



PRINCIPAL SPARLING SCHOOL

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Dear Principal Sparling Families,

I just want to let you all know that I'm excited to be back and how I missed everyone while I was away. Seeing the children and fellow staff members again was an unbelievable feeling. It's great to be home.

As we enter warmer spring temperatures this month, I want to take the opportunity to express my gratitude for your support and partnership. I want to give a special shout out to our Parent Advisory Council (PAC) for all the fundraising efforts they have made this year. At a recent PAC meeting, it was decided that financial support will be provided to our Grade 6 Farewell, School Sound System and subsidizing students for field trips equaling \$5 per child. So amazed with our PAC for generously giving their time and enriching the lives of our students and families at our school.

At our recent school assembly, we said farewell to our teacher candidates from the University Winnipeg. We had an outstanding group of future educators and did a fantastic job with the children. We also acknowledged the work and dedication of our school patrols who have endured cold weather and wet conditions in keeping us safe when crossing the streets.

The month of April was filled with activities, learning, and joy. We would like to thank all the teachers who provided extracurricular activities for children during noon hours and after school. Children participated in Board Game Club, Sustainability Club, Intramurals, and noon-hour Badminton Club. We encourage all students to get involved and participate with our clubs!

Thank you all again for your support and we look forward to seeing you soon in our building.

Actively yours,
Lloyd Rana

Notable Upcoming Dates:

- **May 9th** - Non-Instructional Day – No School
- **May 19th** - Victoria Day Long Weekend – No School



Hallway Masterpieces



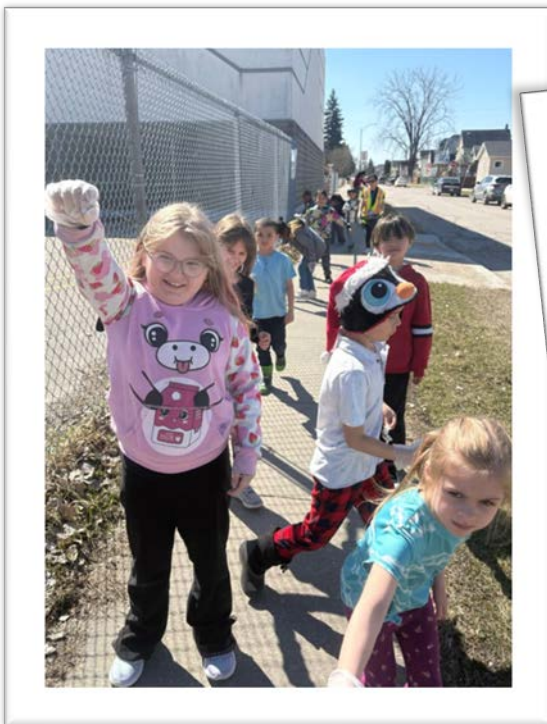
STEAM Lab

Cleaning up a
model oil slick for
Earth Week



Community Clean-Up

An excellent earth week
activity in the sun



More Hallway Masterpieces



Field Trip to UofM STEAM Days



Pysanky Eggs



Everyone is a Masterpiece at Principal Sparling



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

May 2025

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				1 / Day 3	2 / Day 4	3
				Field Trip – The Leaf Rooms 7, 9, 12		
4	5 / Day 5	6 / Day 6	7 / Day 1	8 / Day 2	9 / Day 3	10
	Grade 3/4 Intramurals	Runner's Club 12:15 Football 3:30-5pm	Runner's Club 12:15	Grade 1/2 Intramurals	Non-Instructional Day No School	
11	12 / Day 4	13 / Day 5	14 / Day 6	15 / Day 1	16 / Day 2	17
	Grade 3/4 Intramurals	Runner's Club 12:15 Ultimate Football 3:30-5pm  Picture Day	Runner's Club 12:15 Board Game Finale 4pm-5pm	Grade 1/2 Intramurals Grade 6 Second Dose HPV & Hepatitis		
18	19 / Day 3	20 / Day 4	21 / Day 5	22 / Day 6	23 / Day 1	24
	Victoria Day No School	Grade 3/4 Intramurals	Runner's Club 12:15	Runner's Club 12:15 Ultimate Football 3:30-5pm	Grade 1/2 Intramurals	
25	26 / Day 2	27 / Day 3	28 / Day 4	29 / Day 5	30 / Day 6	31
	Grade 3/4 Intramurals	Runner's Club 12:15 Ultimate Football 3:30-5pm	Runner's Club 12:15 Field Trip – Children's Museum Nursery/Kin AM	Grade 1/2 Intramurals		



BREAKFAST PROGRAM
 **Monday to Friday**
8:30am – 8:45am

Board Game Finale – Held May 14th
4-5PM – For Registered Board Game
Club members – RSVP by May 12th

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)

Conjunctivitis
(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](https://www.kidcaremb.ca)



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

WE NEED HOST FAMILIES



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Ready for a cultural adventure?

We are looking for families to host international students in
Grades 9-12 for the upcoming school year 2025-2026!

OPPORTUNITY TO:

- \$1,000 monthly stipend
- Learn about a new culture
- 24/7 Support
- Lifelong friendships

SCAN HERE



wsdinternational.ca



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Burton Cummings Community Centre's Community Clean Up and A.G.M.

Join us at Burton Cummings C.C. for a community clean up followed by our annual general meeting (food to be served!). All supplies to be provided.

