

## King Edward Community School



Hello Families of King Edward Community School,

Well the weather is definitely changing week by week. Please ensure you only send or drop off your child(ren) right at the bell or after 8:30 am if your child(ren) is coming for breakfast. The morning bell rings at 8:50 am and the afternoon bell rings at 12:55 pm. Please ensure your child(ren) is dressed appropriately. Students will go outside for recess if the weather permits.

February will be a short but very busy month for staff and students. This month we will participate and learn about 100 Days at school, I Love to Read, Black History Month and Valentine's Day. Please stay tuned for more information from your child's teacher regarding Valentine's Day.

King Edward School has a food hub every Wednesday for families to come to the school at 3:00pm to pick up potatoes, bread, ham and other food items that may be available that week.

Thank you for your continued partnership in making our school community thrive!

Kristin Melnyk Principal

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Jaclyn Rivest Vice Principal

### Upcoming Important Dates

February 17th Louis Riel Day

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## **Performing Arts**

Dear Families,

King Edward School students are honored and privileged to collaborate with RWB on the "RWB Community Dance" program.

The program (rooms 211,120,118 and 210) will start on January 27th and will continue on a mostly weekly basis on the school day 2 in the afternoon, from 1:00-3:30, during class's music lesson until May 27th.

This is a truly unique and extraordinary program that sparks creativity, excitement and imagination amongst the students. Experiencing the arts shapes their ideas, provides a deeper understanding of their emotions, and increases their self-awareness.

The students will learn skills and concepts in the process of creating dances, and discover how the body works physiologically, by practicing and performing their own choreographed dances both individually and in groups.

By listening to the music and learning how to move in time with the beat, children will be able to hone their senses more finely and learn how their bodies can work in harmony with the stimuli around them.

Additionally, these sensory experiences will help children connect with themselves, with one another, and with the world around them, leading them to appreciate the beauty of their environment.

Through creative movement, our students will learn that not everyone interprets music and moves in the same way. This helps them to see that everyone is different, but no one is wrong in their individuality.

Being able to understand these differences – and similarities – will help children develop richer social skills and a better acceptance of others.

Additionally, our students in rooms 129 and 206 had a unique and wonderful Opera workshop opportunity to learn from an opera singer on January 13th! How exciting!

Sincerely,



Mrs. Ella Golubchik Music Teacher



### \*\* 🕼 Spotlight on the Opera Workshop!



Dear Parents and Students,

This month, we are excited to share the highlights from our vibrant Opera Workshop that took place on January 13th for rooms 129 and 206! Our students had an incredible time diving into the enchanting world of opera, exploring music, drama, and creativity.

\*\*Workshop Highlights: \*\*

The Opera Workshop was filled with fun activities! Here's a glimpse of what our students experienced:

- Students learned some basic vocal techniques and practiced beautiful melodies from famous operas. Many of them discovered their unique singing voices!
- Our talented workshop leader Stephen Haiko-Pena guided students through improvisational exercises, helping them develop their characters and understand the emotions behind operatic performances.
  - Students got creative by designing their own costumes for an imaginary opera. The artwork was fantastic, showing off their talent and imagination!
  - The workshop concluded with a mini-performance where students showcased what they learned.



Mrs. Ella Golubchik Performing Arts Teacher



## Sistema

Sistema welcomed new students into our Vivaldi orchestra. The new students painted large cardboard instruments, created paper-doll orchestras, and began playing real string instruments!

New students to the program also learned how to hold instruments and bows correctly and can name all of the parts of the instruments. They also enjoying singing in the Sistema choir and meeting new friends!





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	Food Hub 3:00	26 Day 5	Food Hub 3:00 Grade 3/4 Intramurals Festival Du Voyageur	19 Day 6	Food Hub 3:00 Grade 3/4 Intramurals	12 Day 2	Food Hub 3:00 Grade 3/4 Intramurals	5 Day 3		Wednesday	
	Bball Practice	27 Day 6	Bball Practice Festival Du Voyageur	20 Day 1	Tripleball Staff vs. Students	13 Day 3	Tripleball Practice	6 Day 4		Thursday	
	ISCL 1 Game Jump Rope Assembly	28 Day 1	Festival Du Voyageur	21 Day 2	VALENTINE'S DAY! ISCL 1 Caring Society Have a Heart Day	14 Day 4	Tripleball Tournament at EWSS	7 Day 5		Friday	
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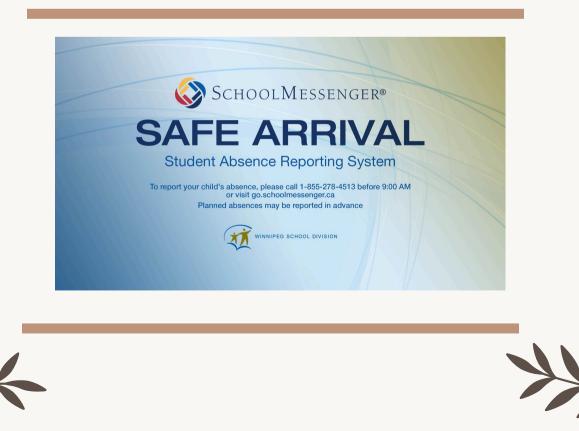
## Friendly Reminders

• If you are interested in learning more about the Student Accident Insurance which can be purchased for your student(s) visit the WSD website for more information.

