

Faraday School

February 2023

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Be Respectful— Be Responsible— Be Safe



Principal's Message -

We are stronger together

"It is the local community that needs to own the commitment to education".

~Adam Bevan



Hello Faraday Families!

January was a busy month of learning at Faraday! A highlight for us as a school was sharing our writing with each other. We gathered as a school community on January 19th in the afternoon. Students were able to listen to an elder share his stories with us, and then students got onto their school groupings to enjoy hearing other's stories and celebrating with each other how they are authors through their own personal narratives.

Please remember to let us know if your child won't be able to attend school due to illness or an appointment. We use the Safe Arrival System and ask you to call in to report absences. Good attendance is an important key to success. The Safe Arrival phone number is **1-855-278-4513**. It is very important to have your child arrive on time for school, as when they are late they are missing out on valuable learning which is critical to their academic success. If you need help please reach out to us.

Our next Parent Council meeting is scheduled for February 8th at 3:40pm in our staffroom. Please join us if you can. Your voice matters and we'd like to see more of our parents attend.

Please ensure that your child comes appropriately dressed for the weather. Should you need support with a coat, mittens, boots or a hat, please reach out to us.

Reminder that there is no school on Feb. 3rd and 20th. The 3rd is a PD day and the 20th is Louis Riel Day. Please mark your calendars.

On behalf of the entire Faraday School team, we wish you and your family a healthy February.

Yours in learning,

Mrs. Cox

Mrs. Jennifer Cox



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

Lunch Program

Thank you to all Parents/Guardians that make the lunch fee a part of their monthly budget. This is a reminder that all monthly payments are due by the 22nd of the preceding month. Any fees paid after this date are subject to a \$5.00 late fee.

Please be reminded that we go outside for lunch recess unless the temperature with wind-chill is -27 or colder. There is no indoor supervision. The students need to have all their winter gear: **warm jacket, snow boots, toque/hat, mitts, scarves, and ski pants**. If we stay in, we do have activities for the students to do during the lunch hour.

A big thank you to all Lunch Supervisors for creating a safe and happy lunch hour!

Be respectful, Be responsible, Be safe

Mrs. Lisa Neale, Lunch Program Coordinator



Grades 4/5 - Room 14

Mrs. C. Salter

Math is fun! Writing is fun!

This month we had to create stories and present them to our groups which are called swarms, but it is not people in your classroom. It's people in different classrooms. - Adrian

This month we celebrated all our writing pieces and went to different classrooms in our swarms. I was really scared to read mine....my friend was there and I felt a bit better about reading my story. - Angeline

This month in class I finished my heart, mind, spirit and body writing (medicine wheel). I also finished a drama assignment. - Emily

This month at school we had an assembly (Anishinabe Elder Carl Stone was sharing his knowledge). - Taliah

This month we did writing and we shared our stories. We did Math Art and more stuff. There is a new classroom coming out. My friends got picked to go but I didn't. I was sad but it was okay for me. I was happy for them too. - Alaine

I did math art and it was fun! I added lots of colours and it looked so cool. I added some houses and the houses had window arrays to show multiplication. - Layla



Chess Club

Mr. R. Antymis

Chess club meets most Friday's but has recently moved locations in the school. Our meetings will be in the art room from now on. See you there.

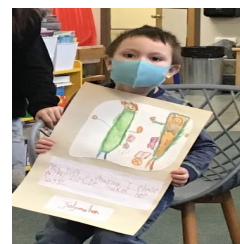
Hello Everyone,

In January, we focused on seeing ourselves as writers. We celebrated in our new "swarm" groups to recognize that we are all writers and authors. This whole-school celebration was spread out over 2 days.

On the 1st day we came together in the Gym to talk about being authors and storytellers. We listened to a storyteller share a few stories. And returned to our classrooms to enjoy a special treat of cupcakes. The cupcakes we decorated with fondant books, storybook characters (such as the Cat in the Hat), and the letter "A" for author.



