



# **JMK JAGUAR JOURNAL**

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## ***Principal's Message***



## ***December 2025***

**Dear Parents/Guardians:**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Family Conferences and celebrated your children's learning with us. We are so proud of our students and all the progress they are making. If you were unable to attend, please contact your child's teacher to arrange an appointment.

December is a wonderfully busy month, filled with special events and celebrations:

### **Winter Craft Night – Thursday, December 4**

We are excited to host our annual Winter Craft Night in partnership with Evermore Gather Grow Lead Inc. There will be two settings for dinner, one at **5:00 pm** and another at **5:30 pm**. A detailed letter will be sent home with all the information.

### **Turkey Lunch – Tuesday, December 9**

Students in Grades 1–6 will enjoy our annual Turkey Lunch at the Portuguese Centre. **Nursery and Kindergarten** students will receive a special Turkey Snack on Wednesday, **December 10**. A heartfelt thank-you to MGM Construction for their generous donation that makes this tradition possible.

### **Scholastic Book Fair – December 11**

Our Library will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair, and families are welcome to shop on **Thursday, December 11 from 3:30–6:30 pm**.

### **Family Pancake Breakfast – Tuesday, December 16**

Join us for a warm and delicious breakfast with your children anytime between 8:15–9:30 am.

### **Holiday Spirit Week – December 15–19**

Help us spread cheer by participating in our festive theme days:

- **December 15** – Red & Green Day
- **December 16** – Ugly Sweater Day
- **December 17** – Holiday Character Day
- **December 18** – Holiday Headgear Day
- **December 19** – Pajama Day

With the colder temperatures arriving, please ensure your child comes to school dressed warmly. If your family needs winter clothing, please contact Chantel, our Community Support Worker, who can help place a Koats for Kids order.

**The last day of school before Winter Break is Friday, December 19.** Classes resume on **Monday, January 5, 2026.**

From all of us at John M. King School, we wish you and your family a safe, warm, and joyful holiday season. "In the midst of winter, we find moments of warmth, in kindness, in community, and in each other."

Warm regards,

T. Karagiannis Bell  
Principal

T. Chambers  
Vice-Principal

# **SPIRIT WEEK**

**DECEMBER 15-19, 2025**

**MONDAY**

**RED/GREEN DAY**



**TUESDAY**

**UGLY SWEATER DAY**



**WEDNESDAY**

**HOLIDAY HEAD GEAR DAY**



**THURSDAY**

**CHRISTMAS CHARACTER DAY**



**FRIDAY**

**PAJAMA DAY**





## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**For Immediate Release – November 28th, 2025**

### **EVERMORE GATHER GROW LEAD INC. ACHIEVES IMAGINE CANADA ACCREDITATION**

Evermore Gather Grow Lead Inc. has officially achieved **Imagine Canada Accreditation**, a national recognition that highlights the organization's excellence in governance, transparency and impact. This milestone underscores Evermore's commitment to providing high-quality, accountable and sustainable programs for children, youth and families in Winnipeg's West Central Community.

The **Standards Program** is a Canada-wide set of shared standards for charities and non-profits designed to strengthen organizational practices, increase transparency, and build public confidence in the sector. It evaluates organizations across five key areas:

- Board governance
- Financial accountability and transparency
- Fundraising
- Staff management
- Volunteer involvement

Evermore's accreditation reviewers commended the organization on putting forward a very strong application, noting that the governance portion demonstrated how a relatively small charity utilizes a disciplined and thorough approach to strategic planning and mission review. Leading practices were highlighted across multiple standards, reflecting Evermore's commitment to excellence, transparency and accountability.

Founded in 1977 as the West Central Community Program a small community-based program and rebranding to Evermore Gather Grow Lead Inc. in 2019, Evermore has grown into an organization providing after-school programs, summer programs, leadership development initiatives and community engagement activities for children and youth aged 6–17. Achieving Imagine Canada Accreditation reflects the dedication, resilience and collaboration of Evermore's Board, staff, and volunteers and ensures continued excellence in the services provided to the community.

"This accreditation is a milestone for Evermore and a recognition of the commitment, heart and dedication of our team," said Kerris Chinery, Executive Director of Evermore. "It demonstrates that our governance, systems and practices meet the highest national standards, ensuring we continue to serve children, youth and families with integrity, accountability and excellence."

For more information on Imagine Canada and the Standards Program, visit: [www.imaginecanada.ca](http://www.imaginecanada.ca).

### **ABOUT EVERMORE GATHER GROW LEAD INC.**

Evermore Gather Grow Lead Inc., established in 1977 as the West Central Community Program, is dedicated to "Building Community Through Children." The organization provides inclusive, high-quality programs that inspire personal growth, leadership, and community engagement for children and youth in Winnipeg's West Central Community. From after-school programs to summer drop-in programs and leadership initiatives, Evermore fosters safe, nurturing, and enriching environments for young people. For more information, visit: [www.evermoreggL.com](http://www.evermoreggL.com)

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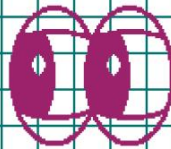
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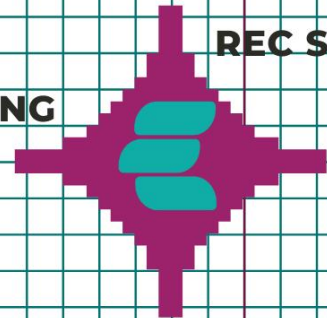
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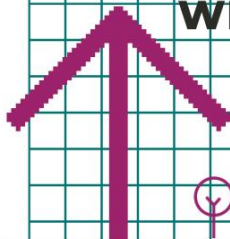
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BOARD GAMES



