

May Newsletter

SHAUGHNESSY PARK SCHOOL

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Administrator’s Message

As we step into May, the warmer weather brings a renewed sense of energy and anticipation across our school community. With sunshine and longer days ahead, we are looking forward to a season filled with learning, creativity, and connection. This is a time of year when we celebrate progress, reflect on accomplishments, and look ahead to all that the next few months will bring. May also marks an important moment of reflection and awareness. On **May 5th**, we observed the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and Two-Spirit People (MMIWG2S). This day calls us to remember the lives lost, support the families and communities affected, and reaffirm our commitment to reconciliation, justice, and equity. We are dedicated to fostering a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment where every voice is valued and every story matters.

We are proud of the care and curiosity our students continue to show, and we are excited to see how they grow and thrive as the school year continues. Thank you for being a part of this vibrant and supportive community.

Looking ahead ...
May 7 Celebrating Indigenous Families Feast
May 9 Non Instructional Day
May 19 Victoria Day
May 22 Spring Concert
May 28, 29, 30 Grade 6 Camp

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
Peaceful Village
Celebrating Indigenous Families Feast
Bear Stone Teaching Lodge
Spring Concert
Secondary Walking School Bus
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.

LUNCH DROP OFF REMINDER

If you are dropping off a lunch for a student, please clearly label the name of the student FIRST AND LAST.

We are pleased to announce that our hot lunch initiative is underway for **all lunch program students!** Sign up your child, and never worry about having to drop off a lunch again!

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

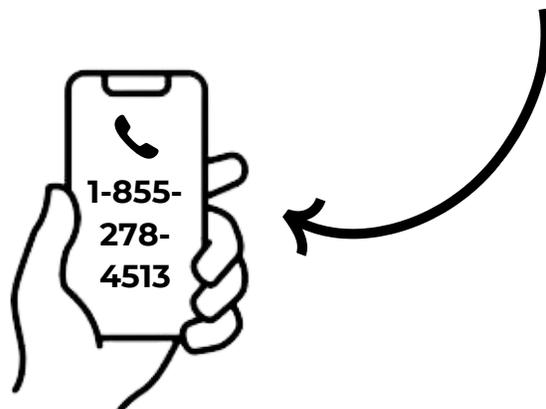
Please have children ready at the door and dressed for the weather by 8:25 AM. WSB will be cancelled when temperatures are too cold.

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. Neil (Gr. 3-4), Ms. Katherine (Gr. 5-8).

REPORTING AN ABSENCE?

