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DECEMBER 2023 NEWS

Admínístrator's Message

November was another fantastic month of learning at Shaughnessy Park School. On the 16th and the 17th of November we took the time to celebrate the learning our students have done at our parent-teacher conferences. If you were unable to connect with your child's teacher, please call the school to set up a time to check in, we'd love to connect with you!

December is upon on, and it is an exciting month! As we plan ahead towards the winter break, we will have a few events to look forward to, including the Sneezy the Snowman Winter Concert on **December 20th** featuring a baked goods sale from the Parent Advisory Council, and Breakfast with Santa on **December 21st**!

We're excited to share that our **every Monday**, **at 8:45 AM** we will be having a smudge to begin our week in a good way. This will take place in the Daycare courtyard. All students are welcome to attend.

Keep an eye on our Social Media Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages for dates and information.

On behalf of all the staff at Shaughnessy Park School, we wish you a safe and fun-filled December and winter break. I confidently speak for us all when I say that teaching and learning with your children every day brings us both joy and purpose. Shaughnessy Park is a very special school, and it's because of you all.

Wishing you a very happy holiday season,

Dazreen Paran

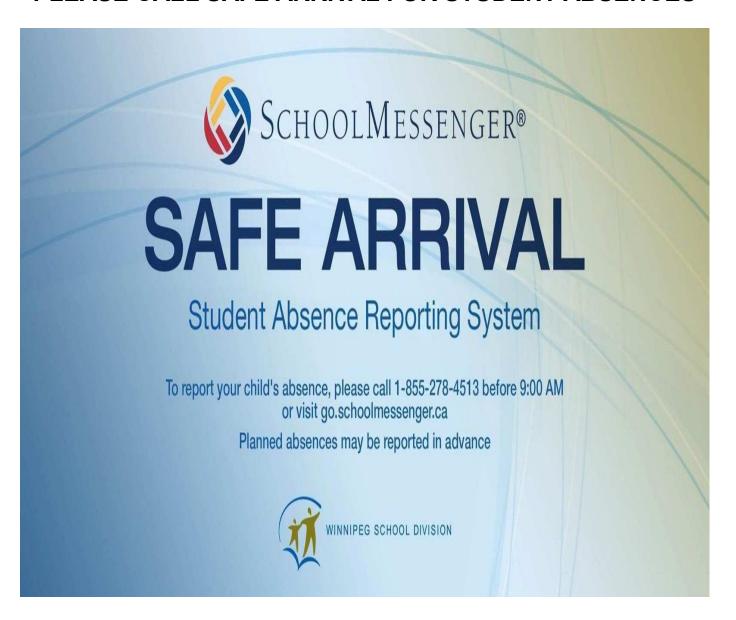


LUNCH PROGRAM

Just a reminder breakfast program is open daily from 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Children will be going outside after breakfast. Please dress for the weather.



PLEASE CALL SAFE ARRIVAL FOR STUDENT ABSENCES



LUNCH PROGRAM

There are some children in the lunch program who have peanut and/or tree nut allergies. As the safety of our children is very important at Shaughnessy Park School, we need your support to make our lunch program a "nut free zone".



A child with a nut allergy can suffer a serious reaction merely by touching a food containing a peanut or tree nut. Therefore, we ask that you follow to the following safety guidelines.

- Please do not send any peanuts, peanut butter or foods containing peanuts or peanut butter to be eaten in the lunch program.
- Please do not send any tree nuts or foods containing tree nuts to the lunch program. Examples of common tree nuts include almond, Brazil nut, cashew, chestnut, filbert, hazelnut, macadamia nut, pecan, pine nut (pignoli), pistachio, and walnut.
- Read ingredient labels carefully to ensure that the lunch sent in with your child is peanut and tree nut-free.



HELPING US TO KEEP PARENTS INFORMED

With all the important correspondence being sent out by the school, we have been and will continue to send information to parents and guardians by email.

If you do not have your email address registered or have changed your email address, please let the office know as soon as possible.

Also, please keep your contact information up to date so that school staff are able to contact you in case of emergency. If your phone number, emergency contacts or address has changed please let the school know as soon as possible.



December 1, 2023

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Community,

To ensure our school is inclusive and culturally responsive we are integrating First Nation, Métis, and Inuit perspectives into school planning and programming in partnership with the school community. This includes welcoming all students to learn about the significant role of Indigenous values in the spirit of reconciliation.

One of the most commonly shared experiences is the tradition of smudging. Smudging involves burning sage to cleanse the mind, body, spirit. It allows all participants a chance to become mindful, centred, and move forward with positive intentions.

This letter is to notify smudging will be introduced and ongoing as a part of learning processes throughout the school year. Staff, students, and community are invited to participate and support in building an atmosphere of respect, understanding, and inclusivity. While smudging does not usually pose a health risk, we will ensure smudging will take place in well-ventilated designated areas using an appropriate amount of sage. Alternate arrangements may be made for those that may have health challenges such as severe asthma and respiratory issues. Smudging is always voluntary. If you would like more information on smudging, please refer to the Smudging Protocol and Guidelines for School Divisions or contact your school for further information.

