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MAY 2025

School Spirit Week Festivities



Principal's message...

Dear Wolseley Families,

Hello and happy May!

Thank you to our Parent Council for organizing the Glenlea Plant Fundraiser. I know that I put in my order and can't wait to take advantage of this opportunity. More information on how and when to pick up plant orders will be emailed out to everyone via school messenger. Stay tuned.

We will begin to plant in the Peace Garden soon. Please remember that we all need to take care of the Peace Garden. It's important to remember to not walk, stand or jump on the garden boxes. We need to respect the trees and vegetation to allow it to grow and flourish. Please do not dig holes or pull plants from the gardens. If anyone is interested in helping weed and water the gardens in the summer, we are always looking for volunteers. Please contact parent council if you can volunteer to help keep the Peace Garden flourishing.

Winnipeg School Division will be joining Winnipeg Pride Festival this year on June 1st. Stay tuned for more information.

Our Renaming Committee are in the stages of looking at name suggestions. We had about 370 suggestions between the community survey and from our students/classrooms. Stay tuned for the community consultation where the committee will present three names' choices, looking for feedback to pair it down to two. Then we send the two choices to the Board of Trustees who make the final decision.

Our Grade 5 and 6 students will be going to Camp Stephens on Lake of the Woods in early June. What a wonderful opportunity to learn about the outdoors while having a super fun time. Have a great trip!

As we jump into spring, it's important to review river/creek safety. The water levels are very high and could be dangerous. We want all our Wolseley Wolves to remain safe. We will go over water safety at the school but would appreciate a conversation from home as well.

We will once again be using the outdoors as a classroom for our Outdoor Challenge. We look forward to spending more time learning outside in June.

Have a magnificent May,

Brian

MYRCA News...

Since October, our MYRCA (Manitoba Young Readers' Choice Awards) club has been meeting most Fridays at lunch. Every year the MYRCA committee puts out a book list with 10 books that are aimed for grades 4-6 and 10 books that are for grades 7-9. If students read at least 3 books from one of the lists, they get to vote on their favourite book in April, along with other students across Manitoba.

This year there are about 20 grade 5 and 6 students who are in MYRCA club. When we meet, we read, draw book covers, and talk about this year's MYRCA books (as well as other favourite books). It was exciting to see so many MYRCA books read this year (more than other years, I think).

Many of the MYRCA club readers competed in an online MYRCA quiz contest this month and on April 25, five grade 6 students got to attend the MYRCA Ceremony at the Gas Station Theatre where they got to hear four different authors speak, as well as find out which MYRCA books won for this year.

There were so many great MYRCA books this year, so if you're looking for some great books to read, check out the list!



Parent Council news...

Spring Sockhop a Swingin' Success!

On April 17th, our school gym was transformed into a lively dance floor for the Spring Sockhop—and what an incredible night it was! Families and students came together to celebrate the season with music, dancing, and glow sticks! Thank you to DJ Mama Cuttsworth and to all who attended and helped make the evening such a memorable one!



🌸 Volunteer Opportunities – May & June 🌸

As we wrap up another wonderful school year, we're looking for volunteers to help make our final events a success! Whether you have a few hours or a bit more time to spare, your help is always appreciated.

🌿 Glenlea Plant Sale – May 14

Help Needed:

- ✓ Sorting plants
 - ✓ Organizing orders for pick-up
- More information to come this month!
- Volunteer Opportunities:
- ✓ Help serve & clean up (11:00 AM – 1:30 PM)
 - ✓ Make a soup, salad, dessert, or other dish
 - ✓ Decorate
 - ✓ Coordinate the event with last year's lead (notes provided!)

🌸 Peace Garden Renovation

Our beautiful Peace Garden needs some TLC!

Seeking a volunteer to:

- ✓ Assess what needs rebuilding
 - ✓ Get quotes
 - ✓ Work with the school to implement changes
- (Parent support is already in place for summer maintenance.)
- Managing PAC finances and accounting

Note: Lunch program fee coordination will no longer be required in 2025.

If you're interested in volunteering or want to learn more, please email us at wolseley.parents@gmail.com.