SAFE ARRIVAL

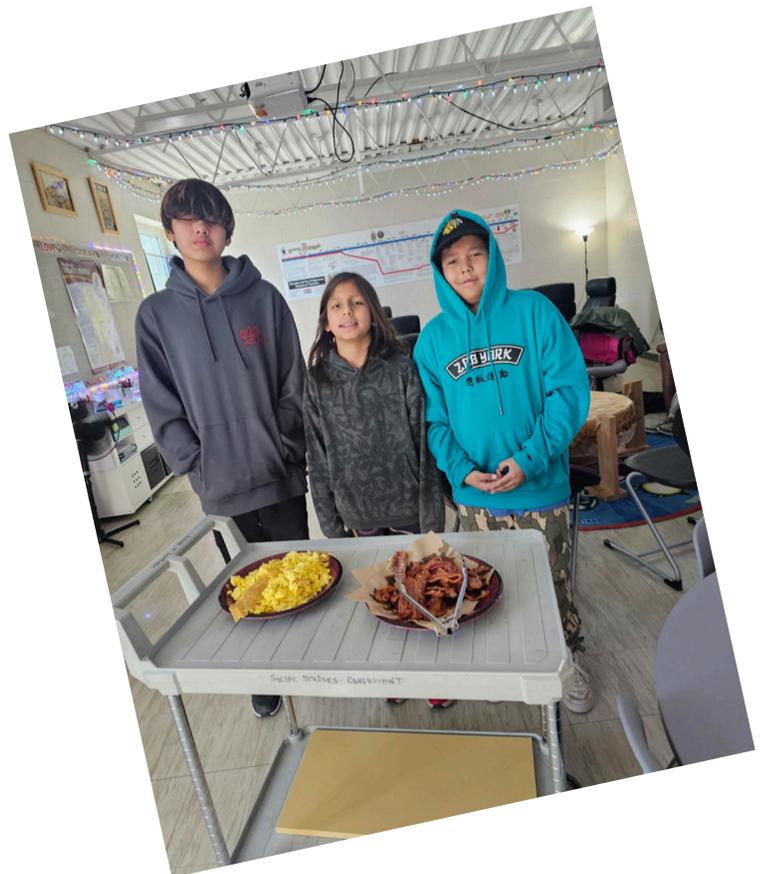
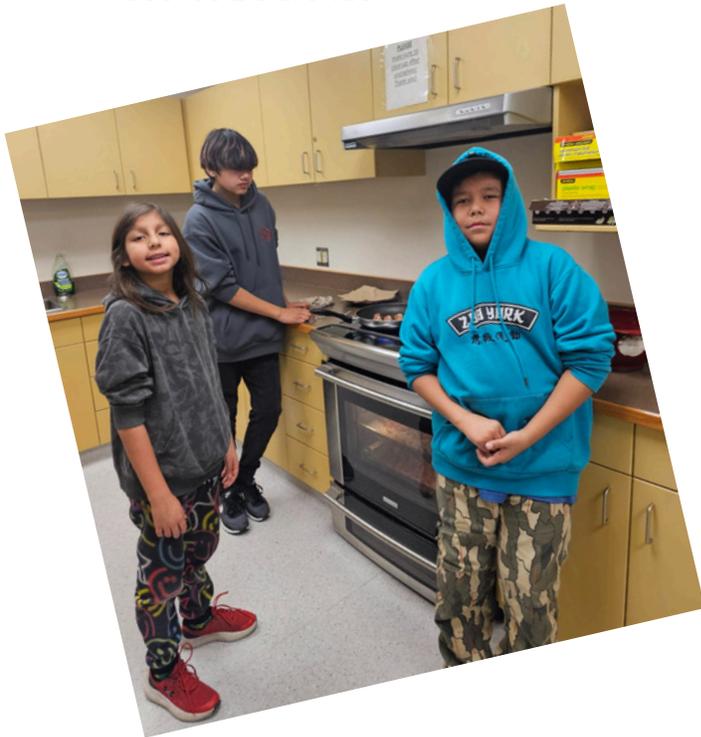


THE BEAR STONE TEACHING LODGE

WITH MRS. DELARONDE

For the Month of April, Mrs. Delaronde worked with some very gifted young men who are creating a sense of who they are through their individual roles and responsibilities. Each of the young men openly explored tasks that they had not yet had the opportunity to dive into, using a hands-on experience provided with much conversation and traditional teachings about how we have a part to play in work that creates our own and each other's success. These young men created wonderful and very tasteful food that not only physically feed themselves and others, but also, created a sense of accomplishment within themselves.

Mii Gwayak,
Joellee Delaronde



NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND GIRLS AND TWO-SPIRIT PEOPLE (MMIWG2S)



On May 5th, students within our school came together to observe the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit People (MMIWG2S). Students participated in a meaningful act of remembrance by tying red ribbons outside the school, symbolizing our commitment to honoring those who are missing and those whose lives have been taken. The day was further enriched by a powerful walk through the community, led by one of our dedicated teachers Mr. Honer, and his drum, which created a space for reflection, respect, and unity. Through these acts, we deepen our understanding and stand in solidarity with Indigenous communities in the call for justice, healing, and change.



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

THE PEACEFUL VILLAGE

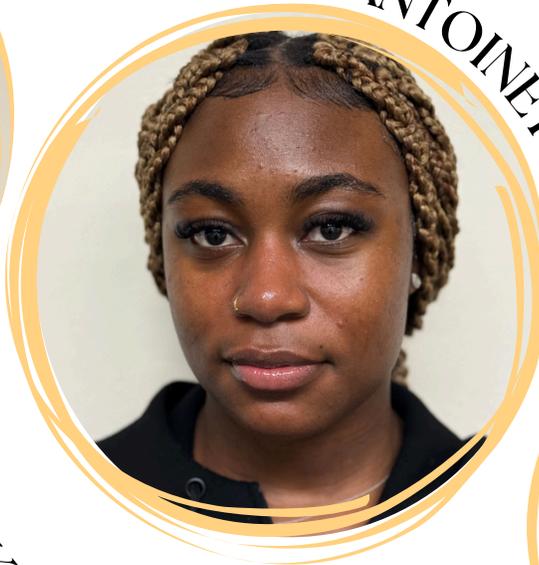
The Peaceful Village Inc. is an independent, non-profit, non-governmental organization that promotes educational equity and social justice by collaborating with public secondary schools to build their capacity to improve student learning and engagement.

