

MEDIA INVITE

50 years of fun in learning – celebrating WSD Nursery

May 13, 2016 (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg School Division (WSD) is celebrating 50 years since the start of its unique nursery program. To commemorate the occasion, David Livingstone School, where it all started, will be hosting a tree-planting and celebration on **Wednesday, May 18, 2016**.

In 1965, the Board of Trustees of Winnipeg School Division made the monumental decision to establish a nursery program. The intent was to start nursery in the lowest socio-economic areas and was established first at David Livingstone School.

"Preschool education, like the WSD Nursery program, has a long-term, positive impact on children's learning and development," said Sherri Rollins, Vice-Chair of the WSD Board of Trustees. "WSD Board is a strong advocate of early years education and we're very pleased to recognize the significance of this 50 year milestone." Rollins adds that Winnipeg School Division is the only division in Manitoba to offer Nursery programs at all 59 elementary schools.

When: 2:30 p.m. May 18, 2016

Where: David Livingstone School (library)

270 Flora Avenue

Who: Sherri Rollins, Vice Chair, Board of Trustees, Winnipeg School Division

Pauline Clarke, Chief Superintendent, Winnipeg School Division

Lionel Pang, Principal, Principal Sparling School and former WSD Nursery student

Tim Cox, Principal, David Livingstone School

David Livingstone School Nursery class

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