

JB Mitchell School

June 2026

Newsletter

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From The Eagle's Nest

May is definitely going out on a hot note after an unseasonably cool spring! It's hard to believe that another year of learning is almost in the books and summer is only a short month away. Our staff have many fun learning opportunities planned to help the school year end on a high note!

A huge thanks to everyone who came out to see seven of our classes perform in the spring concert on May 28th! We know it was a toasty afternoon and evening but we are always grateful for the amazing support shown to us by our parent and family community. Didn't our students do an amazing job of capturing the "soundtrack of our lives" through drama, dance, music and song? A huge thanks to Mr. Ellana and Mme Breanne, as well as the classroom teachers, for the time and effort spent to put together such an amazing show!

Speaking of our wonderful community, we are honouring our parent and family volunteers with a volunteer tea on June 17th. This event is taking place in our school library on Wednesday June 17th with volunteers requested to arrive at the school at 2:15. If you have volunteered in any capacity at our school this year, expect an invitation to be shared in the next week or so! While we are doing our best to gather information from teachers and remember every one, please reach out to the office after June 8th if you did volunteer and did not receive an invite.

June signals both a wrap up for different learning and initiatives from this school year, as well as a look ahead into setting goals and making plans for next year. This month our teachers will be writing final report cards for students, as well as meeting collaboratively to help set class placements for next year. Information about your child(ren)'s class placement for next year will be shared in their June report card, which will be sent to parents through School Messenger on Monday June 29th at 3:30.

There are several other special events this month. On Thursday June 18th we will be celebrating the hard work of this year's school safety patrol team with a Boston Pizza lunch! Don't forget to get your orders in as soon as possible! Tuesday June 23rd is all about our Grade 6 students who are moving on from our school. Our farewell will take place in the gym starting at 10:00.

Joy and I continue to work together with our staff to refine plans for next school year. If you have not yet completed the lunch program survey that we shared a few weeks ago, please take a moment to fill it out and return it so that we have an idea of the number of students planning to attend. This helps us to plan our staffing and what the program will look like.

On behalf of our staff, your JBM administration team would like to sincerely thank you for your partnership and collaboration to supporting our students to become the best learners and community members they can be. On a personal note, it has been a year of change for us as we stepped into our acting roles. We would like to sincerely thank all of our families for your patience, kindness and encouragement as we navigated a lot of changes in our school community.

We wish everyone a safe and happy summer, and look forward to seeing you all in September!

Donna Hardman (Acting Principal)

Joy Bazin (Acting Vice-Principal)

Announcements and Information For Families



SAVE THE DATE

Monthly Community Smudge June 1st @ 8:45 am - 8:55 am

Gr 6 Immunization: June 10th

Volunteer Tea: June 17th @ 2:30 pm
(Invitation Email will be sent out soon)

Family Fun Evening: June 18 @ 5pm - 8pm

Gr. 6 Farewell: June 23rd @ 10 a.m.
Family members welcome!

Summer Field Day: June 26 @ 1:30pm - 3:15pm

Active Clubs:

Card Club: Wednesday @ Noon (June 17th only)
Drama Arts Club: Weekly Wednesdays @ 3:30 PM
GSA: Thursday @ Noon (June 4th & 25th)
Writing Club: Thursday @ Noon (June 11th Only)
Gardening Club: Every Day 6 @ 12:20 PM

Non-School Days for the Remainder of 2025-2026 are as follows on these days:

June 19, 2026 (JBM School Choice)

The last day of the school year is June 30, 2026
Early Dismissal @ 11:30 am

Gr 6 Immunization Date Change



Grade 6 Immunization #2 will now be on June 10th.

2025/26 YEAR END BUS STUDENTS

On June 30, 2026 all Bus students will be picked up at 11:30 a.m. instead of 3:30 p.m.



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SAVE THE DATE BACK TO SCHOOL!

Meet The Staff For 2026-2027 School Year!

SEPTEMBER 8 2026 4PM - 6PM

Come out and meet your new teachers and classrooms! We hope to see everyone again after the summer break!

Kindergarten 2026-2027 Information

Students going into kindergarten will be receiving a letter in the mail regarding our Kindergarten program. In that letter you will receive info about the program and an interview time to meet the class room teacher on either September 9th or 10th. We look forward to seeing all the new Kinders and their families! There will be two staggered entry days on September 13th and 14th. On September there will be the first official regular kindergarten class!

WSD SCHOOLS & HOT WEATHER

Winnipeg School Division has 78 schools, with some being the oldest school buildings in Manitoba. The average age of our school buildings is 70 years old, with 16 buildings over 100 years old.



