

STORM NEWS

Warman Community Middle School

September 2016

Welcome back to WCMS! We hope you had an enjoyable and rejuvenating summer break. It was great to see almost 670 students come through the doors last Thursday, and a special welcome to our 191 Grade 4 students and those new to WCMS.

As we kick off another school year we want to remind you of some of the ways we have developed for you to stay in convenient contact with what is happening around our school. The school maintains a blog site at blogs.spiritsd.ca/wcms. We maintain a school calendar of events, daily announcements, and a variety of useful links including one to our school handbook that should be a valuable resource to you. We encourage you to bookmark our site for convenience or click the follow button to receive email notifications when the site is updated. Did you know you can access the school's daily announcements right from your device? Go to our blog site and click the

blue HERE button in the yellow banner at the top of the page. Our School Community Council also maintains a Facebook page where they regularly repost important information and announcements, so that may also be a convenient source of information for you. We do publish and distribute by email a monthly newsletter. Paper copies can also be obtained at the office. In our 27 classrooms at WCMS teachers have developed a number of different ways, from paper based planners to web-based tools, to communicate with home about what is happening in the classroom day-to-day. You have undoubtedly received information from your child's teacher on that by now.

Please take a few minutes to look through our September newsletter. With the start-up of another school year, there is a lot of news and information I am sure everyone will find useful for a smooth start to the school year.

"You're off to great places, today is your day, your mountain is waiting, so get on your way!"

-Dr. Seuss

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Mr. Pavloff's Grade 7 class

CROSS COUNTRY TRACK

The WCMS Cross Country Track Team is already up and "running"! Practices take place Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 pm. We meet out-



side of the A wing entrance (facing Gowan Road). Students will eat in their classrooms following their run. Participants need to wear proper footwear to practice i.e. no flip flops, Dawgs, etc. Attendance at practice is crucial, as our first meet is in a couple of weeks. We are excited to see all the interest in run-

ning and we are looking forward to another fun and successful cross country season!

Ms. Raison
Mrs. Baudais

GRADE 6 STORM SOCCER

The Grade 6 Boys and Girls Storm Soccer season is underway. Practices will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 on RJ Gidluck Field. Players are expected to change for practice and must

wear shin-guards. Cleats are optional. A game schedule has yet to be finalized. For more information, please contact Mr. Fast (Girls) or Ms. Hartl (Boys). Go STORM!



COLLECT A "FIVE" TO HELP KEEP TERRY'S DREAM ALIVE

Warman Community Middle School will be participating in a Terry Fox Walk on Friday, September 30th from 2:30-3:15 pm. We recognize the importance of funding Cancer Research, as we have all been touched in some way by this disease. We also follow Terry's belief that every person can make a difference. Our goal is to collect \$5.00 per family at WCMS.

Students can take their donation to their Homeroom teacher during the last week in September. All money collected will go to help fund Cancer

research as part of the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope. Parents are welcome to join their children for our Terry Fox Walk on Friday, September 30th.

WCMS School Goal = \$3000.00

Thanks so much,

WCMS Staff

"Even if I don't finish, we need others to continue. It's got to keep going without me."

-Terry Fox



JR. GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Jr Girls Volleyball practices will take place on Tuesday mornings from 7:45 am – 8:45 am and Thursday after-school from 3:30pm – 4:30pm. We

are in the process of organizing some exhibition games and our wind up tournament will be on October 22nd at the school. We are looking for-

ward to a season of learning and fun!

Mrs. Orth, Mrs. Balon-Smith and Miss Harvey

GRADE 4 & 5 SOCCER

Any girls and boys in grade 4 or 5 that are interested in joining the soccer

club we will practice every Monday and Friday at 12:15-12:45. Meet Mr.

Flett at the RJ Gidluck soccer field for some fun.

GRADE 6 & 7 BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Boys Grade 6/7 Volleyball has started. Practices are Monday, Wednesday

and Friday mornings from 7:45-8:45. Mrs. Mason, Mr. Folden and Mr.

