

# École Riverview School

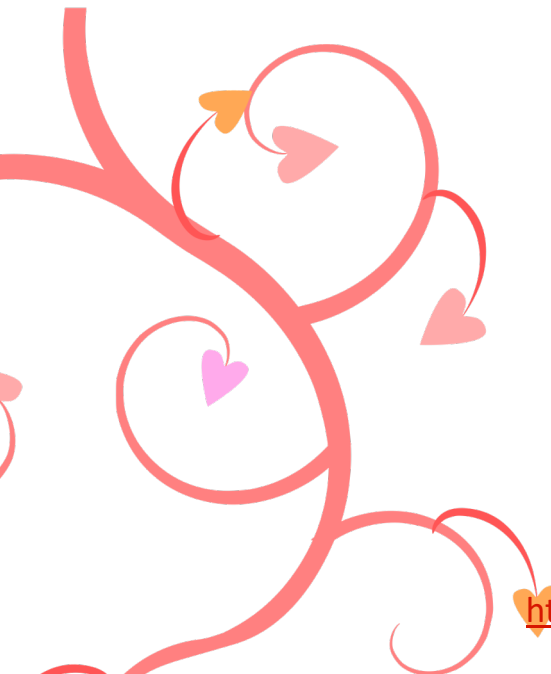
## February 2025

Our students continue to show remarkable growth, both academically and socially, and we are incredibly proud of their effort and dedication. Thank you to our staff, families, and community members for your unwavering support and commitment to our school. This month, we are focusing on building positive relationships and fostering a growth mindset. We know that students thrive when they feel supported and encouraged, and it's inspiring to see our school community consistently come together to create a caring and collaborative environment.

As we continue this work, please remember that communication is key. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out. Let's make February a month of continued growth, positivity, and connection. Thank you for your ongoing partnership in making our school a place where everyone feels valued, empowered, and has a sense of belonging.

Cinzia Caputo, Principal

Racim Aliane, Vice Principal



<https://www.winnipegsd.ca/Riverview>



# Nursery / Kindergarten

## OPEN HOUSE



**UPDATED: Tuesday, February 4th**

**6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

**École Riverview School**

**Kindergarten French Immersion Room 103**

**English Nursery/Kindergarten Room 105**

Please join us to learn about our English Nursery/Kindergarten and French Immersion Kindergarten programs for the 2025-2026 school year. There will be information about each program and an opportunity to tour the classrooms and meet the teachers.

***UPDATE***

***Registration opens (online) at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, February 10th***



## **NURSERY / KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Nursery and Kindergarten registration for the 2025-2026 school year begins on **Monday, February 10th at 9:00 a.m. (online only).**

Priority of class preference (morning or afternoon) will be given on a first come, first served basis.

<b>PROGRAM OPTIONS</b>	<b>BIRTH YEAR</b>
<b>ENGLISH Nursery (morning)</b>	2021
<b>ENGLISH Nursery (afternoon)</b>	2021
<b>ENGLISH Kindergarten (morning)</b>	2020
<b>ENGLISH Kindergarten (afternoon)</b>	2020
<b>FRENCH IMMERSION Kindergarten (morning)</b>	2020
<b>FRENCH IMMERSION Kindergarten (afternoon)</b>	2020

\*please note that English Nursery and English Kindergarten are a combined class.

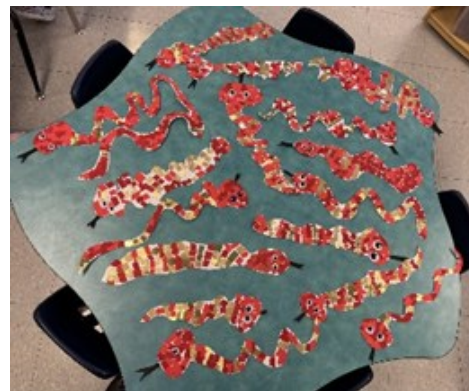
**UPDATED REGISTRATION START DATE IS  
FEBRUARY 10TH AT 9:00 A.M.**

## What's going on around the school !

## Ce qui ce passe autour de l'école !

### Room 103 – Mme Brown

During the month of January, the French Immersion Kindergarten students celebrated the Chinese New Year and created mosaics to represent the Year of the Snake. They also worked hard on mastering letter sounds and are learning to blend sounds to read simple French words. We also spent time outdoors sledding and enjoying the winter weather.