Where: Burton Cummings C.C., 960 Arlington St.

When: Saturday, May 10, 2025

Clean up from 9:00am to 12:00pm

Annual general meeting & lunch: 12:15pm



Come out, help beautify our community and stay for the meeting/lunch. We are also looking for volunteers to serve on our board of directors. Come get involved in your community!! We hope to see you there!

Questions? Call 204-783-5330, email burtoncummingssc@hotmail.com or message us on Facebook.

NEVER STOP
LEARNING

A Different Way to Learn

For over 30 years, Oxford Learning has taught students using the proven scientific approach known as Cognitive Learning. Cognitive Learning is all about helping students develop a new way of thinking. With Cognitive Learning skills, students understand what they are learning and how they are learning.

You Don't Need a Tutor

Tutoring relies heavily on memorization. At Oxford Learning, we take a decidedly different approach—one that helps students build the cognitive, metacognitive, and learning skills they need to absorb, process, and understand.

We don't ask children to review and memorize the same old stuff; we help them build the skills they need to really learn and understand.

With Oxford Learning's programs, you won't just be putting an end to today's school struggles; instead, you'll be putting an end to the time and expense of hiring a tutor year after year. You'll be giving your child the skills they need to continue to succeed throughout life.

CALL
TODAY!

OXFORD LEARNING IS... A SMARTER SUMMER



Summer Learning Loss

What Is Summer Learning Loss?

Often referred to as summer setback or the summer slide, summer learning loss is when students return to school at a lower academic level than the end of the last school year. This happens when your child doesn't use or practise the skills he or she learned at school during summer vacation.

The Facts On Summer Learning Loss

- The equivalent of one month of learning is lost after summer vacation
- 2.6 months of math skills are lost over the summer
- 2 months of reading are lost over the summer
- 6 weeks are spent re-learning old material in the fall to make up for summer learning loss

The good news: it only takes 2-3 hours of work per week to prevent learning loss over the summer!

Enrol in our summer programs today!

My daughter has only had 6 classes in Little Readers® but this week, her kindergarten teacher emailed me to say she has seen 'remarkable' progress and to keep up whatever I am doing.

— Amanda, mother to Reese, age 5



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I have really noticed that Michael's confidence is up and it's because, for the first time, he's started the school year in a position to do the work, thanks to Oxford Learning! I really think that his time spent at Oxford Learning, especially over the summer months, helped.

He told me he read part of a chapter book to the resource teacher and he told Michael that he was "impressed". Thanks again!

— Sunny

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Brain Camp Ages 6 & Up

Oxford Learning Summer Camps

✓ Math

Addition, Subtraction
Regrouping
Fractions
Decimals
Geometry
Multiplication/Division
Problem Solving
Algebra

✓ French

Comprehension
Written Expression
Vocabulary
Oral Expression
Grammar

Students will be working on individualized programs suited to their academic needs based on the assessment and their school report card. There is a 3 to 1 student/teacher ratio. Please book an assessment (45 min) in May or June.



Study Skills Camp

This program is ideal for students who want to make studying simpler. Most students struggle to manage the workload of high school. Our Study Skills program teaches students how to:

- Take effective notes
- Listen actively
- Manage time
- Set goals
- Study
- Prepare for and write tests
- Plan projects and assignments

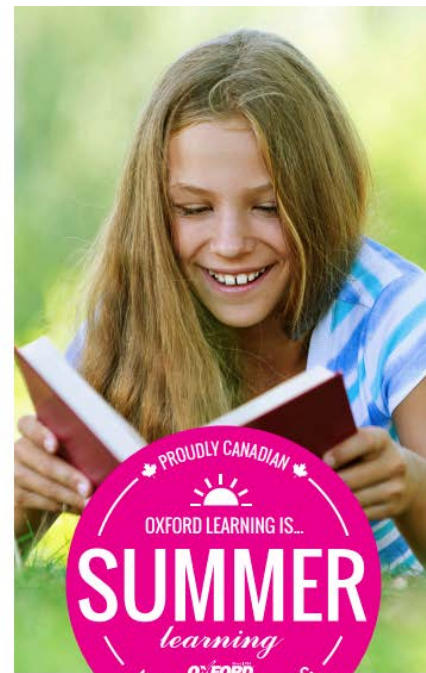
Camp Schedule & Fees:

Days: Monday - Friday

Time: Morning 9:00 - 12:00
Afternoon 1:00 - 4:00

Choose 10 or more dates during the summer.

Registration/Academic Assessment.....\$150.00
Minimum of 10 Sessions.....\$990.00
Additional Sessions.....\$99.00
20 Sessions 10% Discount.....\$1782.00



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Regular Program Ages 6 & Up

Available In-Person or Online

Our regular, year-round program continues throughout the summer. Our individualized programs have helped thousands of students improve their marks and build self-esteem.

Summer is an exciting time for your child. It signals the end of one grade and the time that students start thinking about what the next grade will bring. Think now about keeping your child's academic skills sharp. What preparations are you making for your child's education this summer?

Research proves that children who don't exercise their minds over the summer holidays can take up to two months to get back into the swing of learning when school starts.

An Oxford Learning Summer Program can enable your elementary or secondary school child to return to school confident, motivated, and well-prepared for success in the new academic year.

Registration/Dynamic Assessment...\$295.00

Summer Bundle Offer

**30 Hours for the price of 25
while school is out!**



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.