

Spring 2022

# Arthur Day Middle School

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## Administration Message

It finally feels like we are nearing the end of a long and very frigid winter! It also feels as though we are taking some cautious steps in the right direction around the pandemic. We appreciate the incredible support that you have provided throughout all phases of the pandemic to this point. Student compliance with restrictions is overwhelmingly positive and that has made being at Arthur Day safe and pleasant. To this point, we have been able to offer a wide variety of great educational and extracurricular opportunities. Volleyball, Basketball, Student Leadership, Destination Imagination, Smash Bros. Gaming Club, Yoga Club, Cross Country Ski Club and Angler's Club to name a few. Spring is certain to allow us to embrace the outdoors once again so watch for more fantastic opportunities for our students to engage in pursuits of a wide variety.

Our hope is that students are feeling a sense of community and belonging at Arthur Day. We are committed to ensuring that both the social emotional and academic needs of our students are met so that they may begin to realize all that is incredible about themselves.

Sincerely,

Trevor Holroyd

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RETSO Schools are located on the original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Ininiwak, Anishiniwak, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Red River Métis. We recognize our part of the Treaty relationship and, as acknowledgement of the harms done, we commit to collaborating with Indigenous communities in the shared spirit of Truth and Reconciliation for the healing and inclusion of all who share this Land.

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## Office Reminders:

1. If your child will be away from school please call the office, 204-958-6522, or email us at [ad@retsd.mb.ca](mailto:ad@retsd.mb.ca). The school's answering machine is on 24 hours a day, so please call at anytime of the day or night to leave a message. Letting the homeroom teacher know that a student will be away is helpful, but calling in the student's absence to the school office is the first step. If the office does not receive a call or email regarding a student absence, they will call to make sure the student is safe.



2. If your child is required to leave school early, please call the office when you are leaving to pick up your child. We will call your child to the office to be ready for you upon your arrival. Once you arrive at the school, please call the office again and we will walk your child to the doors, where you can scan the QR code to sign them out. To scan the QR code, simply open your camera and hover over the QR Code. A document should pop up and you will be asked to fill in 4 questions:



1. Your name
2. Your phone number or email
3. "Picking up (your child's name)"
4. Office

Then submit.

3. If you are dropping off an item for your child, please call the office when you arrive and someone will meet you at the doors to collect the item and get it to your child.

4. If you notice a "missed call" from the school, please check if a message has been left. Outgoing phone calls from all school phones show the same contact number. It is important to know who called so the office will know who to transfer the call to when you call the school back.



5. Parents are encouraged to check the Arthur Day Middle School website on a regular basis as important information is added and updated regularly. Check the school calendar for upcoming "no school days" at Arthur Day. Sports schedules and coaches can also be found on the website under the Athletics Section.

[Arthur Day Middle School - Arthur Day Middle School \(retsd.mb.ca\)](http://retsd.mb.ca)

6. Please remember to keep all contact information up to date for your child. Email [ad@retsd.mb.ca](mailto:ad@retsd.mb.ca) with any changes and the office will update your child's file.





# Arthur Day Middle School



Please remember to follow all City of Winnipeg street signs when stopping or parking around the school. Please remember not to block the cross walk as we have students that walk to and from school. The street signs are there to ensure that students are safe when crossing the street or loading onto school buses.

Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle every day. There are bottle filling stations throughout the school to refill bottles as needed. At Arthur Day, we are trying to do our part by reducing our waste, reusing, and recycling as much as possible.

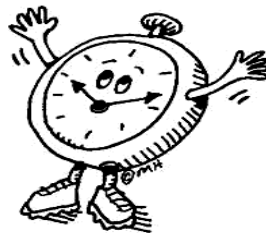


## Entry Times:

Grade 6 - 8:35

Grade 7 - 8:40

Grade 8 - 8:45



## Dismissal:

Grade 6 - 3:00

Grade 7 - 3:05

Grade 8 - 3:10

**Lunch Time: 11:30 - 12:20**

Students leaving the school are dismissed at 11:25



*RETSD is on Facebook and Twitter!  
Like and follow us to stay up-to-date on what's  
happening in the division.*





## **NOTICE TO GRADE 6 STUDENTS RE: BUSING**

Grade 6 students currently being transported by an RETSD school bus will not be eligible for free busing in Grade 7. According to the Manitoba Education Public Schools Act Regulation (M.R. 259/2006), Grade 7 to Grade 12 students living within the city limits are not eligible for school bus transportation. Fee-for-Service busing may be available. If you are considering this option, submit a Transportation Application – Fee-For-Service 2022-23 form. Forms are available from the school office or follow the Quick Link “Busing Information” on the RETSD website at [www.retsd.mb.ca](http://www.retsd.mb.ca)

Fee-For-Service applications must be submitted to the Transportation Department by **June 30<sup>th</sup>** of each school year. Applications received after June 30<sup>th</sup> will be reviewed on an individual basis.



## **NOTICE - FEE FOR SERVICE BUSING - GRADE 7 AND 8**

If you require Fee-For-Service transportation, the application form must be submitted to the Transportation Department **each school year**. Transportation Application – Fee-For-Service 2022-2023 forms are available from the school office or follow the Quick Link “Busing Information” on the RETSD website at [www.retsd.mb.ca](http://www.retsd.mb.ca)

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# Parent Advisory Counsel



**A BIG Shout Out** to AD’s PAC for the great job on our Gramma’s Kettle Korn fundraiser! The popcorn was a big hit and a lot of money was raised.