Bachmeier are coaching this year. Go Storm!

SRC

The SRC is ready to have a FANTASTIC school year! We would like to thank everyone who applied this year! The SRC leaders will announce who is on the SRC after September 9th. If anyone has not applied and would like to do so, please hand them in ASAP! The

forms can be handed into Mrs. McKay, Miss Hartl, Mrs. Burgess, or Mrs. Baker. The SRC leaders are excited for all the amazing events that are planned this year! Please continue to check out our SRC Bulletin Board on the Main Level to learn more about

your SRC, Calendar Events and Upcoming Spirit and Activities.



SCHOOL FUNDRAISER FOR EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

We received a tremendous amount of positive feedback on the Fundscrip fundraising program we ran last spring, and are preparing to kick-off our 2016/2017 campaign on Monday, October 3rd with some exciting changes. We will be going to an online ordering campaign so that you can conveniently order from your home with your credit card, have your gift cards shipped directly to your home, and provide the option of allowing families to continue purchasing gift cards throughout the year!

We count on this fundraiser to support our school extracurricular programs. The proceeds of this fall fundraiser support the approxi-



mately \$10,000 annual expenses that allow WCMS students to participate in a variety of extra-curricular activities at no expense.

Fundscrip costs you nothing! By purchasing gift cards from FundScrip you can pay for everyday purchases that you already make. Every month you spend hundreds of dollars for things like food, gas, clothing, pharmacy, restaurants, electronics, home renovations, department stores, and so on. All you have to do is pay for some or all of your purchases using gift cards bought at face value from FundScrip participating retailers and a percentage of every gift card purchased is contributed back to WCMS. The program has over one hundred and seventy participating retailers, includ-

ing popular local businesses like Extra Foods, A&W, Boston Pizza, Pizza Hut, Subway, and Canadian Tire.

Ask family & friends to support our group! Anyone with a computer and our [school code](#) (this information will be made available at the beginning of October) can conveniently order and have their gift cards shipped directly to their home. We encourage everyone to invite their family members, friends, co-workers and neighbors to participate in FundScrip as well. After all, they probably buy groceries and gas, just like you do.

We hope we can count on your support with this program! More information will be emailed and sent home with students at the beginning of October.

SCHOOL CLOTHING

Storm clothing proved very popular with students last year not only as a gym change (required at Grade 6 & 7) but as every day wear. We have a good inventory of T shirts, shorts and sweat pants in youth and adult sizes. Students should place their orders through their homeroom teacher.

Others wishing to purchase school clothing can inquire at the school office.

T-shirt- \$15
Shorts- \$15
T-shirt/shorts combo- \$25
Sweats- \$30

T-shirt/sweats combo- \$40
T-shirt/shorts/sweats combo- \$55



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WARMAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

We are excited to kick off another school year in the Warman Community Library as students can take advantage of a wide variety of services and opportunities far beyond what any regular school library can provide, including:

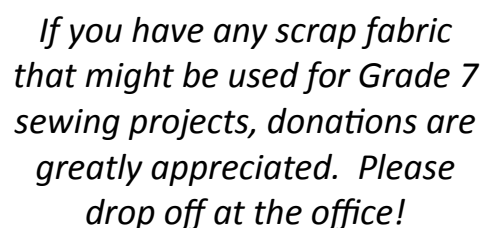
- Extended library hours on evenings, weekends, and school breaks.
 - Access to resources from across Saskatchewan's public library system.
 - Online books and magazines that can be downloaded from anywhere to the student's device.
 - A modern and comfortable space
- Students are issued a receipt with every resource they check out of the Warman Community Library. Checking on the status of an account can be conveniently done by visiting the library directly, calling the Warman Community Library at 306-933-4387 or logging on to wheatland.sk.ca with the library card number. The pin number is defaulted to the last 4 digits of your phone number. WCMS students are

Students must present their Wheatland library card to take out re-

rowing policies for overdue and missing books. Please check your child's account regularly to ensure they are returning books on time.

