

R. J. Waugh Elementary

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June 2018



Important Dates:

- June 1 Gr. 3/4M Field Trip to Souris
- June 7 Parent Council Family BBQ 4:30-6:00 (June 13 rain date)
- June 8 Sports Day and Picnic Lunch (June 16 rain date)
- June 13 K2 Field Trip
- June 14 K1 Field Trip & Gr. 3 Field Trip Sprucewoods
- June 18 All Library Books Due
- June 20 Gr. 4DH Field Trip to Winnipeg
- June 22 Gr. 1 Field Trip
- June 25 Last Day for K2
- June 26 Last Day for K1
- June 27 Admin/PD-no school
- June 28 Admin.-no school
- June 29 Last Day -9:30 Assembly -11:00 Dismissal

June Report Cards

The final report cards will be handed out to the students just before they leave on June 29. If a student is absent on the 29th, their report will be mailed. Kindergarten students receive their report cards on their respective last days.



Open House Sept. 4, 2018

Next fall, on Sept. 4, 2018, 12:00-2:00, our school will be open to gr. 1-4 students and their parents. This will be a time for you and your child to bring in school supplies, find the classroom and meet the teacher. We will also collect money for the supplies at this time. You can pay cash or cheque at the office. This open house time will be for students in grades 1-4 only as Kindergarten students have individual appointments scheduled Sept. 5 & 6. If you are unable to come in the afternoon of the 4th, students will bring their supplies with them on the morning of the 5th as they have in the past. This open house alleviates some of the first day anxiety and allows parents to help with all their child's supplies, while meeting the teachers.

* School will begin on September 5th.

End of The Year Field Trips

Our year end field trips have been planned for each grade. The dates for each grade have been listed in this newsletter. Please watch for information and permission forms. Thank you to the many parent volunteers who help make these trips possible. Without extra chaperone help, we would not be able to leave our community. Thank you to parents and staff.



Parent Volunteers/Chaperones

You might wonder what a chaperone is required to do when accompanying a class on their field trip. Here are some pointers.

- ◇ Always stay with assigned group of students.
- ◇ Be an advocate for positive social skills so everyone can have fun.
- ◇ You are on the trip to help care for the class students. No siblings.
- ◇ When the note indicates that no money is needed-please don't offer to buy anything for your own child or other children such as a gift shop item or snack.
- ◇ Cell phones tend to be a distraction so we ask that they be used only in an emergency.
- ◇ When you take a photo with more than your child in the picture, we ask that you not post it on any social media.
- ◇ At the end of the field trip, if you have brought your own vehicle, you may take your child home with you but you do not have permission to take any other children. You **must** tell your child's classroom teacher so they can adjust class lists.

A class field trip is a fun time of experiences and learning with their classmates. Please speak with the classroom teacher to find out their expectations of you on the class trip. Your time is appreciated and ultimately, the main priority is the safety of all students.

Milk, Juice & Cheese & Crackers

We will **not** be offering milk, cheese & crackers or juice to purchase next school year. Please use up your milk tickets in June.

Eden Run in the Sun

On May 25 our gr. 4 students travelled to Eden to participate in a 2K cross country run. The students trained hard in the weeks leading up to the run and represented R. J. Waugh in a positive manner. Thank you to Mr. Duguay, Mrs. Hofer and Mrs. Manns for the time you spent preparing our students.



Sports Day

Our grades 1-4 students will be participating in track & field activities on the morning of June 8th beginning at 9:15 a.m. Students will have an opportunity to participate in ball throw, long/broad jump, hurdles, sprints and distance runs. At 11:30 we will enjoy a picnic lunch provided by home. The afternoon events will commence at approximately 12:55 and will include our kindergarten students. Classrooms will participate in various fun activities. Parents are more than welcome to join us for the day's events and the picnic lunch. Thank you to Mr Duguay and Mrs. Hofer for planning this fun day for our students. A thank you in advance to the helpers from C.C. who are helping out with Sports Day.

Summer Fair

The 2018 Manitoba Summer Fair is scheduled for Wed. June 6 to Sun. June 10 at Brandon's Keystone Centre. The fair features a midway, educational displays, horse show, entertainment and a terrific Petting Zoo. Due to the support of sponsors, the Prov. Ex. Of Manitoba is able to provide free children's admission tickets to students ages 6-12 years. These tickets can be downloaded until 4 p.m. June 6 at www.provincialexhibition.com



Family BBQ

On June 7, Parent Council will host our 3rd annual Spring BBQ from 4:30 –6:00 on the playground. Order forms went home last week. Please return forms and money as soon as possible. Rain date is June 13th.



