



September 2022
Newsletter



PRAIRIE ROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

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Ken Romaniuk, Principal

Welcome to all of our many new students and families and a warm welcome back to those who are returning. I look forward to working together with the fabulous Prairie Rose staff, supportive families and community members to provide the best opportunities for our students during the 2022 – 2023 School Year! As we return to school this year we also return to more regular procedures and routines. Please read over the Return to School section in the newsletter on page two for reminders and expectations for this school year. You are reminded to check the school website or Twitter account or Seesaw for school notices and announcements!

Our newsletter is published during the first week of every month and sent home with the youngest member of the family. It contains the most recent news and updates to the school calendar so please read it regularly. The September newsletter serves to remind students and families about established policies, school routines and practices. The newsletter is also posted on our website each month. You can find it at www.winnipegssd.ca/schools/prairierose. This site is updated regularly and has the calendar and classroom activities posted as well.

We invite everyone to join us on Thursday, September 22 for our Meet the Teacher evening. We will send out a notice with details and how the evening will be planned.

It will be a great opportunity to meet all of our Prairie Rose students and families.

Communication is an important part of building student success. We value the partnership between school staff, parents and community and the essential role it plays in the success of students and the school. Please feel free to email or phone anytime if you have any questions. We will also use our School Agenda books with our Grade 1 to 6 students and this can be an important communication tool.

Our School Handbook will be found on the school website and be circulated via Seesaw next week. It contains important information about school routines and procedures, please take some time to look it over with your family.

We would also like to extend our appreciation to our dedicated Custodial Team who helped prepare the school for another year of learning. The floors and hallways shine thanks to the hard work of Mr. Marchuk and Mr. Katnoria.

A warm welcome is also extended to our entire staff returning this school year. We are extremely fortunate to have a very dedicated and committed staff that work very hard for the students and community. We also extend a special Prairie Rose welcome to some new staff members joining the Prairie Rose Educational Team this year; Ms. Brar in Room 209 until Ms. Barros returns and Ms. Gill in Room 212 until Mr. Young returns.

The Parent Council requires all Lunch Program Registrations be submitted with payment for students attending. Please let Ms. Mendoza know if your child is attending and send in the registration and payment as soon as possible. You can find the Lunch Program information and forms on the school website.

Together we will strive to provide your children with a safe and exciting learning year filled with opportunities to help them learn and grow during the 2022 – 2023 school year!

Mr. Romaniuk



Return to School 2022 – 2023

Welcome to a new school year. Following the pandemic we have made some adjustments to school routines and procedures and ask each family to review the following:

Cohort Doors: We will still use Cohort doors to help with movement in and out of the school.

Nursery and Kindergarten will continue to use the front doors off of Torwood Crescent.

Grade 1 & 2 will continue to use the Bus Loop Doors off of the Lucas Avenue entrance.

Grades 3 to 6 will continue to use the Chisholm Drive doors.

Families can drop off all children at one door if easier for the family. Older siblings can enter with the younger sibling if needed.

Please use caution and follow all traffic laws to ensure students are safe during drop off and pick up times.

Face Masks are no longer required. However if anyone is still wishing to wear a mask while at school that is possible.

Start of school is 8:55 AM when the bell rings students will enter the school.

Nursery & Kindergarten dismiss at 11:30 AM

Grades 1 to 6 will dismiss for lunch at 12:00 PM and return at 12:55 PM

Note: Students going home for lunch area not to return before 12:55 PM

End of School is 3:30 PM

At Prairie Rose School we remain focussed on the health and safety of all students, families and staff. It is still recommended that if anyone is ill to remain home to reduce the spread of any possible illness. We appreciate everyone's cooperation and understanding of the importance to remain at home if ill and return when feeling better and clear of symptoms.

We will continue to follow and adhere to all Provincial Mandates and Protocols.

Student Accident Insurance

The Student Accident Forms will be sent home. Please note that this insurance offers excellent coverage for a very low cost. I wish to emphasize the importance of ensuring that you have coverage for emergency situations. If a child is injured at school and we feel that the child requires immediate medical attention, an ambulance is contacted as well as the parent. The cost of the ambulance is borne by the parent.