During the 2nd day of our celebration, we practiced using a microphone to share a written piece with the rest of our swarm as our audience. Older students modeled how to read with expression in a loud and clear tone, as well as how to include important details. The younger students were excited to share the pictures they had drawn and tell their story.



During our group time we responded to each presenter to share ideas, questions and comments. By listening to each others thoughts and ideas, we are developing important critical thinking and communication skills. Giving each other constructive comments helps us grow as writers.

Ms. Lechow and Room 6 :)

P.S. Remember if you want to see pictures of our work in colour, go check our SeeSaw.

Phys Ed

Mr. A. Juan

Grade 6 Volleyball - Triple ball team tournament was fun, exciting and challenging. The tournament was held at meadows West School and Faraday played in three team tournaments with Meadows West School, Stanley Knowles School and Faraday School. Thanks to our grade 6 students for their awesome participation.

Grades 5 and 6 Inner City Soccer League has started and Faraday School has been practicing and preparing for their February games. Awesome job team!

Floor Hockey intra-murals will start in February and Mr. Juan will be sending out scheduled notes.

It was great to see a well rested healthy group of students to start off the new year after the well-deserved winter break, we all had. Our attendance as a class has been showing a lot of improvement as the school year has progressed! Much of December and early January was spent on preparing our narrative writing pieces for the Writing Celebration held recently at school. Students became more familiar with this form of writing and continued to learn the different steps of the Writing Process. In the weeks ahead students will start working with the informative form of writing. Before the winter break, the class completed water colour holiday season ornaments as well as pastel candy canes that were used to help decorate the gym for the primary grades' winter concert. Prior to the winter break, we braved the temperatures on a very cold December day, to head back to St John's Park for our second day of outdoor learning at this location. Students had the opportunity to listen to guest speakers and learn more about the Healing Forest. Students also had the opportunity to create alphabet poems using sticks and snow to write their creations. The class has continued to learn about Circle Justice and other Indigenous ways of teaching through the read aloud novel Touching Spirit Bear. We hope to finish the novel before the end of February.



January is almost behind us and we are hoping it will stay mild and not become a Frigid February

A lot has been happening in Room 19. We have a good understanding of the classroom rules and regulations and continue to work hard to follow them.

We have had our first "Swarm Hangout" it was interesting sharing and getting to know other people in the school that we don't usually get to spend time with. We have begun our sessions and are looking forward to beginning our guided reading groups along with other Grade 5/6's. Some of us have begun to take part in gym and/or drama/dance with our friends from Room 18. We are now also pretty confident when it comes to adding and subtracting with regrouping and have begun to work on understanding multiplication and using arrays. We have been moving our learning forward in reading as well as learning to answer comprehension questions both out loud and on Seesaw. We are planning for some research and project work in Science and Social Studies and being able to share our learning with others.

Looking forward, we are excited to see what February brings... warm weather we hope! Stay Warm!

THE HIVE EXPRESS BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Faraday's grab and go breakfast program: The hive continues to buzz with daily healthy breakfast options for our students. Thank-you to the Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba for their generous monetary donation and a special thank-you to Mrs. Neale for baking, preparing the carts, and shopping for items in order to provide students with delicious breakfast options.



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

2023/2024

DRAFT BUDGET CONSULTATION

Central District Advisory – February 8, 7:00 p.m.
Tec Voc High School, 1555 Wall Street

South District Advisory – February 9, 7:00 p.m.
Collège Churchill High School, 510 Hay Street

North District Advisory – February 14, 7:00 p.m.
Tyndall Park School, 2221 King Edward Street

Inner City District Advisory – February 15, 6:30 p.m.
Hugh John MacDonald School, 567 Bannatyne Avenue

To present to the Board of Trustees on the topic of budgeting for WSD school programs and services for the 2023/2024 year, please pre-register to be added to the special meeting by contacting the Board Office at 204-789-0469 by noon, February 27, 2023.

