

SEPTEMBER 2023

MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION:

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all new and returning students to École Lansdowne as we kick off the 2023-2024 academic year! We're excited to be getting back into the fall routine, and we are confident that the upcoming school year will be filled with amazing learning opportunities and experiences.

Our custodial staff have gone above and beyond the call of duty to prepare our school for another year of learning. It looks amazing! We are truly appreciative and would like to thank them for their hard work and dedication.

We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome back our exceptional staff, and introduce you to the newest members of our family here at Lansdowne. Please join us in welcoming;

Jessica Mayor-Rodrigues - Principal
Alyssa Kerr - Grade 1
Audrey Manalili- Grade 5
Breanna Heinrichs- .5 Music
Michael Chartrand- Grade 8
Joe Fernandez- Head Custodian

Please mark your calendars for the following important dates in September;

<u>September 6th</u>- First day of classes for grades 1-8 (Please note that pylons will be placed with your child's teacher, grade and room number). Please see the attached map for new grade level doors/line up locations.

<u>September 5th & 6th</u>- Kindergarten and Nursery classroom orientation (time and date were mailed to families).

<u>September 7th & 8th</u>- Kindergarten and Nursery Staggered start.

<u>September 14th</u>- Meet the Teacher/BBQ from 4:00-6:00 p.m. (BBQ sticks, chips and drinks will be available for purchase from 4:00-5:00).

September 29th- Orange Shirt Day

We are committed to providing a safe and comfortable learning environment for all of our students and staff. We believe in a strong community-school partnership, and we encourage open communication throughout the year. If you have any questions or concerns at anytime, please contact your child's teacher, the office staff, or administration at 204-338-7039. We appreciate your ongoing support and look forward to seeing, meeting and working with all of you!

-Mme Jessica Mayor-Rodrigues- Principal

-Mme Ashley Morrison - Vice-Princial



SAFE ARRIVAL

ABSENCE REPORTING SYSTEM

If your child will be away from school for any reason, you must use Safe Arrival to report the absence. The Safe Arrival toll-free phone number is **1-855-278-4513**. If you have not already done so, please sign up for an account on the website at https://go.schoolmessenger.ca using the same email address we have on file at the school in order to report absences online. You may also download and use the app to inform the school if your child(ren) will be away for any reason.



Principal: Jessica Mayor- Rodrigues

Office Staff: **Custodial Staff:**

Sandy Skorpad (Secretary) Sue Jones (Admin Assistant)

Sabrina Godard (Admin Assistant)

Mitch Ruminski (Evening) **Elementary Teachers:**

Nurs./Kind.am & pm 124

Nurs./Kind.am & pm 129

Nurs./Kind.am & pm 131

Grade 1

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John Jongsma (Evening)

Jose Fernandes (Head Custodian)

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Kyla Haggart

Debbie Betts

Alissa Kerr

Rhonda Morden

Sheila Sandison

Emily Warren

N/K Support	Room 132	Amber Hewitt
IERT	Room 132A	Alana Sebastyanko
IERT	Room 132B	Jevian Haywood
IPLE/Literacy Support	Room 132C	Joan Coppens
Resource Support	Library	Rhonda Morden

Support Teachers:

			Grade 2	137	Karin Stanik
Junior High Teachers:			Grade 2	138	Barb Rymarczuk
Grade 7 Français/ELA	Room 119	Krystal Mitchell	Grade 2	136	Sylvie Arnal
Grade 8 Sciences Humaines	Room 119	Gillian Ginsburg	Grade 3	134	Ari Sarbit
		O	Grade 3	135	Kylie Golding
Grade 7/8 Science Nat.	Room 115	Henri Mendy	Grade 3	139	Lucille Galvez
7 Sciences Humaines			Grade 4	P1	Tanoe Estelle Amoa
7 Sciences Hamaines			Grade 4/5	P2	Leona De Rosa
Grade 8 ELA/Français	Room 122	Michael Chartrand	Grade 4	Р3	Mike Wiebe
7 Art	100111 122	Wilchael Chartrana	Grade 5	133	Audrey Manalili
/ Alt			Grade 5	115	Abdel Khalboubi
Grade 7/8 Math	Room 111	Mike Hrechkosy	Grade 6	118	Dana Linton
7 Technology	KUUIII III	wiike miechkosy	Grade 6	121	Jillian MacKenzie

Grade 5-8 Support Room 112 Allyson Fedak

Grade 7/8 Health		
Éducation Physique	Gym	Ryden Marko Gillian Ginsburg

Grades 1-6 Musique	Room 102	Breanna Heinrichs
Grades 3-8 Musique/Band	Room 102	Amy Carlson

Educational Assistants:

Marine Nyirankuriza Pat Pavchek Bonnie DeSousa Margaret Melo (Library) Janice Wege Samuel Mwimuka Helen Matias Andrea Harrison



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

11:15 am: LUNCH

Students eat in their classrooms and then go outside

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



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 · 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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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.

