



PRINCIPAL SPARLING SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

As the calendar year winds down and we enter the festive and colder month of December, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on our amazing time we have shared so far. The fall semester has been filled with learning, laughter and growth. I am so proud of our students for their hard work and resilience. Thank you, parents and guardians for your continued support and to our staff for creating a positive and engaging learning environment.

Join us Tuesday, December 10th for our annual Holiday Concert! Doors open at 6:00pm, show starts at 6:30pm. Our students have been practicing diligently, and they can't wait to share their talents with you. Thank you to Ms. Wedel for the incredible work and effort in preparing our students.

To conclude our month in December, we will once again offer a free holiday pancake breakfast on Friday, December 20th to everyone in our school community. Children will be served in the morning, and we invite community members to join us to celebrate the festive season with some food and fellowship.

Please note that the school will be closed from Monday, December 23rd to Friday, January 3rd. We will resume classes on Monday, January 6, 2025.

Let's stay connected! We love hearing from our families. If you have any questions or concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at the school's phone number 204-783-6195 or my email address lrana@wsd1.org.

Thank you for making our school such a warm and vibrant place. I wish you and your family a joyful holiday season filled with love, laughter, and cherished memories.

Actively yours,

L. Rana
Principal



2024

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
	2 Day 2	3 Day 3	4 Day 4	5 Day 5	6 Day 6	7
	Grade 3 & 4 Intramurals at 12:30 Volleyball Practice at 3:30pm - 5pm Gym Board Games Club 12 - 1pm	Volleyball Practice at 12:30pm - Gym	Board Games Club 12 - 1pm Volleyball Tournament 1 at Sargent Park School 9am - 12nn	Indoor Soccer Game at U of W	Board Games Club 12 - 1pm Storybook Club 12nn - 1pm	
8	9 Day 1	10 Day 2	11 Day 3	12 Day 4	13 Day 5	14
		Board Games Club 12 - 1pm Winter Concert at 6:30pm	Volleyball Tournament 2 at Greenway School 9am - 12nn Floor Hockey Club at 3:30 - 5pm	Board Games Club 12 - 1pm Floor Hockey Club at 3:30 - 5pm	Grade 1 & 2 Intramurals at 12:30 Storybook Club 12nn - 1pm GRADE 5/6 FIELD TRIP @ MB MUSEUM 10:45 - 2PM	
15	16 Day 6	17 Day 1	18 Day 2	19 Day 3	20 Day 4	21
	Grade 3 & 4 Intramurals at 12:30 Floor Hockey Club at 3:30 - 5pm Board Games Club 12 - 1pm - Twinning Day (Pair up with a friend and dress in coordinated outfits)	Staff vs Students Volleyball Game - Gym - Crazy Hair Day (Use your imagination and creativity to design unique & wacky hairstyles)	Board Games Club 12 - 1pm Indoor Soccer Practice at 12:30pm - Pajama Day (Wear your favorite pajamas)	- Sports Day (Wear your jersey, or gear up in your favorite sports gear)	FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST Grade 1 & 2 Intramurals at 12:30 Storybook Club 12nn - 1pm - Festive Day (Wear Green, Blue or Red) Last Day of Classes before winter break	
22	***WINTER BREAK***					
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**BREAKFAST PROGRAM
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
8:30AM - 9:00AM**

Important Dates in January	
January 6	School Reopens
January 31	Non-Instructional Day

DRESSING UP FOR COLD WEATHER

Thick sweater

With a hood to keep your head warm



TIP:

Adding layers will help keep you warm as the temperature drops

Winter Accessories

HAT

For your head and ears

SCARF

For your neck and face

GLOVES

Insulated – water-proof would be ideal



TIP:

During extreme cold, keep all skin covered and spend as little time as possible outside

Winter boots

Water-proof footwear will keep your feet dry, with good grip for when walking on snowy or icy paths



0°C

-5°C

-10°C

-15°C

-20°C

-25°C

-30°C

Light jacket

Wind-resistant would be ideal



TIP:

For extra warmth, wear extra undergarments (like tights and thicker socks)

Winter jacket

Thick outerwear to keep out wind and wet snow – longer length would be ideal





SCHOOLMESSENGER®

SAFE ARRIVAL

Student Absence Reporting System

To report your child's absence, please call 1-855-278-4513 before 9:00 AM
or visit go.schoolmessenger.ca

Planned absences may be reported in advance



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

At Winnipeg School Division, one of our greatest priorities is ensuring all students arrive safely at school each and every day.

To enhance our existing absence-checking procedure, we are in the process of introducing to all of our schools a new, more efficient student absence reporting system called SafeArrival. This new system reduces the time it takes to verify student attendance, makes it easy for you to report your child's absence and easy for staff to respond to unexplained student absences. (see the regularly updated list below of schools using Safe Arrival).

Please note, if you as a parent or guardian have questions about Safe Arrival or School Messenger, please contact your child's school directly.

With SafeArrival, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these three methods:

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>). The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select **Attendance**, then **Report an Absence**.
2. Use the SafeArrival website, <https://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. Future absences can be reported at any time