



ADMS NEWSLETTER

Celebration of Student Learning

Thursday, March 14th

4:00 - 8:00 p.m.



You will have the opportunity to see first-hand what your child has accomplished during Term 2. Time will also be provided for a brief discussion with your student's homeroom teacher.

**March 23rd, 2024 to
March 31st, 2024**



First Day Back: Monday, April 1st



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Instagram

Arthur Day Middle School
is now on Instagram!

Check in with us @ad_RETSD
to keep up to date with
school news & activities.



Open House for
Grade 5 Families

Wednesday, March 6th
@ 6:00 pm



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Please join us!

PAC meetings will be online via Teams and will be held the first Tuesday of every month @ 6:30 p.m.

Please email the principal Cara Colorado to join:

ccolorado@retsd.mb.ca

Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, March 5th

Tuesday, April 2nd

Tuesday, May 7th

Tuesday, June 4th

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Term 2 Report Cards will be posted to the Parent Portal: Wednesday, March 20th



The Parent Portal:

1. The Parent Portal site: [https://tyler.retsd.mb.ca/TSI Live 360/](https://tyler.retsd.mb.ca/TSI_Live_360/)
2. RETSD introductory videos: <http://retsdb.ca/Pages/Parent-Portal-Videos.aspx>
3. Your computer will need to have Adobe Acrobat installed to view the report card documents. This can be downloaded for free from: <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>
4. Instructions for access are located on our school website.
5. Password Reset
 - a. The portal login screen does have a "Forgot your password" link.
 - b. Users should be able to have their account reset if they have an email address on file.
 - c. If the user has forgotten their password and doesn't have an email address on file, they will need to contact the school.
6. Data Errors - If student contacts find any errors in the data (attendance, report cards, etc.) please notify the school office.

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SchoolSoft

CONFERENCE MANAGER

The link for the Parent Login Site is: <https://retsd.schoolsoft.com/login.jsf>

A **Parent Account** is required to use the Conference Manager. However, you only need to go through the registration process the first time you use the system. **To register** in the Conference Manager, use the link above and click the “Register Now” button and complete the registration form. Your login credentials (email and password) will remain in the system to make it easy to access the Conference Manager in the future. Please ensure you input all of your children currently attending Arthur Day Middle School. Choose the appropriate school from the drop-down menu for each child.

Note: You can update your Parent Account at any time by logging in and updating your profile.

Can't remember your password?

If you already have a Parent Account, click on the link above, select “Forgot your password” and enter the email address you used to register in the system. You will then receive an email containing instructions for resetting your password. If you do not receive an email, you might have entered an email address the system does not recognize. Be sure to add appointments@schoolsoft.com to your Address Book. This will over-ride any spam filters that might be blocking the email. If the problem persists, please contact the office and ask them to access your Parent Account, confirm your email address and reset your password.

Step 1 - Conference Manager Opens – Friday, March 1st 6:00 am.

If you used the Conference Manager in the past, your email and password are still in the system. You can simply access the Conference Manager using the link above.

Step 2 – Book your Conference start time.

Select the homeroom teacher with whom you want to book an appointment start time.

You will see your student's homeroom teacher's schedule, the amount of meeting times are limited and are booked on a first come first served basis. After booking your appointments you can print off your schedule. You will also receive an email confirming your bookings. You can log into the system at any time to view your bookings, print, cancel or re-schedule appointments. Instructions may be found on our school website.

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Lost & Found items will be set out on tables during the week of March 11th for students to look for their lost items.

Please remind your students to check Lost & Found!



During our student-led conferences on Thursday, March 14, our student leadership team will be holding a vintage clothing sale!

Our team will be selling off our older style house group t-shirts and jerseys at deeply discounted prices.

We will be selling 1 t-shirt for \$2 or 3 t-shirts for \$5. There are limited styles and sizes available, and payments are only accepted in cash.

Hope to see you there!

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Lots of fun things happening in the art room as term 2 comes to a close!

Students have been learning about the color wheel, landscapes, scale, self-expression and art as activism. They have been practicing their watercolor painting skills, working on tiny 2inch canvases, experimenting with clay and creating large 3D sculptures from recyclables!

It's hands on, challenging and messy – all things we love to practice in the art room!



