

Amber Trails Community School
Newsletter



STUDENT ABSENCES



Thank you for letting the school know when your child will be away from school or late. Call 204-697-5965 (voicemail is 24/7) or email us at ambertrails@7oaks.org

WEATHER UPDATE AND WALKING SCHOOL BUS

When the weather is -27 C with or without windchill, we will cancel the walking school bus. This year we are going to use the following website as a standard reference for walking school bus and indoor recess. [Amber Trails, Manitoba, Canada Today, Tonight & Tomorrow's Weather Forecast | AccuWeather](#) Please use the above link to check the temperature each morning around 8:00 am. If it is -27 C with or without windchill, or colder, the walking school bus will be canceled.

REMINDERS

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

February 2 -Division wide PD day
-No classes
February 19- Louis Riel Day
- No School
February 22- Punjabi Bilingual Open House
6:00 - 7:00 PM

Many children walk to and from school. For children to be comfortable and enjoying being outside, proper outerwear is necessity.

- Winter Jackets · Ski Pants · Winter boots · Hats · Mitts or gloves · Scarves or neck warmer

When it reaches below -27C , children are indoors.



PHONE CALLS FOR STUDENTS

With almost 800 children, we have been receiving a high number of phone calls where parents/guardians request to speak with their child during class. Please plan and discuss non-urgent matters with your child outside of school hours if at all possible. If it is an emergency or urgent matter, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We appreciate your help with this!

STUDENT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP

Thank you to everyone for supporting our drop-off and pick-up routines. Please remember that the staff parking lot is for staff only and cannot be used for pick up/drop off. The front parking loop is reserved for kindergarten and daycare families, as well as student who have mobility concerns. Please do not park/stop on left side of loop (fire lane). Parking passes are required to enter the loop.

Please continue to park a minimum of one block away from the school to avoid traffic congestion.

LABELLING THE BELONGINGS:

Please make sure that all your children's belongings (clothes, lunch boxes, drink bottles, stationery etc.) that are brought to the office, should be labelled so that labelled property can easily be returned to its owner.



POP IT & DROP IT!



Make a difference and collect tabs!



The Seven Oaks School Division Tabs Collection Committee collects tabs. Once enough funds have been received from the tabs collected, we will purchase a specialty piece of equipment for one of our Seven Oaks Students.

Thank you for your continued support!

Drop off locations:

during the school year

R.F. Morrison School (25 Morrison St.)

Victory School (395 Jefferson Ave.)

Amber Trails Community School (1575 Templeton Ave.)



Amber Trails Belief Statement & School Plan

At Amber Trails School we believe that communities are more sustainable and mutually beneficial when we build upon relationships and responsibility to one another to ensure all our students benefit. At Amber Trails we recognize that everyone in our community can benefit from Indigenous education as it can enrich the experiences of all learners while supporting academic success for Indigenous learners. It is everyone's responsibility to incorporate Indigenous education in their lives and we commit to doing this work in our school.

Last year our school came up with a belief statement and a school plan that uses the Medicine Wheel and the Circle of Courage as a template. There are 4 parts in the Circle of Courage, and they are Belonging, Mastery, Independence, and Generosity. Belonging means we believe in fostering relationships based upon mutual trust and respect. Belonging makes us feel like "I am Loved." Mastery means we believe that all students can succeed. We want to provide opportunities to students to engage in critical thinking and deep learning. Mastery makes us feel like, "I can succeed." Independence means we believe in creating environments that empower and honour children's voices and choices. Independence makes us feel like, "I have the power to make decisions." Generosity means we believe in providing opportunities for students to share with others and bring meaning to their life. Generosity makes us feel like, "I have purpose."