Feedback can also be submitted via email or post:
board@wsd1.org
Winnipeg School Division
Attn: Board Office
1577 Wall Street East
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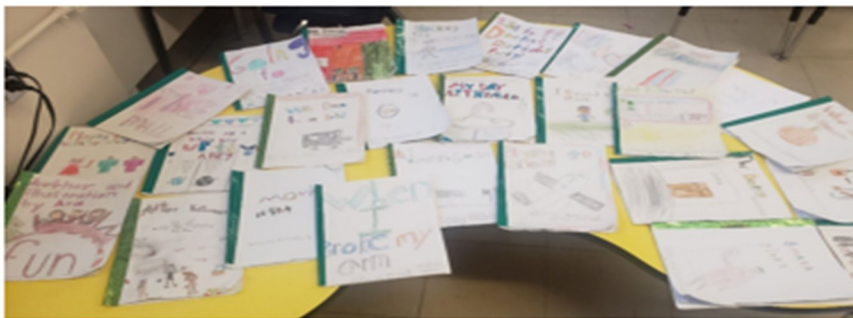


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Stories

I believe in myself
Hands are cramping
It takes weeks to complete
We learn from our mistakes
All eyes are on me
Feeling shy
Stutter
Stutter
I am brave
I can do this
I am proud
I am a reader
I AM A WRITER!

-Ava & Chloe (writers from Room 9)



Parent Council

Our next Parent Council Meeting will take place on Wednesday, February 8th at 3:40 pm. All parents/guardians are welcome to attend. We would love to see you there!

Staff appreciation week is February 6-10.

Our lost and found is overflowing. If your child is missing any items please check the lost and found near the office and collect their items. Any items remaining at the end of the school year will be donated.

In order to ensure the safety of our students we continue to look for learning opportunities that we feel will benefit our students. In January, Constable Orlando Euduhan from the Winnipeg Police Service provided our intermediate students with an online safety presentation. They were provided with safety tips to follow when playing online games, searching the internet, and using social media platforms. The students were given real life examples of misuse and proper use of social media platforms. They were also provided information about cyberbullying and ways to prevent it or deal with it if it happens. Constable Orlando Euduhan emphasized the importance of parents/guardians setting rules and monitoring their children's use of devices. He also showed us the image below to provide us with the age restrictions for a variety of social media platforms and the importance of following these guidelines to keep children safe.



Faraday School Student Voice February Initiative

Food Drive at Faraday School Donations to go to Winnipeg Harvest

February 6 - February 17, 2023

We will be collecting food items at Faraday School to be donated to Winnipeg Harvest. The food items most needed at Winnipeg Harvest are:

- Can Fruit
- Can Vegetables
- Can Soup/Stew
- Can Tuna
- Rice
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Peanut Butter
- Baby Food/Formula
- Instant Oatmeal



We would like to acknowledge Winnipeg Harvest for providing food to many people in need. Thank you for supporting our food drive.

We would also like to thank everyone who brought in items that were donated to the Main Street Project in December. A few students from student voice group helped in representing Faraday School by going with Mrs. Cox to deliver the collection of items to the Main Street Project.

We are all excited to be back and continue with our learning in Room 4.

We got started with our Home Reading and it's going well. Bravo to each and everyone of you for supporting your child at home! The students are now getting into a routine of changing their own books as soon as they come in and sign for their books by putting a sticker on the chart. We encourage all parents and guardians to take time reading at home with their children, if you haven't started yet, it's never too late to get started.

We will also be sending home some Sight Words with all those students that are ready to take their Home Reading to a next level. Please continue to support them accordingly.

Room 4 continues learning about winter. We are exploring some activities that we can do during winter season. We also participated in a school wide writing project, whereby we were sharing our own writing about winter activities.