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DONATE YOUR USED BOOKS

MONDAY - FRIDAY
March 4th - March 15th

We need comics, chapter books, middle grade novels & picture story books

Please Bring Book Donations to Arthur Day Library Learning Commons

ADMS USED BOOK SALE

Students will be invited to browse books
March 18th- 19th(am only) in the Library

ALL BOOKS \$0.25-\$1.00

Gently used book donations will be accepted from March 4th- 14th at the office. All monies will be donated to River East Transcona Immigrant Services.
Questions? Contact Ms. Folkers
afolkers@retsd.mb.ca

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Students are very excited about the new bookshelves in the living room! We were able to move all the picture books and reference books to this section so students will have more time to enjoy them. You will also notice a tall bookshelf for students to add their favourite book to! This is a great spot for students to find something to read based on suggestions from their peers! Thank you to Parent Council, and all of their fundraising efforts, for making this space both beautiful and functional!



Our puzzle table continues to be a popular spot for students! There are always several dedicated students here throughout circulation classes and especially at lunch. If you have any puzzles you would consider donating for us to work on next, please contact Ms. Folkers (afolkers@retsd.mb.ca) or drop them off at the school office.



February was Black History Month! Our main display included books both about, and written by, strong Black people in our world.



We continue to add many new books to our collection every week! Here you see a picture of only a few! We are working hard to ensure we have a diverse collection, and all students can see themselves on our shelves. If your student has a suggestion for a new purchase, please have them talk to one of the staff in the library!



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I ♥ to
Read
Month

ADMS has chosen March as I Love to Read Month.

You may hear your student talk about one of the following events at home:

1. **ADMS Used Book Sale**

- Students are invited to the ADMS library on March 18 and 19 to purchase books (\$0.25- \$1.00) that have been donated by their peers and staff at ADMS.
- Book donations can be dropped off at the ADMS office between March 4-15.
- All proceeds will be donated to River East Transcona Immigrant Services.
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2. **Guess the Shredded Book in the Library**

- Students will see a book that has been shredded in a clear container in the library. If they think they may know which one it is- they can fill out a ballot to guess!
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3. **Book Worm Contest**

- Students in grades 6,7 and 8 will compete against each other to see which grade can read the most books. Each time a student comes to the office to report they have read a book they will receive a piece of the caterpillar which they can hang on the wall. Whichever grade gets the longest caterpillar at the end of the month wins a prize for the whole grade!
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4. **Teacher's Favourite Book**

- Students will have the opportunity to guess which of their teachers loved certain books when they were in middle school. Students that guess correctly will be entered in to win prizes!
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5. **Name that Book quote!**

- Students will hear popular (and some not!) book quotes on announcements. If they recognize the quote, they can fill out a ballot and drop it off in the office!

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DIVERSITY CLUB

What is Diversity Club?
Group to spread awareness about and celebrate the diversity of all students

When is it?
Day 1 at lunch in the theatre with Mrs. Plunkett

Join our club!



Jewelry Club

Jewelry Club is a new club to ADMS this year, started by Ms. Owen & Ms. Cunanan. We are currently learning to make fringe earrings and pompom earrings to sell as a fundraiser at the Winter Night of the Arts in January!

Join us on **Days 2 & 4** at Lunch in the **Sewing Lab!**
Eat first half, make cool stuff during second half

Arthur Day Middle School Yearbook Club 2023-2024

Get creative, design the yearbook, and capture memories with photography. Join the team shaping our school's history!

JOIN US

Tuesday and Thursdays at lunch in the Graphics Lab with Mr. Oliver

Join our MYRCA Book Club!

MYRCA book Club is where we talk about reading, the books selected for the Middle Year Reader's Choice Awards, and get to hang out in the Library!

When? Takes place all lunch hour on Day 1

Where? In the Library

Events coming up:

In the Spring, all members get to go to Battle of the Books to compete against other middle year schools on their knowledge of the MYRCA books!



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GR. 8 ANGLING CLUB

Starting in January!

Lets Join!

The ADMS Angling Club is open to Grade 8 students who have a passion for the outdoors and particularly fishing. In our pre-trip meetings, we discuss items such as fish identification, conservation and ice safety, and work on skill such a how to tie fishing knots, spool a rod and how to choose the right baits for your target species.

When and Where?
Meeting over the lunch hour on Mondays in Room 103

Events Coming Up:
We have two angling club excursion planned— Friday, February 16 & Friday, March 8

TABLE TOP ROLE-PLAYING CLUB

DATE	Tuesdays at 3:30 until 5 PM
LOCATION	Club meets in room 216, where we break off into smaller groups
WHAT? IS TTRPG	Table-Top roleplaying games are a fun way to play games similar to your favourite video game, just in person! The games we play are classics like Dungeons and Dragons, but also new games like Break! which is inspired by anime.

Gender & Sexuality Alliance

Live with Pride

Join our GSA Group! We meet on Day 6 at lunch in the theatre!

