



# École LaVérendrye French Immersion Milieu

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Mme A. Capina, Principal

## March 2023 Newsletter

### Principal's Message

February was an exciting and busy month for us at LaV.

Mid-February we celebrated and embraced our French culture with our field day kick-off to Festival du Voyageur. That day, staff and students engaged in voyageur games in the gym, sang voyageur songs around a 'campfire' in the music room, ate Bannock in the library, and participated in weaving, art, and drama activities in classrooms. Everyone had a great day. The following week was our Festival du voyageur spirit week, which our student leadership team organized. Each day, staff and students were encouraged to wear a different article of voyageur clothing, ending with full voyageur garb on a Friday. We saw many mini voyageurs that week! Many thanks to our Festival Committee, staff, and volunteers who made this a memorable one for our students.

As you are aware, we sent home student intention forms for next year as we have started planning for the 2023-2024 school year. Thank you for completing your student intention forms on Permission Click. We also hosted an N/K Open House this past month, to share with families interested in attending our school what our programs offer. Please let any new families in the area know that we are now accepting registrations for all grades. If your circumstances happen to change and you will not be returning to École LaV, please contact the office and let Mlle Carlynn know.

Students in grades 4-6 participated in our Concours d'art oratoire this month. I must say, they did an amazing job! Their teachers, peers, families, and I were so proud of the work that they put into their speeches, and I was amazed at their use of the French language. Our winners will go on to represent LaV at the WSD divisional competition. More information will follow.

This month, teachers are completing report cards for Term 2 and report cards will be sent home on **March 22, 2023**. Student-led conferences will follow in April. We are looking forward to sharing student successes with you.

Have a wonderful month of March and a well-deserved Spring Break.

Warm wishes,

*Amanda Capina*

# Daylight Savings

Daylight Saving Time Starts **March 12, 2023**

**Move your clocks FORWARD!**



## Report Cards

Report Cards are scheduled to send on **Wednesday, March 22, 2023**. They will be sent to your emails, so keep an eye out! If it is nowhere to be found in your “inbox”, check your “junk” folder.

***\*\*Ensure to save a copy of the PDF report card before the link expires on Wednesday, April 5th.***

## Spring Break

Spring Break begins on **Monday, March 27th** and ends **March 31st**. Classes resume on Monday, April 3rd.

If childcare is needed during Spring Break, please contact your child’s daycare directly.

# School Bus Transportation

As we prepare for the new school year, the transportation department is also requesting for new bus requests effective September 2023.

You may be eligible for transportation IF:

- you live AT LEAST 1.6km from the school, and
- you live in École LaVérendrye's catchment area

Please note:

- School bus transportation is free.
- An adult must be present at drop-off for the driver to let the students off the bus. The adult must be a legal contact on the student's pick up/drop off list at the school.

Deadline for bus requests for the 2023-2024 school year is **Friday, March 17, 2023**.

# LaVerendrye Lunch Program

Contact us at [lav@wsd1.org](mailto:lav@wsd1.org)!

**March lunch payments are due Wednesday, March 1st, 2023.**

If you have not yet submitted a payment, please do so by the date above. We accept cash/cheque, and credit card payments.

Cash payments must be the exact amount of **\$40.00** as we do not carry change in the office. Cash payments must be sent to the classroom teacher.

Credit Card payments must be made through Permission Click as we do not have a card machine in the office. Permission Click link to submit a credit card payment here: <https://permission.click/PALYQ/ca>

Cheque payments must be made out to “École LaVérendrye” and must be sent to the classroom teacher.

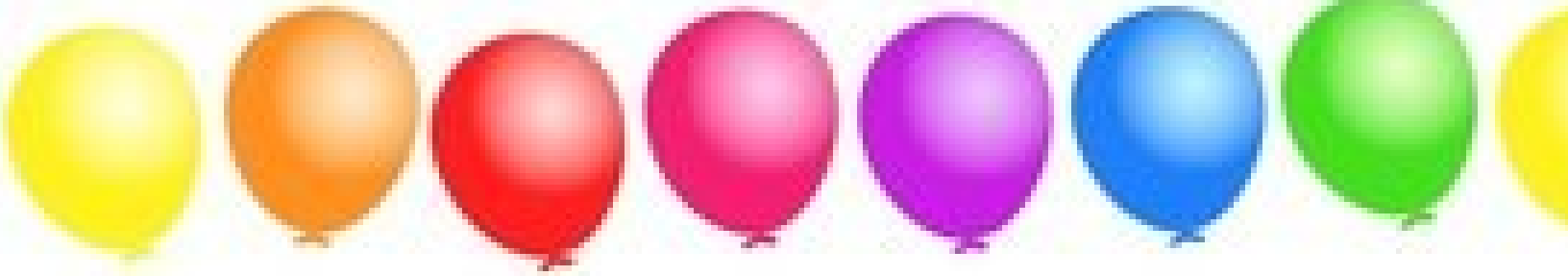


March PAC meeting: **Monday, March 20th, 2023.** Virtual meetings are also available. Check your emails for the Zoom invitation!

