



# Angus McKay School

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## Principal's Report September 14, 2023

### School Profile

- Amber Ens, our new Teacher Librarian and Resource teacher is settling in, as is Paulette Hudzick, our Library Technician. Paulette is here in the Library on Kindergarten days in the afternoons.
- Our current student enrollment is 128. This is 8 students higher than what we ended with last school year.

### September

- September 15<sup>th</sup> is International Day of the Dot. This day is based upon the popular book *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds, which is themed around discovering your own unique talents and gifts, and also being open to trying new things. Our TL, Amber Ens, has been working with classes around these themes, and on Friday, we invite all of our students and teachers to wear polka dots to school to recognize the day.
- September 15<sup>th</sup> – Welcome Back Assembly at 1:00. We will play off of the Dot Day theme with a whole-school team building activity, then we'll introduce all staff in person, classes will share the chants and rhymes they've been working on to celebrate their new grade, and then we'll all read the story *There's No Such Thing as Nessie*, so kids can learn more about who our school mascot is. The story is themed around believing, especially in yourself.
- September 19<sup>th</sup> is Bus Evacuation practice.
- September 25<sup>th</sup> will be our Divisional Run Event at Bird's Hill Park for students in Grades 3-5 who are interested in joining Run Club. The first run club practice is at lunchtime tomorrow.
- September 27<sup>th</sup>, we'll welcome author David Robertson to Angus. David is a Winnipeg author who has written several children's books about Indigenous culture and Residential schools. His most recognized work is *When We Were Alone*. This book describes Residential Schools and their impact in the most clear and gentle way. It has been a phenomenal resource across all grade levels, especially in Kindergarten and Grade 1 where it can be really difficult to talk about content that many children have very little context around. We look forward to David's visit!
- September 29<sup>th</sup> will be Orange Shirt Day at Angus McKay.

### Nessie Wear

- We will run another clothing campaign this fall. Ordering will close in mid-November and be delivered prior to the winter break. Input around items?

Respectfully Submitted-  
Bailey McIntyre, Principal