

WEST ROUGE WEEKLY

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October 9th – 13th, 2023

Information & Announcements

Principal Ponka:

We would like to Thank Ms. Ponka for her incredible leadership in helping us get off to a smooth and successful start of the school year. She has been a positive, encouraging role model for staff and students.

Thank you, Ms. Ponka, we appreciate all you do and we hope to see you again.

Thanksgiving Food Drive:

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Thanksgiving Food Drive. Your generosity is appreciated.

Cross Country Meet:

We have an amazing number of runners taking part in the Cross-Country Meet at Thompson Park on Wednesday October 11th. A link has been sent out to families of the participating athletes. Good Luck everyone!

School Spirit Wear:

Please click the link below to place your order. Be sure to order the correct size as we are unable to change incorrect sizing. **Order Deadline is October 29** <https://westrougefall2023.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

A Note from Principal Ponka...

This Thursday we had our first whole school assembly. The little JK/SK students set the tone, sitting up front legs crisscross and eyes up with full attention on the speaker. We recognized some of the many events we have taken part to date, and it was not until I saw the visual slideshow and assembly led by junior students and heard the cheers of the many teams and the song of Gratitude by the kindergarten students that I realized...we have only been in school for 5 weeks!! We have truly accomplished so much already:)

This is in no small part due to the ongoing communication and teamwork demonstrated by this team, our supportive families and extended community and the diligent management of student safety and care of our office administrator Ms. Arroyo. And of course, our students need some recognition. I have truly enjoyed working with this group of children, big, small and every one of them unique. They have made me laugh reminded me that I loved and continue to love this profession.

Gratefully, I live in the community and look forward to the waves and smiles from you all as my dog Darwin and I take to the neighborhood streets each day. I hope to be back to visit or help out in the months or years to come. I know that having all this change of leadership is less than ideal. I am working to transition with incoming Principal(s) to ensure as much continuity as possible. Thank you for all of your support.

Ms. Ponka

Week at a glance....

Monday, October 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Happy Thanksgiving!• No School
Tuesday, October 10th DAY 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cross-Country 8:00am - 8:30am
Wednesday, October 11th DAY 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cross-Country Qualifying Meet at Thompson Park
Thursday, October 12th DAY 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cross-Country 8:00am - 8:30am• Walk To School Day
Friday, October 13th DAY 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cross-Country 8:00am - 8:30am

SAVE THE DATE...LOOKING AHEAD

October 19 th	Cross Country Finals at Thompson Park
October 19 th	LGBTQ Spirit Day – wear purple
October 25 th	Country City Finals at Centennial Park
October 31 st	Halloween

REMINDER: Due to various food allergies, food sharing is not recommended at school. Please contact the office if you have any questions or concerns.

GREAT THINGS HAPPENING @ WEST ROUGE!



**Grade 6
Boy's Soccer
Tournament**

Cardinals

**Grade 6 Girls
Borden Ball
Tournament**