Entry Doors and Recess Zones Lansdowne





L.P.C. Executive 2023-2024:

PRESIDENT: Andrea Harrison VICE-PRESIDENT: Rick de Guzman



The L.P.C. Welcome Back BBQ will be held on Thursday, September 14th in conjunction with the Meet the Teacher evening. The event will be taking place just outside the gym doors from 4:00-5:00pm- Filipino BBQ, bag of chips, and bottled water will be available for \$4.00 or, individual BBQ sticks may be purchase separately for \$3.00. Pre order forms will be sent home with students prior to the BBQ. Please note a limited amount of sticks will be available for purchase the day of. Admin and staff members will be present to answer any questions related to the parent council and lunch program. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you to all who helped make this possible!



Monday, September 25, 2023
Monday, October 23, 2023
Monday, December 4, 2023
Monday, January 22, 2024
Monday, March 4, 2024
Monday, April 8, 2024
Monday, May 27, 2024 (A.G.M.)



CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER



For those interested in fundraising this year, cases of chocolates will be available for pickup starting Sept 11th. Once you have filled out a request form, the chocolates will be provided to you to take home. Each case is worth \$90.00 and contains 30 boxes of chocolates to be sold for \$3.00 a piece. All money raised will be to support school-initiated programming including guest artists, music and band programs, physical education programs, and technology integration.

As always, fundraising is voluntary- if you do not wish to sell chocolates but would still like to contribute cash or cheque donations will also be accepted.

<u>Please make all cheques payable to Lansdowne</u> <u>Parent council.</u>



WHAT IS LUNCH PROGRAM?

The Lunch Program is a **non-profit small business** that is administered by the Lansdowne Parent Council. The L.P.C. is a **volunteer group of parents** who have been given the mandate by the Winnipeg School Division to oversee the Lunch Program. As such, L.P.C. employs a Lunch Program Coordinator and Supervisors. L.P.C. pays E.I., W.C.B., C.R.A. taxes, pension, and vacation pay. Some parent councils within the school division have their lunch programs administered by outside agencies. This allows those parent councils to focus on council work vs. running a business with all the associated responsibilities.

All students staying at school at lunch must be registered.

PAYMENT INFORMATION (



All payments are due on the 20th of the preceding month (this aligns with the Child Tax Benefit payment).

Lunch Program fees cover program costs only. They do not cover food, snacks, or drinks from the canteen. These must be purchased separately.

A \$5.00 late fee will be applied at the end of the first week of non-payment and a flat \$10.00 fee will be applied after that. Late fees must be paid with the monthly fees.

LUNCH PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS:

Please be advised that microwaves will not be available. Milk is to be consumed within the lunch hour. Please do not bring milk home that has been sitting in lunch kits. As well, milk is not to be shared by students.

WHAT MAKES ÉCOLE LANSDOWNE'S LUNCH PROGRAM DIFFERENT?

Many lunch programs cap registration to a specific number of children - some on a first-come, first-served basis and some strictly on need (only those who can prove this need are permitted to enroll, for example both parents work and no one is able to pick up their child). No other school in the W.S.D. has a Lunch Program with no registration cap and a coordinator onsite 6 hours per day, 5 days per week.

The École Lansdowne Lunch Program is the cheapest within the W.S.D. with no rate increase in over 4 years. The monthly cost is \$24 per student (just \$1.20 per day!), and less if there are more than 2 students per family. The cost per day works out to \$1.20 per student. Daily fresh milk can also be added at a monthly cost of just \$6.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Lunch Program Coordinator makes every effort to contact parents regarding payment and late payments. The L.P.C. understands that unexpected things happen which could cause short-term financial difficulties. Please contact the Coordinator to discuss options, as arrangements can be made. Refusal to acknowledge letters or phone calls will result in removal of the child(ren) from the Lunch Program.

All concerns related to the program must first be discussed with the Coordinator before involving the L.P.C.

