



TCS TIGER TIMES

Tanner's Crossing School

School Motto: Team that Cares and Shares

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AN AWESOME FALL START UP

Wow! I can't believe that a month has passed us by already! We have had a great start to the 2007/08 school year so far.

We had a great turn out to our open house last week and would like to thank the Parent Advisory Council and Pam Stemmer for providing the treats and iced tea. Thanks to all the parents and grandparents who were able to come out and meet their child's teacher.

We are hoping for some more nice weather in October as we look forward to **Walk to School Month**. Other coming attractions this month include a performance by the Chinese Acrobats on October 30th and of course our annual Halloween parade on October 31st at 1:00 p.m.. We would like to welcome students and staff from Rapid City School who will be joining us on the 30th at 2:00 p.m. for the Chinese Acrobats performance.

We would like to remind students and parents that the lost and found has been moved to the main office boot room. There are already a large number of clothing articles and shoes left behind. Please check periodically and pick up any items that belong to your household.

TCS SWEEP

Congratulations to the TCS Tigers soccer teams who made a clean sweep at the divisional soccer tournament held in Rivers this past weekend. Team #1 took the consolation final by a score of 3-0 over Rivers. Teams 2 and 3 tied in the A-side final by a score of one goal each. Congratulations to all three teams on a well played tournament and some great sportsmanship. Thanks to all the parents who were able to attend and support our teams.



**T.C.S. Principal
Mr. G. McNabb**



DID SOMEBODY SAY CHOCOLATE BARS?!!

Ahhh ... the aroma of chocolate is in the air!!

T.C.S. grades 7 and 8 students have started chocolate bar sales. Funds will go towards supporting our T.C.S. Student Council special projects and events.

All bars are \$2.50 and a box of bars is \$60.00. All profits (money collected) and any extra bars will be due after the Thanksgiving weekend.

News from the Two's

We have spent September establishing a classroom routine and getting to know one another. We are completing a language arts unit called "Changes in Me." Next week, we will begin talking about Fall. Encourage your child to notice the things (leaves falling, geese flying south, etc.) around them and talk to them about what they see.

We will begin "adding" numbers, using different strategies: counting on, using a double and making a ten. You can practice the doubles (3 + 3, 4 + 4, etc) up to 10 + 10 with your child. Also, take every opportunity to have your child become familiar with counting the coins up to one dollar. Look for a brown envelope - IMP (Interactive Math Problem Solving). Check the due date and return to the school on or before the due date.

Make sure to keep up the regular home reading program.

Grade 2 Teachers,
Mrs. K. Lawson and Mrs. J. Tegg

EXPLORING WITH 4s

Here we are already through a month of school. The grade fours have been really busy. They have working on a Collection unit and now a novel study on *Mice* at Centre Field in Language Arts. In Math they are working on number concepts, place value and money. They have also been studying about light in 4V and habitat in 4NR. They have begun their unit in our new French program where they are learning the necessary vocabulary to perform a play on the Three Little Pigs. And, in Social Studies the grade fours are working on their mapping skills.

Parents are reminded to send in an **empty kleenex box, a shoe box with a lid, and an empty clean can** (from Niblet corn or sliced pineapple).

Bats Flying Everywhere in 6K

The grade six students in Mrs. Kingdon's class have settled into a routine after the first month. We are now a couple of weeks into our ELA unit on *Bats* and the students are enjoying the oral novel *Silverwing* by Kenneth Oppel. We are learning a lot of interesting things about bats. We have had one TUSC meeting and will be having our second on Mon., Oct. 1th.

In Math we are finishing up our first unit and will be having a test shortly. The main focus of this unit has been on Place value to the millions and to the thousandths. The students have been reading and writing these numbers.

We will be welcoming student teacher Ms. Zoe Bettess into our classroom. She will be arriving in the middle of October and will be here for 5 weeks.

In Science our study of the Solar System is going great, students have learned a special saying to remember the order of the planets from the sun.

A reminder to students to write in your planners everyday and get a parent/guardian initial each evening.



6M Reaching for the Stars

This month our Grade 6 class will be starting the novel *Silverwing* by Kenneth Oppel in Language Arts. We will be doing various activities on bats as well as using the novel to learn about characters, setting and plot. Just as a reminder to parents, we have our Spelling tests every Day 5 and our TUSC meetings every Day 2.

We will continue to study the Solar System in Science. We will be investigating constellations and making some of our own. In Social Studies the students are learning who the important people were and some of the events that took place when Manitoba became a province.

We will begin working on Least Common Multiples and Greatest Common Factors in the next Math chapter.

Have a happy Halloween!!