To purchase a plan visit <u>https://manitobastudentinsurance.ca</u> or call 1-800-463-5437.

- Families are always welcome in the building but we ask that only staff members take children to and from their classrooms.
  - Please check the Lost & Found frequently
- Students should return from lunch NO EARLIER THAN 12:50 PM

## Absence Reporting - Safe Arrival





# Lunch Program

Please remember to send your child with a fish, seafood, peanut and nut free lunch that does not need to be heated.

## Family Room News

King Edward Welcomes Jo-Anne Britton, our new Community Support Worker!

Jo-Anne is able to support families in many different ways, some of these ways include,

- Food Security
- Clothing, shoes, boots
- Feminine Hygiene; Lice Products
- Applications for important documents such as birth certificates, Manitoba health cards
- Community resources such as, financial support, housing, adult education, referrals
- Advocacy
- Mediation
- Home Visits
- Jordan's Principle Support
- Accessing doctors/medical support
- Parent/Caregiver resources and parenting supports

Jo-Anne can be reached by phoning the school

204-586-8381



### Family Food Hub

Date: Every Wednesday Time: 3:00p.m. (No early entry please) Where: Front foyer of the school

Please bring your own bags

# Housing and I.D. Resource Event

### February 13, 2025, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. R.B. Russell Vocational High School 364 Dufferin Avenue

Winnipeg School Division and End Homelessness Winnipeg are hosting events to help our community members get income and housing supports they qualify for.

Join us to receive on-site sign-up services and information on available resources for individuals and families.

To sign up for services you will need some ID such as:

- Manitoba Health Card
- Government Issued Photo ID
- Proof of Income/Option C
- Current Tenancy Agreement
- Direct Deposit/Banking Information
- EIA Budget Letter
- Proof of Status/Residency
- Completed Guarantor Form

If you are unsure of which documents you will need to bring, or if you require assistance in filling out forms please contact:

Kasia (Katarzyna) Guzzi Community Support Program Coordinator kguzzi@wsd1.org 204-788-0203





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January 10, 2025

#### Re: 2025/26 Student Registration

Dear WSD Families,

Registration for the 2025/26 school year is opening soon, and families often have questions around the process. WSD aims to be clear and concise about registration for the upcoming school year.

**Catchment school registration** for all WSD schools **opens February 10**. This is for learners <u>entering</u> <u>a new school</u> in their catchment area. For example, a child entering Nursery or Kindergarten for the first time, a child transitioning to Middle Years, or a child transitioning to Senior Years must all register. However, a child in Grade 3 who will remain at their current school does not need to re-register.

Catchment school registration will be primarily online, through a centralized registration page on WSD's website. Online registration will **go live February 10 at 9:00 AM** at <u>winnipegsd.ca/registration</u>. Paper registration forms will still be available at schools.

**School of Choice applications** for within-division and outside-division students **open March 3**. A child that already attends a School of Choice does not need to re-apply. The staggered date of School of Choice applications allows WSD to accept students based on the school's capacity and available resources, in addition to registration guidelines set by the Province of Manitoba.

NOTE: all within-division students must apply at their catchment school **first** before applying for a School of Choice or divisional program.

Application information for School of Choice will be accepted between March 3 and May 15 only.

We also attached information about registration in a Frequently Asked Questions document.

If you have questions or concerns after visiting winnipegsd.ca/registration, please contact the administration at your catchment school.

Sincerely,

Matt Henderson Superintendent



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### 2025-26 Student Registration FAQ

### Q: What school should my child attend?

To determine the school that serves your home address, use our Find A School tool. Search your street name and click on the map to see your child's early, middle or senior years schools, as well as schools your child can attend for WSD language programs.

#### Q: Can my child take the school bus?

Students in Nursery through Grade 6, who attend their catchment-area school and live over 1.6 km away, are eligible for WSD transportation. Requests for transportation must be made at the school the child is registered at. Students must be registered first prior to requesting transportation. Transportation is not provided for students in Grade 7 or higher.

### Q: Why is it important for my child to attend their catchment area school?

Attending catchment area schools is beneficial because children can walk or bike to school and stay with neighborhood peers. It ensures all schools maintain healthy programs and diverse offerings, and it supports small class sizes for better learning environments. Schools receive funding based on their catchment area, thus attending catchment area schools helps avoid extra expenses and resource strain on the school division.

### Q: Can my child attend a school outside our catchment area?

Yes, you can apply but acceptance is not guaranteed. It depends on the school's space and resources. The provincial guidelines prioritize:

- 1. Students designated for that school.
- 2. Students within Winnipeg School Division.
- 3. Students outside of Winnipeg School Division.

### Q: Can my child visit open houses outside our catchment area?

Ideally, schools hosting information sessions should only host students from their designated feeder schools within the same catchment area, or those interested in attending for specialty programming. Visiting schools outside the catchment area is not encouraged to ensure proper alignment with divisional policies.

### Q: When can I apply for a School of Choice for my child?

First, all students must register with their catchment schools first BEFORE applying for a School of Choice. Applications for School of Choice are accepted for the next school year between March 3