📅 Spring AGM – May 28, 2025

🍽️ Staff Appreciation Lunch

Let's celebrate our incredible staff!

👥 2025 Parent Council

We're also looking ahead to next year's Parent Council team! If you're interested in getting more involved, the scope of work includes:

Coordinating volunteers for events (pizza lunches, staff meals, movie night, Sockhop, etc.)

Attending four Parent Council meetings, including the AGM

Room 17 am N/K...

Hi Everyone! April's theme has been Oceans, we've been reading books, doing centers and art activities with this idea in mind. This month we also started our home reading, books should be brought back on Tuesday's, but can be exchanged any day if I or a student forgets. We look forward to spending more time outside learning as the weather warms up! I cannot believe there are only 2 months left of school!



Room 17 pm N/K...

We have been having fun pretending to be at the sea for the last few weeks! At the pretend sea, we've been reading many books about ocean creatures, playing games that are ocean themed, building surfboards or homes for ocean creatures with the big waffle blocks, playing in the sand and in the water tables, as well as learning how to draw various ocean creatures. We used a new art technique where we drizzled salt over our ocean watercolour paintings and as a result looked like bubbles in the water.



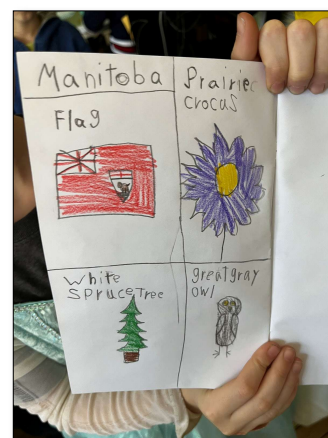
Room 1 Grade's 1/2...

We have been learning about our amazing country. Students have created books that show the symbols of each province and territory. We have also gained familiarity with the map of Canada.

After receiving our new books from McNally Robinson, we had a book walk and explored the books together. Many students created their own covers of the books.

In math we have had some new investigations and have explored probability though one.

So much great learning ahead, looking forward to a gardening unit in the upcoming weeks.



Room 2 Grade's 1/2...

In social studies we have been learning about maps of Canada. In math we are learning about lines of symmetry, also math puzzles.

- Lauren

In social studies we are learning about the Canada map. In the morning, we do reading groups. For art we did stained glass and we put them on the window. Our math books are called fast math and puzzle books and Zuppelz. The grade ones do fast math. At the end of the day we do ketchup and pickles.

- Wynn

We have been working on in math shapes and vertices and lines of symmetry and if both sides are the same it is symmetrical. If the sides are not the same then it is not symmetrical.

In science we worked on arctic animals and we saw a huge mistake they put penguins in the book but they actually do not live in the arctic.

- Sabine



Room 3 Grade's 2/3...

Room 3 students have been incredibly busy with Grace, our teacher candidate, this last month. Grace came back to join our class just before spring break and has just finished her final teaching block with us. She is now off to teach in Thailand for a few months. We wish her the best.

While here, Grace taught the class about patterns, exploring the world and read us the How to Train Your Dragon book. In patterns, they learned about repeating and increasing patterns. We will continue with decreasing patterns this month.

While exploring the world, students learned about the continents and oceans. They explored a world map, labelling the continents and oceans. They also learned about Italy, Japan and Ghana. The students learned about the food, languages, dances, and interesting facts about each country. They then created different art pieces inspired by Roman mosaics from Italy, origami from Japan and Kente cloth from Ghana. Come see our bulletin board outside the classroom for a glimpse.

The students enjoyed the How to Train Your Dragon book. This book tied in perfectly with our Viking unit from last month. Students completed a variety of activities and tasks to show their understanding of the book. To finish off the unit the students got to watch the movie. It was great!



Room 10 Grade's 3/4...

We had a great month of learning with student teacher, Claire Schellenberg.

Students learned about structures, materials, stability and forces. Each student made a boat out of aluminum foil and tested the load it could hold. They each constructed a car and tested the distance it would roll with the help of a ramp/gravity and also attempted to use a balloon and air to power their car.

