



School District of Mystery Lake

# WESTWOOD ELEMENTARY

## WESTWOOD WORD

October 2022

October's Attendance – 87.1%



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### Parent Connect:

<https://webserver.mysterynet.mb.ca/schoolconnect/ParentSignone.aspx>

### Upcoming in November:

- Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Student Led Conference Day
- Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> – Picture Day
- Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day Assembly
- Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day (no school)
- Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> – WW Craft Sale
- Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> – Report Card Writing (no school in PM only)



### In and Around Westwood School:

- The Fire Department did a presentation for the grade 1-4 students during Fire Prevention Week
- JR high volleyball began
- 2/3 & 4/6 Choir started
- Ms. Thompson's grade 7 and 8 health classes took part in the FASD Illustration Contest, with 6 students winning \$100 each
- Grade 6 & 8 immunizations
- Staff & students participated in the "Walk for Wenjack" organized by Ms. Grant and the grade 8's
- Student Action Leadership Team (SALT) began meeting and organizing events
- Monster Bash Sock Hop & Dance were held
- SALT organized a haunted house for students to enjoy on Halloween
- October Awards Assembly including "Feel Factor" for Mrs. Griffin & Ms. MacDonald



### COVID-19 Screening Tool

In order to determine if you should contact **Health Links – Info Santé** ([204-788-8200](tel:204-788-8200) or toll-free at [1-888-315-9257](tel:1-888-315-9257)) or seek other medical advice, you will be asked to respond to a few questions.

Public health officials also strongly urge anyone who has cold or flu-like symptoms, **such as a cough, fever, runny nose, sore throat, headache**, or any of the symptoms listed in the screening tool to isolate and get tested for COVID-19. By getting tested, you are helping to keep your family and community healthy.

### Important Reminders

- ❖ Please remember to send your child to school with the proper school supplies &/or the correct amount of school supply money (receipts will be issued), to be turned into the homeroom teacher. •
- ❖ Please do not send your child to school if they are not feeling well. We recommend you have a plan in place, in the event they become ill during school hours. •
- ❖ We will have Rapid Antigen Test Kits available upon your request
- ❖ With the cold weather fast approaching, please make sure your children are properly dressed for the weather
- ❖ The entrance bells are at 8:50am and 12:55pm, please do not send your children to school early as there is NO supervision during these times
- ❖ Please update your child(ren) personal and emergency contact information through parent connect. If you need assistance please contact the office
- ❖ Our monthly newsletter will continue to go out along with our weekly memos. Also check us out on Facebook page, **Westwood Elementary: Thompson, Manitoba**



**Fun things have been happening at Westwood School throughout the month of October!**

**Check out some things the Vikings have been up to:**



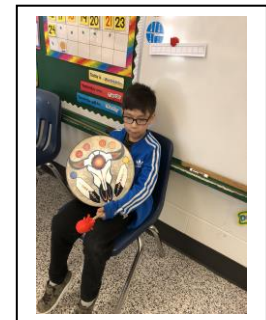
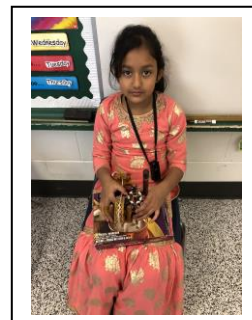
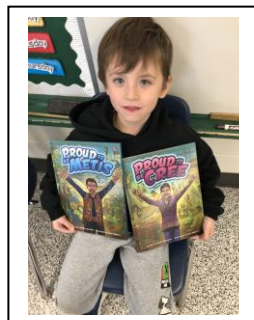
This year we are very honored and excited to announce that Westwood Elementary School has become a part of the Gord Downie and Chanie Wenjack Fund's Legacy Schools program. Westwood School held the first "Walk for Wenjack" organized by Mrs. Grant and the grade 8 students.



**Congratulations to all of our award winners for the month of October**



**Grade 1 students in Ms. Rindall's class learned about different cultures in Social Studies**



## From Westwood School Student Council

Hello my name is Mya Ernest-Yoko, I will be writing the student council (Student Action Leadership Team S.A.L.T.) newsletter for Westwood Elementary School. In the newsletter I will keep you updated on the school activities and events that we will be doing or have done! Many people have joined student council and we have 22 student members and 6 teacher leaders (Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Nerbas, Mrs. Smeaton, and Ms. Wilson). Below, you will see some students and teachers interviewed about their WHY.

Alysha Scott: "Covid-19 has shut down so many opportunities for kids and I wanna help bring back events for them."

Addy Thackeray: "I wanted something fun to do and to help the school."

Mrs. Nerbas: "I am so excited to get to work with the junior high students in a fun environment where we can focus on building school connections, friendships, leadership skills, and fundraising efforts for our school and community."

Mrs. Dixon "I think it is an important committee and am thrilled I get to work with the older students of our school, including running many fun events!"

This past week, S.A.L.T. held a **Monster Mash 'n' Bash Sock Hop & Dance** on October 27th for the students. I hope everybody was able to attend and have lots of fun, if not there will be more events to go to in the future.

Since we sold canteen goods and small toys, we raised \$500.00. Some of that money was also spent on decorating a haunted house (and treats) for K-8 students to enjoy on the Halloween Day that S.A.L.T set up and ran with teacher leaders! Overall, it was pretty Spooktacular!



Ms. Thompson's grade 7 and 8 health classes took part in the FASD illustration contest organized by Tiffany Hanson from the Thompson Northern Health Region. We were pretty excited to learn that 6 of our students from all over the north won 1<sup>st</sup> place in four different categories and were awarded \$100.00 each.



Lovely Anderson 1<sup>st</sup> in age group- Creativity  
Ella Hillick 1<sup>st</sup> in age group- Craftsmanship  
Cole Sandberg 1<sup>st</sup> in age group- Relevance  
Alexandre Parent 1<sup>st</sup> in age group- Creativity  
Teagan Wastesicoot 1<sup>st</sup> in age group- Relevance  
CC Morin 1<sup>st</sup> in age group- Craftsmanship



The fire department came and spoke to our 1-4 students about fire safety during Fire Prevention Week. They even had a cool bouncy house!



Halloween activities were back in full swing this year, from the “Feel Factor”, haunted house, “Monster Bashes” and Halloween Parade where staff & students showed off their costumes!

