

École Lansdowne

DECEMBER 2024

MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION:



Dear Families of École Lansdowne,

As we approach the holiday season, we want to take a moment to wish you and your loved ones a safe, joyful, and restful time—whatever holiday you celebrate. This is a special time of year for reflection, connection, and celebration, and we hope it brings warmth and happiness to all our families.

We are incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication our students have shown throughout the term. With tri-conferences and report cards completed, we celebrate their growth and achievements. Thank you, parents and guardians, for the partnership and support you provide, for celebrating and partnering with us in students' learning. A strong home-school connection plays a vital role in student success.

Looking ahead, we are thrilled about the upcoming Winter Concerts! Please mark your calendars for these special performances:

- Nursery and Kindergarten: Tuesday, December 10, at 10:30 AM
- Grades 1-3: Wednesday, December 11, at 6:00 PM

These concerts are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our students' creativity and talents, and we hope to see many of you there.

We are also excited to announce the return of École Lansdowne's Spirit of Giving Bazaar! This cherished event provides students the opportunity to purchase small gifts for friends, family, and loved ones, encouraging them to think of others during this season of giving. Proceeds from the bazaar will support families in need within our community.

We are seeking donations of small, clean, new, or like-new items to stock the bazaar. If you have items to contribute, please send them to the school. Your generosity helps make this event a meaningful experience for our students. You can find more details about the Spirit of Giving Bazaar in this edition of the newsletter.

We'd also like to invite all parents and guardians to attend the final Parent Council Meeting of 2024, happening on Monday, December 16, at 6:30 PM. We would love to add more voices from our school community to our council meetings. Please come out to see what it's all about and share your ideas—we'd be delighted to welcome you!

Lastly, we are eagerly anticipating Spirit Week during the last week of school before the break! This fun-filled week will include exciting dress-up days and activities for students and staff to show off their school spirit. It's a wonderful way to end the year on a high note as we come together as a community.

Please remember that school will resume after the break on Monday, January 6, 2025. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for a fantastic new year!

Thank you for being such an important part of our school community. Wishing you all a season filled with love, laughter, and joy.



-Mme Jessica Mayor-Rodrigues, Principal

- Mme Faria Sheikh, Vice-Principal



LANSDOWNE DAILY SCHEDULE

8:20 am: First Bell Rings

- Students line up outside, teachers greet students and walk them to their classrooms

8:25 am: O Canada and Announcements

11:30 am: LUNCH

- Students eat in their classrooms

2:55 pm: Final Bell Rings

- Students line up and are walked to the bus or picked up at their assigned doors



Reminders

NO STOPPING
in front of
École Lansdowne!



YOU MAY BE FINED!

If you will be picking up
your child who usually takes
the school bus, please notify
the office **before 2:00 pm.**



ASSIGNED DOORS

Students will enter and exit from their assigned doors as follows:

N/K • NE back doors to the grade 4 hallway

Bussed N/K • N bus loop doors

Grade 1/2 • SE back doors to the grade 1 hallway

Grade 3 + Rm133 • NW front doors to the library hallway

Grade 4 • NE back doors to the grade 4 hallway

Grade 5/6 • E back doors beside gym

Grades 7 & 8 • SW front doors on Wiginton (main entrance)



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The full version of our newsletter is sent to all families electronically.

Please make sure the school has your current email address on file so that you don't miss out on important information!



Absences

If your child(ren) will be away from school for any reason, please call **SAFE ARRIVAL** at 1-855-278-4513 to report the absence.

You may also visit <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca> or download the app to report absences.

Absences must be recorded before 8:30am, and planned absences may be reported in advance.

Winter Concert information

Tuesday, December 10th

Wednesday, December 11th

Nursery/Kindergarten

- **10:00 am** for the morning classes
- **1:30 pm** for the afternoon classes
- Performances will take place in the gym

Grades 1-3

- **12:30 pm** and **6:00 pm** in the gym
- Doors open at 5:30 pm
- **Performers need to arrive at 5:45 pm at the latest**
- Childcare available

Students are asked to dress their best!