**2025**

YEAR  
of the  
**Snake**

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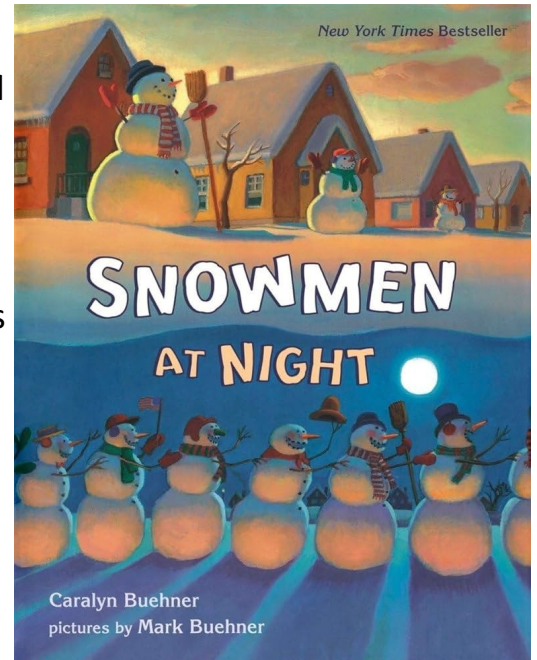
### Room 105—Mrs. Galbraith

In Nursery Kindergarten we talk a lot about the weather and how the weather affects our lives. Our favorite part about winter weather is all of the fun things that we can do in the snow, including making snow people.

The book "Snowmen At Night," by Caralyn Buehner made us think a lot about what a snowman does when no one is around. We came up with a lot of really creative ideas and some really wild answers!

Then on a warm day, we started thinking about what happened to our snow people when it started to warm up. Most of us knew that the snow people would melt but not many of us knew where the snowman water went. We talked about the water from our snow people going down into the drains, the water running off into the rivers and it going into the ground to help the trees and plants grow. We were surprised to learn that it invisibly evaporates and goes into the sky to make clouds and more snow so that we can make more snow people!

We had to make some melty snowmen art after all that talk about the warm weather melting! We had to have the discussion before making our art that we wouldn't be looking up at the snowman anymore, we would have to look down at them because they would be a big melty mess on the ground!



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Room 106 - Mme Nurse

### 1re année Salle 106



Room 106 has been filled with creativity, connection, and kindness, centered on the theme of la gentillesse. Inspired by the book *Our Class is a Family*, students celebrated their sense of belonging by creating a beautiful family portrait of their class.



"Let's make the background nature-themed!"

"Let's make the background like the book *Be a Good Ancestor*."

"We need to show each other love and be kind to one another."

