

# AMBER TRAILS COMMUNITY SCHOOL



## REPORT TO COMMUNITY

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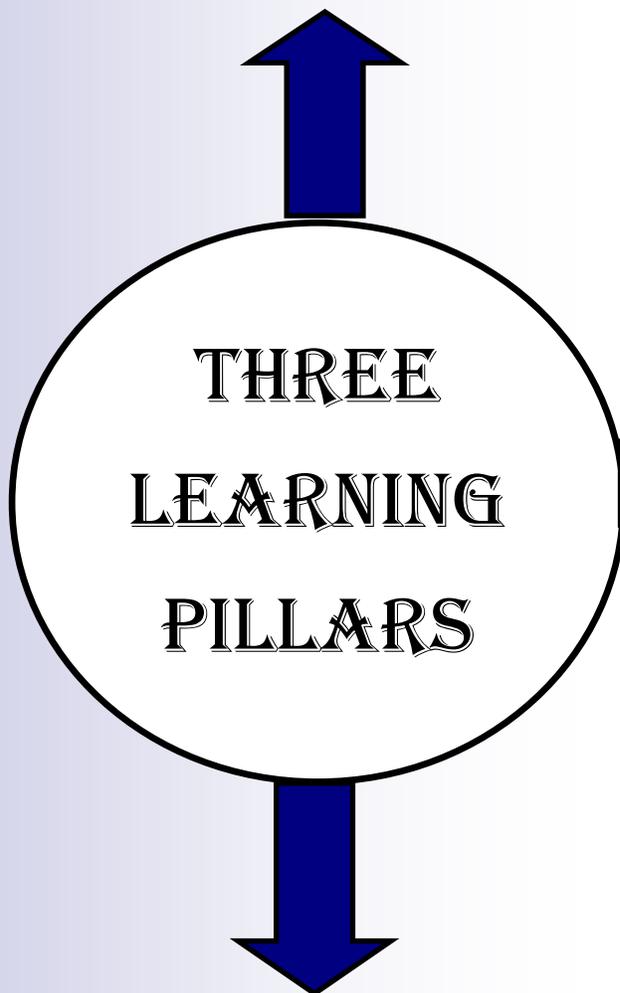


*Amber Trails Community School is a diverse Kindergarten to Grade 8 School . It is a full service community school that serves many community members and groups. The main purpose at Amber Trails is the holistic development of a child. At Amber Trails, we are trying to create thoughtful citizens who care and respect everyone around them. We also believe in building strong relationships amongst each other and the broader community.*



*Pillars of Learning from our School Plan*

**WE ARE BUILDING  
RELATIONSHIPS**



**WE ARE  
TEACHING  
CHILDREN TO  
TAKE CARE  
OF EACH  
OTHER AND  
THIS PLANET**



**WE ARE TEACHING THE  
WHOLE CHILD**

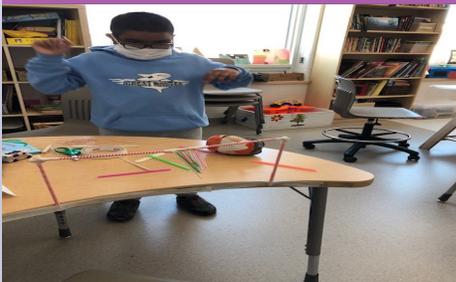
## ***BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS***



Having Twins' Day at school can encourage a sense of community and fun with matching outfits.



A collaborative book publishing process with Gr.1&2's, learning support teacher and vice-principal. Followed by a "book launch" inviting guests from within the school since we couldn't have parents join us inside the school to celebrate.



When there is a will, there is a way! Teachers used Microsoft TEAMS to connect virtually with families to celebrate student growth and learning.

Activities that interest all students. Learning about our kids living with autism.



# Celebrating Diversity

We take time out to talk to our students individually to learn about them. We go a step further and talk to their families and Show our willingness to learn and understand their culture. .





## FROM THE DANCE CORNER



**Our lovely dancers on the SOPAC stage as they get filmed for the school wide dance video, "Jerusalema".**



**Amber trail Community School Celebrated Dance day. You can follow the link given below to have a look at the dance videos .**

News Item - Seven Oaks School Division



# FROM THE MUSIC CORNER

CREATING SPIRITED MUSICIANS AND BUILDING ON THEIR  
FASCINATION WITH MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.