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.

MEET THE PEACEFUL VILLAGE STAFF



TERRENCE



ANTOINETTE



HAFSA



TEKIE



GIDEON

PERMISSION FORMS
TO JOIN
THE PEACEFUL VILLAGE
ARE AVAILABLE IN
THE OFFICE

*We can't wait to
meet you!*

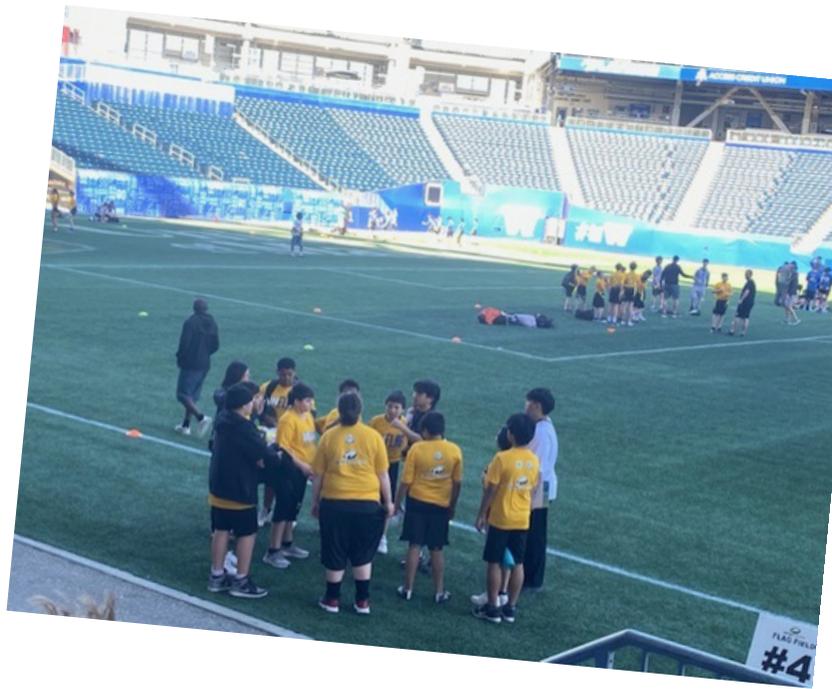
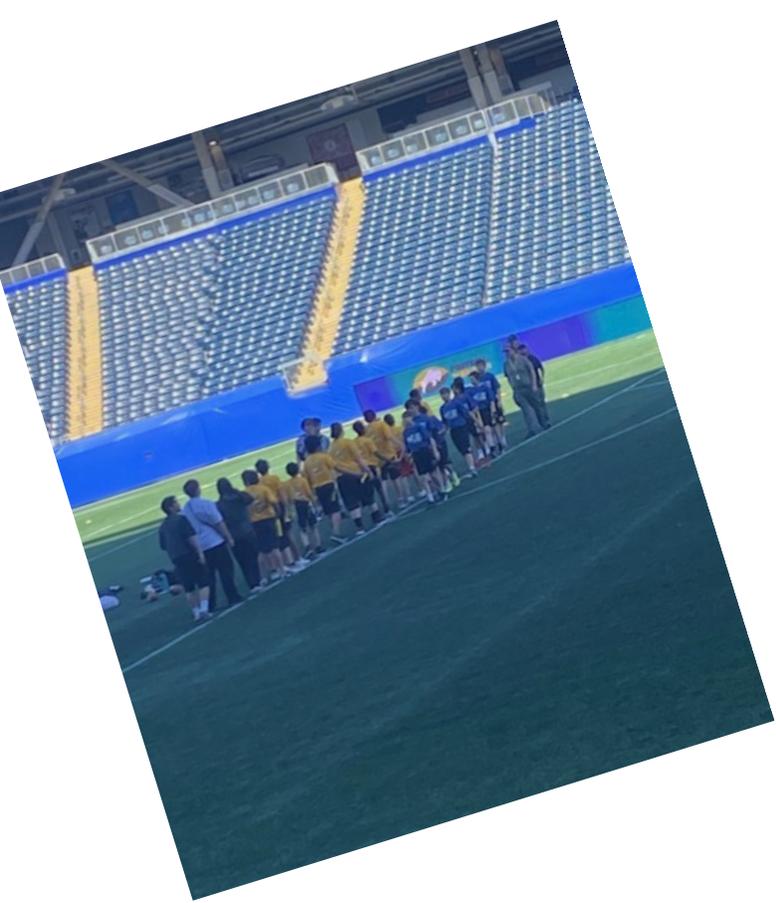
SHAUGHNESSY PARK SPORTS FLAG FOOTBALL

New to Shaughnessy Park this school year is our flag football team!