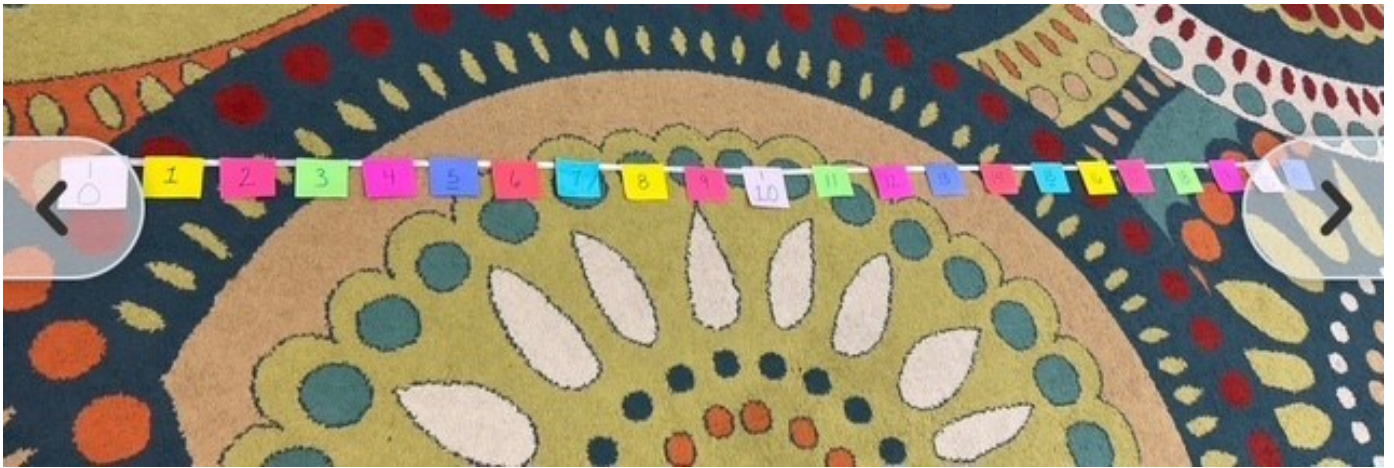
The students decided on this background because it represents:

"love and caring for Mother Earth, just like we can care for one another."



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### Room 201 - Mme Vermeulen

In French, students have been learning winter vocabulary in French, playing bingo, singing songs and we have started le message du jour where we find errors and French sound combinations within words. They are really enjoying this!

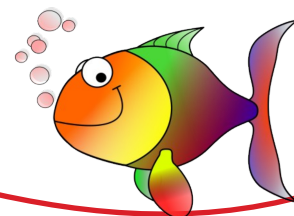
In Math, we have been continuing our work with odd and even numbers and ordering out of sequence numbers from 0 to 100 starting at various decades using a multi-coloured number line.

In ELA/Science/Social Studies, we have been exploring the Arctic, learning a little bit about the Inuit people and also learning about polar bears. Students will be creating their own polar bear using clay and an igloo out of marshmallows. Stay tuned...

### Room 204 - Ms. Warren

It has been a busy month of learning in room 204.

We continued to learn about and celebrate cultures and traditions, as we learned about Lunar New Year. In science we are learning about our 5 senses and currently exploring sound. We will be making our own musical instruments next. We have learned to play 2 card games that help to practice ordering numbers and adding doubles. Please play "Trash" and "Doubles Go Fish" at home to help them practice fluency with numbers. We are learning about different kinds of words (describing words, action words, nouns). How many do you notice when you talk or read at home?



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#### Room 207 - Mme Arnold

We continued to develop our 2 digit addition skills. Students are learning to order numbers from smallest to greatest and greatest to smallest as well as to identify important information in word problems. In French, students continue to practice their reading and writing through various literacy activities. Finally, we have been learning about Manitoba treaties as well as learning about the 7 sacred teachings.



#### Room 209 - Ms. Dorman

Firstly, thank you to all our class parents for all you do to support your child's learning! Since the Winter break, the class has started their Science unit on Materials and Structures; learning how stable and strong structures are created both in nature and by humans. Genius Hour is also underway, once again. Each student chose a passion of theirs to research and design a presentation to share with their peers. Can't wait to see them!

Our regular routines of reading groups, math groups and writing workshop continue daily, and recently we started our Social Studies unit on countries of the world. Students have been assigned a country and a small group of classmates to work with as they learn about their chosen country and prepare to host a museum to highlight their findings. They will create artifacts, write and present a speech, and possibly share a food or craft with the classes who visit their World Museum. Should be a fun way to share what we've learned.