It is helpful for families to have insurance for such a contingency if that support is not available to the parent under other medical coverage.



REMINDER....

If your child is bussed to school, please call your bus provider as soon as possible (open at 6:30 a.m.) : First Student: 204-586-8800 or Wheelchair Services: 204-982-0799. You can also call Transportation at 204-789-0452.



As well, should your child/ren need to leave the school early for any reason please send a note to the teacher with the time of departure. Please indicate who will be picking up your child. Please "sign" your child out in the office. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

RECESS/SUPERVISION

Entrance and Dismissal Times

8:55 a.m.: School entry

10:15-10:30 a.m. Morning recess

11:30 a.m.: Dismissal for kindergarten students

12:00-12:55 p.m.: Lunch (Grade 1 - 6)

2:15-2:30 p.m. Afternoon Recess

3:30 p.m. Dismissal

Students should not arrive at school before **8:45** a.m. or **12:55** p.m. as there is no outdoor supervision before these times.

ATTENDANCE/CALL BACK



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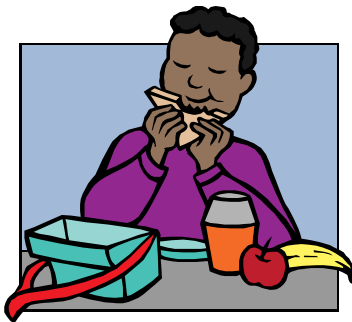
SAFE ARRIVAL

Before the bell time of the current day,
call 1-855-278-4513
or visit <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>
to report your student's absence

Please note that all students who are not in attendance at school during any given day, are part of the school-wide call back system. Teachers report the names of children who are absent, and if the parent of the absent child has not called the Safe Arrival Call In System at 1-855-278-4513 to report their absence, they will be notified by phone at their home or workplace regarding the student's absence by the automated system. They will continue to be called every 5 minutes until they verify the absence. In order to ensure the safety of our students, it is imperative that parents/guardians notify the school of any absences or late arrivals. Students who arrive at school late are instructed to report to the office first before going to their classrooms.

HEALTH CONCERNS

If your child has any health concerns, for example, an EPIPEN, puffer, or medication, please inform the office so we can be prepared to act promptly if required. Parents who wish the school to administer medication must get a form from the school office for their doctor to complete. All medication is to be left in the school office. It is the parent's responsibility to refill prescriptions and to notify the office if there is a change in the medication.



HOME INFORMATION UPDATES

If, at anytime during the school year, your **HOME INFORMATION, work and any other contact telephone numbers change, please let the office know as soon as possible.**

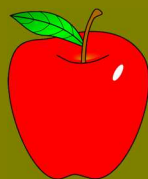
This information is vital in the case of an emergency, if your child is injured or becomes ill. Current home and work (as well as cell) telephone numbers are necessary to ensure that you, or your emergency contact person can be reached.



***Welcome Back
to School***

Meet the Teacher

Thursday, September 22



PRAIRIE ROSE STAFF

Administration

Mr. Romaniuk	Principal
Office	
Ms. Nichols	Head Secretary

Classroom Teachers.

Ms. Dawybida.....	N/K AM	Room 113
Ms. Uskalo / N. Nassar.....	Grades 1/2	Room 208
Ms. Brar / A. Barros	Grades 1/2	Room 209
Mr. Young / Ms. Gill.....	Grades 3/4	Room 212
Ms. Simons.....	Grades 3/4	Room 214
Mr. Tosczak.....	Grades 5/6	Room 211
Mr. Forbister.....	Grades 5/6	Room 215

Specialty and Support Teachers

Mr. Mills.....	SERT	Room 213
Ms. Riccio.....	SERT	Room 213
Ms. Higham	Music	Room 111
Ms. McFadyen.....	Phys. Ed	Gym