Check it out on the
next page!







LEVEL ONE BAND FESTIVAL

Students in Grade 7/8 band had a very successful performance at the Level One Band Festival on April 23rd. The students performed Ayre and Dance by Bruce Pearson and The Haunted Mansion by Matt Neufeld. Students were commended on their mature sound, and sophisticated performance. They showed exemplary respect, attention and responsiveness during their clinics with master educators Darryl Ferguson and Marissa Hirsch. Way to go!

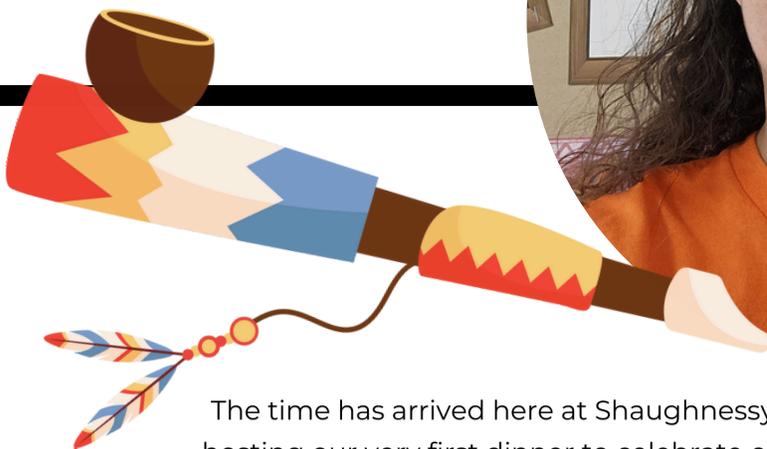


What a great experience!

CELEBRATION OF INDIGENOUS FAMILIES

SHAUGHNESSY PARK
INDIGENOUS
FAMILY CELEBRATION
MAY 7
5:30 PM
RSVP ONLY

MS. DELARONDE



The time has arrived here at Shaughnessy Park that we are so excited about to be hosting our very first dinner to celebrate our Indigenous students and families. It is at this dinner that we would like to take the time to honor our cultural teachings and way of knowing through the sounding of the Grandfather drum, while showing our respect and commitment. We are humbled to be able to sit and open the dinner up with a pipe ceremony asking for direction and guidance in carrying forward Shaughnessy Park's responsibility to walk and work with our families and community on the continued path of reconciliation.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MAY 2025

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



Our spring production “Shaughnessy Park Rocks!” will feature students in our grade 4-6 classrooms, our dance team, our Pow-wow group and the Grade 7/8 Band. There will be two performances on this day, at **2:00pm** and **6:30 pm**. Due to space constraints in the gym, families are invited as follows:

2:00pm -

- Families who are unable to attend at 6:30pm
- Students in grade K-3, and Art Students

6:30pm -

- Families of students who are participating in the performance

We ask that families only bring school age siblings in the evening if absolutely necessary.

All students asked to arrive at 6:00pm. Students in Grades 4-6 will go to their homeroom classes. Band students will go to their homeroom with their instruments and folders. Students will be required to stay for the ENTIRE performance and can be picked up from their classrooms after the show. If your student is in dance or pow-wow, please wait for further instructions from the leaders of those clubs regarding dress and locations.

To compliment our rock themed show, students are asked to wear the following:

Grades 4-6

- Black Bottoms
- Red, White, Black or Grey Shirt
- Rock, Music, and band shirts are welcomed
- **No logos, or distinct graphics**
- Dark Shoes, black preferable, runners okay

7/8 Band

- Black Shirt – no logos, no writing
- Black pants – Dark sweatpants acceptable – **no logos, no writing**
- Or Jeans – Dark as possible.
- Dark shoes – runners acceptable

MS. LOWE



THURSDAY MAY 22



**FREE
ENTRY**

**SHAUGHNESSY
PARK ROCKS**

**2:00 AND 6:30
BIG GYM
FT: 4-8 MUSIC, DANCE AND
POW-WOW**

COMING SOON

ADULT EDUCATION IS COMING TO
SHAUGHNESSY IN THE 2025 - 2026
SCHOOL YEAR

SEPTEMBER 2025

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

STAY TUNED FOR
REGISTRATION
INFORMATION

We're excited to announce the launch of a new *Adult Education Center* right here at Shaughnessy Park School! Starting soon, parents and guardians can conveniently drop off their students and head straight to class—no extra commute needed. Whether you're completing your high school diploma, brushing up on skills, or preparing for new opportunities, this supportive, flexible program is designed to fit your busy life! Stay tuned.

