

Welcome Back!

We've had a great start to the school year. There have been several new registrations, so our school population continues to change and grow! We had a great "Welcome Back" assembly, where classes had the opportunity to meet the staff and share their classroom agreements.

Outdoor Core Board

Our new outdoor core board was installed at the end of June. This board supports inclusive communication. It was purchased through the Cool 2 Be Kind Grant.

Special Programming

I am thrilled to report that this year, Mr. Adam will continue with the Special Olympics program. This is a fantastic, inclusive opportunity for students to participate in various sporting events in and out of school. It also provides leadership opportunities for students to participate as helpers. We will also have a small group participate in See Spot Read with the Winnipeg Humane Society. See Spot Read is an animal companionship literacy-based program that benefits children who are struggling with their confidence when it comes to reading. Students get to read with a "dog ambassador", to support confidence in literacy. Finally, we are hoping to begin a music therapy program, beginning in October. Music therapy is used in schools to support student specific plans and goals related to communication and regulation.

Nutrition Grant

As part of the nutrition grant provided by the province, we have purchased a new fridge and stove, which will be in the side kitchen, near the gyms. We will also begin a snack program. For now, it will be as needed (i.e. a student forgets their snack or is hungry). As the year progresses, we will evaluate the need and format.

Important Dates

September

19/20—Strong Beginnings

25—Fun Lunch

26—Picture Day

27—Fall Dance

30—National Day of Truth and Reconciliation—No School

October

7—PD Day for EAs and Teachers, Staff Meeting

14— Thanksgiving—No School

25—MTS PD Day (Remember to sign up and use Joint PD), no school

29—Picture Retakes

30—Fun Lunch