Custodial Staff

Darryl Marchuk
Suwinder Katnoria

Clinical Support Services

Ms. Reynolds	Reading Clinician
Ms. Phelps	School Psychologist
Ms. Bortoluzzi	Speech & Language
Ms. Quigley	Social Worker

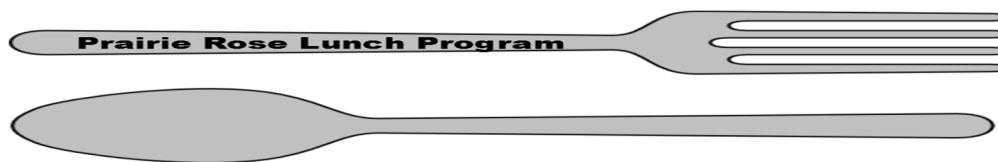
School Division Administration

Celia Caetano-Gomes - Superintendent 2021 School Cluster
Tony Marcione - Director of 2021 School Cluster

Educational Assistants

Arlyn Balaswit	Tracy Wilding
Heather Campbell	Tara Venturini
Denise Desjarlais	
Rico Dippolito	
Candace Iwasienko	
Tracy Jones	
Sean Matenchuk	
Jenna Mendoza	
Kaitlyn Merry	
Melanie Nowell	
Stacey Sylvester	
Cyndy Szwaluk	

Prairie Rose School Lunch Program



General Information

If your child is not participating in the Lunch Program and goes home for lunch, they can not return to school until 12:45.

Prairie Rose School's Parent Council runs a non-profit lunch program for Grades 1 to 6.

If any profits are made, special activities and materials will be provided for the children in the program and money will be provided to the school or directed to the new playground structure.

How to Register?

- Our Lunch Program Brochure and registration form can be found on our website and emailed to prairierose@wsd1.org
- Parents will not be allowed to register if there is an outstanding balance to the program.

Payment Options: Due Sept 16th.

Full-Time Monthly Rate which includes milk for 2022-2023:

First child: \$30.00/month

Second child: \$25.00/month

Third child: \$15.00/month

Fourth child: \$12.00/month

Drop-In (cash) \$2.50 per day includes milk.

Children must be pre-registered for Drop-In service.

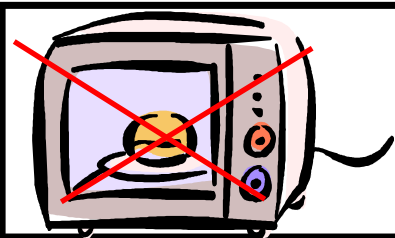
We ask that you pay either by:

- Ten post-dated cheques
- 1 cash/cheque for full payment
- No monthly cash payments are accepted

If you have any questions feel free to email Ms. Mendoza at jmendoza@wsd1.org.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Jenna Mendoza Lunch Program Coordinator



VERY IMPORTANT:

- ♦ The Lunch Program does not provide cutlery or napkins.
- ♦ There will be NO MICROWAVE SERVICE to heat up food.
 - ♦ Bagged lunches only.
- ♦ Do not return until 12:55pm

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2022 – 2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR



SEPTEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Labour Day	6 / Day 1 School Opens Non-Instructional	7 / Day 2 First day of classes	8 / Day 3	9 / Day 4	10
11	12 / Day 5	13 / Day 6	14 / Day 1	15 / Day 2	16 / Day 3	17
18	19 / Day 4 Non-Instructional	20 / Day 5	21 / Day 6	22 / Day 1	23 / Day 2	24
25	26 / Day 3	27 / Day 4	28 / Day 5	29 / Day 6	30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	

OCTOBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 / Day 1	4 / Day 2	5 / Day 3	6 / Day 4	7 / Day 5	8
9	10 Thanksgiving Day	11 / Day 6	12 / Day 1	13 / Day 2	14 / Day 3	15
16	17 / Day 4	18 / Day 5	19 / Day 6	20 / Day 1	21 / Day 2 Non-Instructional MTS PD Day	22
23	24 / Day 3	25 / Day 4	26 / Day 5	27 / Day 6	28 / Day 1	29
30	31 / Day 2					

NOVEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 / Day 3	2 / Day 4	3 / Day 5	4 / Day 6	5
6	7 / Day 1	8 / Day 2	9 / Day 3	10 / Day 4	11 Remembrance Day	12
13	14 / Day 5	15 / Day 6	16 / Day 1	17 / Day 2	18 / Day 3 Non-Instructional	19
20	21 / Day 4	22 / Day 5	23 / Day 6	24 / Day 1	25 / Day 2	26
27	28 / Day 3	29 / Day 4	30 / Day 5			

DECEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 / Day 6	2 / Day 1	3
4	5 / Day 2	6 / Day 3	7 / Day 4	8 / Day 5	9 / Day 6	10
11	12 / Day 1	13 / Day 2	14 / Day 3	15 / Day 4	16 / Day 5	17
18	19 / Day 6	20 / Day 1	21 / Day 2 Last Day Of School	22 Winter Break Starts	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

JANUARY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Winter Break Ends	5 / Day 3 School Reopens	6 / Day 4	7
8	9 / Day 5	10 / Day 6	11 / Day 1	12 / Day 2	13 / Day 3	14
15	16 / Day 4	17 / Day 5	18 / Day 6	19 / Day 1	20 / Day 2	21
22	23 / Day 3	24 / Day 4	25 / Day 5	26 / Day 6	27 / Day 1	28
29	30 / Day 2	31 / Day 3				

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FEBRUARY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 / Day 4	2 / Day 5	3 / Day 6 Non-Instructional	4
5	6 / Day 1	7 / Day 2	8 / Day 3	9 / Day 4	10 / Day 5	11
12	13 / Day 6	14 / Day 1	15 / Day 2	16 / Day 3	17 / Day 4	18
19	20 Louis Riel Day	21 / Day 5	22 / Day 6	23 / Day 1	24 / Day 2	25
26	27 / Day 3	28 / Day 4				

MARCH 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 / Day 5	2 / Day 6	3 / Day 1	4
5	6 / Day 2	7 / Day 3	8 / Day 4	9 / Day 5	10 / Day 6	11
12	13 / Day 1	14 / Day 2	15 / Day 3	16 / Day 4	17 / Day 5 Non-Instructional	18
19	20 / Day 6	21 / Day 1	22 / Day 2	23 / Day 3	24 / Day 4 Last Day Of School	25
26	27 Spring Break Starts	28	29	30	31 Spring Break Ends	

APRIL 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 / Day 5 School Reopens	4 / Day 6	5 / Day 1	6 / Day 2	7 / Good Friday	8
9	10 / Day 3	11 / Day 4	12 / Day 5	13 / Day 6	14 / Day 1 Non-Instructional	15
16	17 / Day 2	18 / Day 3	19 / Day 4	20 / Day 5	21 / Day 6	22
23	24 / Day 1	25 / Day 2	26 / Day 3	27 / Day 4	28 / Day 5	29
30						

MAY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 / Day 6 Non-Instructional	2 / Day 1	3 / Day 2	4 / Day 3	5 / Day 4	6
7	8 / Day 5	9 / Day 6	10 / Day 1	11 / Day 2	12 / Day 3	13
14	15 / Day 4	16 / Day 5	17 / Day 6	18 / Day 1	19 / Day 2	20
21	22 Victoria Day	23 / Day 3	24 / Day 4	25 / Day 5	26 / Day 6	27
28	29 / Day 1	30 / Day 2	31 / Day 3			

JUNE 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 / Day 4	2 / Day 5	3
4	5 / Day 6	6 / Day 1	7 / Day 2	8 / Day 3	9 / Day 4	10
11	12 / Day 5	13 / Day 6	14 / Day 1	15 / Day 2	16 / Day 3	17
18	19 / Day 4	20 / Day 5	21 / Day 6	22 / Day 1	23 / Day 2	24
25	26 / Day 3	27 / Day 4	28 / Day 5	29 / Day 6	30 / Day 1 Last Day Of School	