You should receive emails from the library when your child's requested books come in or when their books are approaching the due date or are overdue. If you have not been receiving these messages, please check with the library staff to ensure we have the correct email address on record.

LOOKING FOR DONATIONS



GRADE 7 BAND PROGRAM

We are very excited to be introducing our Band 7 program this year for students in Grade 7. This is an optional program for interested students that will take the place of some of the other Arts Education curricular programming. We have plans to expand our band program to Grades 6-8 for the 2017-2018 school year, and in conjunction with Warman High School hope to provide this exciting educational oppor-

tunity for students all the way from Grade 6 through Grade 12. We welcome our band teacher, Monika Mackenzie, to WCMS. Band students will be bringing home a band-specific newsletter on their first day of band class. Parents/guardians should read this information carefully and make note of some of the dates set for band opportunities and performances this school year. We can't wait to hear our band play!



FACILITY ACCESS PLAN

WCMS and the Legends Centre were designed to ensure that we can move large numbers of people in and out of the facility quickly and safely. Please follow these guidelines to help do your part:

- School bus loading and unloading in the east side of the Legends Centre – in front of the Legends Centre.
- Parent pickup and drop off of students – please use the parking available on Gowan Road on the west side of the school. DO NOT use the Legends Centre parking lot as a location to pick up students.
- Student pedestrians – please use the pathways and sidewalks. Please use the bike racks on the school side of the facility. Pedestrian students are asked not to loiter in the bus loading area or park bikes in the city bike racks in front of the Legends Centre.

WCMS HANDBOOK

Looking for information on WCMS? We update the WCMS SCHOOL HANDBOOK annually. As this is quite

extensive, it can be conveniently located on our school website –

blogs.spiritsd.ca/wcms – under the green INFORMATION tab.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

A reminder to parents, guardians and other visitors who have school business to please check in at the school office upon your arrival. Thanks!

School Picture Day

Jostens Photography will be here on **Friday, September 23** to take our annual school photographs.

Students will bring home a photo information sheet a day or two prior to our picture day.

Retakes are scheduled for October 24

No School for students

Friday, Sept. 16th



IMPORTANT REMINDERS CONTINUED

BELL TIMES/DAILY SCHEDULE

8:55	Warning bell
9:00	School day begins/ CPR
9:15	Instructional Block 1
<i>10:53 - 11:08 Recess</i>	
11:08	Instructional Block 2
<i>11:57 - 12:47 Lunch break</i>	
12:47	Warning bell (5 min)
12:52	Instructional Block 3
3:19	Dismissal

Family Health Information

[Chicken Pox](#)

[Common Cold](#)

[Control of Communicable Dis-
eases](#)

[Healthy Eating for Meetings](#)

[Vision Problems](#)

Find more family health info at:
www.saskatoonhealthregion
(Search: school newsletter inserts)

HEALTHY STUDENTS = BETTER LEARNERS



Population and Public Health

Contact Us

Give us a call or email any time with questions, concerns or suggestions.

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Visit us on the web at :

[http://
blogs.spiritsd.ca/
wcms/](http://blogs.spiritsd.ca/wcms/)

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Are you interested in helping out at WCMS? Volunteers do not have to have children attending the school nor are parents limited to assisting only in classes their children attend. Volunteering at Warman Community Middle School benefits students, teachers, volunteers, and the school.

Some examples of how you can volunteer are:

- Reading to individuals or small groups
- Assisting students in the class with organizational skills
- Assisting students to access assistive technology
- Supervising students in extra-curricular activities (floor hockey tournament, drama practice)

- Partnering with a specific home-room on a regular basis
- Field trips
- Supervision before and after school
- Supporting project work

This is in no way an exhaustive list and we'd welcome your contributions on a scheduled basis or as a one-time occurrence. As we continually respond to the needs of our students, additional opportunities will arise.

