



# Dufferin School

## May 2024



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| Sun | Monday  | Tuesday    | Wednesday                                      | Thursday   | Friday  | Sat |
|-----|---|------------|--|------------|---|-----|
|     |   |            | 1 / Day 5                                      | 2 / Day 6  | 3 / Day 1   | 4   |
|     |   |            |  |            | Wear Red for<br>MMIWG honor walk<br> |     |
| 5   | 6 / Day 2   | 7 / Day 3  | 8 / Day 4                                      | 9 / Day 5  | 10 / Day 6  | 11  |
|     | <b>NO SCHOOL</b><br>Non-Instructional<br>Day  |            | <b>PAC meeting</b><br>Room 6<br>3:45 - 4:15 pm |            | <b>LUNCH PROGRAM</b><br>Pancakes and<br>Sausage   |     |
| 12  | 13 / Day 1  | 14 / Day 2 | 15 / Day 3                                     | 16 / Day 4 | 17 / Day 5  | 18  |
|     |   |            |  |            |   |     |
| 19  | 20  | 21 / Day 6 | 22 / Day 1                                     | 23 / Day 2 | 24 / Day 3  | 25  |
|     | <b>NO SCHOOL</b><br>Victoria Day  |            |  |            | <b>LUNCH PROGRAM</b><br>Spaghetti   |     |
| 26  | 27 / Day 4  | 28 / Day 5 | 29 / Day 6                                     | 30 / Day 1 | 31 / Day 2  |     |
|     |  |            |  |            | Grand Parents<br>Tea  |     |

The students, staff, and communities of Winnipeg School Division are committed to truth and reconciliation through building relationships with Mother Earth, the original peoples of this land, and the stories that bring us together. We acknowledge the place in which we gather is on Treaty 1 territory, the homeland of the Red River Métis, and the ancestral lands of the Anishinaabe, Ininiwak, and Dakota Oyate peoples.

## School Message

Greetings Dufferin Families,

I hope you're doing well and enjoying the sunshine and longer days! It's hard to believe that it is May already! How time flies when you're having fun!

We are excited to share with you that we received funding from Winnipeg School Division to have an Artist in the School for 5 weeks. Chris Schroll is a drummer/percussionist who uses the drums as a tool to bring people together, to celebrate, to improve moral, to reduce stress and to connect with one another. All grades N-6 are participating in 4-6 drumming sessions. We are looking forward to having a celebration of learning assembly in the beginning of June. More information to follow.

Keeping in the spirit of music...we are thrilled to announce that we were given staffing for a full time music teacher for next year. This is been desperately missed by the children, staff and community. Mr. Shynkaryk and I will be interviewing and hiring a music teacher in the coming weeks. More staffing information will be sent out in June as we interview for vacancies and finalize staffing.

A few other things to mention, teachers took part in a Smudging lunch and learn with Indigenous Way of Life Teacher, Matt Mousseau last week, we got our new Eco-system in the front foyer, and we spent time helping mother earth by participating in a community clean up! Our classroom teachers have been working tirelessly at planning and teaching mathematics. We spent April 19th with our Math Mentor Coach in professional learning- Dufferin teachers work hard to provide your children with learning tasks that are meaningful and engaging!

Here's to budding leaves, warm sunshine, and longer days.

Warm regards,

Ms.Camie - Principal



## Happenings at Dufferin!

**Our New Ecosystem!**

**A Guest, Matt Mousseau led a Lunch and Learn on Smudging.**

## Parent Council News

Thank you to all the families and students for supporting PAC over the last few months. Our next fundraiser will be April 22 to 26th. We will be doing a spring 'fun' basket raffle, along with selling chips, drink, and popcorn.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Helen Sinisalo**

## Newsletter

To view the rest of our newsletter, please review your email sent from School Messenger or check online by visiting our Dufferin School's website: <https://www.winnipegssd.ca/Dufferin>

## A Message from our Family Room,

Dufferin School would like to thank Tec Voc for preparing and packaging the rice pudding for our *Spring Feast* on April 17th. The salvation Army Weetamah for preparing and packing the Halal Beef Stew and juice beverages.

Elder Dave Kabestra for his prayer, song, and blessing of our food for this special event.

Little Red Spirit Head Start staff, Yvette and Erin, for disposing of our food with a prayer out at Brid's Hill Park.

## Family Room Calendar—May, 2024

- **May 1: Families in the Kitchen** 1:15 PM, Room 10
- **May 3: Metis Flower Beadwork** 1:15 PM, Room 1
- **May 8: Families in the Kitchen** 1:15 PM, Room 10
- **May 9: Adult Painting Class** 9:15 AM, Room 1
- **May 10: Metis Music & Michif Bingo** 1:15 PM, Room 1
- **May 15: Families in the Kitchen** 1:15 PM, Room 10
- **May 16: Little Food Explorers** 9:00 AM, Room 1
- **May 17: Metis Dot Art Workshop** 1:15 PM, Room 1
- **May 21: Bookmates** 1:15 PM, Room 1
- **May 22: Families in the Kitchen** 1:15 PM, Room 10
- **May 23: Soapstone Carving** 1:15 PM, Room 1
- **May 28: Rhyme Time** 1:15 PM, Room 1
- **May 31: Grandparent's Tea** 1:15 PM, Gym