MONDAYS & THURSDAYS  
6:00PM - 8:00PM

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# EVERMORE DECEMBER 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1</b> <b>AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM - JMK</b> <b>3:30PM - 5:30PM</b> <b>SPECIAL SNACK</b> <b>Art City</b> <b>EVENING DROP-IN</b> <b>6:00PM - 8:00PM</b> <b>EVERMORE HQ</b> <b>532 ELLICE</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>JOHN M. KING FAMILY FUN NIGHT</b> <b>5:00PM - 7:00PM</b> <b>(NO ASP)</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>8</b> <b>NO JMK AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM</b> <b>EVENING DROP-IN</b> <b>6:00PM - 8:00PM</b> <b>EVERMORE HQ</b> <b>532 ELLICE</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>NO JMK AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM</b> <b>EVENING DROP-IN</b> <b>6:00PM - 8:00PM</b> <b>EVERMORE HQ</b> <b>532 ELLICE</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>WINTER BREAK</b>				
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>



## TO REGISTER

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## WEEKLY PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**GREENWAY SCHOOL**  
TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY  
3:30PM-5:00PM

**JOHN M KING SCHOOL**  
MONDAY 3:30PM-5:30PM  
THURSDAY 3:30PM-5:00PM

**WELLINGTON SCHOOL**  
TUESDAY & THURSDAY  
3:30PM-5:00PM

**EVENING DROP-IN (EVERMORE HQ)**  
MONDAYS & THURSDAYS  
6:00PM-8:00PM

# December

2025

## Family Room Calendar

### Hello Families!

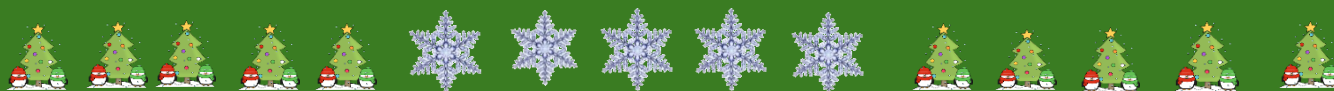
Winter break is just around the corner, and we can feel the excitement building as we wrap up 2025 together. If your child needs a warm jacket or boots for the colder weather, please fill out a form in the office or family room as soon as possible. We are still placing Koats for Kids orders and would be happy to help. We're also looking forward to celebrating the end of the year with a potluck lunch on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Feel free to bring a dish to share, but there will be enough food to go around!



-Chantel

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Family Room Closed for Maintenance	2 Holiday Art 1:00pm	3 Second Harvest 1:30pm	4 Beading and Colouring 1:00pm Winter Craft Night 5:00-7:00pm	5 Budget Friendly School Lunches 2:00pm
8 Board Games 1:00pm	9 Holiday Art 1:00pm	10 Second Harvest 1:30pm	11 Beading and Colouring 1:00pm Scholastic Book Fair 3:30-6:30pm	12 Nutrition Bingo 1:30pm
15 Board Games 1:00pm	16 Holiday Art 1:00pm	17 Second Harvest 1:30pm	18 Beading and Colouring 1:00pm	19 Last Day of School Potluck 12:00pm
22 Winter Break	23 Winter Break	24 Winter Break	25 Winter Break	26 Winter Break
29 Winter Break	30 Winter Break	31 Winter Break		

# SCHOOL CALENDAR – DECEMBER 2025



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1</b> Day 2 <b>BADMITON CLUB</b> <b>@ 12:25</b>  <b>DRAWING CLUB</b> <b>G4. 5/6 @ 12:25 –</b> <b>12:55 PM</b>	<b>2</b> Day 3	<b>3</b> Day 4  <b>Gr. 3/4</b> <b>INTRAMURALS</b> <b>@ 12:25</b>	<b>4</b> Day 5  <b>WINTER CRAFT NIGHT</b> <b>@ 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM</b>  <b>MAMAHTAWASIWIN</b> <b>@ 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM</b>	<b>5</b> Day 6
<b>8</b> Day 1  <b>DRAWING CLUB</b> <b>G4. 5/6 @ 12:25 –</b> <b>12:55 PM</b>	<b>9</b> Day 2  <b>TRIPLE BALL</b> <b>@ GREENWAY</b> <b>9:00 AM-12:00 PM</b>  <b>TURKEY LUNCH FOR</b> <b>STUDENTS</b>	<b>10</b> Day 3	<b>11</b> Day 4  <b>BOOK FAIR @</b> <b>3:30 PM – 6:30 PM</b>  <b>MAMAHTAWASIWIN</b> <b>12:00-1:00 PM</b>	<b>12</b> Day 5  
<b>15</b> Day 6  <b>RED/GREEN DAY</b>  <b>TRIPLE BALL @</b> <b>SISTER MAC</b> <b>9:00 AM – 12:00 PM</b>	<b>16</b> Day 1  <b>UGLY SWEATER DAY</b>  <b>PANCAKE</b> <b>BREAKFAST</b> <b>8:30 AM-11:30 AM</b>	<b>17</b> Day 2  <b>HOLIDAY</b> <b>CHARACTER DAY</b>	<b>18</b> Day 3  <b>HOLIDAY HEADGEAR</b> <b>DAY</b>  <b>MAMAHTAWASIWIN</b> <b>12:00-1:00 PM</b>	<b>19</b> Day 4  <b>RELAX AND REEL DAY</b> <b>(PRIMARY AM,</b> <b>INTERMEDIATE PM)</b>
<b>22</b> 	<b>23</b>  <b>WINTER</b> <b>BREAK</b>	<b>24</b>  <b>WINTER</b> <b>BREAK</b>	<b>25</b>  <b>WINTER</b> <b>BREAK</b>	<b>26</b>  <b>WINTER</b> <b>BREAK</b>
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