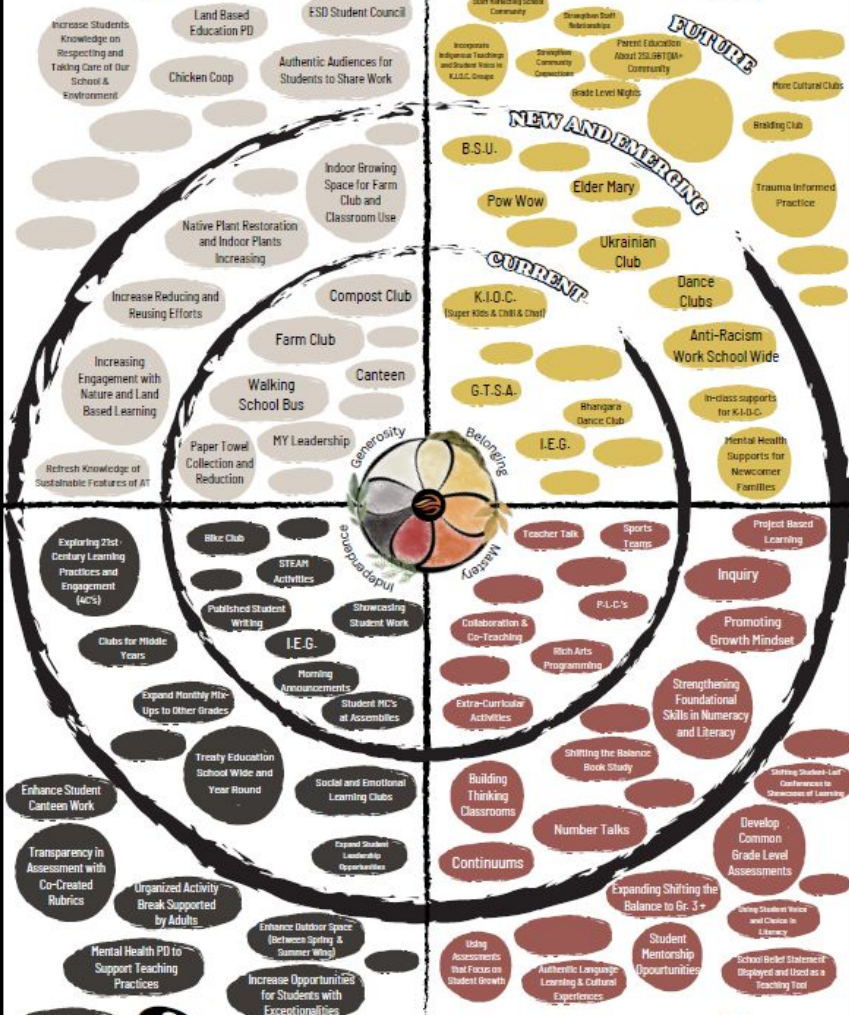
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School Beliefs

"Together we work to see the past more clearly, and to imagine a better future for everyone."

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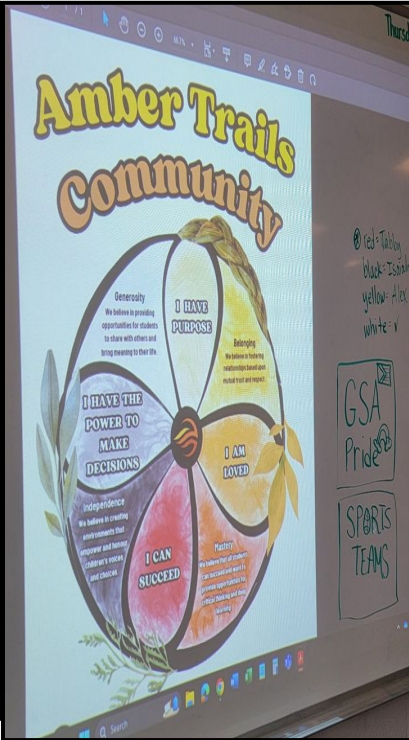
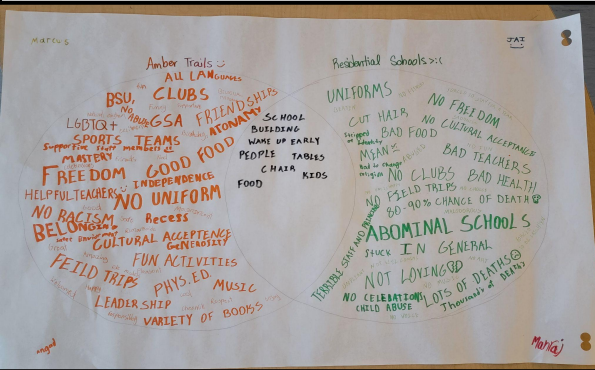
School Plan

Ms Martens' and Ms Thompson's classrooms have been discussing our school beliefs and the Circle of Courage. Through watching videos, reading articles, having deep conversations and writing reflections, they focused on the importance of "belonging".

They then designed and created artwork on fabric tiles to represent ways they feel like they belong on Amber Trails Community School. Some of the things listed are - GSA, BSU, Ukrainian club, sports teams, friends, land acknowledgements, and O'Canada being sung in different languages. The tiles will be sewn together to make a large "belonging" quilt and displayed in the hallway.

Here is part of a student reflection from Ms Martens' class ...

I feel like I belong at Amber Trails because there are many different cultures that are celebrated. We also have a beautiful variety of colours and art inside the school to make you feel welcome! The staff at Amber Trails are awesome, nice and hardworking. There are many different clubs and teams at school where you can connect with different people and express who you really are. I can create belonging at school by smiling, saying hello, inviting someone to play, and standing up for others.