The cost to install and make all our schools fully air conditioned is approximately **\$130 Million**



- 32** facilities with full air conditioning
- 27** facilities partially air conditioned (i.e. only in modern school additions or gymnasiums).
- 19** facilities with no air conditioning



WSD includes air conditioning upgrades in our yearly 5-Year Capital Plan submissions to the Province.



Keeping students and staff cool

WSD implements the following techniques:

- Running ventilation systems early in the morning to cool schools before arrival
- Controlling outside air intake during the school day
- Using oscillating fans to create air movement
- Minimizing using overhead lights
- Switching off unused classroom electronics
- Closing shades to block direct sunlight
- Taking cool-down breaks between lessons
- Avoiding excess movement during midday heat
- Encouraging students and staff to stay hydrated
- Checking students and staff for heat-related health symptoms



OUR SCHOOL IS ONLINE WITH SCHOOL-DAY!



Our school is now using School-Day, an online portal that helps parents manage school activities, payments, and communications—no paper required.

School-Day can be securely accessed from any web browser and gives parents the ability to:

- View announcements, news, and school information
- View and sign permission forms online
- Register your child for extracurricular events and activities
- Sign up for parent/teacher interviews
- Make online payments

No more sending forms and cash to school in backpacks—together, we can make school activities easier to manage and reduce the environmental impact of printed material.

Visit [SCHOOL-DAY.COM](https://www.school-day.com) to get started.



Parent Advisory Council

NEW THIS YEAR: You can also follow the PAC on [Instagram](#) !



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3 posts 5 followers 5 following

Parent Advisory Council

Glenlea Fundraiser:

<https://glenleagreenhouses.com/collections/2026-spring-fundraiser-home-page>

This year's meeting schedule:

AGM: October 7, 2025

November 4, 2025

December 3, 2025

January 6, 2026

February 3, 2026

March 3, 2026

April 7, 2026

April 28, 2026

June 2, 2026

Parent Advisory Council 2025/2026

PAC Contact information:

jbmitchellpac@gmail.com

Elected Executive PAC members:

Chair, Dana Gagnon

Vice Chair, Amy Desroches

Treasurer, Kevin Parsons

Secretary, Eva Alomari

Volunteer Coordinator, Ivan Maroti



Student Absence Reporting

SafeArrival / School Messenger

At Winnipeg School Division, one of our top priorities is ensuring that every student arrives at school safely each day. To help with this, we are using student absence reporting system called SafeArrival. This system streamlines attendance verification, make it easier for you to report your child's absence and assist staff in responding to unexplained student absences more efficiently.

With SafeArrival, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

- 1.) Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>). The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence. When searching on the App Store, type "School Messenger" and select the Blue App.
- 2.) Use the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence. When you go online, make sure you are on the Canadian website (ending in .ca). If you are on the U.S. website (ending in .com), you will not be able to access the school account.
- 3.) Call the toll-free number 1-855-278-4513 to report an absence using the automated phone system. Please make sure you go online and set up a PIN. Please keep this PIN private.

If you have not consented to Electronic Notifications and Emails at the school, or if your email on file at the school is incorrect, you will not be able to access the SchoolMessenger App or the SchoolMessenger website. Please contact the school office to make changes to your email on file.

If your child takes the bus and will be absent you must call the transportation department at 204-789-0452



June 2026 Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1. Day 1 Monthly Community Smudge 8:45 am - 8:55 am	2. Day 2 Gr 4-6 Fit Run 9AM - 12PM	3. Day 3 Divisional Grad Powwow 10AM-12PM	4. Day 4 GSA Parade 12 PM - 1PM	5. Day 5
8. Day 6	9. Day 1 STEAM Fair	10. Day 2 Gr 6 Immunization Pt2 9AM	11. Day 3	12. Day 4 Rm 201 to Waabishkaa-Makwa 9AM - 2:30 PM
15. Day 5	16. Day 6	17. Day 1 Volunteer Tea @ 2:30 pm	18. Day 2 Patrol Pizza Day In the Library @12 PM Family Fun Evening @4 pm	19. Day 3 SCHOOL CLOSED PD DAY (JBM SCHOOL CHOICE)
22. Day 4	23. Day 5 Gr. 6 Farewell 10 am	24. Day 6	25. Day 1 Rm 132/133 Farm Trip	26. Day 2 Summer Field Day 1:30 pm
29. Day 3 Rm 203 & 205 MB Museum 9:15 am- 2:15PM Report Cards Sent Through Messenger	30. Day 4 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL EARLY DISMISSAL 11:30 AM	<p>2026-2027 School Year Calendar</p> 		