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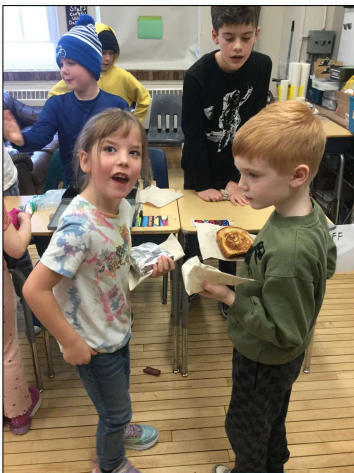
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Principal, Brian Rogowsky

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Room 13's Grilled Cheese Fundraiser for Camp



Principal's message...

Dear Wolseley School Families,

February is "I Love to Read" month across Winnipeg School Division. Please check out the calendar inside our newsletter for fun events happening at Wolseley School. At school we will be planning many special activities to encourage the love of literacy. As Dr. Seuss said, "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." Happy reading Wolseley Wolves!

February is also Black History Month. Black History Month is a month dedicated to commemorating the achievements of Black people throughout history, whilst also reflecting on the prejudices Black people have endured. Throughout Canada and North America, Black History Month is celebrated in February each year and is a very important event for everyone to celebrate. Every classroom is encouraged to explore this topic with their students.

Wolseley School Beliefs- Did you know that Wolseley School follows three guiding beliefs? We are always striving to Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Kind. And I think we are doing a marvelous job!

Parking Lot- Please note that the parking lot is for staff use only. Please don't park in the staff parking lot when dropping off or picking up your child(ren). Students are not permitted in the staff parking lot as it can be a dangerous place. Thank you for your understanding and support in ensuring the safety of our students. Please use Clifton, Camden, or Wolseley when meeting your child(ren). We appreciate your cooperation.

Nursery/Kindergarten Registrations- We will be open for registrations beginning February 10th, 2025. This is for catchment students or students with siblings that already attend or have daycare in the area.

Thank you to John and Harry, our wonderful custodians, for keeping our school sparkling clean! We are so lucky to have you on our team!

I hope you all have a fabulous February!

Take care and stay well,

Brian Rogowsky

Parent Council News...

Thanks to fundraising, Kerstin and Brian's good idea and connections, Wolseley School is getting a new bike rack for the bike cage expansion!

Some talented students from the R. B. Russell High School Metals program welded this custom bike rack and even added some special features just for Wolseley School! Thanks to all the parent volunteers who help with fundraising projects throughout the year!



Wolseley School Plant Sale: Ordering for the Glenlea Plant Fundraiser will open February 1 and orders will be accepted until April 15, for a pick up date of May 14.

Watch for an email with more details on how to order in the coming weeks!

Ways To Help: Katharina will need some volunteers to help with sorting plants and picking orders on delivery day-email to come in late April or early May.

Please email; wolseley.parents@gmail.com

Family Movie Night: Thursday, February 13th: Doors open at 6:00, movie starts at 6:15 Elemental (Pixar, 2023) will be shown in the school gym with free entry for all and a donation if you would like. All funds raised will go to the June 2025 Grade 5/6 Camp

Ways To Help: We would need
- 4-5 older students or adult volunteers to help at the door and with the canteen
-A parent to organize the bake sale
-Parents to donate baked goods

Please email wolseley.parents@gmail.com if you can help

There will also be an April sock hop as a camp fundraiser

Room 17am N/K...

Happy New Year. January started off rather chilly and we spent more mornings inside than outside. The weather inspired some of our work reading many different Jan Brett books such as the Mitten or Trouble with Trolls as well as having some Mitten inspired centers and word searches. We have also started learning different power words that will help us with our reading skills, this weeks words were the and a. The class practiced very hard for the Winter Concert and did such a great job! I am excited to let everyone know we will be heading to the Children's Museum on Monday March 17 from 9:00-12:00 for a paper making field trip. I am looking for some parent volunteers who would like to join us, please me know asap as there are forms and paper work involved. Thanks for a great month everyone!