Prairie Rose School - Calendar of Events 2022 – 2023

SEPTEMBER, 2022	
6	Admin Day
7	First day of school for Gr 1-6 students – Day 2
7/8/9	N/K Interviews
12	First day for N/K
19	NO SCHOOL Non-Instructional day
22	Meet the Staff Evening 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
29	Terry Fox - PM
30	NO SCHOOL National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
OCTOBER, 2022	
4 or 19 TBD	Bus Ridership
6	Earth Rangers Presentation (PM)
6	Grade 6 Immunizations (AM)
10	Thanksgiving Day – No School
11	Picture Day
20	Canteen Day
21	NO SCHOOL – P.D. Sage Day
28	Volunteer Hearing Screening Training at PCERC 1:30-3:00
NOVEMBER 2022	
1-3	Hearing Screening – N/K
15	Picture Retakes
15	Report Cards Go Home
17	Parent Teacher Conferences in the evening
18	NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences
24	Canteen Day
DECEMBER, 2022	
15	Canteen Day
16	N/K Winter Celebration 9:45 am - 1:45 pm
20	Winter Concert Gr. 1-6
21	Last day before Winter Break (22rd – Jan 4th)
JANUARY 2023	
5	School Opens Day 4
26	Canteen Day

Prairie Rose School - Calendar of Events 2022 – 2023 Cont'd

FEBRUARY 2023	
3	NO SCHOOL Non-Instructional Day
6-19	Mobile Vision Screening
20	Louis Riel Day
21-24	I Love to Read Week
23	Canteen Day
24	Grade 6 Camp to Camp Assiniboia
MARCH 2023	
14	Report Cards Go Home
16	Parent Teacher Conferences in the evening
17	NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences
23	Canteen Day
24	Last day of School before Spring Break
APRIL 2023	
3	School Opens Day 6
7	Good Friday
20	Canteen Day
14	NO SCHOOL – Non-Instructional Day
25 or 27 TBD	Bus Ridership
MAY 2023	
1	NO SCHOOL – Non-Instructional Day
18	Canteen Day
22	Victoria Day – NO SCHOOL
30	Welcome to Kindergarten 4:00-5:00
JUNE 2023	
15	Canteen Day
16	Talent Show
22	N/K Year End Celebration 9:45 and 1:45
22	Patrol Trip to Lilac Resort
23	NO SCHOOL – Non-Instructional Day
27	Report Cards Go Home
27	Grade 6 Farewell – 10:00
28	Field Day - AM
30	Last Day of School – Dismissal for Students at 11:30 a.m.

Cohorts

	Rooms	Doors
Cohort 1	208, 209	South doors on Lucas Ave. (Bus Loop)
Cohort 2	211, 212, 214, 215	North doors on Chisholm Dr.
Cohort 3	113AM and Daycare	Front doors on Torwood Cres.

AM Recess	PM Recess
10:15-10:30am	2:15-2:30pm

Please use caution and follow all traffic laws to ensure students are safe during drop off and pick up times.



Student Agenda Books

Your child's classroom teacher will be teaching students how to make the most from their agendas.

The daily use of an agenda serves:

- As an organizational tool
- As a time management tool
- As a communication tool
- To develop initiative
- To develop responsibility

Please check your child's agenda book daily and ensure it is returned to school each day!

Agendas can help children learn to manage their time. It helps children to prioritize, plan and pace their tasks and is a great communication tool between home and school.



School Security



Please be aware that Prairie Rose School and the school grounds are continually monitored by video cameras. This is for the security and safety of all students, staff and the Prairie Rose School community.

Buses & Transportation

Bus cancellation

During the school year there may be times when school bus transportation is cancelled due to inclement weather or poor driving conditions, but schools will remain open.

School bus transportation for all school divisions in the City of Winnipeg is cancelled when the temperature reaches -35°C or colder by 6:15 a.m. based on the Environment Canada readings in Winnipeg. When bus transportation is cancelled in the morning, it will not resume later in the day even if weather conditions improve. All major Winnipeg media outlets are contacted in the early morning and are asked that they broadcast and/or post bus cancellation information.