**Children at Amber Trails School participate in an active and vibrant music program from Kindergarten to Grade 8. The music team faced some challenges this year with health guidelines, but used a lot of creativity and were inspired by the student's positive energy to find ways to make music together. From virtual concerts to small group instrument instruction, our kids have achieved so much in their musical learning!**



## OUTDOOR NUMERACY AND LITERACY



Students love to explore nature. Natural materials such as twigs, grass, rocks, leaves, rain, sticks, pebbles, and sand provide endless possibilities for play and imagination. The students come up with ideas of how to use them.

Nature encourages students into thought, action, and formulating their own ideas. When children are involved in experiences with nature, they are involved and completely attentive to what is at hand. This relation with nature can be made by simply going for a walk, playing in the yard, or hiking in the woods. There are many advantages to all types of exposure to nature .



## PARENT-CHILD PRESCHOOL PROGRAM



Amber Trails Community School offers **FREE** preschool programs for parents/ caregivers and their children from birth to age six to enjoy together .Parent/child preschool programs are for you and your child (0-6 years) to be part of a learning environment together in our school. In our programs we play, create art, read stories, sing songs and share a healthy snack. It is a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to play, learn and meet other families in our community .



## Indigenous Prospective

Learning about residential schools and Orange Shirt Day. Acknowledging the mistakes of the past and present, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities.



**We are sacred** Virtual assembly to honour the 215 children found in the mass grave at the Kamloops Residential school.

Some of the ways Amber Trails is honoring all who were impacted by residential schools. Please click on the link below to the virtual assembly to honor the 215 children found in a mass grave at the former Kamloops Residential School.

[News Item - Amber Trails \(7oaks.org\)](https://www.7oaks.org/news-item-amber-trails)



## TREATY DAYS VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

June 21st is National Indigenous People's day in Canada .It promotes public awareness about Indigenous culture, history and heritage for all people. Amber Trails Community School organized a Treaty Days Virtual Assembly. You can click on the link given below to view the assembly.

[News Item - Amber Trails \(7oaks.org\)](#)



## EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Trailblazers are always looking for ways to reduce our waste and lessen our impact on the environment. When we had to shut down our reusable towel program due to Covid-19 ,we got creative! We found an organization that would help us compost our paper towels so that they don't end up in the landfill. Every week we fill three 64- gallon bins with paper towels and send them to be composted.



Check out this awesome robot made from recyclables

Neat project in the Manufacturing Lab with the use of cardboards.



## We are teaching the whole child



PIZZA BAKING- A  
PRACTICAL AND FUN  
PART OF OUR  
LEARNING ABOUT  
FRACTIONS

LEARNING ABOUT VIKING SHIPS,  
MARINE VESSELS OF UNIQUE  
STRUCTURE, USED IN SCANDINAVIA  
FROM THE VIKING AGE THROUGHOUT  
THE MIDDLE AGES.



Students learned about Ancient Egypt by  
writing a class nonfiction book. Every  
student chose their own topic, completed  
their own research, then drafted, revised,  
and edited their writing. At the end, they  
published the pieces in a laminated book.



Students had decided to use their imagination and creativity in  
designing and making masks/ head dress of their favorite book or  
TV character

ART AS WAY OF EXPRESSING AND EXPLORING OUR INDIVIDUAL CREATIVITY.

It encourages self-expression, improves motor skills, develops patience and problem-solving abilities, and increases concentration .



**SLINGSHOT CAR INVESTIGATION**



# Farewell

*Congratulations and best of luck to our Grade 8 students for bright and prosperous future ahead.*



*Mr. Braga, our beloved custodian enters a new phase of his life—Retirement! Mr. Braga is an incredibly hard working individual who has devoted all of his energy to keeping our school a clean, safe, well oiled machine. The staff and students of AT love his genuine kindness and willingness to lend a hand at the drop of a hat on any task. You will be so missed, MrBraga. All the best!*



# THANK YOU PARENTS

*Dear Parents /Guardians,*

*We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your patience and understanding as we completed the year with remote learning and limited in -person learning. It was a challenging time for all of us. You have done an amazing job helping your child with their remote learning alongside your own work schedules and we really appreciate that. Our staff and students have worked so hard to help us continue our education as best as possible given these circumstances . Seeing their dedication and eagerness to learn through this hard time motivates us to work harder and continue to fight through this crisis as a team! We hope you and your loved ones are staying safe and healthy during this time, and we look forward to the day when all of us are once again working with full energy and life and the passions that you bring every day.*

*Thank You,*



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**Stay in touch**

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