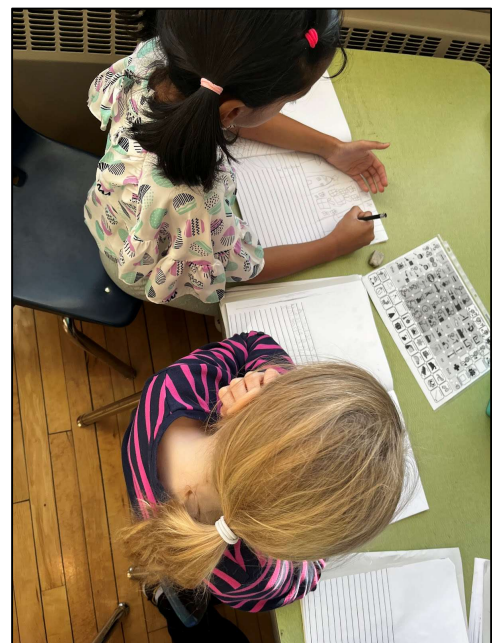
Room 17pm N/K...



This month we have been exploring the books of Jan Brett. We've acted out "The Mitten", played with the animals that you would find in the story and also drawn pictures inspired from the stories. We've been working on adding more labels to our pictures. We're excited to share our song "Be a Tree" at the winter concert. We have been busy practicing our song as well as painting lots of leaves which we'll be holding up high when we sing. I have exciting news, we'll be going on a field trip to the Children's Museum on Wednesday, March 19! We'll have time to explore the museum and also participate in a workshop where we learn about trees and how paper is made and even get to make our own.

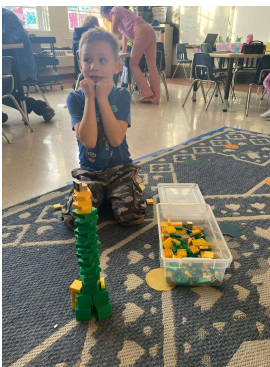
Room 1 Grades 1/2...

January has been flying past! Students have been readjusting after the winter break and are back into their regular routine. We have finished up our weather unit and Canadian animals unit. We are embarking on a penguins unit at the moment and continue on with our school wide social studies exploration of our school name. In math, we are looking forward to our next math congress and the 100th day of school party.



Room 2 Grades 1/2...

Time sure flies when you're having fun! Students have gotten back into the rhythm of things since returning to school after the winter break. In Math, we've been practicing our estimation skills with Esti-Mysteries, our addition skills with number lines and hundreds charts (or in our brains), and challenging ourselves with our puzzle books! In English Language Arts, we continue to write everyday in our writing journals, practice our spelling and printing in our reading groups, and our independent reading as we read with friends, by ourselves, or with Ms. Wiens. In Visual Arts, we experimented with water colours and made our own "Dots." We were inspired by the book "The Dot" by Peter H. Reynolds, that taught us that everyone is an artist. We also experimented with some paper sculptures when we made our articulating snakes! In Health, we've been continuing to take brain breaks throughout the day, to give our brains a break! We've talked about the importance of giving our brains a break, and practicing mindful ways to help calm us down. In Science, we've been learning about Arctic animals and how they survive in such cold weather. And of course, we've been having lots of fun playing outside, building block towers, and (believe it or not) CLEANING! Check out some of our pictures below:)



Room 3 Grades 2/3...

We are back at it after a much-needed winter break.

Before winter break, our student teacher, Grace was here teaching us about measurement and properties of matter. She planned many fun and creative activities to help us learn about these topics. It was wonderful having Grace with us, and we look forward to her coming back for her next block.

We also finished writing our animals books. They are currently in our classroom library so we can read about the animals our classmates wrote about. We are excited to share them with our families too.

Since coming back from the break, we've been learning about magnets in science, writing about our opinions and creating presentations about a classmate in language arts, and practicing mental math strategies in math. In science we have done some fun demonstrations. One of them was to make a compass using a needle, a magnet, a piece of paper and some water in a bowl. Ask your child to show you how to do this. They would love to show you.

We are excited to create presentations about a classmate. For some of us, it is our first time using the computer to create and write a finished product with. It is an exciting thing, and we can't wait to share them with our class.



Room 8 Grades 4/5...

Quinzee making

Room 8 has had a fun time building a quinzee and learning how a quinzee can help them if stranded in the winter and needing heat. They spent their day shoveling big piles of snow in groups with their classmates, and then hollowing it out so they could sit in it. They used a whole day with breaks like snack recess and other classes.

