

Principal's message

It is hard to believe we've already made it to Spring break and we will be heading into the last term of the school year once we're back! We are looking forward to the warmer weather that April brings and hope that we will see some green grass and flowers soon. April marks my official three-year anniversary at LaVérendrye, and I continue to be so proud to be part of this amazing school team and community.

The month of March saw 4 of our students from grades 3-6 represent the school at the divisional Concours d'art oratoire. We had students competing in both the Early French Immersion category and in the Francophone category. Our students placed in gold. Amazing! To say that I am proud of them would be an understatement—they were impressive and did amazingly well under pressure. A huge congratulations goes out to these students.

Our lunch-hour clubs have been in full swing this past month. The studentrun Pokémon club continues to meet weekly. Students in this club engage in conversation, strategic planning, and trading all while playing a game they enjoy. Our Eco-Vert club has started, and they are busy seeding and planting. Thank you to Mme Gallant and the parent volunteers for helping make this club possible. Our grades 4, 5 and 6s are spending a lot of time rehearsing with Mme Shayla, as they are busy preparing for our Musical in May. New in March, we saw our writing club start, which is proving to be very popular.

Student-led conferences were held on March 13, 2025 and were an opportunity for students to show off and to share their learning with their families. We had a great turnout both days and it was nice to connect with parents as they made their way through the school. Some of our grade 6 students put on a bake sale during the conferences, which was a huge hit. They raised over \$1000 to help toward the cost of camp. Report cards were sent home on March 25, 2025.

Thank you to all staff and students for your continued hard work and support. Thank you to the parent volunteers for helping us out, and thank you to our parent council, who continues to support the school.

Warm wishes, Amanda Capina Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated to, and purchased from the bake sale that was held during Triconferences. We are blown away by your generosity and support. With your help, we raised over \$1000 to go towards the cost of camp for our Grade 6s. Way to go!!

Room 12 and room 26 would like to say a BIG, "Thank you!" to the awesome people at **Academy Florists** for their donation of 50 roses for an ongoing science and environmental project. We appreciate your support of our students in their exploration of living things!

A reminder to families to please **not use the school parking lot**. This includes even for turning around. The school parking lot is reserved for staff who pay for parking.

The increase in families using our parking lot makes for unsafe conditions, especially during the busy morning and after school drop-off and pick-up times.

DO NOT ENTER

Several staff members were almost hit by drivers, and many staff members have not been able to access their parking spots.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

CONCRATIONS

...TO OUR STUDENTS WHO PLACED IN THE CONCOURS D'ART ORATOIR!

Grades 3 & 4 Early French Immersion:

- Wyatt Gold winner
- Gabriela 1st place Gold winner; representing WSD in the provincial Concours

Grades 5 & 6 Early French Immersion:

• Mali - Gold winner

Grades 5 & 6 Francophone:

 Serena - 1st place Gold winner; representing WSD in the provincial Concours

We are so proud of all their hard work and commitment! Félicitations!

... TO OUR STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE WINNIPEG MUSIC FESTIVAL!

LaV got to experience hosting the Winnipeg Music Festival on March 20, 2025. Our students had the opportunity to preform as well as be audience members for four other schools who participated!

Our grade 5/6 students preformed two songs; one in French and one in English and they won GOLD!

Special thanks to Mme Shayla for her dedication to our students.

HOW SICK IS TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?

Help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses. See our tips for parents and caregivers:

KEEP ME HOME:

Fever (higher than 38°C or 100° F)

Sore Throat

Persistent Cough

Runny Nose and Sneezing

Vomiting or Diarrhea

Abdominal Pain (severe or long-lasting)

Conjunctavitis (pink eye)

SEND ME TO SCHOOL:

No Fever (without fever-reducing medicine for 24 hours)

> Occasional Cough (but no other symptoms)

No Sore Throat (for 24 hours)

No Vomiting or Diarrhea (for 48 hours)

Keeping students up to date on COVID and flu vaccinations can prevent them from getting sick. Learn more at KidCareMB.ca

WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION



\$25

PLANT CARDS LSO AVAILABLE! IT'S A PERFECT GIFT FOR ANY PLANT ENTHUSIAST!

SPRING FUNDRAISER

Place orders until April 15th Shop early for best selection!

Shop and pay online at GlenleaGreenhouses.com.

Bloom for a Cause: Support LaV's Annual Plant Sale!

By the time you're reading this there will only be about two weeks left of our annual plant sale. Orders can be placed online until April 15, 2025. Annuals, perennials, fruits, herbs and vegetables—there are plenty of plants to choose from to spruce up your balcony, patio or backyard.

If it's too early to make decisions about your garden or you're looking ahead for a Mother's Day present, gift cards are an easy solution and the perfect gift for that special someone or yourself! Take your gift cards and go visit Glenlea Greenhouse inperson to select your plants or to one of many farmer markets they attend over the summer.

When you go through the online checkout they will ask which fundraiser group you're supporting - our name is École Lavérendrye Community Council. Proceeds of our commission on sales go to further environmental education for students, including upkeep for the school gardens. Gift cards can be picked up at the greenhouse as early as April 26, 2025 or they can be delivered to the school with the plants on May 27, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact Tanja at <u>lavvivelevert@gmail.com</u>.



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7 / DAY 4 SCHOOL REOPENS	8 / DAY 5	9 / DAY 6 NATIONAL DAY OF PINK	IO / DAY I MOBILE VISION CLINIC	11 / DAY 2 NON- INSTRUCTIONAL DAY NO SCHOOL
14 / DAY 3	15 / DAY 4	16 / DAY 5	17 / DAY 6	18 GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL
21 / DAY 1	22 / DAY 2	23 / DAY 3	24 / DAY 4 TH WEEK	25 / DAY 5
28 / DAY 6	29 / DAY 1	30 / DAY 2		

Spring has arrived! Please remember that students must wear their jackets outside when it is +10°C or colder. With the warmer weather, the ice is melting. We do our best to keep kids out of puddles, but we ask that you please send your child to school with appropriate footwear and a change of clothing!



Dates to Remember

APRIL 7	SCHOOL REOPENS
APRIL 7 - 10	ANTI-BULLYING WEEK
	NATIONAL DAY OF PINK
	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL
	GOOD FRIDAY, NO SCHOOL
	EARTH DAY
	EARTH WEEK
MAY 8	GRADE 4-6 MUSICAL
	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL
MAY 13	JOG IN THE PARK
MAY 19	
MAY 28	GRADE 6 IMMUNIZATIONS
JUNE 2-6	
JUNE 11 - 13	GRADE 6 CAMP
JUNE 25	GRADE 6 FAREWELL
JUNE 26	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL
	LAST DAY OF CLASSES
JUNE 27	EARLY DISMISSAL 11:00 A.M.