



Roland School Newsletter

Healthy Minds Program

Our Healthy Minds is up and running. Breakfast is available to all students from 8:15 AM – 8:40 AM everyday. The menu consists of toast and juice. We have a variety of choices for the toast – homemade jam, local honey, cheez whiz, and peanut butter.

We are gratefully taking donations of juice, jams, fruit, yogurt, or other healthy breakfast items. Thank-you to the grade 5 and 6 students that have been helping serve and clean up. Our walking ladies will be volunteering on Wednesday again to help serve. We welcome

any other volunteers that would like to help. Thank-you.

Milk Sales

Starting on October 1, we will be selling white and chocolate milk at school. Cost is \$1.00 for each. No order forms are required.

Roland Together We're Better T-shirts

Roland School will be selling Together We're Better t-shirts next week. There will be order forms available at our Open House on September 25 or you can contact the school. Youth sizes are \$10.00 and Adult \$12.00.

- Support our school

and show your Together We're Better spirit.

Healthy Snack week will be held October 15 – 19.

You will not need to send a snack that week. All students will receive a healthy snack at the 10:20 AM recess. Recipe ideas will be posted in the next newsletter telling about healthy snack ideas to send to school.

Hot Dogs

Hot Dog Sales begin Oct. 4th. Hot Dogs will be \$1.50 each this year. Forms going out this week.

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Special points of interest:

Terry Fox Walk September 28th—2:00 p.m.

☺ Open House—Sept. 25th—7:00 p.m.

☺ Early Dismissal—Sept. 26th

☺ Nursery School begins—Oct. 2nd 9:00-11:30

☺ Josten's Pictures—Oct. 5th 9:00

☺ Hot Dogs start Oct. 4th

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Roland School Book Fair

This year we are holding our Book Fair in the school gym on Tuesday, October 16th and Wednesday, October 17th. Times will be from 3:00 to 4:30 and 7:00 to 8:30. There is always a very good selection of books for every age, babies to junior

high, even a few adult books are available. All the profits go directly into books for the school library. Your children will be given a chance during the 2 days to look over the books. It is a great opportunity to support the school library and maybe get an early

start on your Christmas shopping. Thank you for all your support.

Also, a thank you goes out to Clarke Wainikka for her donation of books to our school library.

Divisional Inservice—September 21, 2007

Roland Staff attended a divisional in-service at Carman Community Hall on September 21.

The presenter was Corwin Kronenberg. He is a parent, author, teacher, and an outstanding presenter. You make a difference to children—this workshop will make a difference to you!

Teaching Kids to Be Responsible is a workshop that will:

- * provide practical strategies for teaching responsibility

- * give you practical techniques for managing behavior.

- * Help you create a positive environment with fewer discipline problems

- * further your professional development, spark your enthusiasm, and be fun!

Corwin is a highly sought after expert and speaker on the topics of self-concept and discipline. Thousands of educators, paraprofessionals, and parents have attended his workshops giving him excellent evaluations and standing ovations for his dynamic presentations. He presents his topic with enthusiasm, drama, humor, and credibility. He has gained recognition as a national presenter as a result of his fast-pace, entertaining style and the usefulness of the information presented.

Through a unique blend of theory, practical demonstrations, and humor, everyone who attended got some powerful techniques for managing behavior and teaching responsibility on a daily basis.



Kindergarten Korner—Mrs. Gray

To catch the reader's

The children are settling in to their new surroundings.

We have been learning about the rules of the classroom and the school. Our mornings start out on the rug. This is our meeting time, when we do the calendar and the weather. We also talk about news and two children each day have their news recorded on the chart.

We are learning to work together in our centers, taking turns and sharing. So far we have opened the woodworking center, the housekeeping center, the blocks, the library and the listening center. Next week we will open a couple more.

We also have story time. We have read books about getting ready for Kindergarten. The Kissing Hand is one of my favourites about a raccoon who is a little unsure about his first day of school. I hope you enjoyed the hands and heart that the children brought home and that they were able to tell you about Chester and his mother.

We have also talked about fall and what happens at this time of year. We read stories about this as well. We have done some cut and paste work, which we will save for our portfolios. We have also been talking about colours and position words.

Our days have been busy and they may seem a little long for the children for the first while. Don't forget to send the afternoon snack, which cannot be a pudding or anything to eat with a spoon.

I will end off with the children's ideas of what they want to learn in Kindergarten:

I want to learn my ABC's Jeremy

I want to learn how to read books Timmy

I would like to learn how to use tools. Aaron

I want to learn how to grow flowers. Gabrielle

I want to learn to fly a kite. Jenna

I want to learn how to gallop a horse with reins. Raina

I'd like to fly kites outside. Taylor

I want to learn to play games. Mitchell

I'd like to learn how to play on the slide. Miguel

I'd like to learn how to go on the monkey bars. Alex

I want to learn about books. Jimmy

I want to learn baseball. Russel.

Grade 3 and 4 Classroom Report—Miss McIntosh

We have had a very busy month! We've been getting into our daily routines and learning a lot about each other! We really like doing our math jobs, there are so many to do and many different varieties! They range from money to patterns to calendar to mystery number to so many more!