Spirit of Giving Bazaar

This year we are raising funds to donate to families (in the community) who are experiencing challenges through a Spirit of Giving Bazaar on December 16th to the morning of the 18th. We are asking for any type of donation (clean and in good condition) for our students in Grades 1-6 to purchase and give to a parent or guardian as a gift. Ideas of items you can begin to set aside are: kitchen knickknacks, jewelry, decorations, trinkets, books, and tools (NO food, clothing, or cosmetics please). Don't forget that students have to carry these items home in their backpacks, so nothing too heavy! There will be a table by the office for donations starting on December 9th. Thank you for your support!



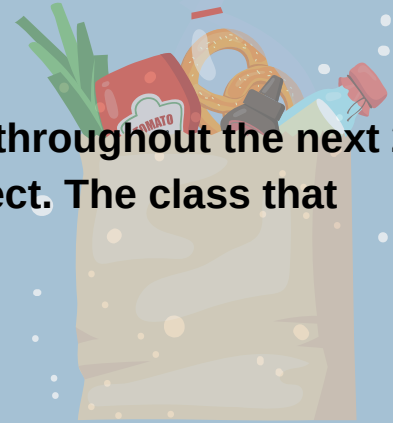
HARVEST



Harvest Manitoba feeds over 90,000 Manitobans a month. They collect and distribute food all over Manitoba. This year, our Leadership students decided they want to help. Please help us collect for our food drive for Harvest Manitoba to make sure families have healthy food for the holidays.

We will be continuing to collect the suggested items below throughout the next 2 weeks. Let's see how much more food Lansdowne can collect. The class that brings in the most food will win a pizza lunch!

December 2-6: Peanut butter, canned tuna, canned meats
December 9-13: Baby formula, juices, other



Spirit Week

Monday Dec. 16th to Friday Dec. 20th

Monday: Santa Hat Day!



Tuesday: Dress Like an Elf Day!



Wednesday: Candy Cane and Snowflake Day!

Dress in candy cane stripes or snowflake white!



Thursday: Christmas Holiday Sweater Day!



Friday: PJ Day!



*****Thank you from the Leadership Team!*****





L.P.C. EXECUTIVE 2024-2025

PRESIDENT: Andrea Harrison

EMAIL: winnipeg.lpc@gmail.com

VICE PRESIDENT: Wendy Zebrasky

Positions available for Secretary and Treasurer*

The next LPC meeting is on **Monday, December 16th**

The next LPC meeting will be held in person in Room 114.

Please use the front doors of the school when you come.



Interested in joining the Executive Committee?

Our Treasurer and Secretary positions remain open. These positions are a great way to connect with other Lansdowne Families. Contact the winnipeg.lpc@gmail.com if you're interested or would like more information--we'll be happy to have you on board!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

On behalf of the Lansdowne Parent Council we would like to wish all the families at Lansdowne a safe and wonderful holiday season!





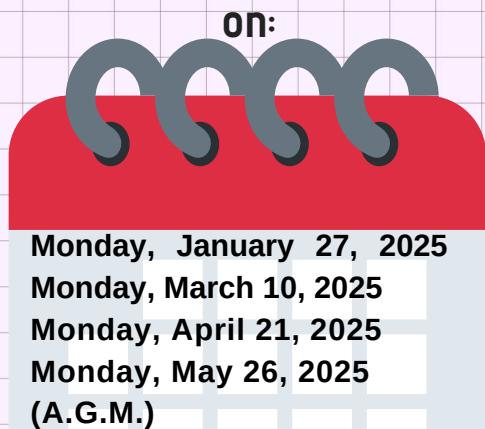
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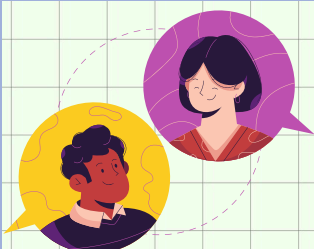


Announcing Our New Parent Group!