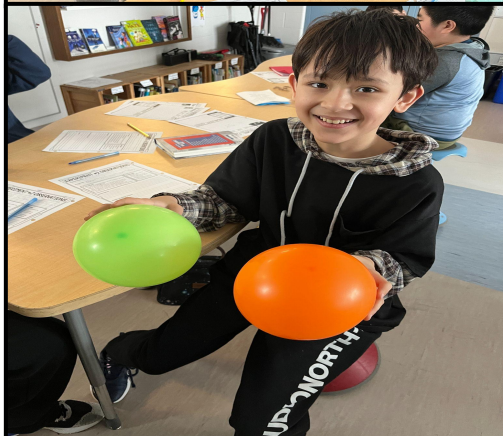
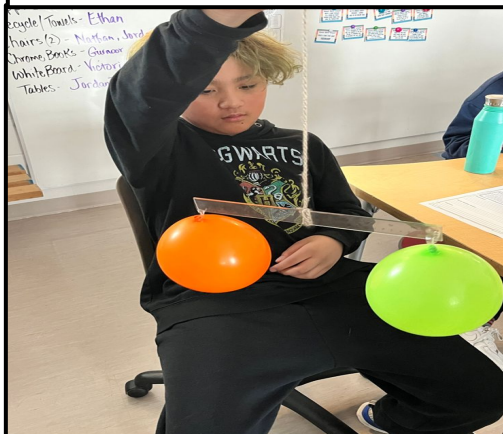
Land Acknowledgements

Daycare
Pink shirt day
Lessons (learning)
O'Canada in different languages
canteen

Belonging at Amber Trails - Quilt Project
Ms Martens & Ms Tommy's classrooms

GSA	BSU	SPORT TEAMS	CHESS CLUB	LIBRARY
Zach	Ethan	Amirah	Isiah	Yan
CHOIR	DANCE	BAND	EVERY CHILD MATTERS	CONCRETS
Isiah B.	Kella	Marus	FRIENDS	Angel
BLACK HISTORY MONTH	FIELD TRIPS	WALKING SCHOOL BUS	GENES	BIRTHDAY'S
Isiah	Jayden	James	Jayden	JE
LEARNING BUDDIES	DIWALI	POW WOW	BIG DREAM	RECESS
Kayden	Ana	Gurshan	CHAT 'N' CHILL	SUPERHERO
FARM CLUB	SUPPORTIVE STAFF	EXPLORATORY TIME	STUDENT'S WORK ON DISPLAY	DIFFERENT LANGUAGES
TREATY DAYS	PHYS ED	FAMILY NIGHTS	ASSEMBLIES	DIVERSE BOOKS
PROJECT 11	LEARN TO SKATE	LEARN TO SWIM		

The students from Ms Laura's class are studying the properties of air as part of their Science unit on Flight. Through several experiments they have determined that air takes up space and has weight! Next they will learn about what happens when air is compressed!



At Amber Trails...

WE ARE LEARNING ABOUT WAYS TO BRING OUR BELIEF STATEMENT TO LIFE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO FOCUSING IN ON BELONGING, MASTERY, INDEPENDENCE, AND GENEROSITY. IN PRACTICING AND LIVING THESE BELIEFS WE LEARN TO...



Feast Together



Grow Together



Strengthen Our Identity

I Am the Person who...

I am the person who is really good at cleaning, likes school, and will someday play soccer.

Pranay



Think Together



Share our Voices



Play Together

Amber Trails Community School



Punjabi Bilingual Program

Open House

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ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਦੋਭਾਸ਼ੀ ਪ੍ਰੋਗਰਾਮ

ਓਪਨ ਹਾਊਸ



Punjabi Bilingual Program

Open House

DATE : February 22, 2024

TIME : 6:00 - 7:00 pm

ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਦੋਭਾਸ਼ੀ ਪ੍ਰੋਗਰਾਮ

ਓਪਨ ਹਾਊਸ

ਮਿਤੀ: ਫ਼ਰਵਰੀ 22, 2024

ਸਮਾਂ: ਸ਼ਾਮ 6:00 - 7:00 ਵਜੇ

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Our I Love To Read Committee came up with several activities to celebrate reading.



February 2024

I LOVE TO READ CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Day 1	2 No School Day 2	3
4 Design your own book mark Starts Monday	5 Wear a readable shirt Day 3	6 Amulet 9 book listening party Day 4	7 Drop Everything and Read Day 5	8 Day 6	9 Flashlight Fridays/ Cozy Day Day 1	10
11 Door Decorating contest starts Monday	12 Wear a readable shirt Day 2	13 Day 3	14 Drop Everything and Read Day 4	15 Day 5	16 Flashlight Fridays/ Cozy Day Day 6	17
18 Where's Waldo Challenge Starts Tuesday	19 No School Enjoy reading a good book at home	20 Day 1	21 Drop Everything and Read Day 2	22 Day 3	23 Flashlight Fridays/ Cozy Day Day 4	24
25 Teacher/ Classroom read Swap starts Monday	26 Wear a readable shirt Day 5	27 Blue Bombers reading Assembly (K-5 only)	28 Drop Everything and Read Day 1	29 Day 2		

