when and where it is safest to cross while stressing the importance of using crosswalks and abiding by the direction

of School Patrols. Children should visually scan potentially dangerous areas such as parking lots and driveways for vehicles. Parents, guardians, and other motorists should consider the volume and speed of the traffic in your area. Be mindful of children in the area and pay particular attention near school as children could dart from between vehicles at any time.

Stop signs on buses picking up and dropping off children must always be respected. Anyone not stopping when a school bus has its stop sign and lights activated may be subject to a fine under the Highway Traffic Act. Please remember, to Slow Down and help keep our students safe.



