

February Newsletter

SHAUGHNESSY PARK SCHOOL

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Administrator’s Message

Welcome back! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable winter break, and we’re excited to begin the second half of the school year with your students.

As we move forward into 2025, we want to take a moment to express our gratitude for your ongoing support in helping your child(ren) succeed. Your involvement and dedication are essential to their growth and development, and we couldn’t do this work without you. Together, we are building a strong foundation for their future.

As we continue the school year we want to remind you of the importance of regular school attendance. Consistent attendance is vital to your child's academic success and overall well-being. We understand that life can present challenges, but we want to assure you that we are here to offer support in any way possible. If your child is struggling with attendance, please reach out to us—we’re ready to help find solutions and work together to get them back on track.

Thank you for your partnership. Let’s make the second half of the year even more successful than the first!

Please note that the school will be closed on:
February 17th – Louis Riel Day

You can find us on social media @*ShaughnessyPark* to keep up to date with many of the exciting things that are happening at Shaughnessy Park!

Tanis & Dazreen

This Month at a Glance
Lunch Program
Planning for High School
Peaceful Village
Basketball
Public Health
Parent Room + Important Dates

For all important correspondence being sent out by the school, we will continue to send information to parents and guardians by email. If your phone number, emergency contacts or address has changed, please let the office know so they may update your information, so that school staff are able to contact you in case of an emergency.

IT'S LUNCH TIME

We are pleased to announce that our hot lunch initiative is underway for **all lunch program students!** Every day students enrolled in lunch program will receive a delicious lunch! In January we had different soups, and even taco salad!



Absence Reporting

Just a reminder that Shaughnessy Park School uses the Safe Arrival system to notify parents of student absences. We are working towards having all absences recorded by parents so they do not receive phone calls. With Safe Arrival, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance by using any of these methods:

1 Using a mobile device, download and install the School Messenger app from the Apple Store or the Google Play Store. The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance, then Report an Absence.

2 Use the Safe Arrival website, <http://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.

3 Call the toll-free number 1-855-278-4513 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Absences can be reported at any time.

FREE Lunch & Breakfast Program

Just a reminder that the breakfast program is open daily from **8:15 am until 8:45 am**. Children will be going outside after breakfast. Please make sure to dress for the weather.

Shaughnessy Park School offers a **free lunch program** for students.

Please come by the office to sign up

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

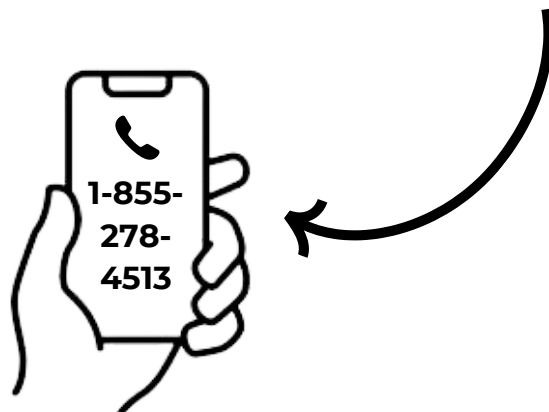
Please have children ready at the door and dressed for the weather by 8:25 AM. WSB will be cancelled when temperatures are too cold.

WSB monitors are unable to wait for children to get dressed and cannot walk children who are not dressed appropriately for the weather.

If you need support with clothing items as the seasons change, please contact one of our guidance counsellors: Ms. Janzen (Nursery - Gr. 2), Ms. Niel (Gr. 3-4), Ms. Katherine (Gr. 5-8).

REPORTING AN ABSENCE?

SAFE ARRIVAL



LAND BASED LEARNING

WITH MS. DELARONDE

This year began with our land-based learning students being invited over to children of the Earth High School to learn about the Tipi from Connie Westbuck, Michelle, and Tyler. Connie gifted us many teachings about what each pole represented, and the canvas that is used today in place of what was once furs and hides. She talked about what animals the hides came from, and what each animal gave us, so that we could live and survive. She talked about what each pole represented, and how this is connected to us as people, and how we in return use these teachings to live our lives in a good way.

Michelle and Tyler shared their knowledge regarding how to set up the Tipi. They demonstrated how each Tipi pole was to be put together and tied in order to hold the structure together. They demonstrated the importance of teamwork in putting together the Tipi. Connie continued her teachings, and spoke about how that rope that binds the Tipi relates us to each of those teachings, and is tied to our roles and responsibilities. It was a wonderful afternoon!

