

## IMPORTANT DATES

September 15  
Meet and Greet 3:30-4:30  
Bookmobile 11-12

September 15  
Ms. Willis away

September 16  
Ms. Gage away (am)

September 23  
Ms. Klemetski away

September 24  
Divisional Inservice—**NO  
SCHOOL**

September 30  
Terry Fox Run 11:00  
Open House 12:00—1:00  
Hot Dog Lunch

October 7  
Ms. Klemetski away

October 8  
Ms. Willis away

October 10  
Thanksgiving—**NO SCHOOL**

October 21  
Ms. Klemetski away

October 22  
SAG Conference—**NO  
SCHOOL**

November 10  
Remembrance Day Service

November 11  
Remembrance Day—**NO  
SCHOOL**

November 12  
Admin Day—**NO SCHOOL**

November 19  
Parent/Teacher Interviews

November 30  
Ms. Klemetski away

December 16  
Ms. Klemetski away

# Chicken Hawks News

ISSUE 1

SEPTEMBER 2010

## Welcome to Oak River School

Hello, and welcome to Oak River School! The staff and myself are excited to introduce to you our first newsletter. I hope you find it informational and helpful in understanding what your child does in a day at school.

As you are probably already aware of, we have some new staff at the school. I will teach Kindergarten to Grade 4 and Principal and Tia Willis is teaching Grade 5 to 8. We have a new EA in the K to Grade 4 classroom. Her name is Alicia Ottenbreit. Jacquie Gage will continue to be our Secretary, EA and Librarian.

I would like to take this moment to thank all the parents for making all of the new staff feel welcomed to your community. I predict it is going to be a great year full of fun, interesting, and eventful activities.

As a staff, we plan to keep things going in the same direction as your previous staff members. We know they have worked very hard to take this school to where it is today. We would like to continue with the canteen, provide students with opportunities to play on sports teams, have microwaves in the lunch room, and maintain the recycling program.

During the week, we are going to try to provide many different opportunities for the students to enjoy the gym and get physically active. On Mondays there will be open gym for Grade 5 to 8 students. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, the gym will be reserved for school sport practices. Wednesdays will give the students in K to Grade 4 a chance to play in the gym and Fridays will be a day off.

On the wall by the fish tank, you will see a white board where daily announcements will be placed as well as reminders. On the hallway wall, we have a bulletin board dedicated to pictures of activities and events students have participated in. We also have a board titled "Who Made a Difference". If staff members see students who help out, are polite, or who have made a difference in someone's day, they will write their good deed down and display it for others to see.

If you have any questions or want to find out more about our activities, please give me a call at the school or on my cell 761-7111 or email [kklemetski@rrsd.mb.ca](mailto:kklemetski@rrsd.mb.ca).

Have a great year!

Kathleen  
Klemetski



## First Days of School

The first days of school have brought many smiling faces. All students were excited to come to school but also a little curious as to what their new teachers would be like. Here is what a few of them had to say about their first

days of school....

"It was great!"

"It was the best day ever!"

"It was an awesome day!"

"It was the best first day of school ever!"

"I love my new teachers!"

"I'm looking forward to having online portfolios and using Ipods."

"I like Math better now, since we get to play games."

"I'm excited to go to the care home!"

# Terry Fox Run



A single dream.  
A world of hope.

This year marks the 30th Annual Terry Fox Run. Last year, 500 schools participated in the 5th Annual National School Run Day. This year, ORS will continue to participate in this worthwhile cause. Run day will be **Thursday, September 30th**. Everyone is invited to attend. The run will begin at 11:00 am. Following the walk, ORS will host a hot dog lunch as part of our "Open House".

Please bring a beverage and any extra snacks that you may need. During lunch, students are encouraged to take their parents around to their classroom to see what they have been working on.

Attached to the newsletter is a copy of the pledge sheet. For every 5 pledges a student receives, the student is entered for a chance to win a bike. One bike will be awarded in Manitoba.

We know that not all students have access to big dollar donations so this is based on the student's efforts to raise pledges. Since 2001, Oak River Elementary School has raised \$10,802.38. Please make sure that all cheques are made out to The Terry Fox Foundation. If you choose to fundraise online, information is also attached. Please bring pledge sheets the day of the event or before.

A child  
educated only  
at school is an  
uneducated  
child.  
~George  
Santayana

## Microwave Use and Cutlery

Microwave use is a privilege to have. To allow all of our students to have an opportunity to eat warm lunches, we ask that you **precook** your child's food. This will decrease the amount of time food will be required to be in the microwave and allow all students a fair amount of time to eat their lunch. The students have from

12:00 to 12:20 to eat lunch. If everyone cooperates we won't have sore tummies from eating too fast so we can get outside to play.

Also, if your child requires cutlery for their lunch, please send it along in their lunch kit. We will all try our best to make sure the cutlery gets back home but, plastic cutlery

will probably work best in this situation.



