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# LORD SELKIRK SCHOOL: February Newsletter 2025

The year is moving fast and we are grateful for being here and working with the children, parents and guardians at Lord Selkirk. All staff are working hard to strengthen our students learning abilities. Our parent council focus has shifted to engage our school community in learning events around relevant topics we can all benefit from. January 16, parents and children engaged in a Games Night with a short presentation on the appropriate use of screen time. The presentation was facilitated by Liisa Chershire, School Social worker and Alex Holt, School Psychologist. It was wonderful for all of us to play and learn new board games.









Beading in the family room was a great addition to our learning in the school. Teresa Bryne, our divisional Indigenous Ways of Life Teacher was the instructor. We are planning to run a Pow Wow dance club with our students. A letter will be sent home soon looking for parents who can help teach Pow Wow dances and their history. As well, we are looking for individuals who are able to sew Pow Wow regalia. If you are able to help, please call the school at 204-667-8495.

# PARENT COUNCIL GATHERING

Online Safety: Dinner & Presentation
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

ALL Lord Selkirk School Families are invited to attend.
Childcare will be available.
Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm

Please RSVP by TUESDAY February 11,.
Call the school office (204-667-8495)
or speak to our Community Support Worker (Ms. M, Room 17)

CPR First Aide Training
February 7th—9:30-3:30
(Family Room)

Dinner & Movie Night
Thursday, February 20
5:00-7:30

# **Year At A Glance**

February 13 Parent Council Gathering - 5:30 - 7:00 March 28 Last day of classes before Spring Break February 17 NO SCHOOL- Louis Riel Day April 7 School Reopens - Welcome Back! February 20 Dinner & Movie Night: FREE! April 11 NO SCHOOL - P.D. Day March 14 NO SCHOOL - P.D. Day April 18 NO SCHOOL - Good Friday March 17 **Report Cards Sent Home May 09** NO SCHOOL - P.D. Day March 27 NO SCHOOL in PM NO SCHOOL - Victoria Day **May 19** Student Led Conferences - 1 PM to 8 PM June 27 Last Day of Classes - 11:30 AM Dismissal LORD SELKIRK SCHOOL FEBRUARY 2025



#### ROOM 7

In room 7 we have been having fun with our outdoor learning, where we have been learning about wind, animals, and asking questions about the world around us!

"My tissue paper blew away!"

"Why is snow so wet?"



"I wonder where snow comes from."



# **ROOM 15**

We have been learning about Jann Brett as an author and how she gets her ideas for her books and illustrations. The students have been enjoying her stories during class read aloud.

"I like the book, Mitten because there are two patterns in the story". Candice

"In the book Mitten, a little girl lost her mitten and the animals found it and lived in it". Camilla

The mitten got bigger and bigger for the animals to go in and be warm". Roxy

#### ROOM 4

It is our ongoing classroom goal of collaborating and working together. The students have many opportunities to support each other and build friendships through classroom activities and play.

During free play, students put their prediction skills to use as they began to explore the question, 'how many blocks would it take to get from one end of the room to the other'. This then led Creed to ask the question "how many blocks will it take to reach the ceiling?". It took a team and lots of brainstorming to figure out how to complete these tasks without having the blocks fall apart. Our investigation continues!



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## **PERFORMING ARTS**

Manitoba Opera singer Keely McPeek came to create an opera with our Grade 3 and 4 students. The students engaged in drama and singing. It was a great opportunity made possible by Ms. Cook-Dowsett.



# **ROOM 8**

Our outdoor learning has been about animals - their habitats, food, and adaptations. Also, children explored using natural elements and kinesthetics for creating and extending patterns. Here are some of the children's comments:

"I liked finding shelter like an animal" - Bree "I like finding stuff to make patterns" - Mila "The big kids make me so happy" - Ainsley















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# **January in Pictures**

There is so much to celebrate!