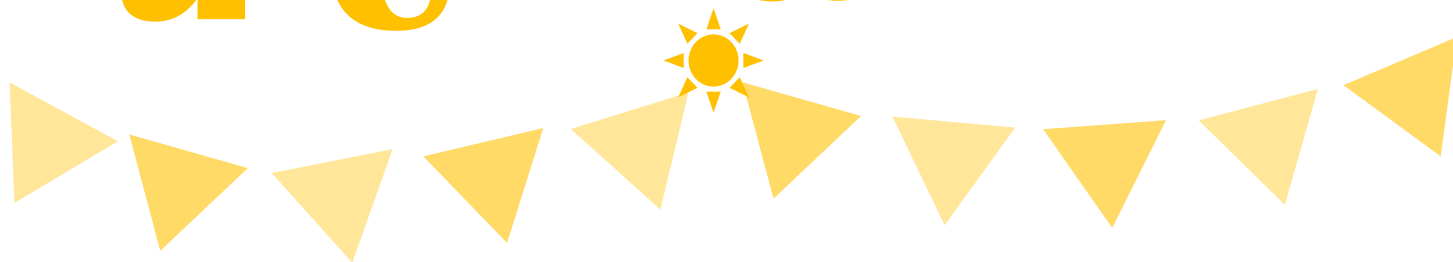
All PAC meetings are located in the school library from 7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. and **ALL parents are invited to attend!** During these meetings, we often make decisions for fundraisers, events, grad hoodies, babysitting course etc. by voting. Therefore, the more parents voting, the better!

It's also great to get new ideas for school events, including fundraising and June carnival games.

**Parent Advisory Council (PAC) school webpage:** <https://www.winnipegssd.ca/laverendrye/page/17550/parent-advisory-council-pac>



# June Carnival

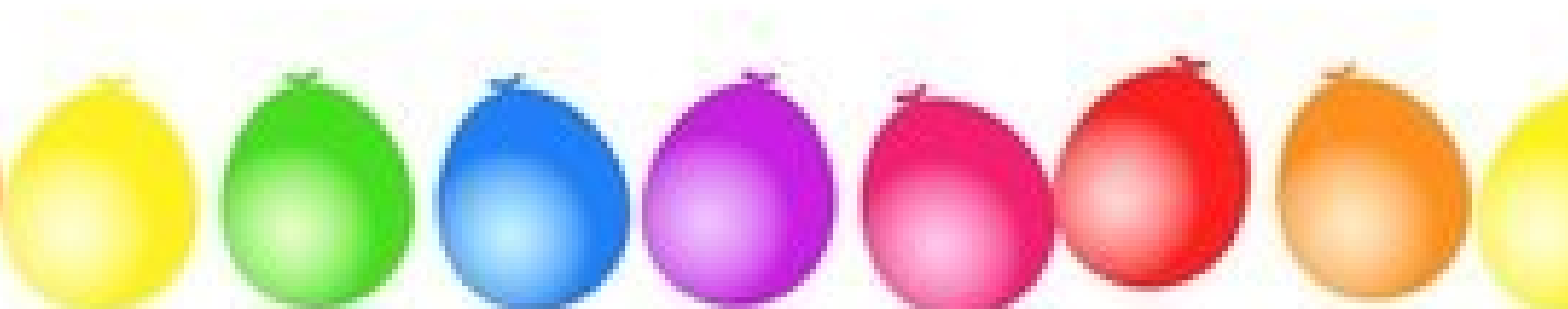


Thursday, June 22, 2023



Did you love the silent auction last year? Did you love the prize you won? Help make this happen again at June Carnival 2023! We NEED you! If you're interested in organizing the silent auction for the June Carnival, please contact Alysha at **[dan.alysha.nagy@gmail.com](mailto:dan.alysha.nagy@gmail.com)**.

**Check your emails regularly for more information  
and volunteer opportunities!**





# Vive le Vert

Contact us at [lavvivelevert@gmail.com](mailto:lavvivelevert@gmail.com)!

## The Vive le Vert Fundraiser has launched!

Our annual plant fundraiser, courtesy of Glenlea Greenhouses, is now [open for orders until April 15th](#) -- but best to order sooner rather than later as some items are limited. Proceeds from the fundraiser go towards the school gardens, environmental education and opportunities for our students. This year we will likely return to plant orders being picked up by purchasers at the gym on delivery day Monday, May 29. More details will roll out over the next few weeks.

When you get to the checkout, it will ask what group you're supporting and you should see Ecole LaVerendrye as an option in the drop down menu. You can leave the individual seller name field empty. If you have any questions about the fundraiser or how to order plants, please contact us at [lavvivelevert@gmail.com](mailto:lavvivelevert@gmail.com).