We are also taking the opportunity in our land-based learning to learn how to physically take care of our bodies by preparing and cooking nutritious meals for ourselves and for others. We spoke about how this connects to our feasts, also known as potlucks. Grade 5 - 8 students are learning about the traditional ways of the food and land. The hopes is that our students will lead with these teachings throughout our school and into our communities.

Mii Gwayak,
Joellee Delaronde



APPLYING FOR HIGHSCHOOL

GRADE 8 STUDENTS

GRADE EIGHT STUDENTS WILL BE

VISITING :

TEC VOC ON FEBRUARY 14TH

SISLER ON FEBRUARY 26TH



MS. KATHERINE

February is the time of year when the Grade 8 students and their families need to think about where they will go to school for the next four years. Sisler High School is the place where many of our students go for high school. Several students also go to Tec Voc High School. Tec Voc will be holding an open house so that you will be able to see the school with your child. If you would like to attend Tec Voc's Open House, it will be on **Thursday, February 20, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** If you would like to attend RB Russel's Open House it will be on **Thursday, February 13, 3:30 - 6:30 PM**

When parents and students have made a decision of school, families and students will need to fill out a registration form. Please call the school if you have any questions regarding the high school application process. **Ms. Katherine and Ms. Lori are also available to meet with your students to discuss possibilities for high school!**

MS. LORI



Let's Talk
High School!

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING **THE PEACEFUL VILLAGE**

The Peaceful Village Inc. is an independent, non-profit, non-governmental organization that promotes educational equity and social justice by collaborating with public secondary schools to build their capacity to improve student learning and engagement.

The Peaceful Village is an afterschool program for youth, which is facilitated by The Peaceful Village Inc. They providing students with academic support, learning materials, a hot meal, and other activities to engage with. There are also optional activities for students during PD days and school breaks. The Peaceful Village also operates during the summer to provide activities and opportunities in activity-based learning over the break.

The Peaceful Village will begin operating at Shaughnessy in February, three days a week, from 4 - 7 PM. We will begin registration for select students, and hope to expand soon!

*Check Out
The Peaceful
Village Online!*



PEACEFUL VILLAGE GRAND OPENING February



STUDENT COUNCIL

Shaughnessy Park Student Council is working hard to build student spirit at Shaughnessy Park, and enhance student voice. Check out their new initiatives, stay tuned for Valentine's week activities!



STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Student attends school regularly or is currently working on and improving attendance!



Student treats peers and adults with RESPECT!



Student works hard and try their BEST!

Do you know a student like this?

Student Voice will have a nomination box **located in the office** and will **draw one winner on the first Tuesday of every month** to receive a prize and get their photo taken for the Student of the Month bulletin board.



IDEA BOX

Do you have an idea that you think will make school more fun for staff and students?

We want to hear it! Please take a minute to write it down and put it in our **IDEA BOX located in the school office.**

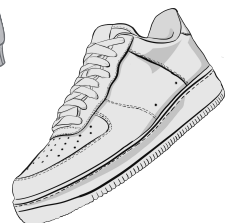
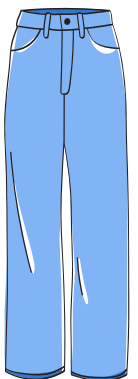
TIMBER TUESDAY



First Tuesday of Every Month

Wear Blue, Gray or White or your Shaughnessy Gear!
We will pump up school spirit over announcements during the day and do random draws for some special prizes!

We will announce a **Staff of the Month** and a **Student of the Month!**
Photos will be taken and we will put them up on designated bulletin boards to add to throughout the year!



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ICBL

INNER CITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE



Shaughnessy Park School is now a member of the (ICBL) Inner City Basketball League for Winnipeg School Division. Selected students from Grades 5 & 6 will have basketball games hosted at the *Canada Games Sports For Life Centre*.

Students will be transported by bus to the Canada Games Sports For Life Centre for basketball games. Games take place during school hours. The ICBL Runs from end of January 2025 to end of March 2025. A game schedule will be provided at a later date

This is a pilot project within the Winnipeg School Division with twenty schools, with the support of Basketball MB and the Winnipeg Minor Basketball Association. We are so excited to be a part of it!

Meet the Coaches!



MS. YANG

MR. HONER

MR. LY



TIMBERWOLVES BASKETBALL

GAME SCHEDULE

Wednesday February 5

vs. Isaac Newton 4:00 PM

Wednesday February 12

vs. Keewatin Prairie 4:00 PM

Wednesday February 19

vs. Lansdowne 4:00 PM

Monday February 24

vs. St. John's 4:00 PM

February 24 is an **AWAY** game which is played at St. John's, all other games for February will be at Shaughnessy Park!