Please feel free to contact me via email or Seesaw with any questions or concerns  
- I look forward to hearing from you!



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### Room 301 - M. Maciejewski

We have taken time in January to review strategies for division including use of visuals, base-10 blocks, number lines, and we have finally arrived at long division, which students are approaching in bits to ensure understanding of each step and linking the algorithm to the fundamental ideas. We have been reading *The Wild Robot* in English and working on critical thinking skills and figurative language. The focus in French has been rooted largely in reading fluency and comprehension alongside verb work and grammar. Students are learning about explorers in social studies, states of matter in science, and working on Pablo Picasso-inspired portraits of their friends in art.



### Room 304 - M. Asselin

We have been getting the ball rolling with French speeches for the Concours d'Art Oratoire. It's a long process that is spread over multiple, grueling weeks. In the end, it is an extremely rewarding experience. In math, we've been working on geometry, learning about shapes and measuring angles. We've been using what was previously learned with perimeter and volume and adding to these forms. Pre-European contact indigenous communities have been our focus for these last couple of months in social studies. We concluded with presentations and stop motion videos to show our understanding.

### Room 307 - M. Jones

has been working hard to understand energy and sound. We're currently using the design process to use what we've learned to create our own musical instruments!

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### Room 308 - Mr. Hawash

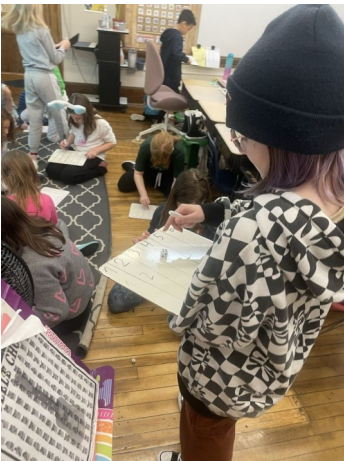
We are having a great time working on multiplication facts and strategies. We have now begun our study of geometry including shapes, angles and much more.

Students have written some fun poems on the topic of winter. They have worked on five different kinds of poems.

Some impressive art projects have been created. I have noticed students in other classrooms admiring the art. When asked what they thought, they shared how much they liked the work. It was wonderful to hear from them.

### Room 309 - Mme Kondziela

We are back in the swing of things in 309! We have not let the cold weather keep us down! We have been busy learning about Canada, important landmarks and capital cities. We have been perfecting our multiplication facts and moving towards more challenging questions like long division. In French we have been pushing our limits to see how far we can go. Learning how to make our sentences more interesting with adjectives. We have been working on creative writing a lot! Some students needed a second notebook! We are looking forward to February! Festival du Voyageur, concours d'or oratoire and Valentine's day are all coming quick!



### Room 310 - Mr. Papineau

In January, we covered many different themes in all subjects. In Social Studies (which we sometimes refer to as Super Speedy Social Studies), we looked at a couple different topics: geographic regions of Canada, including the location, landscape, climate, and resources of each; and European colonization of Canada, which will bring us up to Confederation in 1867. We are learning about the solar system in science, grammar and writing conventions in ELA, and in math it's fractions, multiplication, and geometry. Students have started using a Canadian made coding program which helps young people understand more behind the technology they are using; it also allows for integration of math knowledge in multiple ways, including distance, patterns, and angles. Your student can show you how this works at home if they remember how to log in!