We're excited to introduce our latest initiative: a new group started by parents, for parents aimed at creating a supportive environment for families within our school community. Our mission is to provide a safe space for parents to connect, share experiences, learn from speakers, and support one another in caring for children with different needs.



Interested in joining the Executive Committee?



École Lansdowne's Parent Council will be accepting nominations for the following Executive Council positions:

Secretary (2 year term)

Treasurer (1 year term)

More information will be sent to families via e-mail.

Hot Lunch can be purchased on

Mon- Chicken Burger

\$3 Wed- Mac and Cheese

Fri- Grilled Cheese



CONTACT INFO



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TRANSPORTATION:

204-586-8800

SAFE ARRIVAL ABSENCE REPORTING:

1-855-278-4513



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Day 2 2  Winnipeg Harvest Food Drive Continues	Day 3 3	Day 4 4	Day 5 5	Day 6 6
Day 1 9 The Spirit of Giving Bazaar Donations Begin 	Day 2 10 N/K Winter Concert (10:00 am & 1:30 pm) 	Day 3 11 Grades 1-3 Winter Concert Rehearsal at 12:30pm Concert at 6:00 pm 	Day 4 12	Day 5 13 French Movie/Activity Day  Last Day for The Spirit of Giving Bazaar Donations 
Day 6 16   6:30 PM	Day 1 17 (Grades 1-6) The Spirit of Giving BAZAAR	Day 2 18 	Day 3 19	Day 4 20 Winnipeg Harvest Food Drive Ends  Last Day of School Before Winter Break
 Spirit Week see page 4				
23	24	25	26	27
 WINTER BREAK School Reopens Monday, January 6, 2025  				

**Happy Holidays & Best Wishes
from everyone at École
Lansdowne!**

IMPORTANT DATES 2024 - 2025

DECEMBER

- 10 - N/K Winter Concert (10:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.)
- 11 - Gr. 1-3 Winter Concert 12:30 Rehearsal
Concert at 6:00 p.m.
- 16-20 - Spirit Week
- 20 - **Last Day Before Winter Break**

APRIL

- 7 - School Reopens
- 8 - P.B.I.S. Common Area Training
- 9 - International Day of Pink
- 11 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 17 - Celebration of Learning (4:00-7:30 p.m.)
- 18 - **NO SCHOOL (Good Friday)**
- 25 - Lansdowne Spirit Day

JANUARY

- 6 - **School Reopens**
- 24 - Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 31 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**

MAY

- 1 - Bus Ridership
- 9 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 12 - Gr. 4-6 Concert Rehearsal
- 13 - Gr. 4-6 Concert (12:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.)
- 14 - Junior High Outdoor Track and Field
- 16 - Walk-a-thon
- 19 - **NO SCHOOL (Victoria Day)**
- 22 - Junior High Outdoor Track and Field
- 28 - Band 7/8 Concert 6:00 p.m. (12:30 p.m. Rehearsal)
- 31 - Lansdowne Spirit Day

FEBRUARY

I LOVE TO READ MONTH

- 17 - **NO SCHOOL (Louis Riel Day)**
- 18-21 - Festival Week
- 20 - Festival du Voyageur Activity Day
- 28 - Lansdowne Spirit Day

JUNE

- 6 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 23 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 24 - Gr. 8 Farewell (9:30 a.m.)
- 25 - Report Cards Sent Home
- 26 - Last Day for N/K Students
- Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 27 - **Last Day of School**
- **Early Dismissal at 10:55 a.m.**

MARCH

- 14 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 18 - Spring Photos
- 26 - Report Cards Go Home
- 28 - **Last Day Before Spring Break**
- Lansdowne Spirit Day