



June 2024

Principal's Message



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Hello Kent Road Community!

Wow, can you believe it's Summer Vacation already. Our second year together has sure flown by and I'm already excited for next year. Check out our Report to the Community for a reflection on all the exciting learning experiences we shared this year.

I would like to thank everyone who was able to attend/support our Summer Community Feast. We hope you enjoyed coming together to share food, art (band, murals) and learning (Auntie Sharon and Gloria's blessing/teachings, Spirit Plate, Smudge, Sacred Fire, Giveaway, Berries). We hope this can be an annual event as we continue to deepen our understanding of traditional ways of knowing and doing in our journey towards truth and reconciliation. Next year we hope to start a beading group on Wednesdays in our library and a sewing group to create a lending library of ribbon skirts and vests for staff and students to borrow as needed. This is the next step in going deeper with our Medicine Wheel, Pow Wow, Feast and Metis teachings. If you have any gifts/teachings you are willing to share with the students please let me know, or please attend our first Parent Council meeting on October 16th, 2024 in the library.

The end of June can be a difficult time for kiddos as we have more transitions and activities breaking from familiar routines, its hotter and some feel a sense of loss as they are moving on or the security of the school routine in the summer. Our hope for you is celebration and reflection of a wonderful year of learning and accomplishments. Thank you for all your support this year as we continue to make changes to ensure appropriate and inclusive programming for all and strive to make Kent Road a true resource for families. Thank you for a wonderful year and partnership. Have a safe and relaxing break. We will see you for Meet the Teacher on Tues., Sept. 3. Students will return for another year of love, joy, rigor on Wed., Sept. 4. The office re-opens on Aug. 25 should you have any questions. Happy Summer Vacation!

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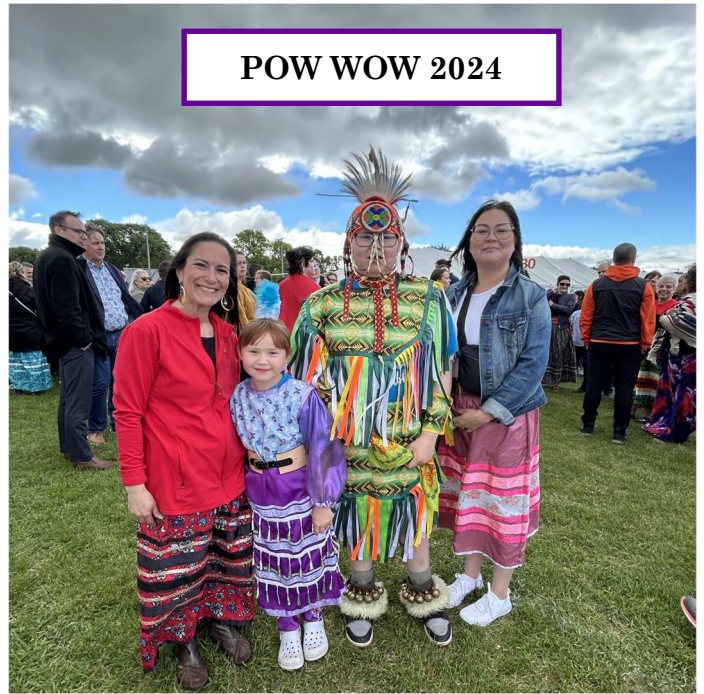
Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon



Our graduating class for 2024



POW WOW 2024



KENT ROAD SCHOOL 361

Our STEAM students



Welcoming our future students

An Indigenous Gift for our Feast Families





**KINDERGARTEN / NURSERY
FAREWELL CEREMONY**



OUR GRADE 6 FAREWELL CELEBRATION



Office Hours

The office is open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

School Hours

| | |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| 8:45 a.m. | Outdoor Screening begins |
| 8:50 | Entry Bell |
| 11:30 | Nursery/Kindergarten Pick Up |
| Noon | Lunch |
| 12:55 | Entry Bell |
| 3:30 | Dismissal |

Entry and Exit Doors

Please ensure you are using the designated cohort doors.

Nurs/Kinder & Rm 6—North West Doors

Rms 9, 10, 11—South East Doors (by the gym)

Rms 14, 15, 16—North East Doors (by play structure)

Rms 3, 4—Main Entrance

Arriving Late

Students who arrive after the bell are asked to use the main entrance to the school and check in at the office and pick up a welcome slip for their teacher and the office will update their attendance.