## Canteen



The ORS Canteen will still be up and running this year from 12:00 to 12:10. The students in Grade 5 to 8 will be organizing and handling the canteen under the direction of Ms. Willis and Mrs. Gage.

In your package on the first day of school, you should have found a milk order form and a nutrition combo order form. If you have not received

this paper and would like to order food, please let your classroom teacher know and a new form will be sent home.

ORS will continue with the one hot lunch per month as in other previous years. More information will follow in October's newsletter.

Reminder... all cheques need to be made out to **Oak River School**.

## Staff Meet and Greet

On **Wednesday, September 15th, from 3:30 - 4:30pm**, parents, students, and family members are invited to come to ORS's first official "meet and greet" of the 2010-2011 school year. Staff members will be in their classrooms sharing their visions on how the year is going

to look, how we may be assessing your child and to discuss what a typical school day looks like along with any other questions you may have. Parents are encouraged to bring their child with them so that the student can share their classroom and what they have already learned.

If your child is not going home on the bus this day, please let your bus driver know in advance. Those students staying after school must be accompanied by a parent. Snacks and refreshments made by the students will be served. We hope to see all of you at our first school event.

*Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one.*

*~Malcolm S. Forbes*

## Kindergarten to Grade 4-All About Me

What a treat it has been having 12 wonderful students who know their manners, are respectful and try very hard in their class work.

Our classroom has been working really hard on remembering and practicing our daily classroom routines and expectations. Everyone has been doing a fabulous job.

The children would especially like

to thank the nursery school for donating all of their toys to our play room. We have found out very quickly how as little ones we love to play and we learn so much from it.

As for work, we have been completing assignments about the people we know the best.....our selves. We are expressing ourselves in different ways to our peers by talk-

ing about what we like, what we don't like, how we are the same and different, what goals we are setting for ourselves, etc. By the end of this month, we will know everything about each other.

We would also like to thank Vanguard Credit Union for the prizes that some of your children came home with. We sure had our lucky hats on that day.



Thanks Vanguard for the prizes!

## Exciting things happening in 5 to 8

Welcome back!! It's hard to believe we're back to school and getting back into the swing of things. I am very excited to be teaching in Oak River and I have lots of exciting things planned for the year. The first month we will really be focusing on creating a respectful classroom/school community and fostering student independence.

The grade 5-8 students will be starting the year off with a novel study of the Rick Riordan novel "The Lightning Thief". This will tie into the grade 7/8 social studies unit on Greek societies (once we get to it!). In math the grade 5-7 students will be starting on a Pattern's and Equations unit while the grade 8's will begin working with Square Roots

and the Pythagorean Theorem. We will be going back and forth between Science and Social Studies and our first unit will be a very exciting and hands-on Science unit about "Our Solar System".

Each day 6 your child will be responsible for a T.U.S.C. presentation, as they have *hopefully* explained to you. Please make sure they are prepared and have practiced at home prior to our meeting. Planners are to be checked and signed each night as there will be lots of information going home and this gives us a great way to keep in touch. Be sure to ask your child about our weekly homework BINGO which is optional, but will help them to practice their basic skills at home (and win prizes!). Keep checking

our class website for important dates, assignments, student blogs and pictures of our adventures!

Interscholastic soccer practices will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:15-12:45. Practices will begin on September 14<sup>th</sup> and attendance at practices is mandatory for students wanting to compete in the tournament in October. Also, every Monday at lunch will be grade 5-8 open gym! The Terry Fox Run is coming up on September 30<sup>th</sup>, so look for more information coming home soon. Please feel free to email or call me anytime with questions or concerns! Have a great month!

## **Calling all School Trustee Candidates**

The time is rapidly approaching for voters to decide who will shape and direct local education for the next four years. School trustee elections will take place October 27, 2010 but it is not too late to think about who you would like to see as candidates for this important office.

Having good trustee candidates in the upcoming election is critical because school boards decide how education is delivered locally. School board policies and decisions directly impact the development of our children, the operation of schools and affect community interests.

The Manitoba School Boards Association will be hosting information sessions for people thinking about running for the office of school trustee as follows:

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 14, 2010  
Victoria Inn, Brandon

Or

Via Web Conference  
3:00 p.m. Monday, September 14, 2010  
Rolling River School Division Administration Office

Nomination papers can be obtained from the School Division's Senior Election Official, Jean Garbolinsky. Please contact Jean at 867-2754 or at the School Division Administration Office, 154 Main Street South, Minnedosa, MB. The period for filing nomination papers is September 15 to 21, 2010.

The Division Administration office has information about becoming a school board trustee. As well, the Manitoba School Boards Association publication "A Guide to School Boards and Trusteeship in Manitoba" is available from either the Division Office or the School Office. Please stop by the school or call our Division office number at 867-2754 ext. 0 to have the information sent to you.