Social Studies

In social studies we have gone back in time to learn about the Renaissance, European Empires and the different explorers and navigators. Starting with the Renaissance we split into partners, we used sticky notes for important parts with the text books we have in the class. Then we made jot notes on the information we got from the reading. After the Renaissance we moved to the Empires and are currently learning about the different explorers. Then we cross reference to check and make sure our information is accurate.

Science

We have been learning about our body and how it functions. We have watched two different videos on the respiratory system, which is the breathing system. After the videos some of us brought in recycling. All of us got split into teams and we started to make the respiratory system out of recycling, but we are also going to learn about the other systems and eventually make the full human body.

Art

In art we painted parrots in the jungle. First we watched a video on how to do the outline then colours and paint, after watching the video we watched it again but this time we did it step by step by pausing it when we needed and we would just tell Janet and we would move through the video Tune in for next month to see our learning journey!!

By: Scarlett and Lucille

Room 10 Grades

We learned about The Arctic and the traditional life of the Inuit with Clare, in December.

We had an exciting trip to the Manitoba Museum and an opportunity to make soapstone carvings with guest artist, Dave Zachary. Each student carved an inuksuk. We reviewed math concepts and strategies including how to read time, fractions, and decimal numbers. We moved onto division strategies and money math, in January. We are reading a captivating novel, "Where the Mountain Meets the Moon," by Grace Lin and learning about Ancient China, which is the setting for the story. We painted koi and goldfish inspired by events in the novel. We hope these fish paintings will bring everyone good fortune!



Room 9 Grade 5/6...

These past couple of months, Room 9 has been having so much fun in ELA! In the month of December, Room 9 was working on poetry connected to what we were doing in science. We were asked to create a poem about chemical and physical changes! Each student could pick a chemical or physical change to write about. More recently, Room 9 has been working on the Hero's Journey Writers Workshop. The Hero's Journey is a specific storyline about a main character who faces trials and challenges! We also got to watch *How to Train Your Dragon* to learn more about the project. We are very excited to see what we will be learning next!

In the last couple of months, in math, Room 9 has been working on graphs, data, and long division. For graphing, with an amazing student teacher, she taught us different kinds of graphs and how to do them! She took us outside, and we saw how many cars there were at exactly 12:05 every day for a week! We finally saw what car would come at 12:05 on Monday afternoon, and the answer was a black SUV. It came at 12:05. After that, we had to make a graph of how many cars we saw and which one was the one! That is what we were doing with our student teacher.

Our teacher has begun teaching us about long division, and it has been fun! We watched this funny video about how to do long division. It's been very exciting for us! The whole class has been loving it! We have been working in our books, on whiteboards, and on the big board too. Math has been so fun for us! And that is what Room 9 has been doing in math so far!

In December and January, Room 9 has been learning so much in science! In December, we learned about chemical and physical changes with our student teacher! We learned about the differences between the two. We also took what we were learning in ELA and connected it to science. It was so cool to learn about that! Recently, Room 9 has been learning about forces acting on structures and mechanisms. We have been doing lots of highlighting and answering questions! We are happy to see the progress we have been making in the past weeks and are excited to keep learning every day!

Room 9 has been having so much fun learning about the past and so much more! Every week we have a new topic to learn about. Very recently, we have been learning about Rupert's Land and the fur trade! Every week, we are told to pick a task from the selection in our interactive notebook and make it come to life! Rupert's Land and the fur trade have been very interesting to learn about! It's very exciting to see how our amazing teacher has his ways of making everything so fun for his students.

Book clubs this year have been very fun for Room 9! During book clubs, we are put into groups. Each group is assigned a book! These groups continue to read the books they are assigned to! It's so exciting to learn more about our characters and their lives, and we hope you enjoyed Room 9's update!

BY: Reese, Dahlia, and Mara

Room 13 Grade 5/6...

Room 13 has been working hard this month. We have done a lot! Here are some of the things we have been learning.

In ELA we are creating our own movies. The stress is high with everyone working on scripts, filming, storyboarding while working hard. It's been hectic as their projects start to come together.

In science they have been working on adaptations about animals adapting to their environment as well as behavioral adaptations.

In social studies we made impressive dioramas about different indigenous life and learnt about explorers. Lastly for math they have been learning about place values and multiplication, safe to say Room 13 has been very busy!