Early Pick Up

If you are picking up your child before dismissal, please call the office and we will make arrangements with you.

School Attendance System

The office no longer accepts calls regarding absences or lates. If your child is going to be late or absent, please call the **SafeArrival Attendance System @ 1-855-278-4513**.

If you would prefer, internet access, go to <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. Please do not send attendance notes to the office or your child's teacher. All attendance information needs to be updated through the SafeArrival system.

Patrols

School safety patrols will be on duty each day at 8:40 am, 12 noon, 12:55 pm and 3:30 pm. Please send your child when patrols are on post. Make sure your child comes home immediately after dismissal so they can cross with the patrols. For your child's safety, remind them to obey the patrols at all times. The patrol supervisor is **Ms. Behma**.

Daycare Spaces Available

The Munroe ECEC Daycare located in room 18 of the school currently has spaces available for students in grades 1-6. Please drop in or give us a call at 204-793-7626. We are open at 6:30 am until 9:00, and then from 3:30 pm until 6:00 pm. We are also open all day during school closure days.

Breakfast Club

This year will be the 10th year for our breakfast program. We are very excited that the program has become so popular since it started. The Breakfast Program is a great way to get to school on time and have a nutritional start to the day. Please remember that our Breakfast Co-ordinator only starts at 8:00. **Students are welcome to attend after 8:20 am.**

The continued success of this program means we will continue to offer free nutritional breakfasts, Monday to Friday. We ask that students enter through the back doors by the gym, **NOT THE MAIN DOORS**. Also it is very important to make sure that your children do not leave home too early as the doors for the breakfast program are only open as of 8:30 and there is no supervision outside until 8:50 am. Children will not be allowed to wait in the halls until the Breakfast Program opens.

Part of the success of the Breakfast Program is achieved by getting volunteers between 8-9 am to help prepare, serve and clean. It is a great way to meet and get to know the students and it's a lot of fun. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the office at 204-669-1228.

Volunteers

Kent Road School always welcomes volunteers to our buildings. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer in the school, please contact Ms. Calado in the office of call 204-669-1228.

Lunch Program

Our Parent Council Lunch Program is up and running. Only students whom are registered and have paid are able to stay for lunch. Our lunch program director is Shelley Gauthier and she can be reached at 204-914-2818 or via e-mail at kentroadpclp@gmail.com. They are currently hiring more staff to help support the lunch program. If you are interested, please contact Shelley. **The school does not provide lunch or offer student microwaves.**

Health Care Plans

Every child with special health care needs, such as a puffer, prescription medication or an EpiPen, requires a health care plan. The plan gives detailed information so the school may respond quickly.

It is a parent responsibility to inform the school about the health care needs of their child. If your child's plan has changed, please notify the school.

Administering Medication to Students

We know that from time to time, children need to receive medication while at school, and we're happy to oblige, within Winnipeg School Division guidelines. There is a form which you will need to fill out. As well, when you send the medication to school, it must be in the **original prescription bottle with the child's name on it**. Call the office for more information.

Kent Road School Doors Are Now Locked

For the safety of our students and staff, Kent Road School exterior doors are locked during most of the school day. Please use the main door near the office.

Parent Council

Co-Presidents: Aubrey Sesak & Sheena Dreger

Secretary: Barry Sesak

Treasurer: Anna Stevens

Fundraising: Shelly Wozniak

Lunch Program: Shelley Gauthier

Parent Council is open to all parents and is made up of volunteers who want to work on behalf of the school. Coming to Parent Council is an invaluable way to contribute to your child's education and overall school experience.

We have a lot of exciting ideas to bring forward this year, and we need your input and ideas. The more parents become involved in Parent Council, the better our school can be. Whether you can join us for one meeting or all five, your presence is important. Next Meeting: October 16th @ 6:30 PM. Child care is provided.

Head Lice at School

Please ensure you are checking your children regularly for head lice. Head lice is not a communicable disease, however they are a challenge to deal with. Students with live lice must stay home until treated.

If a student is found to have head lice at school, families will be notified via letter that head lice has been discovered. The rest of the class will also receive a letter stating that head lice has been found in the classroom.

It is our goal to work with families to deal with head lice as quickly as possible. If you need any support, please contact the school office at 204-669-1228.