## Eco Club begins

One of the earliest signs of spring is the start of Eco Club! Beginning Feb 28, students will meet regularly at lunch time to learn about gardening, composting, environmental issues, and sustainability. Eco Club members will grow from seed a variety of plants to sell on pick-up day of the Plant Fundraiser in May. If you'd like to volunteer as a teacher's aide during these club meetings, you can also email us at [lavvivelevert@gmail.com](mailto:lavvivelevert@gmail.com).

# Hot Lunch

Contact us at [jamesyezi@gmail.com](mailto:jamesyezi@gmail.com)

Good day LaV families and staff,

Parent Council has organized a fun lunch for **March 9th, 2023**. This time, we will be ordering from Subway! Orders can be placed and paid through [Healthy Hunger](#).

**The deadline to order is March 4th, 2023.**

Parent Council uses these fun lunches to raise money for activities around the school and this year, the money raised will be used to *help subsidize the babysitting course for Grade 5/6 students in May*.

Please contact James at [jamesyezi@gmail.com](mailto:jamesyezi@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Thank you,  
James Page

# Knitting Club

The knitting club, in partnership with the Education for Sustainable Development Committee is looking for donations of yarn, crochet hooks and knitting looms. *Grade 4-6 students* are continuing to learn to crochet, loom knit, and finger knit. **Important: Please do not buy new items. We are looking for donations of castoff, old, unused and spare items.**

A community granny square blanket project: You can participate too! The knitting club is taking on a granny square blanket project. Anyone can participate by dropping off 4" granny squares to the club in any colours and yarns. You can make them using any granny square pattern and style. When we have enough, we will assemble them and create one or several blankets for donation. Not sure where to start? a medium weight yarn and size 5.0 hook can make a 4" granny square in 4 rounds.



As always, we want to say thank you for your support in continuing this club.

# Swimming Counts

Students in grade 4 who have returned their permission slips will be attending three swimming sessions throughout the month of March. This is an opportunity for students to learn and/or build their swimming skills with a certified instructor.

Dates:

**Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> : 11:30am - 12:30pm**

**Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup> : 11:30am - 12:30pm**

**Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> : 11:30am - 12:30pm**





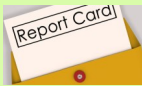


The school bus will pick students up from LaV at 11:00am on those dates and will return them to the school between 1:00pm and 1:15pm.

Parents/Guardians, please ensure that on those dates, that your child comes to school with the proper swim attire, including a towel.

M. Olivier and Mme Maxine will be going with students and supervising the swimming counts program.

# mars 2023

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		1 jour 5 March lunch program payment DUE	2 jour 6	3 jour 1
6 jour 2 Swimming Counts 	7 jour 3	8 jour 4	9 jour 5 Subway Hot Lunch 	10 jour 6
13 jour 1 Swimming Counts 	14 jour 2	15 jour 3	16 jour 4	17 jour 5 NO SCHOOL Non-Instructional School bus requests due for the 2023-2024 school year
20 jour 6 April 2023 lunch payment link go home Swimming Counts 	21 jour 1	22 jour 2 Term 2 Report Cards go home 	23 jour 3	24 jour 4
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# Dates to Remember

March 6th, 2023	Swimming Counts
March 9th, 2023	Subway Hot Lunch
March 13, 2023	Swimming Counts
March 17th, 2023	NO SCHOOL—Non-Instructional Day School Bus requests due
March 20th, 2023	Swimming Counts
March 22nd, 2023	Term 2 Report Cards go home
March 24th, 2023	Last Day before Spring Break
March 27th—31st, 2023	Spring Break
April 3rd, 2023	School Resumes
April 7th, 2023	NO SCHOOL—Good Friday
April 12th, 2023	Choir Field Trip to Centennial Concert Hall 12:15 p.m.—2:15 p.m.
April 13th, 2023	Hot Lunch Student-Led Conferences 3:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
April 14th, 2023	NO SCHOOL—Non-Instructional Day Student-Led Conferences 8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.
April 24th, 2023	Bus Ridership



# Dates to Remember

May 1st, 2023	NO SCHOOL—Non-Instructional Day
May 3rd, 2023	Grade 6 Vaccine Clinic Hep. B / HPV / HBV / Menin.
May 18th, 2023	Hot Lunch
May 22nd, 2023	NO SCHOOL—Victoria Day
May 31st, 2023	Spring Concert 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
June 12th—14th, 2023	Grade 6 Camp Arnes
June 22nd, 2023	Nursery and Kindergarten classes at Deer Meadows Farm 9:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.
June 29th, 2023	NO SCHOOL—PD Day
June 30th, 2023	Last Day of School: Early dismissal at 11:00 a.m.