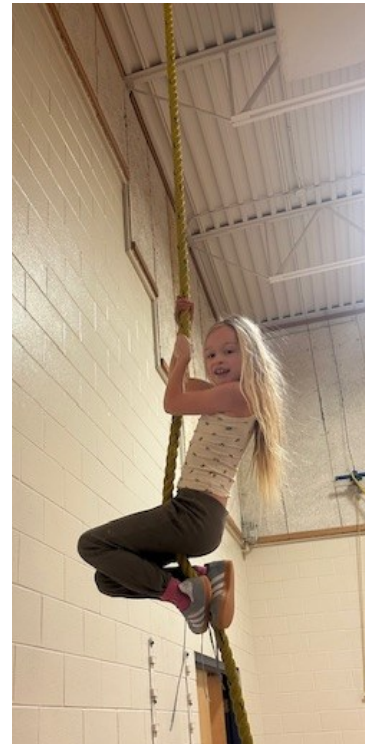
# Physical Education

## Hello from Physical Education!

We are McKenzie and Karli. We are your new physical education team! We are so excited to be in the gym this year teaching students sports specific skills, game strategies and physical literacy. Our first focus in January, as we get to know the students of Riverview, was cooperative games and warm ups. We're following a theme of belonging and what it means to be a good sport. We have introduced jungle gym Fridays, student squads and will be starting inter-murals. February will be filled with basketball and Festival du Voyageur games. A reminder for all students to bring runners for class. Thank you so much for a warm welcome and we'll see you soon!



# Physical Education



## MUSIC



Our grade 1-6 students have enjoyed exploring the music curriculum and growing as musicians through game play this past month. We look forward to developing our instrumental skills in February as we focus on playing the Orff instruments.

The children have expanded their choral skills with our song of the month “Beautiful Dreamer.” This classic, lyrical song dating

back to 1864 is a challenge to sing and our students have done very well meeting those challenges.

The Grade 5 & 6 Chamber Choir along with the Grades 4-6 KC Junction extra-curricular choir are preparing for their participation in the Winnipeg Music Festival in March. We wish these ensembles all the best as they strive for excellence and prepare to represent our Division and school at this wonderful event.

## DAD JOKES

What do you call it when a snowman throws a tantrum?

- A meltdown

How do you identify a dogwood tree?

- By its bark

What are the strongest days?

- Saturday and Sunday; the rest are weekdays





# Festival du Voyageur

**DRESS LIKE A VOYAGEUR WEEK!**

Tuesday, February 18

Wear your voyageur shirt!



Wednesday, February 19

Wear your voyageur tuque!



Thursday, February 20

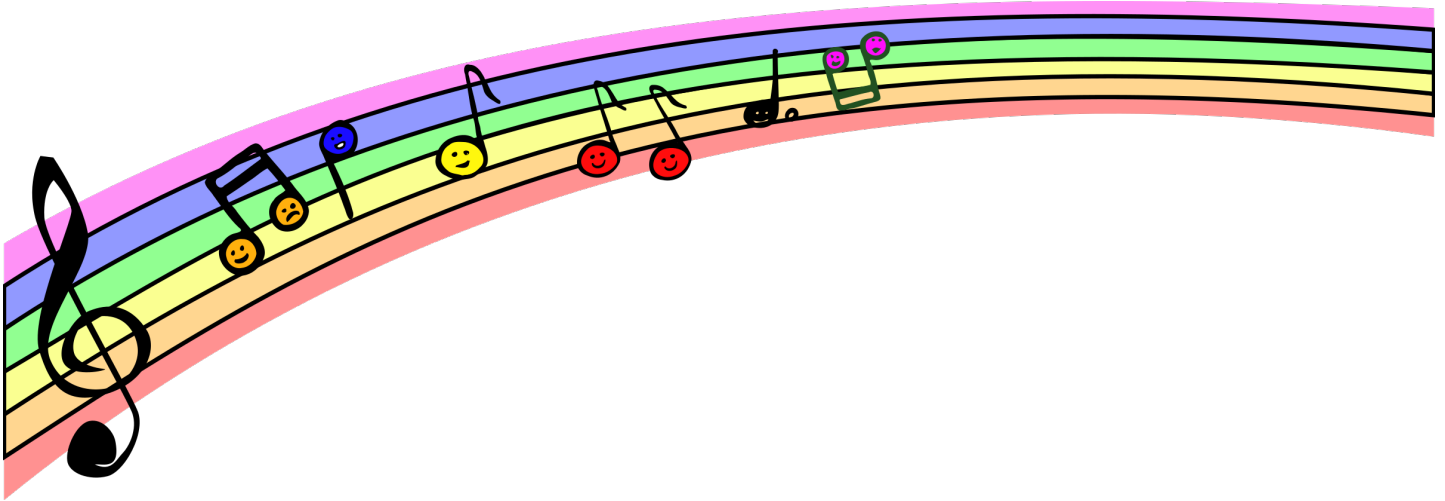
Wear your voyageur sash!