Parent Parking

The parking lot is for staff who pay for the parking spot through the School Division. Families must find parking on neighbouring streets.

Please be reminded that drop off and pick up are very busy times. For the safety of our students, please ensure that you are not stopping in areas that are clearly signed.

We have had several complaints from neighbours.



The school office will be closed from July 1st through August 23rd. We will re-open on August 26th.

The first day of classes will be Wednesday, September 4th.

Room 3



Kent Road students tidy up the playground Wednesday. 'We don't want Canada to be dirty,' says Grade 1 student Kyle (third from right, with Merkeb, fourth from right, and friends).

All hands on deck at city school

Students take stand against litter; crews have city streets in better shape

MATTHEW FRANK

LITTERBUGS beware: Winnipeggers have been taking out the trash, including young students out on cleaning up their schoolyard.

"I want to see no littering because I see cigarette butts always in our yard," said seven-year-old Merkeb as she clutched a bag full of garbage.

She was one of several students at Kent Road elementary school in east Elmwood who took to the field Wednesday to pick up litter, the third day of a school-wide cleanup.

Armed with garbage bags and plastic gloves, they took up their mission with enthusiasm.

"We don't want Canada to be dirty," said Kyle, a Grade 1 student.

Merkeb, who's in Grade 2, said

she's learned a lot about pollution in the environment from her teacher.

Teacher Lynne MacDuff said it's important to have her students pick up garbage at a young age because it teaches them to be responsible.

"The kids loved it," said MacDuff. "We cleaned out the front of the school earlier, and they were getting excited when they found garbage, but also they were getting kind of frustrated and said that people were throwing out their garbage."

MacDuff said she made teaching about the environment and pollution a major component in her classes, just the usual Earth Month conversations in April.

"If we all just pick up a piece of garbage, it can really change the environment."

Take Pride Winnipeg completed a citywide litter index at the beginning of the month, which found streets and neighbourhoods to be cleaner than they were in April.

"What I've seen this year is a more concerted effort by people. I just think right now we are looking really, really, really good," said Tom Ethans, executive director of the organization.

"We can still use help. We're not perfect, but we're looking a lot better."

While the overall amount of litter has gone down, Take Pride Winnipeg found problem areas where litter was still spilling over.

Ethans said areas around Engress Street, Oakpoint and Killarney Avenue were the worst spots around the city.

Fast food cups, shopping carts and needles were the most frequent types of litter found when cleaning up, Ethans said.

More than 100 business and com-

munity groups, along with 58 schools, conducted cleanups around the city from April to June, as per Take Pride Winnipeg statistics.

David Pensato, executive director of the Exchange District BID, said the litter problem has improved overall, but maintenance crews are still picking up higher volumes of it than before the pandemic.

Since January, the BID has picked up in excess of 4,500 gallons of litter from transit shelters and the wider downtown neighbourhood.

The BID had its latest community cleanup in April.

"People are always willing to help out and we're looking at adding another couple of community cleanups," said Pensato.

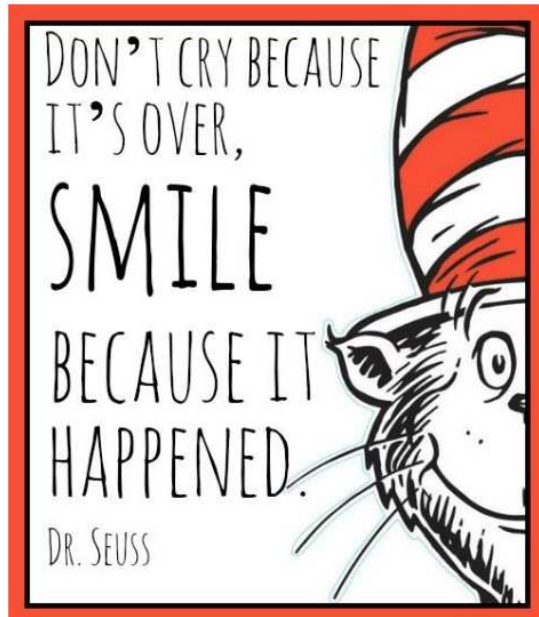
If more people took care to dispose of their trash, Winnipeg could be a healthier, safer and cleaner place, he said.