In the course of volunteer duties in the school, volunteers may have access to information that is personal or confidential in nature. This information is not to be communicated to anyone or disclosed in any manner or form other than for the sole purpose of fulfilling duties within the school

context or under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act.

Please contact Mrs. Orth if you are interested in helping out in any way. After consulting with staff, we will arrange a brief meeting to complete necessary documentation and review your role at the school. In some cases, a Criminal Records Check will be required for approved volunteers. We look forward to working together!



Staff

One of the many strengths of our school is our tremendous staff. Our 2016-2017 staff is:

Greg Tebay—Principal Amy Orth—Vice-Principal Lisa Mason—Vice-Principal

Patty Kirby—Admin. Assistant Jolee Dyck—Admin. Assistant

Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7
Jody Baker	Shane Bachmeier	Erin Boyle	Clark Bymoen
Emily Hartl	Amanda Baudais	Paris Burgess/Alicia Klassen (Intern	Craig Folden
Joelene Linner	Shawn Flett	Corey Fast/Rylee MacKenzie (Intern)	Deanna Koroluk/Adine Sander
Rochelle Mulligan	Nicole McKay	Karen Georgacacos	Lindsay Martel (Victoria Dyck)
Alana Raison	Michelle Schaff	Erin Hoffman	Mike Pavloff
Dave Read	Bonnie Williams (Crystal Procyshyn)	Amy Korver/Madisen Harvey (Intern)	Scott Woods-Fehr
Colleen Rowley		Curtis Prescesky	
Rhonda Werle			

Music/SERT/Learning Facilitator/Counsellor

Blake Cumming—Music Ed (Gr. 4-6)	Brandi Kelsie—SERT	Cassandra D'Amore—Counsellor
Monika MacKenzie—Band	Ashley Mailloux—SERT	Adele Laye—Counsellor
Linda Balon-Smith—SERT	Hali Hamel—Learning Facilitator	

Educational Assistants

Cindy Brisbin	Maureen Forsberg	Jessica Janzen	Donna Parsons	Lori Vellacott
Pam Carpenter	Darlene Heide	Karla Kazmiruk	Linda Schnurr	Linda Wiebe

Itinerant

Cheryl Reddekopp—EAL Itinerant
Trevor Belyk—Itinerant

Caretakers

Cynthia Janzen—Head Caretaker
Pat Mitchell
Georg Nievergelt
Jay-Ann Sochaski

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- You don't have to change where you shop or what you buy
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September 1, 2016

Dear Parent and/or Guardian:

Re: Community Threat Assessment and Support Protocol (CTASP)

Prairie Spirit School Division is committed to providing safe and caring learning environments in each of our schools.

As part of this commitment, Prairie Spirit works with other local school divisions and a variety of community organizations to put best safety and prevention procedures into place. This collaborative work, called the Community Threat Assessment and Support Protocol (CTASP), involves the entire community to support our safe schools and neighbourhoods.

As part of the protocol, we are committed to following established safety procedures in our schools. Our principals are required to complete a threat assessment to determine the immediacy and the level of risk whenever a student makes a significant threat to harm themselves or others. The purpose of the assessment is to determine how best to support high-risk students so that their behavior does not become hurtful or destructive.

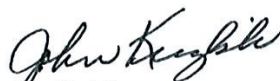
The protocol facilitates sharing of information between community organizations (for example, the Ministries of Social Services, Education and Justice, as well as local police services and other organizations) when a student may pose a risk of violence towards themselves or others.

All of our principals and vice-principals, as well as many other school leaders, have benefited from training in this area called *Violence Threat Risk Assessment*. Because of our shared understanding and commitment to safety, we are well equipped to intervene and respond to a student in crisis.

We will continue to work with you and with our community partners to provide safe and caring schools for our students.

If you have further questions about this protocol and our procedures, please contact your principal. For more information about our strategy for safe and caring schools, please go to our website:
(www.spiritsd.ca/safeschools).