Our first smudge will take place on Monday, December 4th at 8:45 am in the daycare courtyard. All students and staff are welcome to attend!

Sincerely,

Tanis Westdal

SHAUGHNESSY PARK SPIRIT WEAR

Hi Shaughnessy Park Family,

Shaughnessy Park School is fundraising to **improve our playstructure**, and we could really use the help of our community members.

So far, **Shaughnessy Park** has raised **through our pizza lunches** — but we still have a long way to go in meeting our goal.

Help us reach this goal and support your school community by purchasing spirit wear from **Shaughnessy Parks's** online spirit wear shop! When you shop online you get:

- •Free shipping on orders over \$119
- Direct shipping to your address
- Online payment
- •It's quick, easy, and hassle free!
- You design your own product using our logo

Check out our spirit wear shop here https://shaughnessyparkschool.entripyshops.com/ and show your support! If you have any difficulty with the process, please reach out to staff. Also, if there is a need to pay cash, please see the school and we will assist.





Santa's Store



On December 19th students will be able to purchase donated items (gently used and new) for gift giving. Items will range from .25 cents to \$5.00.

All monies collected will go towards our new school play structure.

Thank you for your support.



Dear Shaughnessy Park Families

This letter is to inform you of details regarding your child's performance in our Winter concert on **Wednesday December 20th**, **2022**.

There will be two performances this day, at 2:00 and 6:30 pm. We are inviting parents and families who work during the evening to come attend our 2:00 performance. There will be limited entry available for this performance, so please only come if you are unable to attend our evening performance. Students in grade 4-8 will also be attending the 2:00 performance, and are asked to only attend the evening performance with their families if absolutely necessary, due to space concerns in the gym.

Students are asked to **arrive at 6:00** in the evening. Students in N/K-3 are to go to their homeroom classes, and band students will go to room 28 or 29. Students will be required to stay for the ENTIRE performance, and can be picked up from their classrooms after the show.

Students are asked to wear the following:

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1	 Seasonal Clothing 	 "Ugly" sweaters 	 Black Shirt – no logos, no 		
1	 Red Green Blue White 	 Knitted sweaters 	writing		
1		 Dark pants 	 Black pants – Dark sweat 		
1		 Jeans 	pants acceptable - no logos,		
1		 Winter/Seasonal Clothing 	no writing		
1		 Scarves, toques, mittens 	 Or Jeans – Dark as possible. 		
1			 Dark shoes – runners 		
L			acceptable		

Please do not feel the need to purchase new clothing for our performance. Whatever students have in their wardrobe will work perfectly!

We will be accepting cash donations to go towards our new playground.

We are looking forward to have our families attend our performances this evening. Our students have worked incredibly hard, and are excited to perform for you! We can't wait to have you in the building!

Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns,

Yours Truly,

Ms. Lowe and the Shaughnessy Park Community Committee.





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	SATURDAY	2	9	16	23	30		
	FRIDAY	Room Open 1:30-3:30	8 Room Open 1:30-3:30	15 Room Open 1:30-3:30	22 Room Open 1:30-3:30 Last Day before Holidays	29		
EMBER 202	THURSDAY	Potatoe Pick-ups Thursdays & Fridays Unless arrangements have already been made.	7 Nutrition Bingo @ 1:15PM Please sign up before Dec. 1	14 Make & Take @ 1:15 Please sign up before Dec.7th.	21 Room Closed Santa Breakfast Today	28		
r RER	WEDNESDAY	Baking for the Bake Sale in the Afternoons Please Sign-Up to help out in Parent Room.	6 Room Closed	13 Room Closed PAC @ 5:00 PM	20 Room Closed Bake Sale @ Concert	27		
DECEN	TUESDAY	Room	5 Room Closed	12 Room Open 1:30-3:30	19 Room Open 1:30-3:30	26		. //
	MONDAY	Parent	4 Room Open 1:30-3:30	1] Room Open 1:30-3:30	18 Room Open 1:30-3:30	25		
	SUNDAY		3	10	17	24	31	



SHAUGHNESSY PARK SCHOOL



DECEMBER 2023



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4/Day 4	5/Day 5	6/Day 6	7/Day 1	8/Day 2	
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	Gr. 1/2 Craft Club @ Lunch				
11/Day 3	12/Day 4	13/Day 5	14/Day 6	15/Day 1	
	Gr. 5/6 Intramurals @ Lunch	Gr. 5/6 Intramurals		Hotdog Day	
	Gr. 1/2 Craft Club @ Lunch				
18/Day 2	19/Day 3	20/Day 4	21/Day 5	22/Day 6	
	Gr. 1/2 Craft Club @ Lunch	Winter Concert	Santa Breakfast	Last Day Before Winter Break	
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