Friday, February 21

Wear all your voyageur clothing!





## **RIVERVIEW MUSIC FESTIVAL 2025**

### **Grades 5&6 Chamber Choir (Choir Club)**

**Wednesday, March 5th 9:45 am** (8th on the program)

Portage Avenue Church 1420 Portage Avenue

- We will return around 12:15 pm

**Concert Dress: Costumes**

### **Grades 4-6 KC Junction (Choir Club)**

**Friday, March 7th 12:30 pm** (3rd on the program)

Portage Avenue Church 1420 Portage Avenue

- We will be away during the 2nd nutrition break (we will eat before we leave for the Festival)

**Concert Dress: Plain Black (Dark) bottoms** (not provided) **and Riverview Choir shirts** (provided)

### **Admission Charge for AUDIENCE MEMBERS**

General admission is \$6 per session (**CASH ONLY**)  
with free admission for children 12 and under.



# RACCOONS / RATON-LAVEURS MERCHANDISE

Show off school spirit  
with a hoodie, t-shirt or  
toque!

Additional colours  
available for select  
items. Personalization  
available on select  
items.



**Gildan Zip Up Hoodie - \$45**  
Available in Black, Navy, Royal, Red, & Grey  
Adult - S-2XL



**Dad Hat**  
Available in pink,  
black or navy  
\$25



**CREWNECK - \$30**  
Available in Black, Navy, Royal, Red & Grey  
Youth S - XL  
Adult Small-5XL



**Gildan TSHIRT - \$25**  
Available in Black, Navy, Royal,  
Red, Pink, Purple & Grey  
Youth S - XL  
Adult XS-4XL



**Water Bottle**  
\$25



**HOODIE - \$35**  
Available in Black, Navy, Royal, Red & Grey  
Youth S - XL  
Adult Small-5XL



**SWEATPANTS - \$35**  
Available in Black or Grey  
Youth S - XL  
Adult S-2XL



**Sportsman Toque**  
\$25



**ENGRAVED YETI - \$65**  
Available in Red, White or Navy



**STICKERS - 2/\$5**  
3"



**ATC Shorts**  
\$25  
Youth S - XL



**Lanyard**  
\$10



**Cinch Bag**  
\$10

**ORDERS ARE OPEN ANYTIME!**

Use the QR code to order your Riverview Raccoons Merchandise!

Orders will be fulfilled and delivered at the end of  
each month.





**NEXT ERSPAC MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEB 19 | 6:30 - 8:00 PM**  
**VIRTUAL GOOGLE MEET**  
(LINK WILL BE EMAILED DAY OF)

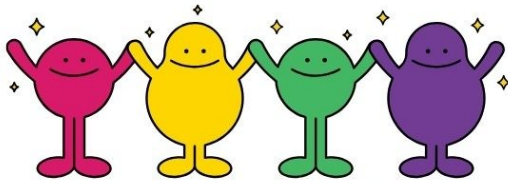
## SPRING BABYSITTING COURSE

ERSPAC, with partner SWFIC (South Winnipeg Family Information Centre), will be offering a neighbourhood babysitting course for Grade 6 students (those turning 12 in 2025).

The course will be held at Riverview Community Centre. Choice of dates will be:

Friday, April 11 (non-instructional day)  
Friday, May 9 (non-instructional day)

Stay tuned for sign-up info in the weeks ahead.



