École Lansdoune FEBRUARY 2025 **MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION:**

Bonjour chers parents de Lansdowne,

February marks the halfway point in the school year! We are moving into a vibrant and exciting month filled with engaging learning opportunities for our students and community involvement in our school. Here are some highlights of the month ahead:

February is Black History Month, a meaningful time for students to learn about and celebrate the contributions and stories of Black individuals throughout history. We encourage conversations at home that reinforce the values of inclusion, respect, and appreciation for diversity.

This month is also J'aime lire (I Love to Read) month! We are excited to welcome guest readers from the University of Manitoba Bisons football team and the Winnipeg Police Service, who will join us to inspire a love for reading among our students. There are exciting opportunities planned for students to show their love of reading throughout the month. Please see the J'aime lire calendar inside this newsletter. February is field trip month! Many students will visit Festival du Voyageur, to immerse themselves in learning about Franco-Manitoban culture and history. Hé ho ! Grade 6 students will attend a concert at the Centennial Concert Hall and Grade 8 students will visit Tec Voc and Sisler High Schools to learn about their special programs.

Following the long weekend in February, we will kick off La semaine française, a week of French-themed activities celebrating French language and culture. C'est le fun en français !

The Grade 4 Swimming Counts program begins this month, providing students with important life skills and a chance to stay active.

Students in Grades 3 through 8 are already working hard preparing for Concours d'art oratoire. This speech competition is a wonderful opportunity for students to develop their public speaking skills in French and share their passions. Be sure to ask your child what their speech is about and encourage them as they practice!

For families registering new students for September 2025, please note that there is important information regarding changes to our catchment boundaries. Registration will be online only and begins February 10. More details are provided in this newsletter or on the WSD website.

As you can see, February is shaping up to be a month full of excitement and community. Thank you for your ongoing support as we create meaningful experiences for our students. Warm regards,

Faria Sheikh and Jessica Mayor-Rodrigues

NURSERY & KINDERGARTEN Registration for 2025-2026 *Please note that our catchment has changed !*

Please check your school catchment before you register at: https://www.winnipegsd.ca/page/9266/find-a-school

We will be accepting registrations for September 2025 Nursery and Kindergarten starting on **Monday, Feb 10th**. If your child will be 4 years of age by December 2025, please register online at:

https://www.winnipegsd.ca/page/28577/student-registration

If your child will be 5 years of age by December 2025, and is not currently a Lansdowne student, please register online at:

https://www.winnipegsd.ca/page/28577/student-registration

Please note that if your child is currently in our Nursery program, they will be automatically placed into a Kindergarten classroom for next year; you will not need to reregister for Kindergarten.

Don't Forget to Dress for the Weather!

ALL students need to be dressed appropriately for colder temperatures.

This includes: a winter jacket, snow boots, toque, mitts, and ski pants.

> Students who ride the school bus MUST be prepared for winter conditions. This is not only a matter of comfort, but also safety. In the event of an emergency, or another unexpected situation, we want to make sure all students are protected from the cold.











Lansdonne's got Talent



 Beginning this month, see Mme Carlson, Mme Heinrichs or Mme Mitchell for sign-up forms.

LANSDOWNE'S GOT TALENT

Do you have the voice of an angel? Can you play an instrument? Are you in dance or gymnastics? Or maybe you have a martial arts routine or a magic act you'd like to share! For all of our talented <u>grade</u> <u>6 to 8</u> Lansdowne students, this is the perfect way to showcase your abilities and share your special gifts with your classmates!



I LOVE TO READ MONTH!