A lot of our students are now able to recognize their names, spell and trace them. Please continue to support them at home as well as their last names.

Important Notes:

Good nutrition is one of the most important things we value in our classroom. Please reduce the amount of sugary snacks that the children bring to school. We are also serving some healthy snacks here as well.

We're so excited to go play outside whenever the weather permits, please send your child with appropriate clothing to school.

Lastly, if you're interested in volunteering in our room, please fill out a volunteer form at the office and we will get you set up.

Thank for your continued support and again if you have any questions and concerns, please email me or call the school.

You're Awesome!



Although January has not been a particularly cold month, all patrols have received Manitoba Moose toques to wear. As a thank you for the many extra hours patrols put in every day, the team went on a field trip to Tommy Prince Pool for a great day of swimming, pizza and gym time. With February here, we can definitely expect some cold weather and some hot chocolate too.

This month we worked on getting back into our normal routines in the classroom! Students are needing a lot reminders to bring their bookbags and to change their books each day.

We started a new writing block and having been focusing on writing instructions on how to do a particular task. We had fun playing out our story and having our friends guess what we are doing! We loved sharing our stories with our friends. We are continuing to work on writing each day, and it is getting a little bit easier all the time!

For numeracy this month we have finished up working with coins, but still enjoy working with them during our morning bins. We started working with patterns, such as labelling them, predicting what comes next, and looking for the core. We have also been having a blast with non-standard measurement, we LOVE working with all the different manipulatives.

For February we look forward to I Love to Read Month. Our next writing project will be an informational piece all about a community we are learning about. For science we are looking at different kinds of Matter, we enjoy playing the Molecules games for a quick movement break.



With the addition of our new grade 4/5 teacher at Faraday School, some of our classmates have moved to room 22. We will miss having you in our classroom every day, but we know you will help make room 22 a great place to be.

Our students have been exploring various ways of multiplying and dividing numbers in math class. Please continue to work on those skills at home. They will help in many ways throughout the next month. In science, students are continuing to learn about weather and the phases of the moon. I am continually pleased with the effort in public speaking during our T.U.S.C. meetings. Students have shown great creativity in the choices of their topics and their method of presentations. Well done. T.U.S.C. will continue all year long.



For many of us the month of January is a time to reflect on who we are and where we are going. Pictured here is Liam who is taking time to regulate and prepare himself for learning. We are all different and that is reflected in many ways, one of which is the way we learn. Liam is a kinesthetic learner and does best when he is able to spend time in movement, whether that means walking and talking, taking movement breaks or physical play with others. It was great to hear others' stories during our celebration of writing earlier this month. Hearing others share their stories is a great way to find out about who we are and to celebrate our differences, our commonalities and to build acceptance of others. The more we know about each other the stronger our relationships and the more we are able to learn. ❤️ Ms. Lewis

Whole School Narrative Writing Celebration

When we share our stories, we are reminder of the humanity in each other. And when we take the time to understand each other's stories, we become more forgiving, more empathetic, and more inclusive.

- Michelle Obama

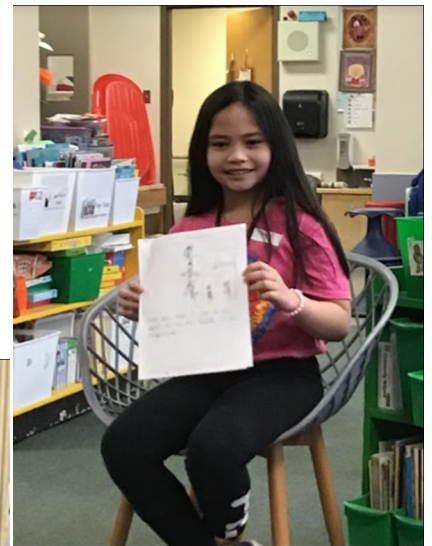
The entire Faraday Community has been looking at themselves as storytellers, writers and authors with a focus on narrative writing. On January 19 and 20, we shared and celebrated our stories. On January 19, we invited a storyteller and Elder, Carl Stone, to the school to tell his stories and listen to some of the students' stories. We assembled in the gym to take the time to listen and understand his stories. The main message he gifted us was that if we write and tell our stories and listen and learn each others' stories, we will increase kindness and empathy in our community.