KNOCK KNOCK

WHO IS THERE



MS. MARY



IS YOUR CHILD ON WALKING SCHOOL BUS?

DID THEY MISS THEIR PICK UP?



Mornings are tough for some of our students! If your child missed their Walking School Bus pick up time ... **get them ready to come to school anyway!**

Mary will be there to pick them up at a later time with the **Secondary Walking School Bus** - a new initiative at Shaughnessy Park School that we hope will help more students get to school!

If you'd like to sign your child up for Walking School Bus, there are forms available in the school office.

TREATING LICE

Cases of head lice have increased at Shaughnessy Park School. **Head lice do not cause disease.** Anyone can get lice; they are not a sign of uncleanliness. In order to stop the spread of lice we are asking that you please check your child's head for head lice and their eggs today and weekly on a regular basis. Itchiness of the scalp may be a sign of lice.

If your child does have lice, please treat him or her immediately. They may return to school after the first treatment. The treatment is a lice-killing shampoo that can be bought at any drug store or pharmacy. Follow the instructions on this shampoo exactly.

Wash things that have touched the child's hair such as combs, brushes, scarves, hats, jackets, pillowcases, shirts/tops with collars in hot water. Hot water or the heat cycle of the dryer will kill any live lice or nits. Things that cannot be washed should be dry-cleaned or placed in a plastic bag, sealed and left for 10 days.

If accessing appropriate treatment is difficult for your family, please contact our public health nurse,

Jocelyn Kingshott
jkingshott@wrha.mb.ca
204-226-1649



JOCELYN

Connect with
me for support!



APPLYING FOR HIGHSCHOOL GRADE 8 STUDENTS

This 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. RB Russel is a great option for a smaller high school!

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. KATHERINE



MS. LORI

Let's Talk
High School!

CLASSROOM CHRONICLES

WITH MS. K



Hi, I'm Ms. K! I'm very rooted in my faith, my love for family and community. I believe in spreading love, positivity, kindness, and love for wellness and fitness.

In Nursery, we're working on *Our Environment* this month. We're learning about ways of saving our planet and the big one is recycling! The students were learning about why we recycle, what to recycle and what happens to the recycled materials. They learned about how to identify some recyclable materials (some even have a recycle symbol).

I really like this unit as it brings awareness to our environment, and how to take care of Mother Earth.

I love teaching, and the most rewarding part teaching this grade level is when I witness student growth and development, those 'aha' moments when discovering new things. It's really rewarding to be part of their journey to life, learning and new discoveries. I like to watch their curiosity, enthusiasm and creativity. I like to create an environment of love, safety, community and sense of belonging. That makes learning fun.



Fun things are happening in room thirty three!





PARENT ADVISORY MEETING

May
14

MS. KIM



MON TUE WED Day 2 THU Day 3 FRI Day 4

**ALL PARENT ROOM PROGRAMS REQUIRE SIGN UP
PARENT ROOM CLOSED FRIDAY MORNINGS
PLEASE BRING BAGS FOR FOOD PICK UP**

Day 5 5	Day 6 6 Parent Room Closed 1:00 - 2:00 PM	Indigenous Families Celebration 5:30 PM Parent Room Opens at 10AM	Day 1 7	Day 2 8 CSW Meeting AM	Day 3 9 Non Instructional Day
Day 4 12	Day 5 13 Parent Room Closed 1:00 - 2:00 PM	Day 6 14 PAC Meeting 5:00 PM Parent Room Opens at 10AM	Day 1 15	Day 2 16 Parent Room Closed AM Earring Workshop 1:00 PM	
Victoria Day No School	Day 3 20 Parent Room Closed 1:00 - 2:00 PM	Day 4 21 Parent Room Opens at 10AM	Day 5 22	Day 6 23 Parent Room Closed	
Day 1 26	Day 2 27 Land-Based Workshop 9:00 - 5:00 Parent Room Closed 1:00 - 2:00 PM	Day 3 28 Land-Based Workshop 9:00 - 5:00 Parent Room Open 10:00 AM	Day 4 29 Land-Based Workshop 9:00 - 5:00	Day 5 30 Parent Room Closed	

Come spend some time in the parent room!