Our Timberwolves Boys Basketball team has been working hard in practice to improve their skills on the court. They make sure to come to practices prepared and focused for what Coach Ly has them do as they look towards their next four games all this month!

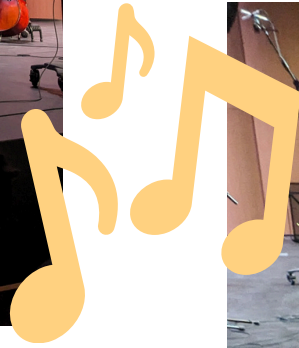
Come out and watch our Timberwolves Boys Basketball team if you can!

Thank you for all your support throughout this season!

MR. LY



GRADE 7/8 BAND



On January 29th students in Grade 7/8 attended a performance by the Winnipeg Chamber Winds Collective at the beautiful new Desautels Concert Hall at the University of Manitoba. Students were treated to multi-disciplinary chamber works by Canadian composers Gordon Fitzell, Karen Sunabacka and Abigail Richardson Schulte. Highlights included a dramatic performance of Roch Carrier's the Hockey Sweater, which included live narration and an onstage hockey game, and an operatic interpretation of the Cree creation story "The Great Flood" We are so proud of how respectful and responsible our students were. They demonstrated fantastic audience behavior and were clearly moved by the music they got to witness! Thank you to Dr. Jacquie Dawson and the University of Manitoba Faculty of Music for this event, and providing access to fantastic live music, free of charge!

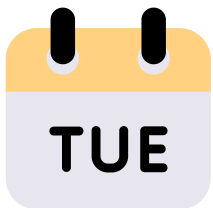


ART CLUB

Join us over the lunch hour for
Open Art Club!



GRADES 7,8



GRADES 4,5,6

Look out for Art Club for littles
starting in March!

Welcome!

We are so excited to welcome Ms. Jean to Shaughnessy Park School! Ms. Jean is teaching your children various art techniques, and they are currently working on making cardboard mobiles and skateboards.

FUN FACT

MS. JEAN LOVES KARAOKE!
(EVEN THOUGH SHE ISN'T
VERY GOOD AT IT)



MS. JEAN



ARE YOU PREGNANT?

You have access to a FREE public health nurse!

You can meet with a nurse at a place that works for you, along with a partner, friend, family member, or other support person.

We can work together on:

- Health needs, including mental health
- Finance, EIA, and housing
- Advocating for you
- Applying for the prenatal benefit
- Linking to community supports
- Pregnancy options

Connect with your Inkster area public health office at 204-938-5938 or visit us at 785 Keewatin Avenue!

PUBLIC HEALTH AT SHAUGHNESSY

Hello! My Name is Jocelyn. I was born and raised in Winnipeg, and I have been a Public Health Nurse for 17 of my 22 years as a nurse. I moved to Inkster community in 2023 and look forward to meeting and knowing families.

You can call me about pretty much **anything** and I can find the resource to help or answer any questions you may have.

I come Shaughnessy Park School twice a year to immunize Grade 6&8 students with parental consent. I also work to support pregnant and new moms, and dads around prenatal information, benefits and healthy family plans.

JOCELYN



Check This Out!



FREE

**PRENATAL BREASTFEEDING
SESSION**

NEXT SESSION FEBRUARY 8TH

2025 10:30 - 12:30 PM

UNIT 3 1050 LEILA AVENUE

- Latching and Positioning
- How to know if baby is getting enough

-Establishing milk supply

Call 2049385607



PARENT ADVISORY MEETING

February

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MS. KIM



MON TUE WED THU FRI

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Day 1 3	Day 2 4 RB Russel 1:00 PM	Day 3 5 Parent Room Opens at 10AM	Day 4 6 Parent Room Closed CSW Meeting	Day 5 7 Moccasin Making 1:00 - 3:30
Day 6 10 Pipe Ceremony Workshop Parents Only 5:00 PM Register in Parent Room	Day 1 11 RB Russel 1:00 PM	Day 2 12 Parent Room Closed	Day 3 13 Nutrition Bingo 1:00 - 3:30	Day 4 14 Moccasin Making 1:00 - 3:30
17 No School Louis Riel Day	Day 5 18	Day 6 19	Day 1 20	Day 2 21
Day 3 24 Pipe Ceremony Workshop Parents Only 5:00 PM Register in Parent Room	Day 4 25 RB Russel 1:00 PM	Day 5 26 What's Up Wednesday 1:00 - 2:00 PAC Meeting 5:00 PM	Day 6 27	Day 1 28

Come spend some time in the parent room!