By Levi and Cedar



Performing Arts News...

Our Performing Arts classes worked diligently in preparation for the Winter Concert, titled "We Are Dreamers."

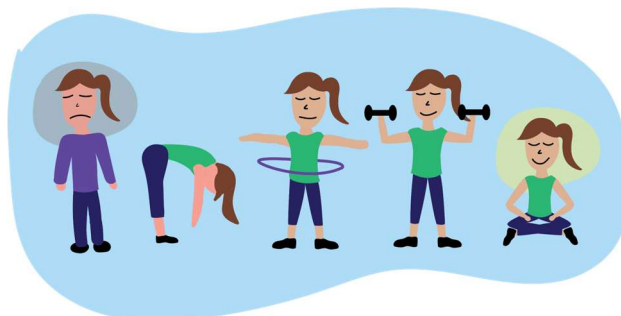
Students from all grade levels came together to showcase their skills in a vibrant celebration of creativity, imagination, and hope. The concert featured an exciting blend of music, dance, and drama, as students brought their dreams to life on stage. This event provided a wonderful opportunity for students to express themselves, develop their performance skills, and inspire the community.

Thank you to everyone who supported and attended!



Gym news...

This last month in Physical Education we have been focusing on fitness, working on different cardiovascular and strength training activities. The older grades had a chance to create some goals and look to improve their overall fitness. Moving into February we will be doing some skipping as well as starting our bouncing/basketball units. The Gr 5/6's can look forward to a basketball club. Gr 4-6 can participate in a skating club as well as the skate race, which will take place on March 6th at the Canada Life Center, more information to come.



Room 21 Adapted Skills...

January was quite the month, and it went by so quickly!

We continued going swimming every Monday and love our time in the pool. We are getting to be stronger swimmers with each week.

We have also done some food experiences trying some foods we have never tried before.

Also, we are so excited that we have been meeting so many academic goals and working so hard on our learning.

Every student is really connecting with their peers in their classrooms, and everyone is benefitting from these friendships.



Lunch Program Refunds & Tax Receipts:

If you have not received your lunch program refund and/or tax receipt by the end of February, please reach out to Michelle at:

wolseleyschool.lunchprogram@gmail.com

Pictures from Room 8:



February's Calendar of Activities for I Love to Read and Black History Month

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>3 Black History Week Read a book by a black author</p>	<p>4 Black History Week Read a poem by a black author</p>	<p>5 Black History Week Learn about a trailblazer like Harriet Tubman or Mae Jemison</p>	<p>6 Black History Week Announcement quiz</p>	<p>7 Black History Week Do some art inspired by a black artist</p>
<p>10 "Read Around the World" Week Asia</p>	<p>11 "Read Around the World" Week Africa</p>	<p>12 "Read Around the World" Week South America</p>	<p>13 "Read Around the World" Week Australia Announcement quiz</p>	<p>14 "Read Around the World" Week Middle East</p>
<p>17 NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>18 Teacher Swap - Have a guest teacher come read to your class</p>	<p>19 DEAR PM wear a shirt with words</p>	<p>20 Announcement quiz</p>	<p>21 Create a bookmark</p>
<p>24 Graphic Novel Day Create a superhero or a few panels of a comic</p>	<p>25 Share a favorite book day. Bring or find a book you love</p>	<p>26 DEAR AM</p>	<p>27 Announcement quiz</p>	<p>28 Forts and flashlights Bring some sheets, build a fort and read in it!</p>



February 2025



Is Black History Month and I Love to Read

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 day 1	4 day 2	5 day 3	6 day 4	7 day 5
10 day 6	11 day 1	12 day 2	13 day 3	14 day 4
17 Louis Riel Day School Closed	18 day 5	19 day 6	20 day 1	21 day 2
24 day 3	25 day 4	26 day 5	27 day 6	28 day 1 Pizza Lunch 
31	1	2	3	4
Spring Break				

Month

March at a glance...

Mar 13 – Student Led 4:30 – 7:30

Mar 14 – Student Led 9:00 – 11:30

Non-Instructional Day, No Classes

Mar 18 – Class Photos

Mar 28 – Pizza Lunch

March 31 – April 4 - SPRING BREAK

