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NEWSLETTER October 2023

Dear Victory Families,

September 30th will mark the 3rd National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and the 10th Annual Orange Shirt Day. Since 2013, September 30th has been known as Orange Shirt Day, a day to recognize the tragic history and long-standing effects of residential schools. Students are encouraged to wear orange on September 29th at school and September 30th in the community to honour the Survivors of residential schools and those who did not return home.

Sherri Denysuik, Director of Indigenous Education at Seven Oaks School Division, shared some ways to take part and support Sept 30 as day of reflection and commemoration with our school staff and we wanted to share them with our families as well:

- Wear orange to honour the thousands of Survivors of residential schools.
- Gathering at Odena Circle @ the Forks at 10:00am, orange shirts will be given out and speeches. The Walk starts at 11:00am to Canada Life Centre. C-Weed plays at Canada Life at noon. Pow Wow Grand Entry at 1:00pm at Canada Life Centre. The Pow Wow is all day.
- Ma Ma Wi Chi Itata Centre 445 King Street 10:30am 1:30pm Sacred Fire, Cultural demonstrations, Elder Teachings, and interactive learning experiences.
- WAG Qaumajuq 11:00am 5:00pm Tours, Workshops, Talks centered around the experiences and history of Indigenous children forced to attend Residential Schools.
- Orange Shirt Day at the Manitoba Museum 190 Rupert Avenue 12:00pm 6:00pm 3 days of free admission to all areas. Featuring all day programming focused on the history of Residential Schools and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action.
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation at the Saint-Boniface Museum 494 Tache Avenue 10:00am - 4:00pm Free museum entry, story telling, various video viewing opportunities and discussions
- Canadian Museum for Human Rights Free admission on Sept 30th on Truth and Reconciliation Day.



FROM THE OFFICE

If your child will not be in class, please be sure to call our office. If you call before 8:30 am, leave a message on our answering machine with the student's name, teacher's name, room number and the reason for the absence. We will pass on the message to the teacher for you.

If you need to pick up your child before dismissal time, you must let the office know in a timely manner and we will pass the information to the teacher for you. If you are having someone other than who is listed on your end of the day pick up list, you will need to let the office know who is picking up your child and the person picking up will require identification. If your child is a bussed student, you must let transportation know as well at 204-338-7051 and if your child is a daycare student, please let them know as well.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

Parents should not be picking up or dropping off students in the parking lot. This has been an on-going unsafe situation. This lot serves three buildings and we have had some very close calls with students running behind vehicles or to parents' cars amid the traffic in the lot. THIS IS SERIOUSLY DANGEROUS! We are very concerned for all the childrens' safety and ask you to please drop and pick up your child/children at the school "STOP DROP & GO" entrance or any of the doors along Jefferson Avenue. The bus loop is off limits as well.

Please help us and help your children with this serious safety issue.



October 3 NO SCHOOL – PD Day

October 4 Vision Screening for Gr's K,1,3,5

October 4 Gr. 4/5 Divisional X-Country
October 9 NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving

October 11 Gr. 4/5 Rain date for Divisional X-Country

October 20 NO SCHOOL – PD DAY

October 24 Picture Day

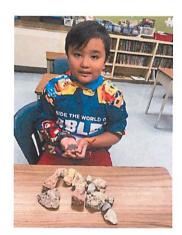
FROM ROOM 17

The students from Room 17 have had a busy start to the school year. They have all adjusted well to new routines and expectations. We have spent a lot of time talking about how to be kind, caring, and supportive of each other, both in class and when socializing outdoors during breaks.

We have been busy learning about Patterns and Relations in Math and representing numbers in various ways. In Science, students have taken a keen interest learning about Rocks and Minerals. Many have been looking for interesting rocks and bringing in their samples to share with others. Understanding where Canada is in the world and locating provinces, territories, and major waterways in and around our beautiful country has been part of our Social Studies Learning.