**Thank you for running a wonderful and successful fundraiser.**

PAC meetings occur on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. To attend a PAC Meeting, email [tholroyd@retsdb.ca](mailto:tholroyd@retsdb.ca) and an invite will be sent to you on the day of the meeting.

**Meeting dates can change so watch your email.**







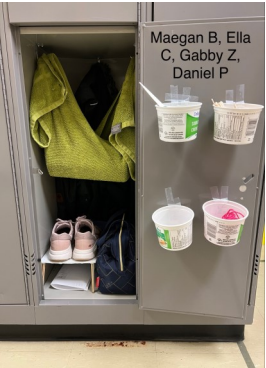
# CLASSROOM NEWS



6C has completed an integrated science and ELA lesson by writing a rhyming couplet poem about space. This was a great opportunity for students to show their scientific knowledge in a creative way.

## Grade 8 Science!

Students in Mr. Penner’s Grade 8 Science class have been busy working on a collaboration and design process by solving everyday problems like locker organization. Next up? They will identify a “problem” in their own lives and design a solution for it! Inventions will be wrapped up with an Invention Convention in the coming months!



# Gym / Sports News



Our Grade 7 & 8 basketball seasons wrapped up earlier this month, and each team experienced a great deal of growth, development and success. Thanks again to our coaches Mr. Rosales, Ms. Cunanan, Ms. Fergus, Ms. Skarban, and Mr. Seggewiss, for spending time to work with each of our teams and our student athletes!



Yoga Club with Instructor Pam Jansen is taking place on Mondays 3:15-4:15 in the Theatre until May 9. All are welcome.



# AD Club News

The Arthur Day Angling Club is a newly formed club organized by Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Seggewiss and Mr. Vanden Berg. The Angling Club provided an opportunity for our Grade 8 students to get out on the ice and experience all that Manitoba winters had to offer! Students met once a week for 5 weeks leading up to the trip, and learned about conservation, fish identification, proper handling and releasing of fish, ice safety, knot tying and trip preparation. Our Grade 8 Angling Club members ended up going on two separate trips to Lockport and were treated to some fun out on the ice. Thanks for a great winter season, and we're looking forward to providing an opportunity for Spring (shore) fishing later on this year!







# Art Around The School



In grade 6 art we have been studying snowmen and thinking about all of the crazy things our snowmen might get up to. We even read [Caralyn Buehner's, Snowmen at Night!](#) The kids have designed their own snowman, making giant ones to help decorate our hallways!

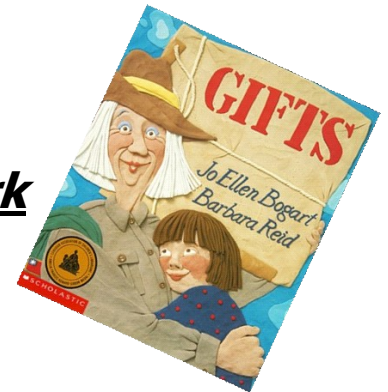
They are looking *snowtastic!*



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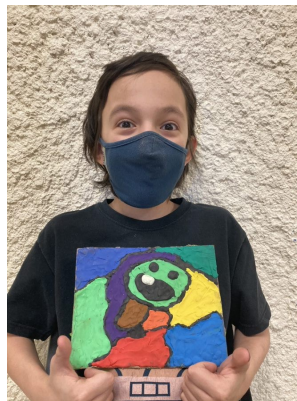


## **Barbara Reid Inspired Artwork**



*"While I like working with authors, and enjoy writing my own stories, I still love making pictures best of all." –B. Reid*

We have been studying Barbara Reid's artwork through her story "GIFTS." We visited her website <http://www.barbarareid.ca/home.html> and watched several of her videos on how to work with plasticine. We first experimented with plasticine to make a dimensional picture and learned to roll 'logs' and 'pancakes' in order to create more complicated patterns and images. Students selected a topic to illustrate and drew a rough sketch, considering colour palate and design. We had the chance to trace out our design from our sketch and got to work molding the plasticine. We hope you enjoy our efforts. Great work to all of the grade 6 art students!





# Library News



Every time families order from the Scholastic Reading Club website, Arthur Day receives 20% back in credit to order more books for our library!

Simply enter our class code at checkout: RC701985

Link:

[Reading Club | Classroom Essentials Scholastic Canada | Classroom Essentials Scholastic Canada](#)



We have new lamps in the Library! Students have been enjoying the changing colours of the bulbs and the welcoming ambiance they provide!



# Student Leadership



Our student leadership team was busy during the month of February raising money for a local cause-- Winnipeg Animal Services. Our student leaders held a hat day, and organized multiple hot chocolate sales in an effort to raise money to purchase items that were on the Winnipeg Animal Services wish list. Students raised nearly \$800--all of which went to help support our furry friends in need. Great work, ADMS Student Leaders!



## WOLVES MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

Over the past month, our Arthur Day Wolves decided to answer the call to help make a difference in our world. Given the difficult news of war across the world, we called on our community to help support the Ukrainian children who will be coming to Canada and be in need of items. We gathered many boxes of toys, clothes and food that was taken to The Ukrainian National Federation on Main Street. We also dedicated a week of collecting change for Ukraine and we collected \$369.00. Way to Go, Wolves!