Building Bridges

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	
Prepared by: Reading Council of Greater Winnipeg Please visit: https://rcgw.weebly.com							
2 Read How to Make Un Ami: The Story of Elliott and Élodie by Amy Warr and Kristy Maan.	3 Greet someone in French today.	4 How do you say "I love to read" in French?	5 What languages are spoken in Manitoba?	6 Go for a walk and look for signs in different languages.	7 Write as many words as you can in 5 minutes.	8 Visit your local library.	
9 Read When We Are <i>Kind/</i> <i>Nihá'ádaahwiinít'íigo</i> by Monique Gray Smith.	10 What does kindness mean to you? Make a list of ways to be kind.	11 Complete 3 random acts of kindness today.	12 Write a thank you note to someone special.	13 Make a bookmark about kindness.	14 Say I Love You in a different language.	15 Read <i>Luli and the</i> <i>Language of Tea</i> by Andrea Wang.	
16 Make a cup of tea and listen to a story.	17 Find someone that speaks a different language and ask them to teach you a word.	18 Write down 3 things you are grateful for.	19 Read <i>Next Door</i> by Deborah Kerbel. If there were words, what would they say?	20 Learn a word in American Sign Language (ASL).	21 Create your own wordless picture book.	22 Play a game of charades or Pictionary, using no words.	
23 How many ways can you say "Hello"?	24 Trade books with a friend.	25 Create a poem about your identity.	26 Read a dual language book of your choice.	27 Play a word game like Boggle, Scrabble or Bananagrams.	28 Share your favourite story with someone.		



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!



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

February

The full version of our newsletter is sent to all families <u>electronically</u>. Please make sure the school has your current email address on file so that you don't miss out on important information!

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)



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 <u>before 8:30am,</u> and planned absences may be reported in advance.

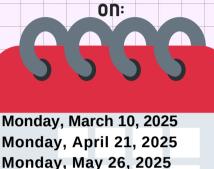


L.P.C. EXECUTIVE 2024-2025

PRESIDENT: Andrea Harrison VICE PRESIDENT: Wendy Zebrasky

EMAIL: winnipeg.lpc@gmail.com

The next LPC meeting is on Monday, March 10 in room 114. The next L.P.C. MEETING DATES are



Monday, April 21, 2025 Monday, May 26, 2025 (A.G.M.)



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.

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.



Hot Lunch can be purchased on **Mon-Chicken Burger** Wed-Mac and Cheese Fri-Grilled Cheese



CONTACT INFO 🗠 Lunch Program Coordinator: Mary Sutton 204-338-7039 lunchprogramsuttonm1@gmail.com

SPORTS CALENDAR FEBRUARY 2025

Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6TB 11: 30 am 3 BCBB Practice 3-4:30 pm	5TB 4 11:30 am	6TB 11: 30 am 5 BDBB Home Game 4pm	6 GCBB Away Game- Grant Park BCBB Home Game 4 pm	Triple Ball Tournament 7 5TB Waterford <i>BCBB Practice</i> 3-4:30 pm 6TB Robertson
10 GCBB Practice 3-4:30	11 GCBB Away Game- Churchill BCBB Away Game River Heights 5: 30 pm	12 Track Meet UofM BDBB Home Game 4pm	13 GCBB Away Game- Churchill BCBB Home Game 4 pm	14 BCBB-Tournament Stanley Knowles
17 NO SCHOOL! (Louis Riel Day)	18	19 BDBB Game at Shaughnessy 4pm BCBB Practice 3-4:30 pm	20	21 GCBB Tournament @ George Waters BCBB Practice 3-4:30 pm
24 BCBB Practice 3-4:30 pm	25	26	27 Basketball Playoffs Begin Feb 27th-Mar 8th	28 BCBB-Waterford Tournament
	Please use Bus Loop Doors to enter the school for Games after 3:30 pm		etitive Basketball opmental Basketball otetive Basketball pleball	



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TRANSPORTATION: 204-586-8800



SAFE ARRIVAL ABSENCE REPORTING : 1-855-278-4513



IMPORTANT DATES 2025

FEBRUARY I LOVE TO READ BLACK HISTORY MONTH

10- Nursery, Kindergarten Registrations

17 - NO SCHOOL (Louis Riel Day)

- 18-21 Festival Week
- 19- Swimming Counts
- 26 Festival du Voyageur Activity Day
- 27 Swimming Counts
- 28 Lansdowne Spirit Day

MARCH

6- Swimming Counts

14 - NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)

- 18 Spring Photos
- 26 Report Cards Go Home

28 - Last Day Before Spring Break

- Lansdowne Spirit Day

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

MAY

- 1 Bus Ridership
- 9 NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)
- 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

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.