In the past few weeks, we have spent a lot of time talking and reading stories about the impact of residential schools as students prepare to honour the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. We learned that wearing orange shirts is a way we can all acknowledge the children who were forced to leave their families and attend residential schools and also to honour those who did not return.

Here are some of the highlights of starting a new year in Grade 4 so far:



Reynaldo: I love my rock collection.





Gracy: We get to be patrols and go on cool field trips.





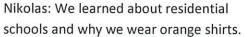
Krisha: We get to go swimming once a week for 10 weeks at Seven Oaks Pool. I liked that we had free time to play.

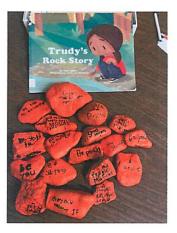


Hadley: We had soup and bannock to celebrate Ms Fontaine's retirement.









- Magdelaine: Some of us are part of a CBC music ensemble and we will be recording our song "Good Morning" soon.
- Renaldo: We get to join Cross Country and we practice hard running so we can be fast for our Cross Country meet.
- Jacob: I got to eat an entire hotdog and had chips and a drink too. It rained, but it was still fun.





Welcome back! Once again the music room is a very busy place! Students in all grades at Victory School are enjoying singing, dancing and playing the musical instruments.

Mark your calendars! This year our **school musical** called, "Made In Manitoba" will be held on March 5th and 6th 2024, at the Seven Oaks Performing Arts Center, which is located at Garden City Collegiate. It is an original show (I'm in the process of writing it) and

it will feature music by Manitoba artists including William Prince, Fred Penner, Burnstick, Loreena McKennitt and The Guess Who. I am also planning to have a **Talent Showcase** in early June for students in grades 4 and 5.

The **Victory School CBC Music Clubs** will begin practices at the end of September. I will be running two ensembles, one for students in Grade 3 and 4 (Rooms 1. 5 & 17) and one for Grade 4 and 5 (Rooms 6, 9 & 18). These clubs will wrap up at the beginning of November. Practices will take place during the lunch hour.

Practices for Victory School Tap Club, and the Victory School Hip Hop Club will begin in November when the CBC clubs are finished. These groups are open to all students in Grade 4 and 5. The dance clubs practice once a cycle, during the activity break. If your child is interested in joining one or both of the dance clubs, they should know that this is a commitment that will last from November until early June. Mr. Pacag and I will be coordinating our practices, so that Phys Ed and music clubs held during the activity breaks will not conflict. These groups will perform at the Seven Oaks School Division Dance Day, and Victory School Talent Show in early June.

Be sure to check **SeeSaw** and **Twitter @VictoryMusicMb** for regular updates! I also post practice videos on my YouTube channel **Mrs. R's Music Room** @mrs.rsmusicroom9037. If you have any questions, you can message me on SeeSaw. Keep watching the newsletter for music announcements and further concert updates.

Musically, Mrs. Rumak

Victory School's Parent and Child Preschool Program October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	5	Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	7
8	NO PRESCHOOL PROGRAM	10	Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	12	Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	14
15	Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	17	Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	19	NO PRESCHOOL PROGRAM	21
22	NO PRESCHOOL PROGRAM	24	Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	26	Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	28
29	30 Preschool Program 9:15-11:15	31				

October

VICTORY SCHOOL





2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Day 2 Rm.5-Swimming 9:05 Rm.8-Skating 11:40	3 PD DAY NO SCHOOL	4 Day 4 Gr. 4/5 X-Country 11:15-1:45	Day 5 Rm.17-Swimming 10:35 Rm.7-Skating 9:15	6 Day 6	7
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22	Day 4 Rm.5-Swimming 9:05 Rm.8-Skating 11:40	24. Day 5 Rm.18-Swimming 10:35 PICTURE DAY	25 Day 6	26 Day 1 Rm.17-Swimming 10:35 Rm.7-Skating 9:15	27 Day 2	28
29	30 Day 3 Rm.5-Swimming 9:05 Rm.8-Skating 11:40	Day 4 HAPPY HALLOWEEN				