Mr. Stone also spent time with rooms 9 and 14 to listen to a few students/authors stories.

We then finished the celebration with beautiful, yummy cupcakes made by Tech Voc Culinary students.

Friday morning was an opportunity for more celebration. We broke into cross-grade groupings, called SWARMS, and honoured all the hard work the authors have done through the writing process. Some writing pieces will be displayed in the library for further sharing.

Congratulations to The Faraday Community on our published writing pieces!



In Room 17, we are learning about New Year's resolutions. A New Year's resolution is a goal that you think you can accomplish in the new year. We wrote about them in our journals and shared them in our groups. My goal for 2023 is to get better at math and sewing. I will practise subtraction more often and sew more at school during recess.

~By Diggy

My New Year's resolution for 2023 is to be a musician. I am taking piano lessons and guitar lessons. I will practise when I'm done dinner. I have to put down the volume.

~By Mackson

My New Year's resolution is to get better at drawing. I will practise drawing at school and at home.

~By Drake

My New Year's resolution is to get better at being a better person. I will do it by saying kind compliments to people and also helping people.

~By Liam

Take Pride in Reading 2023

February is I LOVE TO READ month!



We are excited to Take Pride in our reading here at Faraday! This year we are partnering with Take Pride Winnipeg to read to learn about how we can take pride in our growth as readers, help our planet, and support our communities.

We are excited to

- welcome two guest speakers this February to help us in our learning!
- vote school-wide on our very favourite book!
- Drop Everything And Read (a generational favourite!)
- Plan special dress-up days.

Our Student Librarian Leadership Team has been busy planning "I Love to Read" activities. New this year, in addition to our regular Library times, we will be having Independent Library times where students will be able to go to Library (with teacher's permission) on their own. Student work will be on display and available for reading and students will be able to browse and find quiet spaces to read just like a public library! The Student Librarians will also be helping out, using their new librarian skills!

Mrs. Muehling, Library

Family Activities for Take Pride in Reading:

- Continue reading together!
- Pick up litter on your street
- Make a list of things that are special about your family.
- Visit St. John's Library
- Read a book about kindness
- Help your neighbours
- Write thank-you notes to those who have helped you
- Write a story with your family and friends as the characters
- Read a story and/or an informational book about Winnipeg

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SAFE ARRIVAL STUDENT ABSENCE REPORTING SYSTEM

REMINDER

Report your child's absence by calling
1-855-278-4513 or visiting
<https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>.

		1 DAY 4		2 DAY 5		3 DAY 6	
		PAC HOT LUNCH				NON INSTRUCTIONAL DAY NO CLASSES	
6 DAY 1		7 DAY 2		8 DAY 3		9 DAY 4	
WINNIPEG HARVEST FOOD DRIVE STAFF APPRECIATION		WINNIPEG HARVEST FOOD DRIVE STAFF APPRECIATION		WINNIPEG HARVEST FOOD DRIVE STAFF APPRECIATION		WINNIPEG HARVEST FOOD DRIVE STAFF APPRECIATION	
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20 DAY 5		21 DAY 6		22 DAY 1		23 DAY 2	
				PAC HOT LUNCH ORDERS DUE PINK SHIRT DAY			
27 DAY 4		28 DAY 5					

Upcoming Dates To Remember

March	
2	PAC Hot Lunch
16	Student Led Conferences 4-7
17	Student Led Conferences 9-12 (No Classes)

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March	
20-24	Spirit Week
23	Faraday's Got Talent
24	Last Day of School