Sincerely,


John Kuzbik
Director of Education

Control of Communicable Diseases

Population and Public Health recommends the following measures to control the spread of disease:

- Hand hygiene, cough etiquette, staying home when ill.
- Children who have signs of illness such as fever, vomiting, diarrhea or rashes should not attend school until they are well and/or have been treated by a doctor.
- Children with the following diseases must be treated **before** returning to school:
 - eye infections
 - impetigo
 - ringworm
 - scabies
 - scarlet fever
 - strep throat
- Children with the following diseases **may not** return to school until parents call **Disease Control at 306-655-4612** to discuss a return date:
 - measles
 - mumps
 - rubella
- Children with chickenpox may return to school when they are feeling well.
- Children with pertussis may return to school when they feel well enough to do so. Children will be excluded for 5 days after they start medication or 21 days from onset of coughing attacks **only** when there is a staff person (in the same classroom as the case), who is in the last 3 months of pregnancy.
- Schools are required to report any person diagnosed with pertussis, measles, mumps, rubella to Population and Public Health by calling **306-655-4612**.

Disease	Incubation Period The time it takes for the first signs or symptoms to appear after the germ enters the body.	Infectious Period The time during which a germ can spread to other people.	Exclusion Period The time a person must stay at home to prevent the spread of infection.
Measles	7 - 18 days (rash comes 2 - 4 days after illness starts)	4 days before, to 4 days after rash appears	4 days from the time rash appears
Rubella	14 - 23 days	7 days before, to 5 days after rash appears	7 days from the time rash appears
Mumps	14 - 25 days	1 week before, and 9 - 14 days after onset of illness	5 days after swelling appears and extend to 9 if case remains symptomatic

Hepatitis B, C and HIV are not spread through casual contact, so exclusion from school is not usually necessary.

For more information, contact the nearest Population and Public Health Office:

Saskatoon & Surrounding Area Locations		Rural Area Locations	
North East	306-655-4700	Humboldt	306-682-2626
Our Neighbourhood	306-655-3250	Toll Free	1-855-613-8205
South East	306-655-4730	Rosthern	306-232-6001
Toll Free	1-855-613-8216	Toll Free	1-888-301-4636
West Winds	306-655-4275	Wadena	306-338-2538
Toll Free	1-855-295-9166	Toll Free	1-855-338-9944
International Travel	306-655-4780	Wakaw	306-233-4363
		Toll Free	1-855-613-8205
		Watrous	306-946-2102
		Toll Free	1-877-817-9336
		Wynyard	306-554-3335
		Toll Free	1-855-613-8111

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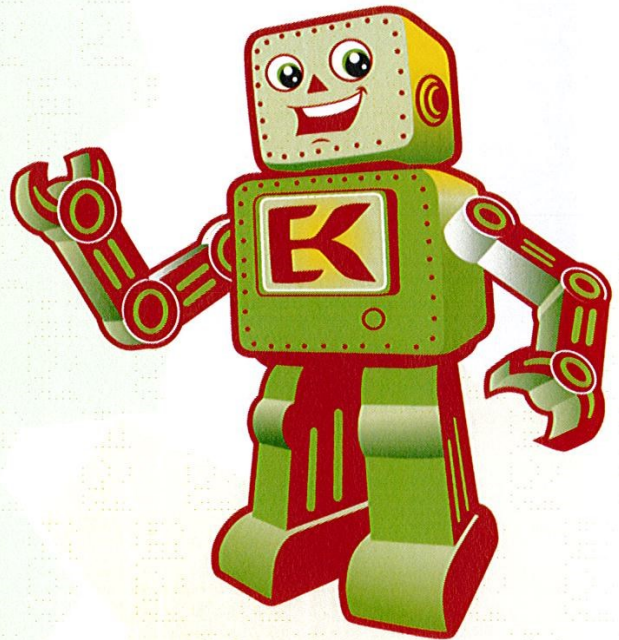
Wednesdays: Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and December 7.

Time: 3:30-5:00pm

Grades 4, 5, and 6

Warman Community Middle School

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