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Room 4

Hello Room 4 Families,

Well, here we are at the end of another school year. It is always a bittersweet time. There is so much joy and pride seeing how far all the students have come – academically, socially and emotionally. Our class has bonded like a school family, especially with all the relationships we have built with several of the students having been together for two years! It is a happy time looking forward to summer holidays. But there is indeed some sadness as we say goodbye to this year and this particular classroom. I know the students and I will see each other again, either on the playground, in the hallways, or perhaps in the same class again next year. I want to thank all of you for your support, assistance and involvement in your child's learning. Have a safe and enjoyable summer holiday!



Have a great

Summer
Vacation!

Room 6

Dear Room 6 Families,

Wow! This year really did fly by! This month we had a lot of fun and some tears together. We went to the Pow Wow, wrote beautiful stories for our families, and went on nature walks! Unfortunately, we also found out that I will be leaving next year. I would like to say thank you to all of my families! You were all so supportive and I enjoyed my time here with your children. I hope you all have a wonderful summer with your families and take time to get rest as well.

Take care,

I will miss you all!!

Thank you,

Ms. Roach



Room 10



Hello Room 10 Families!

June was a very busy month! Full of fun activities!

Students from our class attend the WSD Fit Run and did an amazing job! Everyone finished the race and we had two top 20 finishers. We also went to the WSD Powwow. Students got to see the grand entry, participate in sessions about Indigenous teachings in the stars in the star dome and see a hoop dancing performance. The weather wasn't great but we still had a good time.

Leadership students lead the activities for field day this year! They work so hard to make sure their activity was set up and running smoothly.

Thank you to all the families that came to the Kent Road Feast last week! It was so great to see you all there :)

Good luck to all the grade 6 students leaving Kent Road this year!

Have a wonderful and safe Summer break! See you in the Fall!

Room 14

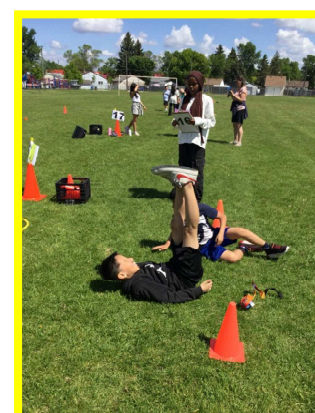
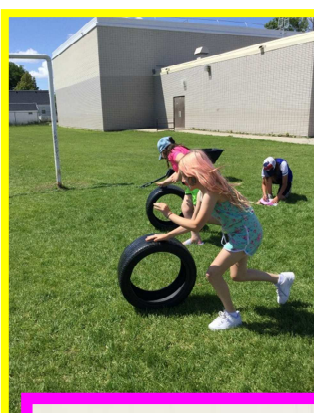
How is it June already? With the year nearly at a close, I have been looking back at pictures of the students in room 14 for our end of year slideshow, and I am marvelling at all of the learning activities we've done this year, and the huge amount of growth our students have shown academically, socially and physically! June has been filled with outdoor activities, and fun learning experiences indoors as we begin to wind down. I want to thank all families for your support this year, and wish you a safe and happy summer. I will see about half of you back in my class again for grade 4, but if not, I wish you the best learning experiences wherever you land.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS...



This month some of our grade 4, 5 & 6 students attended the Winnipeg School Division Fit Run. Congratulations to all participants!



Kent Road students all enjoyed our Field Day! Thank you to all of the grade 6 leadership students and the extra helpers for doing such a great job at your stations. You're awesome!



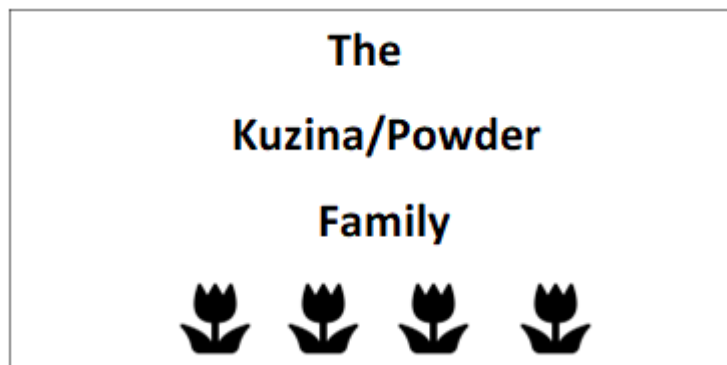
Once a Kodiak Always a Kodiak



Be active, stay safe and have fun! And have a fantastic summer!!!