The Votes Are In... Your G.C.S. Student Council For 2007-2008



PR Reps

Jordyn Bradco & Anna Donahoe

Social Reps

Kendell Holmes & Madeline Grant

Financial Reps

Cassie Ross & Cam Ross

Yearbook Reps

Breanne Morgan & Jesse Bell

Sports Reps

Jayne Soltys & Carlene Dmytriw

Congratulations to all the students who ran for positions. Campaigns and speeches were creative and very well prepared. All the best to the newly elected student council, may they have a very rewarding and successful school year.

What's Up in 7R?

Who can believe that our first month back is already complete?! The 7R's have been very busy. We began the year with a large project entitled, "Who Am I?" in language arts. The students have shown me through their finished product how very creative they can be, the projects are awesome! Currently we are working on our first novel, Sounder. This novel study will be completed as a whole class, but the next novel study will be done in small groups.

As of now, we haven't begun spelling. I am working with a new program this year and the students will be placed in a level according to their abilities. Each level will have a different set of words to study. During the week, we will be working on different spelling hints and helps as well as other areas that the students find troublesome; capitalization, punctuation, etc. If you have any questions regarding this program, please feel free to contact me. We have finished our first unit of grammar on verbs and will be continuing with nouns and adjectives.

In math we are just finishing up Chapter 1 - Number Connections. We have been working hard on learning our Divisibility Rules. Feel free to have your student explain these rules to you at home. We will be moving on to do Chapter 2 - Fractions, Decimals and Integers in early October.

FRENCH / FRANÇAIS

The month of September for the Grade 7 and 8 French classes has been spent reviewing what the students learned last year during "Les Trois Petits Cochons". We will be moving on to our new story "Comment Y Aller" very shortly. Please help your student to practice their French vocabulary and gestures at home. This program is really geared to having the students speak more French during class.

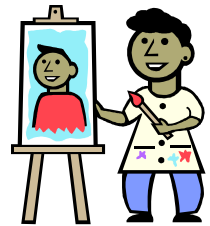


ARTISTS AT WORK

Tanner's Crossing Art students are busy learning about the seven different elements of art! Each class has been working hard in creating art projects composed entirely of different kinds of lines. Students have their work on display in the art room, and in the trophy case by the main office. Come check it out! Next up students will be studying different forms of texture, and creating some very cool textural works of art.

We would like to thank all of those people who last year brought in odds and ends from home for us to use in our art projects. They were greatly appreciated. This year we are looking for items such as: old calendars, magazines, styrofoam trays, yarn, baby food jars and old tupperware containers. If you can help us out, please drop items either in art room, or at main office.

Thank you!!
Mrs. Sawchuk



LET'S COMMUNICATE

Your child's Day Planners are useful tools for communication with your child's teacher and with the school.

Please have your child write his/her home phone number and emergency numbers such as cell numbers in the front of the day planners.

In addition, please write all after school plans (where the student is to go at the end of the day) in the day planner - **ESPECIALLY WHETHER THE STUDENT IS TO GO ON THE BUS OR NOT.**

This will alleviate confusion at the end of the day. Thank you for your cooperation!!

Parent Advisory Council

Calling All Parents Interested in Getting Involved

On September 18, 2007 the P.A.C. held an executive meeting. We discussed the dates for the A.G.M. monthly meetings and activities planned for the year. The A.G.M will be held on October 9, 2007 at 7:00 pm. This will take place at the Pit in Tanner's Crossing School. Free babysitting will be provided for this event. The A.G.M is when new members are voted in and the executive committee is voted on. The P.A.C. provides information for parents, offers an opportunity to voice your opinion about the school, provides funds for extra activities and projects throughout the school year and is a great way to meet fellow parents and staff at Tanner's Crossing.

This year the parent council will be offering 2 restitution workshops. The tentative dates for these workshops will be November 13, 2007 and April 8, 2008. The T.C.S. staff was trained in Restitution last school year. These evenings will help parents understand what the school is doing and provide some insight for parenting issues. The P.A.C. will also be holding a parenting information night on January 15, 2008. This evening will include information about the Lion's Quest program as well as preteen parenting ideas. The P.A.C. will be holding its annual bookfair in November and we will be at Winterfest helping with the concession stand. More information will be available as these dates get closer.

The monthly meetings are open to every parent, you do not need to be a member to take advantage of the workshops, information meetings or discussions. The monthly meetings are a great way to keep informed with school news and information. The dates for the P.A.C meetings will be posted on the information board beside the kindergarten room.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me, Melanie Henry at 867-5621. We hope to see you at the A.G.M in October. Have a great year.

