

PINKHAM SCHOOL

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December Newsletter

Dear Students and Families,

As we enter the month of December, I want to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful experiences we've shared this year. It has been heartwarming to see our students grow, learn, and support each other in our school community.

December is a special time filled with celebrations and opportunities for kindness. We are so fortunate to have both the Pajama Project Inc. and Angels in the Night donate to our school this holiday season. Every child will receive new pj's and a winter coat before the winter break. We also have lots of exciting events planned for your child during the month of December including the Winter Concert, a Turkey Dinner whole school lunch and a Pancake Breakfast with Santa.

We are very excited to invite all families to join us for our Winter Concerts. The N/K students will have their concert on December 10th. The morning class will perform at 10:30 am and afternoon class at 2:30 pm. The Grade 1-6 Winter Concert will take place at 5:00 pm on December 11th.

We also want to remind everyone that colder winter weather is approaching. Please ensure that your child is prepared for the colder weather as we continue to enjoy outdoor activities.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education. Wishing you all a joyous holiday season filled with warmth and happiness!

Warm regards,

Sonia Medaglia Dos Santos, Principal



Upcoming Events

N/K Winter Concert- December 10

AM 10:30 PM 2:30 pm



**Grades 1-6 Winter Concert -
December 11th 5:00 pm**

Winter Break: Dec. 23-Jan. 3

Reminders

Friday, December 12th, 2025



Professional Development Day

Classes Resume on
Monday, January 5th,



Music



COOKIES! Who doesn't love cookies?! What will happen when the cookies of Pinkham School are faced with being separated in a cookie exchange? What will happen when puppies are looking for cookies? You'll have to come out on **December 11th, at 5pm**, to find out the answers to these questions!

The Grades 1-6 musicians of Pinkham School have been preparing to present Cookies! The Musical. A holiday recorder presentation will be included by the Grade 5/6 musicians. What is the purpose of an elementary school music performance?

- Reinforces musical concepts such as beat, rhythm and pitch.
- Provides a goal and motivation for improving skills
- Builds confidence and self-esteem
- Develops perseverance and commitment
- Enhances self-expression and creativity
- Fosters teamwork and community

We look forward to celebrating the children's hard work and the winter holidays you! Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Musically yours,

Ms. Katie



Nursery and Kindergarten News Room 115

The nursery and kindergarten students are learning about how to express the E in CARE; Everybody Belongs! Together, we are learning how to share, take turns and include others in our games through the words and actions that we choose to use. We are learning through books such as 'You are Friendly', by Todd Snow, 'Share and Take Turns' by Cheri J. Meiners and 'The Circle of Caring and Sharing' by Theres Larsen-Jonasson. I admire the teamwork, patience and understanding of each student while they engage at learning centres with their classmates.

Students enjoyed talking about members of their families after listening to the story, 'The Family Book', by Todd Parr. Students made beautiful illustrations of their families and talked about the members who they illustrated! Throughout the school year, we will continue to explore and share the beautiful and diverse families of the nursery and kindergarten students including culture, traditions and people!

We have also been enjoying the wonderful, sunny weather! The nursery and kindergarten students explore outside often and enjoy using the new binoculars to look for birds and squirrels. We have been observing the seasonal changes of fall and are all looking forward to playing in fresh snow soon!

I am grateful to have met with all the families that attended tri-conferences on Nov.20 and 21. Thank you for coming! I look forward to seeing everyone at our Winter Concert on Dec.10. Stay tuned for information to come!

Sincerely, Ms. Budiwski



Family Room News

Sherrie Houle

Our Family room is a welcoming space where we have our monthly Parent Council meetings and programming throughout the year. We have a free clothing depot and sewing machines. I can help with any resources you need. You can call, email or speak to me live.

Weekly food security - The Winnipeg School Division is still actively looking for a depot from where we can distribute potatoes, onions and bread from. Hopefully soon.

Meals2Go - every student will take home a Meals2Go bag every Friday. N/K a.m. students will be given to them on Monday mornings as meals to go are dropped off at our school in the late afternoons. Bags are filled with food items such as fruit, yogurt, cheese and chocolate milk.

Parent Council Meetings - These meetings are a great way to share school information and meet other Parents/Guardians. We offer free childcare and a light dinner. Our next Parent Council Meeting is on **Wednesday, January 28th at 3:45 p.m.** Please let me know if you are attending to make sure we have enough food.

Beading/sewing - This all day drop in has been going good, we have been making beaded pins. In January we are going to start making ribbon skirts.

Indigenous Grandparents lunch - This program is up and running going really good. We have been having a great turn out with Janice Miller co facilitating this with me. The sharing circle is an important piece of this program as it leads to good conversations and sharing personal journeys.




*Please drop by the office
if you are interested in
volunteering at Pinkham*

December Family Room


Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 1	2	3 Indigenous Grandparents lunch. 1 p.m.	4 Drop-in beading/sewing	 5
8	9 Coffee/chat time mornings in the Family room	10 Kindergarten Winter Concert 3:00 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.	11 Drop-in beading/sewing Winter Concert 5:00	12 No School
15 Student Christmas Lunch	16	17 Pancake Breakfast	18 Drop in Beading/sewing	19 Movie Day 10:00 a.m.
22 Winter break	23 Winter break	24 Winter break	25 Winter break	26 Winter break
29 Winter break	30 Winter break	31 Winter break	First day back to school is January 5th	

ATTENDANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

We encourage students to attend school daily. Regular attendance ensures that students receive the instruction and support that they need and helps them build a sense of belonging and love for learning. Please let us know if we can support you in any way.


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WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

DECEMBER 2025



Winter Break: Dec. 23, 2025 - Jan. 3, 2026

Special Events for Students:

December 15th– Turkey Dinner Holiday Lunch

December 16th– Holiday Caroling



December 17th– Pancake Breakfast and Activity Day

December 18th– Hot Chocolate and Cookie Day

December 19th– Movie Day

C - Come prepared to **LEARN**

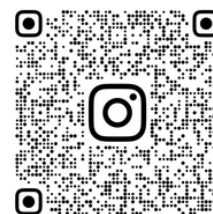
A - **ACTIVELY** listening

R - Ready to **PARTICIPATE & INQUIRE**

E - Everybody **BELONGS**



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