They learned about units of measure for mass, volume and length. They built skeleton frames of solids. They compared prisms and pyramids and which was strongest.

On Earth Day we headed outdoors to pick up litter in our schoolyard. With the help of just a little breeze we flew the kites we designed and built. The students also wrote fictional stories which included dialogue and descriptive language to engage their readers.

A big highlight was Shops Day, which we held at the end of March. Students created businesses based on their learning about Ancient China. They spent half the time working at their shop and half the time shopping.

It is a great way to put their learning about money math into practice!



Room 8 Grade's 4/5...

Room 8 is GREAT!!

Social Studies,

We've been working on Elections for Winnipeg City Centre! Starting With learning the local candidates for Winnipeg City Centre. Then we went to Basswood and Camden to count political signs, Then we made bar graphs to count the signs and houses. Then we surveyed room 9 and 13 asking them who they think would win the Election for Winnipeg City Centre then we surveyed our own classmates to get to 50 students.

In science we have been learning about the systems, organs, and bones of the Human body. After that, we made a replica of the body out of craft supplies. Then we got a Chiropractor to come to our class and teach us about the spine, spinal cords, and the nervous system.

Improv,

We also did some acting; we were learning how to take care of a problem with a bully or someone who's being mean to you or a friend in any way. After that we did Improv games to build our Improv skills.

In math, we have been learning about division and long division. The grade 4's have been learning how to do long division by starting slow with small numbers.

The grade 5s have been learning about division with big divisors and dividends, also long division. We've also been doing weekly word problems to challenge our minds.

Read aloud,

We've been reading a book called Hatchet by Gary Paulsen. it's about a kid named Brian who gets on an airplane to see his father and something happens to the pilot (shall not be named) Brian tries to fly the plane and the plane crashes after a couple hours and then he gets lost in a forest.

Colby and Emma

Room 9 Grade's 5/6...

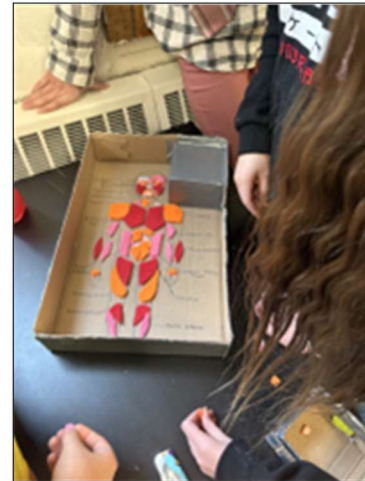
This past month, Room 9 has worked very hard. They have given their all in every single project they have been presented with. Alysa, our student teacher, has been leading our learning and has now finished her final teaching block. Because of the election, we have not been working in our Interactive Notebooks this month. We have just started using and learning about AI (artificial intelligence) so that we can use it to help us research the election and the government. We used it to help understand some of the more complicated ideas the candidates presented. In science, we are learning about the weather and how to measure it with tools we are making from things you would normally recycle. We have continued learning about patterns using math pages we collected before the break. Students are beginning to complete their hero's journey story assignment in WWS (Writers Workshop), and a few of them are using AI to help them create their book cover image. Back on the election, we had a student vote on April 28, but since this newsletter was written on April 16, we cannot give you the end result yet. We are expanding our online learning resources to apps outside of the usual, using research sites like Pollenize to help simplify our research of the government of Canada. The Room 9 group of the school's name change committee (Oliver, Mara, and Calla) have been working hard learning all about our school's deep history. They recently presented their research at the Historical Thinking Symposium. Last month, we passed the 90% reading goal, earning us a fun day on the 29th. With so few learning days this month, we have all been cracking down on our learning for each week. The students of room 9 have been giving their full attention and putting it to use.

Newsletter by Niko and Alex

Room 13 Grade's 5/6...