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We would like to announce a huge
THANK YOU to our community
sponsors!





KIDS Summer DAY CAMP
KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 6

TWISTS & TURNS
FOLLOWING JESUS CHANGES THE GAME PSALM 25:4

GAMES—MUSIC—ACTIVITIES—SNACKS

CITYLIGHT CHURCH SCAN ME TO REGISTER!

FREE!

JULY 15-19 **1040 BEACH AVE** **9 AM-12 PM**



got questions? email us! info@citylightwinnipeg.com

FREE FAMILY EVENT!

Family Fun Day

SATURDAY JULY 6TH
12-3 PM - 361 KENT Rd.

Everyone is invited!
Free BBQ lunch, Bouncy castles
and other games for the kids!

CITYLIGHT CHURCH



CITYLIGHT CHURCH WINNIPEG



HOPE | EXPLORED

WHAT'S THE BEST FUTURE YOU COULD EVER IMAGINE?

Join us and discover hope, peace and purpose!

JULY 8-10
6:30PM - 8PM
1040 BEACH AVE



Each evening we will enjoy a free meal together, watch a video presentation about hope, and share our thoughts around the table!

FREE SUPPER & CHILDCARE PROVIDED!

got questions? email us! info@citylightwinnipeg.com

CITYLIGHT CHURCH WINNIPEG



THIS SUNDAY • 10 AM
1040 BEACH AVE



You're Invited!

Children's program for Kindergarten to Grade 5

email us! info@citylightwinnipeg.com

River East • Transcona

FREE SWIM

Admission requirements apply



Elmwood Kildonans Indoor Pool

909 Concordia Ave.
Jun 28–Aug 31
Fri* 7–9 p.m.
Sat 3:30–5 p.m.

*Youth Swim 9–19 years

CHILDREN'S FREE PLAY *6 to 12 years*

Come join in the fun!

Arts, crafts, games, sports, outdoor activities and more! Dates, times and locations subject to change. Visit winnipeg.ca or call 311 for the most up-to-date information.

| Location | Days | Hours | Starts | Ends | Notes |
|--|---------|----------------------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Chief Peguhs Middle School 1400 Rothesay St. | Mon–Thu | 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 2 | Aug 15 | |
| | Fri | 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 5 | Aug 16 | |
| East Elmwood CC 490 Keenleyside St. | Mon–Thu | 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 2 | Aug 22 | GCWCC Partnership |
| | Fri | 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 5 | Aug 23 | |
| Oxford Heights CC 359 Dowling Ave. E | Mon–Thu | 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 2 | Aug 15 | GCWCC Partnership |
| | Fri | 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 5 | Aug 16 | |
| Prince Edward School 649 Brazier St. | Mon–Thu | 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 2 | Aug 15 | |
| | Fri | 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 5 | Aug 16 | |
| Rotary Centenary Park 761 Rosseau Ave. W | Mon–Thu | 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 2 | Aug 15 | Outdoor site |
| | Fri | 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. | Jul 5 | Aug 16 | |



SKATEBOARD PARKS

For boarders of all ages & skill levels.

Chornick Park

45 Chornick Dr.

Clara Hughes Park

281 Henderson Hwy.

Victoria Jason Park

255 Redonda St.

YOUTH ACTION CENTRES *13 to 17 years, unless otherwise stated*

Take part in activities, get fit & make new friends!

Basketball, volleyball, badminton, floor hockey, outdoor activities, crafts, board games, video games, and special events. Dates, times, and locations are subject to change. Visit winnipeg.ca or call 311 for the most up-to-date information.

| Location | Days | Hours | Starts | Ends | Notes |
|---|---------|----------------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Bernie Wolfe School 95 Bournais Dr. | Mon–Thu | 2–9 p.m. | Jul 2 | Aug 8 | |
| | Fri | 2–6 p.m. | Jul 5 | Aug 2 | |
| East Elmwood CC 490 Keenleyside St. | Mon–Wed | 11 a.m.–7 p.m. | Jul 2 | Aug 21 | GCWCC Partnership 10–15 years |
| | Thu/Fri | 11 a.m.–4 p.m. | Jul 4 | Aug 22 | |
| River East Arena 1410 Rothesay St. | Mon–Fri | 11 a.m.–6 p.m. | Jul 2 | Aug 8 | 10–15 years |

SPRAY PADS



Great places for children of all ages to cool off on a hot summer day.