• • Please refer to your Lunch Program information form for more information. •



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 Grilled Cheese
No School ⁴ (Labour Day)	No School (Admin Day)	6 Mac & Cheese	7	8 Grilled Cheese
11 Chicken Butgert	12	13 Mac & Cheese	14	15 Grilled Cheese
18 Chicken Butgert	19	20 Mac & Cheese	21	22 Grilled Cheese
25 Chicken Butgert	26	27 Mac & Cheese	28	29 Grilled Cheese

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ÉCOLE LANSDOWNE

715 WIGINTON STREET, R2X 2G2 204-338-7039 FAX: 204-334-3561

TRANSPORTATION:

204-586-8800

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	4 NO SCHOOL (Labour Day)	NO SCHOOL (AdminDay)	First Day of School for grades 1-8 N/K Group Sessions	Day 3 7 N/K Staggered Start	Day 4 8
D	ay 5 11	Day 6 12	Day 1 13	Meet the Teacher/Community BB0 (4:00-6:00 pm)	
D	ay 4 18	Day 5 19	Day 6 20	Day 1 21	Day 2 22 Lansdowne Spirit Day
D	ay 3 25	Day 4 26	Day 5 27	Day 6 28	Day 1 29 Orange Shirt Day



Looking ahead to October:



Tuesday, October 3rd- NO SCHOOL! (Election Day)
Monday, October 9th- NO SCHOOL! (Thanksgiving Day)
Friday, October 20th- NO SCHOOL! (Admin Day)
Friday, October 27th- Lansdowne Spirit Day

IMPORTANT DATES

2023-2024

SEPTEMBER

5- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day)

N/K Group Sessions

6- Grades 1-8 First Day of School N/K Group Sessions

- 7- N/K Staggered Start Assembly @ 9:30 am
- 8- N/K Staggered Start
- 14- BBQ from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
 - -Meet the Teacher from 5:00-6:00 pm
- 22- Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 29- Orange Shirt Day

OCTOBER

- 3- NO SCHOOL (Election Day)
- 9- NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving)
- 12- Picture Day
- 20- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day)
- 24- Immunization Clinic Grade 6 (Hep B., HPV,

Men. Gr. 8 T-dap)

- 27- Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 31- Halloween Assembly

NOVEMBER

- 10- Remembrance Day Assembly
- 14- Report Cards Sent Home
- 15- N/K Tri- Conferences 3:00-6:00 pm
- 16- Tri- Conferences 4:00-7:00 pm
 - Scholastic Book Fair

17- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day)

- Tri Conferences 8:30-11:00 am
- Scholastic Book Fair
- 21-23- Hearing Screening
- 22- Picture Retake Day
- 24- Lansdowne Spirit Day

DECEMBER

- 5- N/K Winter Concert (10:00am & 1:30pm)
- 7- Gr. 1-3 Winter Concert (12:30pm & 6:00pm)
- 16- Lansdowne Spirit Day

22- Last Day Before Winter Break

- Lansdowne Spirit Day

JANUARY

8- School Reopens

26- Lansdowne Spirit Day

FEBRUARY I LOVE TO READ MONTH

2- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day) 19- NO SCHOOL (Louis Riel Day)

- Festival Week Begins
- 22- Festival du Voyageur Activity Day
- 23- Lansdowne Activity Day

MARCH

- 11- Report Cards Sent Home
- 15- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day)
- 22- Last Day Before Spring Break
 - Lansdowne Spirit Day

APRIL

- 1- School Reopens
- 10- International Day of Pink
- 15-18- Mobile Vision Clinic
- 18-Student Led Conferences (4:00- 7:00 pm)
- Used Book Sale

19- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day)

- Student Led Conferences (8:30-11:00 am)
- Used Book Sale
- 26- Lansdowne Spirit Day

MAY

6- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day)

- 13- Gr. 4-6 Concert Rehearsal
- 14- Gr. 4-6 Music Concert (12:30 pm & 6:30pm)
- 17- Walk-a-thon

20- NO SCHOOL (Victoria Day)

- 22- Gr. 7/8 Band Concert (6:00 pm)
- 24- Lansdowne Spirit Day

JUNE

7- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day) 24- NO SCHOOL (Admin Day)

- 24- NO SCHOOL (Admini Di
- 25- Gr. 8 Farewell (9:30 am)
- 26- Report Cards Sent Home 27- Last Day for N/K Students
- Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 28- Last Day of School
 - Early Dismissal at 10:55 am