It's AMDS safe space for LGBTQ+ students and allies

See you there!

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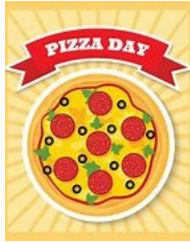
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PIZZA DAY WILL BE EVERY THURSDAY!

Students can purchase a slice of pizza for \$2.50 each. There is a 2-slice maximum. Drinks or other food items will not be available for purchase. Students can purchase their pizza where they eat their lunch.

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS will be posted on our Arthur Day website. Please refer to the file attached to the announcement to keep up to date with school news.



School Bell Schedule



8:35 am Student Entry
8:45 am AM Homeroom
11:30 am Lunch
12:20 pm PM Homeroom
3:10 pm Dismissal

VISITORS

NOTICE

ALL VISITORS
MUST REGISTER
AT OFFICE

All visitors are to report to the school office.

No visitors are allowed in the school unless approval has been granted by the administration.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

Using the school parking lot as a drop-off or pick-up zone can create an unsafe environment for our students. Parents should be using Whitehall Blvd for pickup and drop offs.



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ARTHUR DAY MIDDLE SCHOOL MATRIX



RESPECT FOR SELF	RESPECT FOR OTHERS	RESPECT FOR PROPERTY
TAKE CARE OF MYSELF AND MY BELONGINGS	HANDS AND FEET TO SELF	KEEP SCHOOL GROUNDS AND COMMUNITY CLEAN
OWN MY WORDS AND ACTIONS	COMMUNICATE APPROPRIATELY	CARE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
VALUE MY LEARNING	BE KIND	USE SCHOOL PROPERTY RESPONSIBLY

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Managing the use of electronic equipment in school is essential to maintaining an environment free from interruption of teaching and learning opportunities and to respecting the privacy and safety of all students. As a general rule, the use of electronic equipment is not permitted during regular class time. Only under special permission will students be allowed to use these devices during class time.

Cell Phones: Student use of cell phones is not permitted during class time, while on divisional transportation, or during out-of-school sponsored activities unless directed by a teacher. **It is expected that communication with students during class time will occur through the office.** Cell phones should be turned off and stored in lockers during regular class time.



Staff members may confiscate electronic communications devices from students if they are used for unauthorized purposes or at unauthorized times.

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ATTENDANCE

Daily school attendance is important for all students to gain the full benefits of educational instruction. Students are expected to be punctual for school in the morning, after lunch and be on time for all their classes. Arthur Day Middle School opens at 8:35 a.m. and students are expected to be in their homeroom classes by 8:45 a.m. Likewise, lunch ends at 12:15 and afternoon homeroom begins at 12:20 p.m.



- If your child will be late or absent for the day, email ad@retsd.mb.ca or call the school office at 204-958-6522 before the start of the school day.
- If your child will be missing school days due to appointments or planned activities, please call or send a note to the office, or email the school ad@retsd.mb.ca.
- If your child is struggling with attending school, please contact the school office or school guidance counselor as we can assist in working with you and your child to ensure regular attendance.

LUNCHTIME EXPECTATIONS

Lunchtime begins at 11:30 am. Students can go home for lunch, or they may eat inside of the school at the lunch tables.

Students may leave school property and walk to a local establishment if they have parental permission to do so. Please have a conversation with your child about your expectations during lunchtime. Clubs and activities also run during lunch, so please send a bag lunch on these days. If students choose to go off of school property for lunch, it is the expectation that they will remain off of school property until 12:15 pm.



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March

- 06 Open House for Grade 5 Families 6:00 p.m.
- 14 Celebration of Student Learning: 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- 15 Co-ordinated Day (No Classes)
- 20 Online Parent Advisory Council Meeting
Please email the school principal to join in the meeting:
ccolorado@retsd.mb.ca
- 22 Last Day of Classes before Spring Break
- 22 Arthur Day Carnival Day!



March 23, 2024 – March 31, 2024 - Spring Break (No Classes)

April

- 01 First Day of Classes after Spring Break
- 12 Bus Evacuations
- 22 Co-ordinated Day (No Classes)

May

- 17 ADMS Track & Field
- 20 Victoria Day (No School)
- 21 Rain Date – ADMS Track & Field
- 30 RETSD Track & Field Meet @ REC Track

June

- 02 Rain Date – RETSD Track & Field Meet @ REC Track
- 06 Spring Night of the Arts
- 07 Co-ordinated Day (No Classes)
- 21 School PD Day (No Classes)
- 28 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!! Early Dismissal at 2:10 pm**

Your River East Transcona School Division Trustees

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