Open 7 days/week
9:30 a.m.–8:30 p.m.
May 18–Sep 2

Gateway

1717 Gateway Rd.

Jill Officer Park

1400 Rothesay St.

Park City West

115 Sanford Fleming Rd.

Valley Gardens

218 Antrim Rd.

Keep in mind that these areas are unsupervised.

HELP US HELP OTHERS!!



**Please drop off
your Pop-Tabs in
the Office**

**Please help us
collect Pop Tabs for
Wheelchairs!**

A MESSAGE FROM DAYCARE

The Munroe ECEC Daycare is a licensed Kindergarten-Grade 6 program for Before and After school care right in Kent Road School for children that attend Kent Road School. We take Kindergarten children that attend Kindergarten Mornings and are open afternoons from 1130-6PM . School age care is 630 am -9:00 am and 330-6:00 PM daily (Inservice hours open until 7:30- 5:30. We are open on Inservice days, Spring Break Holiday break in Dec/Jan and open July/Aug. Please find a link here to be placed on our waitlist <https://munroesa.childcare.link>



RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN THE ELMWOOD COMMUNITY

1. **Elmwood Community Resource Center:** <https://www.elmwoodcrc.ca/>
Drop in program with access to phone, fax, computer and information about community resources, family or individual therapy, Tot Spot for parents (short term child care), mini-year program (STEAM based programming for children 6-12), summer literacy camp (ages 5-11), Adult services (adult literacy, career counselling, Indigenous and Newcomer programs)
2. **Tots in Elmwood (TIE)** – Free drop in program for children 0 to 5 with their caregiver. Tuesday and Thursday 9:15-11:30 180 Poplar – Janice – Early Years Facilitator – 204-669-0750
3. **Elmwood-Kildonan Pool** – Free public swim Saturdays 3:30 to 5:00 Fall 2023 – please see up to date calendar online for most accurate swim times.
4. **Winnipeg Public Library:** Libraries often offer free or low-cost storytime and early literacy programs for preschool-aged children. It's a great way to support early reading skills.
5. **Winnipeg Leisure Guide** – Free programs – the Fall 2023 brochure:
<http://winnipeg.epubs.flippagepublishing.com/publication/?i=800695>
6. **Riverwood Church:** <https://www.riverwood.cc/elmwood>

The Refuge

The Refuge is a collection of programs that respond to the needs of women in the Elmwood Community. It is a mentor-based program that provides support groups based on different circumstances and needs. We offer general support to moms, and specific group supports to women dealing with domestic violence and addiction issues.

Food

We partner with Harvest Manitoba to provide groceries to Elmwood families every week. Our food bank runs every Wednesday from 2-7pm, and on Thursdays from 11am-1pm we offer a drop-in soup lunch!

Kidz Club

Tuesdays | 6:30-8:00pm

River Elm School | 500 Riverton Ave.

An energized and lively community night, Kidz Club offers a place for elementary-aged kids from Elmwood to connect, feel accepted, and be cheered on by mentors and leaders.

It truly is a privilege to experience kids from all over the Elmwood community coming together to share games, crafts, snacks, and friendship.

Riverwood House

An Innovative Recovery Housing Project

Riverwood House is a 40-unit Recovery Housing complex taking aim at addictions, poverty, and homelessness through a safe, stable and supportive environment for Winnipeg's at-risk population.

September

2024

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|--|-----------------------|----------------------|---|
| 2 | 3 Day 1 | 4 Day 2 | 5 Day 3 | 6 Day 4 |
| Labour Day | School opens, Non-Instructional Meet The Teacher 2:30 – 4:30 | Students begin school | N/K First Day | |
| 9 Day 5 | 10 Day 6 | 11 Day 1 | 12 Day 2 | 13 Day 3 |
| | | | | Chapters Adopt a School fund-raising period today until October 6 th |
| 16 Day 4 | 17 Day 5 | 18 Day 6 | 19 Day 1 | 20 Day 2 |
| | | | Pizza note goes home | |
| 23 Day 3 | 24 Day 4 | 25 Day 5 | 26 Day 6 | 27 Day 1 |
| Non-Instructional Day | Pizza Money Due | | | Orange Shirt Day |
| 30 Day 3 | | | | |
| National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - No School | | | | |

Have a safe and wonderful summer from all of us at Kent Road School!!