**ROLLING RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION**

**NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following days:**

**September 15, 16, 17, 20 and 21, 2010**

**between the hours of  
9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.**

**at the  
Rolling River School Division Administration Office  
154 Main Street South  
Minnedosa, MB**

**I will receive nominations for the offices of**

**SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE  
of the ROLLING RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION**

**The nomination deadline is September 21, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.  
Nominations cannot be accepted after this day.**

**All nominations shall be made in writing and shall be signed by at least twenty-five voters, or NOT less than 1% of the voters (whichever is the lesser) of the authority or ward (as the case may be), but in all cases by at least two voters. Each nomination shall also be accompanied by the candidate's declaration of qualification.**

**Nominations may be filed in person at the above location, on the date and hours specified, by the candidate, or by agent, or by fax.**

**To obtain a nomination paper, and / or candidate's declaration of qualification, contact the Senior Election Official at the telephone number listed below.**

**Nomination papers not accompanied by the required documents and not properly filed shall be rejected.**

**Jean Garbolinsky  
Senior Election Official  
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(Work) 204-867-2754  
(Fax) 204-867-2027**

**Dated at Minnedosa in the Province of Manitoba, on August 23, 2010.**



## **ROLLING RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION NOTICE OF VOTERS LIST / PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION**

Notice is hereby given that a copy of the ROLLING RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION VOTERS LIST may be revised at:

Rolling River School Division Administration Office, 154 Main Street South, Minnedosa, MB on September 15, 16 and 17, 2010 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

At this time the Senior Election Official will be available to update the voters list by: adding the names of voters who are entitled to have their names on the list;

deleting the names of persons who are not entitled to have their names on the list; and  
making such other correction of errors to the list as required.

### **SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION VOTER ELIGIBILITY:**

A person is eligible to have his or her name added to the ROLLING RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION VOTERS LIST if he or she is:

- a Canadian citizen and at least 18 years of age on election day; and
- a resident of the Rolling River School Division for at least six months prior to election day

### **APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL SECURITY PROTECTION:**

A voter may apply in writing to the Senior Election Official (at the address / fax number below) no later than September 17, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. to have his/her name and other personal information omitted or obscured from the voters list in order to protect the voter's personal security. The application may be submitted in person, by mail or fax and must include your name, address and include proof of identity.

All changes to the voters list must be completed on or before September 21, 2010.

Dated at Minnedosa in the Province of Manitoba, on August 23, 2010.

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# SEPTEMBER 2010



Kindergarten Day

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8  Day 1 First Day of School Life Touch Pictures	9 Day 2	10 Day 3	11
12	13  Day 4 Grade 5-8 Open Gym	14 Day 5 Soccer Practice	15  Day 6 Meet and Greet 3:30-4:30 K-4 Open Gym Vision/ Hearing	16 Day 1 Soccer Practice	17  Day 2	18
	←		Pretzel and Cheese Stick	→		
19	20 Day 3 5-8 Open Gym	21  Day 4 Soccer Practice	22 Day 5 1-4 Open Gym	23  Day 6 Ms. Klemetski away Soccer Practice	24 Divisional Inservice NO SCHOOL	25
	←		Popcorn and Veggies and Dip	→		
26	27 Day 1 5-8 Open Gym	28  Day 2 Soccer Practice	29 Day 3 1-4 Open Gym	30  Day 4 Terry Fox Run 11:00 Open House @ lunch Hot Dogs served		
	←		Parfaits	→		



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Oak River School

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If there is a community event, advertisement, or important date that you would like to publish in our future newsletters, please email your announcement to [kklemetski@rrsd.mb.ca](mailto:kklemetski@rrsd.mb.ca)



Reminder for drop offs and pick ups....  
Please park and stay behind the bus when dropping off and picking up your child/ren. If you cross in front of the bus while the bus is unloading or loading and the stop sign is out, you could be fined. This is for the safety of our children.

**'A Place to Grow Together'**



## Checks Completed

If you would like to volunteer on field trips, drive students to sports events or would like to volunteer in the school, the Division is requesting that all parents need to have their criminal record check and child abuse registry with the vulnerable section completed. The forms are available at the school office or division office and are no cost to you. If you have already completed these forms, you do not have to do this again. But, if you had your license or vehicle insurance renewed, we need to have a

new copy on file of this. If you are ever in the school, please check in with Ms.

Gage to make sure you have all the required forms completed so you are not disappointed when you can't go on a future event.



### Parkland Regional Library Bookmobile

Once again the Parkland Regional Bookmobile will be coming to Oak River School from 11:00 - 12:00. Here is the 2010-2011 Schedule.

- September 15
- October 13
- November 10
- December 8
- January 19
- February 16
- March 16
- April 13
- May 11
- June 8