Reminder to all Parents about the School-Age Program

The Before & After School program is officially up and running and is operating from the Nursery School room at MCI. The hours of operation and fees are listed below:

Before: 7:00 am – 8:45 am

After: 3:25 pm – 6:00 pm

1 time slot: \$5.85

Both: \$8.00

This program is also able to provide child care for school-age children on In-Service days. Book your spots now for the November in-service days.

Parents using the Before & After school program will have first chance at a space and there may be space remaining for those parents that require it. To register for a space, or if you have any questions about the program, please contact Gaylene Johnson at 867-2379.



MUSIC NOTES



October is fast approaching and with it comes new opportunities for students in the music room. There are two different choirs which run during noon hours of the cycle. The Grade 2 and 3 Choir is held on Day 1 from 12:10 – 12:40. Children have the opportunity to sing, move and play instruments in a choral setting. We have a great time and perform at Remembrance Day, Christmas Concert and festival (in Rivers this year). Along the way, we usually have some fun get-togethers and hold a wind –up at the end of the year to celebrate our music-making around the end of April. The Grade 4 to 8 Choir meets on Day 3 from 12:10-12:40. As well as performances at the Remembrance Day services, Christmas concerts and festival, we will be performing at the Divisional Concert with the other schools this year in June which is always an exciting day! With a few bonus fun activities planned throughout the year, it will be busy and rewarding! Watch for notes coming home about choir and encourage your child to take part!

We welcome Courtney Lepischak to the music room for part of October and November. She is a student teacher from Brandon University who will be a real asset to us! We are excited to have her share in teaching and conducting of the choirs and look forward to the many new things she will bring to us!

October always brings exciting units based on Thanksgiving and Halloween . Ask your child to share with you songs they learn, movement they've been taught and instrument parts they play. The Grade 4's will be starting their recorders and will welcome an audience at home for their latest pieces. Grade 5 is also back on the recorders and will be looking at a unit based on the First Nations people and their music which correlates to the Social Studies curriculum. All in all, another full and interesting month!

Mrs. McLenehan's Music Room

TERRY FOX T-SHIRTS & SWEATSHIRTS... still available for purchase.

- Children sizes (7 left) \$10.00**
- Adult sizes \$15.00**
(4 small, 3 medium, 3 large, & 1 extra-large)
- Adult Sweatshirts \$35.00**
(2 medium & 1 large left)

**Contact Olive Cameron @ 867.2194
if interested in purchasing any of the above items.**

TERRY FOX RUN RESULTS



Congratulations to the students and staff for an excellent Terry Fox Run! We raised our second highest total ever for our 11th annual run. We raised \$967.61, which is \$211.76 more than we raised last year.



PHYS. ED. FIT TALK NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH

October is National Walk to School Month. Schools can choose any or all of the month to focus on getting to school with “people power”. TCS has chosen to focus on October 1-5. We will be walking as a school group at each morning recess of that week. On Wednesday at 11:30 AM we will be joining schools and communities all across Canada in a Guinness World Record attempt for the most people walking one kilometer at the same time. The current record is held by Western Australia with 100,915 in September, 2006. Everyone is welcome to come join us, We will be starting the 1 km walk at exactly 11:30 AM.

October is also “I love to run...bike, skip, dance, etc” month for the grade 5 & 6 classes. During the month students are encouraged to participate in and record their moderate to vigorous activity outside of school hours. Our 4 classes will each have pedometers during one of the weeks of the month and will challenge each other for the best pedometer week, as well as the most number of completed record sheets. In conjunction with I Love to Run month, Mr. McNabb is leading running club sessions on day 3 at noon. This is open to all grade 5-8 students.

Intramural soccer will be completed at the beginning of October and flag football and flickertail will complete the outdoor season.

Grade 7 & 8 interscholastic soccer teams participated in the divisional tournament in Rivers on September 29. TCS entered 3 co-ed teams for the tournament. Thanks to coaches Mr. McNabb, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Grant, Ms. Radcliffe and Mrs. Nylen. The next interscholastic sport is volleyball.



A Huge Thank You...
to Chris Schmaus who is
volunteering with our Kindergarten and
Grade one Breakfast Program.

BODY TALK

The Assiniboine Regional Health Authority's Body Image Network will be bringing the school facts, figures and tips every month to help us promote positive body image messages within our homes. Body image is the mental picture a person has of their body and how others, media messages, teasing and bullying, physical changes in their body and living in a world that places high importance on physical appearance. Let's start accepting our bodies as they are! Here's the first edition of Body Talk to get us on our way!!

Did You Know?