Here are some highlights for room 13's learning

In Social Studies we have been learning about our Government and how it works. We learned about different Governments in different countries. We have also been learning about the election system in Canada, and we will do our Vote on April 18. We learned about the fur trade and why it was important and how it shaped today's Canada. In ELA we have been learning about similes and metaphors, synonyms and antonyms. We have our silent reading every day. We have just finished the novel Box of Shocks. We also wrote a comic summary based on a novel we read. Comprehension of small stories. In math we have been learning about fractions, we have learned about; Acute, Obtuse, Right and Reflex angles. We have also been working hard on measuring angles with a protractor. In Art we recently made our own versions of Norval Morrisseau art by using shapes, lines and colour techniques which reflect in Norval Morrisseau's art.



Room 19 Performing Arts...

The PA Room has been buzzing with energy this spring! Students in Rooms 8, 9, 10, and 13 have been working hard on a special musical theatre project, with each class doing scenes and a large musical number from popular musicals including Finding Nemo, Matilda, Wicked, and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. They're excited to share their talents in a Musical Theatre Showcase assembly in early May.

Meanwhile, our younger students in Rooms 1, 2, and 3 have been singing joyful new songs and stepping into the shoes of original superhero characters they've created, complete with unique powers and big personalities. It's been amazing watching their confidence and creativity shine!

As this is my final newsletter, I want to say a heartfelt thank you for an incredible year at Wolseley. It has been such a joy learning with and from the wonderful children of Wolseley School. Miss Sarah will be returning on May 8, and my last day will be May 7. Thank you for all the support, smiles, and song-filled memories!

Madly



Room 25 Phys-ed...

Happy May!

This month classes will all get a chance to play with the Omnikin balls, as well we will be spending some time outside playing games such as soccer baseball.

There are two running clubs starting up one for Grade 3 and another for Grade 4-6. The Grade 4-6 will have an opportunity to participate in the divisional Fit Run on June 3.

If you have any questions regarding this, please email me at geyford@wsd1.org



Room 21 Adapted Skills...

We have had a really great month of learning! We have reached so many goals and have been able to tackle new things in many different ways. We have been excited to try some new learning apps on the ipads, to do more interactive and project learning in our classrooms and also get our bodies moving more now that the snow is gone! We can't wait to get our bikes outside as well. We are also doing great with our communication devices and get to see core boards all over the school for everyone to use!



Running Club Practice Schedule

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	Thursday	FRIDAY
April 28 day 6 Gr's 4/5/6 Running Club 3:30-4:15			1 day 3 Grade 3 Running Club noon	2 day 4
5 day 5 Gr's 4/5/6 Running Club 3:30-4:15	6 day 6 Grade 3 Running Club noon	7 day 1 Gr's 4/5/6 Running Club 8:15am	8 day2 Grade 3 Running Club noon	9 day 3 No School
12 day 4 Gr's 4/5/6 Running Club 3:30-4:15	13 day 5 Grade 3 Running Club noon	14 day 6 Gr's 4/5/6 Running Club 8:15am	15 day 1 Grade 3 Running Club noon	16 day 2
19 No School	20 day 3 Grade 3 Running Club noon	21 day 4 Gr's 4/5/6 Running Club 8:15am	22 day 5 Grade 3 Running Club noon	23 day 6
26 day 1 Gr's 4/5/6 Running Club 3:30-4:15	27 day 2 Grade 3 Running Club noon	28 day 3 Gr's 4/5/6 Running Club 8:15am	29 day 4 Grade 3 Running Club noon	30 day 5





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			1 day 3	2 day 4
5 day 5	6 day 6	7 day 1	8 day 2	9 day 3 Non-Instructional No Classes
12 day 4	13 day 5	14 day 6 Gr 6 Immunizations pm Glenlea plant pick up 3:30	15 day 1	16 day 2
19 Victoria Day School Closed	20 day 3 Roof Top Photo 10:00 am	21 day 4	22 day 5	23 day 6
26 day 1	27 day 2	28 day 3	29 day 4 Parent Council Family Picnic 6:00pm - 8:00pm	30 day 5 Pizza Lunch 

June at a glance...

Friday June 13th - Non-Instructional - No Classes

Friday June 20th - Pizza lunch

Wednesday June 25th - Grade 6 Farewell

Friday June 27th - Last day of school 11:30 dismissal

