

STRATHCONA SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



November 2022

Dear Strathcona families,

As the first term comes to a close in the next couple of weeks, it's important to celebrate all of the amazing learning happening at Strathcona School. Throughout October teachers and students have been working hard on learning goals, with a special focus on writing. Students from Kindergarten all the way to grade six have been writing everyday and continue to learn and grow as writers. We want to encourage you to ask your child about what they have been writing about at school!

October was also a busy month preparing for our first whole school assembly in over two years! It was so nice to be able to gather safely together in the gym, introduce our amazing teachers and support staff to all of our students, and review some safe schools protocol. Our first assembly was such a success, we gathered again for a whole school Halloween costume parade planned by our student leadership team!

Our student leadership team is comprised of grade 4-6 students who meet once per cycle with Mrs. Greaves and Mrs. Teixeira. With the support of their classroom teachers, the student leadership team brainstormed ideas, made posters, and even sounded their voices on the daily announcements and in front of the school at our assembly. We are all looking forward to providing them with future leadership opportunities, and hearing what amazing ideas they come up with.

IMPORTANT DATES

FRIDAY

NOVEMBER 4

PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT
NO CLASSES

FRIDAY

NOVEMBER 11

REMEMBRANCE DAY
NO CLASSES

THURSDAY

NOVEMBER 17

TRI-CONFERENCES
4:00 - 7:00 PM

FRIDAY

NOVEMBER 18

TRI-CONFERENCES
NO CLASSES

We are very much looking forward to welcoming families back into the building once again during our Tri-Conferences on November 17th and 18th. Please watch for a note going home and select a time that works best for your family. Tri-Conferences are an opportunity for student, teacher, and family to have a conversation about learning and share the amazing progress made so far this school year. We are so thankful to be back to doing these conferences in person.

We are looking forward to another great month of learning at Strathcona School.

Respectfully,

Jeremy Midford
Principal

Jaclyn Rivest
Vice Principal

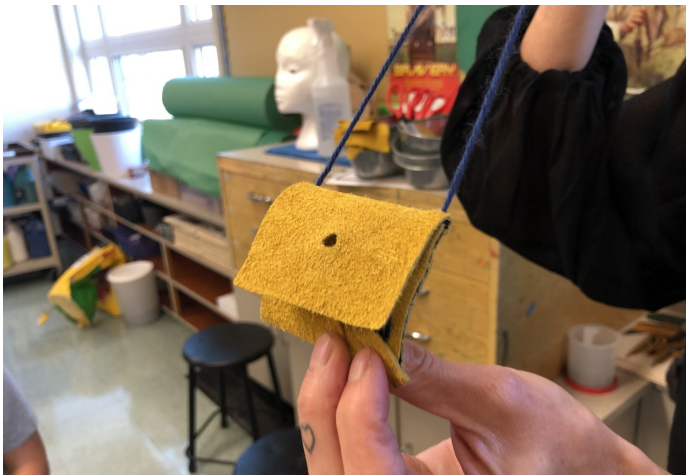
STRATHCONA VISION:

Cultivating the full potential of every child with an emphasis on citizenship, creativity, critical thinking and community

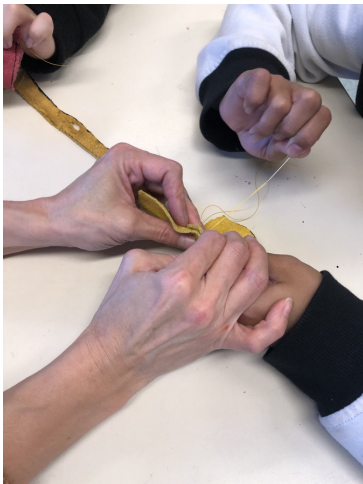
STRATHCONA MISSION:

We are dedicated to creating an equitable and culturally responsive learning environment that reflects the diverse needs of our community. We value building an inclusive atmosphere that fosters the emotional, intellectual, social and physical growth of each student. We acknowledge learning is enhanced through sharing, caring, laughing, questioning and growing. We believe everyone shares in the responsibility for student success.