Severe Weather Conditions

Severe weather conditions and poor roads may extend the running time of some buses, resulting in late arrival and departure. Parents/guardians should make sure that children are suitably clothed until picked up and that they have a place to go in the event the bus does not arrive. Parents/guardians must also ensure that children have a place to go after the return trip.

Contact information

A) All Regular / Special Education Programs Requests for transportation service, reporting changes of address or anticipated long term absences (over three days) - please telephone student's school.

B) Transportation Information Scheduling, operations and enquiries – refer to the Winnipeg School Division Transportation Department at 204-789-0452 (8:00 a.m.– 4:30 p.m.). Transportation Supervisor - Curtis Basso @ 204-789-0452.

C) Daily Information

Bus time enquiries, daily absences, lost articles, call Radio Dispatch (7:00 a.m. - till last child is dropped off) at: WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION - 204-586-8800

Home Reading

Here are 5 tips to encourage reading at home:

1.) Set Aside a Special Reading Time and Place – Find a cozy reading nook, comfy couch, or snuggle in bed. Having a special place and time to read makes reading part of family time. Children will come to look forward to this time.

2.) The Power of Picture Books – The possibilities are endless when a child looks at the illustrations of a wordless book and uses their imagination to create their own story! Just think of the vocabulary and expression children will use as they communicate the adventure. This process also helps young children flex their imaginations and develop oral language skills.

3.) Rhyme Time – Rhymes help young children notice and hear sounds within words, an essential skill for reading. While driving, grocery shopping or cooking dinner, you and your child can challenge each other to rhyme words. You may be surprised to find how much your child loves challenging you! Nursery rhymes and rhyming books can help young children not only hear the rhyme, but also see patterns in the words.

4.) Host a Reading Party! – Combine food, fun and reading! Host a party where children read a book and illustrate the story through a creative avenue such as a play, song or drawing. A "Popcorn, Pizza and Poetry Party" or "S'mores and Scary Stories Party" can be a fun opportunity that even the most reluctant reader can't turn down.

5.) Technology, Tweens and Teens – Having difficulty engaging your tweens and teens in reading? Teens are social beings — using technology to connect with other readers, discussing books through author blogs or joining book clubs may help inspire teenage readers.

Whatever the age of your child, you can instill the love of reading by encouraging reading at home. There's no better time to pick up a book and encourage reading at home than today!





This October, in honour of Waste Reduction Week Earth Rangers and Call2Recycle are partnering on a program where elementary schools in Manitoba will compete for who can collect the most used batteries and for the chance to win 1 of 3 amazing cash prizes. This initiative will also include a Free Earth Rangers Assembly for your school!

Did you know that properly recycling your batteries can help protect animals? Batteries that go in the garbage end up in landfills, adding to solid waste that can be harmful to the environment. You can do your part to make sure more batteries are recycled by participating in the Battery Blitz School Mission Challenge!



Your School Mission is to collect as many used batteries by encouraging students, parents, staff, and community members to bring them to your school and dispose of them in the Call2Recycle collection boxes. The challenge will kick off the week of October 3 and participating schools will have 4 weeks to collect used batteries. There are three amazing Cash Grand Prizes available for the 3 Manitoba schools that bring in the most batteries by weight!



The Battery Blitz School Mission Challenge is generously supported by:





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Telephone: 204-633-4092 Fax: 204-633-4902



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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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5 Labour Day No School	6 Day 1 <i>School Opens Non Instructional Day</i>	7 Day 2 Gr 1-6 First day of classes	8 Day 3	9 Day 4
12 Day 5	13 Day 6	14 Day 1	15 Day 2	16 Day 3
19 Day 4 Non Instructional Day	20 Day 5	21 Day 6	22 Day 1	23 Day 2
26 Day 3	27 Day 4	28 Day 5	29 Day 6	30 Day NO SCHOOL National Day of Truth and Reconciliation