- ◆ **That media messages can play a very big role in how we think about our bodies. Many women are shown to be thin, beautiful, successful and rich while men are shown to be strong and handsome.**
- ◆ **The fact is that Marilyn Monroe wore a size 14.**
- ◆ **The average woman weighs 144 pounds and wears a size 12-14**
- ◆ **If Barbie was real woman, she'd have to walk on all fours due to her proportions.**
- ◆ **The models in magazines are AIRBRUSHED!!! Look at www.campaignforrealbeauty.com and click on Evolution Film (wait a few seconds for movies to start) to see an example of airbrushing.**
- ◆ **A psychological study in 1995 found that 3 minutes spent looking at a Fashion Magazine caused 70% of women to feel depressed, guilty, and shameful.**

Suggested activity from Liking the Me I see in the Mirror asks that you spend time with your family discussing what messages you see or hear in the media and how they affect how you feel about your bodies. Which form of media (television, radio, magazines, music videos, newspapers, movies) do you think affect us the most? Why? We hope you participate in Body Talk and look forward to being back next month!

EVENTS COMING SOON!!

Band reminders:

Band Parent AGM
Thursday, Oct. 4, 2007
at 7:30 in the Art Room @ T.C.S.

Beginner Band Workshop
Friday, Oct. 5, 2007 in Brandon



Happy Thanksgiving
Monday, October 8th



Junior High
Halloween Dance
Get your costumes
ready and keep
your eyes peeled
for details!!



GRADE 4 IMMUNIZATION NEEDLES



1st Hep B Needles
Wednesday, October 24th, 2007



It's A Halloween Parade
Wednesday, October 31st at 1:00 p.m.

Please send your child(ren)'s costume to school. They will get dressed after lunch. Parents may come to assist their child(ren) with their costumes at 12:45 p.m. at their homerooms. Please note that Kinders coming on Tuesday, Oct. 30th will have their parade on Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.



Rolling River School Division Information



September 2007

Dear Parents or Guardians,

Re: Vision and Hearing Screening

During the next two months, Rolling River School Division will again undertake the annual Vision and Hearing Screening program for students in the following levels: Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 for **Vision** and Kindergarten and Grade 1 for **Hearing**. Special referrals from parents, teachers and students themselves will also be screened.

This screening program is designed to uncover signs of any possible vision or hearing difficulty which may interfere with school progress. Problems with vision & hearing can sometimes be symptomatic of further/other issues (i.e. diabetes). It is not intended to be a substitute for the vision or hearing examination performed by an Ophthalmologist/Optomtrist or Audiologist.

The screening will be done under the direction of Mrs. Marie Robinson, assisted by resource teachers, educational assistants and volunteers.

If your child does not pass the vision screening, you will receive a letter requesting that you take him or her to an optometrist or eye doctor for further testing. If a hearing difficulty is suspected you will be notified and follow-up with the audiologists from Westman Regional Hearing Centre will be planned.

As you are probably aware by now, this is an annual procedure within our school division. Records indicate that parents have responded well to the referrals over the past few years and this is appreciated !

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact your local school, or myself at Rolling River School Division office, phone 867-2754 (ext. 227) or email:

dparrott@rrsd.mb.ca .

Yours truly,

Debbie Parrott
Coordinator of Student Services

DP/dc

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help Resource
with the Vision Screening
on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 9th and 10th.
If you can help out, please call Mrs. Stone at the school.





































OCTOBER 2007

Goblin' Up Pumpkin Pie & Halloween Treats



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Day 6   5 & 6	2 Day 1  7 & 8	3 Day 2 World Record Walk 11:30 a.m.  5 & 6	4 Day 3  Gr. 5-8 Running Club	5 Day 4  3 & 4	6
 WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK AND NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK OCT. 1 - 5						
7	8 Happy Thanksgiving Day 	9 Day 5 PAC AGM 7:00  Vision & Hearing Screening   7 & 8	10 Day 6  5 & 6	11 Day 1  7 & 8	12 Day 2  5 & 6	13
14	15 Day 3  Gr. 5-8 Running Club 	16 Day 4  3 & 4	17 Day 5  7 & 8	18 Day 6  5 & 6	19 Day 1  7 & 8	20
 BUS SAFETY WEEK OCT. 15 -19						
21	22 Day 2  5 & 6	23 Day 3  Gr. 5-8 Running Club	24 Day 4  Grade 4 Needles  3 & 4	25 Day 5  7 & 8	26 Day 6  Hat & Jeans Day  5 & 6	27
28	29 Day 1  7 & 8	30 Day 2 Chinese Acrobats 2 p.m. Kindergarten Parade 1:00  5 & 6	31 Day 3 Halloween Parade 1:00 p.m. Halloween Special Event Gr. 5-8 	 BOO!!!		

Happy Halloween