We have also started a reading competition in our classroom. We've split the class into two teams and we're seeing who can do more Home Reading this month! Good luck teams!

In science we've started a unit on Habitats and Communities. We're learning lots about populations and played a game that taught us about needs and living

things called "Oh Deer!"

In social studies we are starting the GlobalTrek program. We are very excited to take our first trip to THAILAND! We've got our plane tickets, passports and maps and we're ready to go!

Each Friday our class has a privilege called Fun Time Friday. We work very hard during the week to follow our class rules and respect each other. Our reward is Fun Time Friday. So far we've had every Fun Time Friday this month. Congratulations class!

I would like to thank all the parents for helping with the homework that is sent home and sending in any notes and keep-

ing communication open. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me!

Roland School Enrollment September 2007

Total Enrollment is 73

Kindergarten Class—

Mrs. Gray— 12 students

Grade 1 & 2 Class—

Mrs. Kent—23 students

Grade 3 & 4 Class—

Miss McIntosh— 20 students

Grade 5 & 6 Class— Mr. Dennis
& Mrs. Wainikka—18 students

Gr. 1 & 2 Classroom Report- Mrs. Kent

Dear Parents,

Wow! It's hard to believe that the first month of school is almost over! The grade one and two students have been busy settling into the routines of our class. It has been a big adjustment for some of the grade one students to come to school all day every day.

We have begun our year by working on the Social Studies unit, "I Belong". In this unit we have explored groups the students belong to, cultures they belong to, and connections to their past. This past week we have had Shirley McLaren (Dylan's Grandma) come in and share a couple of her quilts. One was one made by her mother and featured ladies in dresses made from material of each outfit Shirley wore on her first day of school!

Mrs. Gray teaches Math and the grade ones have been working on counting, adding stories, and patterns. The grade twos has been working on 'data collection' (graphing) and learning how to conduct a survey and make a graph.

Please check out the 'wiki'. I have posted some pictures there and the grade two spelling words will be posted there (just in case their study sheet gets lost).

I am looking forward to meeting you at Open House. Sheila Kent

Grade 5 & 6 Classroom Report—Mrs. Wainikka

The grade 5/6 class has been busy getting into routines and starting new units.

In Phys. Ed. We have been working on soccer skills, playing games in our daily phys. Ed. and talking about the four physical fitness health components in Health class. A new personal activity log was sent home that is part of the healthy schools in motion initiative. Students record their activity on the calendar to show that they are being physically active at home. Parents can get involved too!!

In Social Studies the grade 5 class have started their first unit called The First People's. We studied about Berengia, Ice Age, and the land bridge. The grade 5/6 social studies class together have been working on Canadian geography.

In grade 5 math we have started out with a number unit – place value, base ten blocks, writing and showing numbers up to 1000 000.

The grade 5/6 class helped out with Winnipeg Harvest on Wed. Sept 19. We went over to the United Church and helped load boxes of produce that the church had collected. The van brought the food to Winnipeg to be used at various soup kitchens.

Grade 5's have also been working on daily poems. We rate a poem on giggle poetry.com and give at a giggle rate on how funny we think it is. We have been writing poetry and working on our weekly vocabulary words.

Grade 5/6 students have been excited about reading!! We have again started our Accelerated Reader program. Students read books, do a comprehension test on the computer and achieve points that go towards certificates. Great job reading everybody. Keep it up!

Grade 5 & 6 Classroom —Mr. Dennis

Hello,

My name is Mr. Dennis and I am, along with Mrs. Wainikka, teaching the grade five and six class, and I am the school's resource teacher. I live in Carman with my wife, Lee-Anne and our two children, Matthew and Kaylyn. Over the past 13 years I have served in education as a grades 6-8 classroom teacher, a vice-principal, and a principal. I am very much looking forward to returning to the classroom to teach grades five and six.

I have really enjoyed getting to know the students in grades five and six; they are a great bunch of individuals. We are working hard and having plenty of fun at the same time. I am looking forward to meeting you at our open house.

Sincerely,
Mr. Dennis

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Together We're Better




Please go to our new wiki website-
<http://rolandelementaryschool.pbwiki.com>

Dates to Remember:

Sept. 25th—Open House—7:00p.m.
Sept. 26th—Early Dismissal
Sept. 28th—Terry Fox Walk—2:00 p.m.
Oct. 2nd—Nursery School Begins
Oct. 4th—Hot Dogs Begin
Oct. 5th—Josten's Picture Day—9:00 a.m.
Oct. 8th—No School—Thanksgiving
Oct. 15—19th—Healthy Snack Week
Oct. 16-17th—Book Fair
Oct. 24th—Early Dismissal

Nursery School

Roland Nursery School will be held in the kindergarten room this year! Our first class will be held on Tuesday, October 2 from 9:00 to 11:30. Children ages 3 to 5 are welcome to come and attend. For more information or to register your child please contact April at Miami Children's Facility at 435-2725.

Dates of Nursery School in October :

Tuesday October 2
Tuesday October 9
Wednesday October 17
Tuesday October 23
Wednesday October 31