June Swimming

R. J. Waugh students will be swimming at our local pool during the last weeks of school. The swim time is another exposure to a life-long healthy physical activity. Knowing safety rules around water is very important for all students. The cost is \$2.00. Please note the swim times below:

June 13	1:00-2:00 2:15-3:15	Gr. 1's Gr. 3/4
June 15	1:00-2:00 2:15-3:15	Gr. 2's Gr. 3JK
June 18	1:00-2:00	Gr. 4DH
June 19	1:00-2:00	Gr. 3/4
June 20	1:00-2:00	Gr. 3JK
June 21	1:00-2:00	Gr. 2's
June 25	1:00-2:00	Gr. 4DH

Please watch your child's back pack for waiver forms. Students will not be permitted to attend if waiver is not returned.



Parent Council

The current Parent Council welcomes new members at any time throughout the year. It is a fun and enthusiastic group who works to establish a positive connection between the school and the community. Parent Council plans these successful events: Family Dance, Family Movie Night and the upcoming Family BBQ. We are specifically looking for a new Parent Council President. The group operates as a team for all functions.

Retirements

Congratulations to Mrs. Suggitt and Mrs. Johnstone on their upcoming retirements. Both are long time teachers at R. J. Waugh and Carberry community residents. We wish them all the best as they begin new chapters in their lives.



Staff Announcement

Ms. Barteaux will be returning from maternity leave to teach grade 2. Miss Allison Stephenson (soon to be Mrs. Gensorek) will be teaching grade 3 in the mornings next year with Miss Klassen. Miss Kalena Green will be joining the R. J. Waugh team teaching grade 1. Welcome aboard Miss Green and welcome back Ms. Barteaux and Miss Stephenson.



Roots of Empathy at R. J. Waugh

We had a very successful "Roots of Empathy" year at R. J. Waugh. Babies Orion and Kaiden came to teach grade two students about empathy and development of children. Thank you to the babies and their parents for the visits to our grade 2 classes. The students learned about feelings, communication, safety and milestones. It was wonderful to watch them grow and change throughout the year! We are looking for volunteers to help with next year's program! **We need two babies and their parents to help run the program. Anyone whose baby will be 2-5 months in September and would like to take part in this program please call RJW at 834-2828. We would love to meet you.**



Summer Reading Club

Sign up at the downtown library June 25-Aug. 25 for fun, activities and prizes. This program is for kids of all ages and abilities. For more information call 204-834-3043.



Library

Please return all library books to the library by June 18. Ms Danyliuk will send a friendly reminder home after this date if there are outstanding books. Thank you to Sarah Graham for volunteering her time to work in the library.



Photo Posting and Tagging/Video Uploading

Parents enjoy taking pictures/videos of their children and often do so on special occasions. We like to have pictures for keepsakes in our personal albums. When you take a photo with more than your child in the picture, we ask that you not post it on the internet (ex. Facebook or other social media sites). We ask that you respect the privacy of our students and staff at all school events and therefore refrain from posting and tagging them. Posting and tagging other people's photos can cause some undesired results, especially without permission. Videos taken during school events such as school assemblies, field trips and Christmas concerts would be for personal keepsakes only. We ask you not to upload videos of group performances on social networks. We appreciate your consideration in this matter.



Save the Honey Bees

Mrs. Suggitt's gr. 1 class is doing their part to save the honey bees. They have done their research and are planting some bee-friendly annuals in our front pots by the flag pole as well as some lovely pots on the step. Thank you gr. 1's for caring for our environment.

Classroom Gardens

Each classroom has taken ownership of their own flower box this spring. They have planned what will go in their box, vegetables, flowers/shrubs. Their teacher has purchased their plants and together they will plant and maintain their boxes. Please enjoy the beautiful creations all summer long! If you happen to be passing by in July/Aug, stop in and pull some weeds/dead head some flowers! Thank you in advance to our summer maintenance crew who will keep them watered. A big thank you goes out to David Suggitt who constructed and delivered the boxes and Mike Sudak who donated the dirt and time to fill the boxes. Much appreciated!