INDIGENOUS EDUCATION



Our Indigenous Education support teacher, as well as all classroom teachers have been continuing to focus on Indigenous Education infused into all subject areas. From books in our literacy lab, to project based learning learning about access to clean water in rural Manitoba communities, at Strathcona School we are committed to Reconciliation through the education of all our students.



Everyday when we recognize that our school is located on Treaty One Land, we vow to continue to learn together on this journey of Reconciliation.

The pictures here show students from room 15 working making medicine pouches with our Indigenous Education teacher.



REMINDERS

Arrival at School

School hours are: 8:50am - 12:00pm (N/K morning program ends at 11:30) and 12:55pm - 3:30pm. **Students are strongly encouraged to arrive no earlier than 8:45am for morning classes and 12:50pm for afternoon classes, unless being supervised by a parent/guardian.** All students will meet their teachers on the back hardtop for entry.

Lates & Appointments

Please do everything possible to ensure that your child is on time in order to follow all of the arrival steps. Should your child be late, please come to the front doors on McKenzie St. and ring the bell for office staff to assist. If your child is being picked up early, please call the office ahead at 204-586-8394 so that we can have your child ready to go. Your child will be walked outside to meet you at the front doors.

Dismissal

Students will be walked outside with their teacher into their pick up and drop off line on the hard top. Parents/guardians and older siblings will pick up students from their designated line. **Please do not double park or stop along Alfred Avenue for pickup.**

School Supply Fees

Friendly reminder to please pay your child's school supply fees. The teacher will issue you a receipt for the \$30.00 fee per child. The funds collected enable teachers to plan wonderful learning experiences, and give students access to the tools they need to learn, create, and grow. Thank you to those families who have already paid!



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Parent Council Meetings (Community, Conversation, and Coffee)

Strathcona School is always looking for new voices to join our Community, Conversation, and Coffee. We had a successful first meeting in October, and we look forward to seeing everyone at our second meeting in November! Please come to the front doors and our office staff, administration, and community support worker will welcome you to our building. All parents, grandparents, and guardians are welcome to join for coffee and a light dinner. We hope to see you there!

Next Meeting: Thursday November 24th at 5:00 pm (all are welcome)



Strathcona School and Food Rescue Project

Strathcona School is pleased to announce that we are one of many organizations that have been chosen to participate in the Canadian Food Rescue Project.

The Food Rescue Project provides our school with additional food support to enhance our amazing breakfast and snack program.

At times the food that is provided to our school comes in very large quantities that is much more than we can use for our nutrition programs. When this occurs we are able to share the food with our families and community members.

If you would like to receive some of this surplus food from the Community Pantry please contact Ms. Lee Tavares, School/Community Support Worker at 204-586-8493 or ltavares@wsd1.org and Ms. Tavares will connect with you when there is food available to share.



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 Day 3	2 Day 4	3 Day 5	4 Day 6 Non-Instructional Day—No School
7 Day 1 Lighthouse 3:30-4:45 pm Room 13	8 Day 2	9 Day 3 Lighthouse 3:30-4:45 pm Room 13	10 Day 4	11 Remembrance Day No School
14 Day 5 Lighthouse 3:30-4:45 pm Room 13	15 Day 6	16 Day 1 Lighthouse 3:30-4:45 pm Room 13	17 Day 2 Tri-Conferences 4:00—7:00 pm	18 Day 3 Tri-Conferences No School
21 Day 4 Lighthouse 3:30-4:45 pm Room 13	22 Day 5	23 Day 6 Lighthouse 3:30-4:45 pm Room 13	24 Day 1 Parent Council Meeting 5:00 pm	25 Day 2
28 Day 3 Lighthouse 3:30-4:45 pm Room 13	29 Day 4	30 Day 5 Lighthouse 3:30-4:45 pm Room 13	