## GET IN TOUCH!

Reach out to ERSPAC with any questions or concerns at [erspac@gmail.com](mailto:erspac@gmail.com)

**Connect with ERSPAC on Facebook**

Join the group 'École Riverview Families' to stay up-to-date on school news!

## SAVE THE DATES

ERSPAC is supporting the school with a few fun events and fundraisers. Mark your calendars!

**Saturday, Feb 8, 2025, 5:30-8:30 pm**  
Valentine's Family Fundraiser Event @ Riverview Community Centre (***tickets and info on volunteering on the next page***)

**Friday, Feb 21, 2025, 9:30-11:30 am**  
Pancake Breakfast  
Festival du Voyageur Week @ Riverview Community Centre



## UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

### GLENLEA GREENHOUSE

Glenlea Greenhouse plant fundraiser will open online in February. Plants will be delivered on Friday, May 23. Stay tuned for the online order form.

### PURDY'S CHOCOLATE

Purdy's chocolate fundraiser will open online in March. Chocolates will be delivered in time for Easter the week of April 14. Stay tuned for the online order form.

ERSPAC FUNDRAISER

# VALENTINE'S FAMILY *dance*

SAT, FEB **8** 5:30-8:30 PM

**MUSIC | SNACKS | MINGLE**

Riverview Community Centre

\$15 per person.

Includes a slice of pizza, a drink & chips.

Ages 2 & under free.

All children must be supervised by an adult.

We are fundraising to help send our Grade 5-6 students to Camp Nutimik in June.

**BUY TICKETS**



(All attending need a ticket,  
Ages 2 & under free)

**VOLUNTEER**





# Collège Churchill High School OPEN HOUSE

Collège Churchill High School invites you to join us for an information evening for prospective students and families to experience everything Collège Churchill High School has to offer!

Highlights include, French Milieu and English Programs, Athletics, Performing Arts, Practical Arts, Churchill Hockey Academy, Churchill Softball Academy, and Extracurricular activities.

**Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**  
**510 Hay Street, Winnipeg, MB R3L 2L6**  
**204-474-1301**



Scan here for additional information

**Hockey Academy Info Session @ 6:30 PM**  
**Senior Gym**

**Softball Academy Info Session @ 6:45 PM**  
**Library**



# Housing and I.D. Resource Event

February 13, 2025, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
R.B. Russell Vocational High School  
364 Dufferin Avenue

Winnipeg School Division and End Homelessness Winnipeg are hosting events to help our community members get income and housing supports they qualify for.

Join us to receive on-site sign-up services and information on available resources for individuals and families.

To sign up for services you will need some ID such as:

- Manitoba Health Card
- Government Issued Photo ID
- Proof of Income/Option C
- Current Tenancy Agreement
- Direct Deposit/Banking Information
- EIA Budget Letter
- Proof of Status/Residency
- Completed Guarantor Form

If you are unsure of which documents you will need to bring, or if you require assistance in filling out forms please contact:

Kasia (Katarzyna) Guzzi  
Community Support Program  
Coordinator  
[kguzzi@wsdl.org](mailto:kguzzi@wsdl.org)  
204-788-0203



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION



# Do not Walk, Skate, or Play on Frozen Retention Ponds

Retention ponds are never safe to use for winter recreation activities. Ice conditions can change quickly without warning, and falling through the ice can be deadly. Remind your children to stay away from frozen retention ponds. Keep dogs on leashes when walking near a retention pond so they don't run onto the ice.



**Do not walk, skate, or play on frozen retention ponds. Talk to your children about staying away from the ice.**



**Do not place hockey nets, benches, light structures, or any other items on a frozen retention pond. To report a structure or item on a retention pond, contact 311.**



**If you see someone on a retention pond, call 911.**

Water from snowmelt or nearby water main breaks can drain into retention ponds. This water is often mixed with street salts, which can cause ice to melt and thin unevenly. This water enters retention ponds from underneath the ice, resulting in thinning of ice that can't be seen from the surface.

# COLD WEATHER AND SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS

We would like to send a reminder to families to please make sure we are dressed appropriately to walk to and from school and for outdoor recesses. We will have indoor recess when the wind chill is at  $-28^{\circ}\text{C}$  or below. **Between  $-28^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $-34^{\circ}\text{C}$ , patrols will do a shortened duty. At  $-35^{\circ}\text{C}$  patrols will *not* go on duty.** Also, in the event schools need to be closed due to severe weather conditions, announcements are made on all local radio and tv stations. The Division's website ([www.winnipegsd.ca](http://www.winnipegsd.ca)) will also carry this message. We will be using "Environment Canada - Forks" as our source of weather information. We would also like to once again remind families of the parking restrictions surrounding the schools especially during pick-up and drop-off times.

## 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



### 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



# 2024-2025

## Dates to Remember

Please note that some event dates are subject to change



### FEBRUARY

- Feb 4** **Nursery/kindergarten Open House**  
**6:30 - 7:30 p.m.**
- Feb 11 Gr 6 Visit to Churchill High School
- Feb 10** **Nursery/Kindergarten Registrations**  
**begin at 9:00 a.m.**
- Feb. 17 Louis Riel Day - No School
- Feb. 18-21** **Spirit Week**
- Feb. 19 ERSPAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. MPR
- Feb. 21 Pancake Breakfast - Riverview C.C.
- Feb. 21 Festival du Voyageur Assembly p.m.

### MARCH

- Mar. 11 Report Cards go home
- Mar. 12 Kindergarten Grad Photos/Spring  
Classroom Group Photo
- Mar. 13 Student Led Conferences 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.
- Mar. 14 Student Led Conferences -  
Non-Instructional day
- Mar. 19 ERSPAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. MPR
- Mar. 28 Last Day of School
- Mar. 31 - Apr. 4** **Spring Break**

### APRIL

- Apr. 7 School reopens
- Apr. 10 Bus Ridership A.M.
- Apr. 11 Non-Instructional Day
- Apr. 18 Good Friday - No School
- Apr. 23 ERSPAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. MPR

### MAY

- May 7 Mobile Vision Clinic
- May 9 Non-Instructional Day
- May 16 Gr 6 Immunizations A.M.
- May 19 Victoria Day - No School
- May 21 ERSPAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. MPR
- May 22 Volunteer Tea - 2:00 p.m.—Library

### JUNE

- June 5 École Riverview School Art Show 4-6 pm
- June 13 ÉRS Non-Instructional Day
- June 19 **Rm 103 French Immersion**  
**Kindergarten** Year End Celebration
- June 20 **Rm 105 English**  
**Kindergarten** Year End Celebration
- June 25 Reports go home
- June 26 Grade 6 Farewell
- June 27 Last Day of School

# February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Day 1	4 Nursery/ Kindergarten Open House 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	5 Day 3	6 Day 4	7	8
9	10 Nursery/ Kindergarten Registration Open 9:00 a.m.	11 Gr 6 visit to Churchill High School	12 Day 2	13 Day 3	14	
16	17 Louis Riel Day - No School	18 Day 5	19 ERSPAC Meeting 6:30- 8:00 p.m. Library	20 Day 1	21 Pancake Breakfast - Riverview CC Day 2	22
23	24 Day 3	25 Day 4	26 Day 5	27 Day 6	28 Day 1	



## UPCOMING:

- ◆ Grade 5 & 6 Chamber Choir, Wednesday March 5th
- ◆ Grade 4-6 KC Junction, Friday March 7th
- ◆ Kindergarten Grad photos/ Spring Classroom photos, Wednesday March 12th
- ◆ Student-Led Conferences, Thursday March 13th - Friday March 14th