

École Riverview School

January 2025 Newsletter



Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and that you are feeling refreshed as we begin a new year together. As we transition into January, we look forward to the exciting learning opportunities and growth that this winter term will bring.

We are entering an important time of the school year. The winter term is a crucial period for student learning and development, as students are deeply engaged in their academic work and continue to build on the foundations they've established so far. Our focus will be on expanding knowledge, refining skills, and encouraging curiosity in all areas of study, with particular emphasis on language acquisition and cultural exploration in our French Immersion program.

This time of year is also filled with opportunities for personal growth, as students work to strengthen their collaboration, problem-solving, and critical thinking abilities. Teachers will be providing targeted instruction to support each child's development and success, and we encourage families to continue fostering learning at home through reading, conversation, and hands-on activities.

As always, we greatly appreciate the support and involvement of our parent community. Your engagement is vital to the success of our school and helps create a positive and enriching environment for our students. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to reach out.

Wishing you and your family a happy, healthy, and productive start to the new year!

Cinzia and Racim



What's going on around the school ?

Ce qui se passe autour de l'école !

Room 103 – Mme Brown



The students in French Immersion Kindergarten had a very busy December! We spent a lot of time learning about celebrations around the world, including Diwali, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Las Posadas, and St. Lucia. We had fun making menorahs, kinaras, clay lamps, and St. Lucia crowns while learning about traditions and celebrations in other parts of the world!



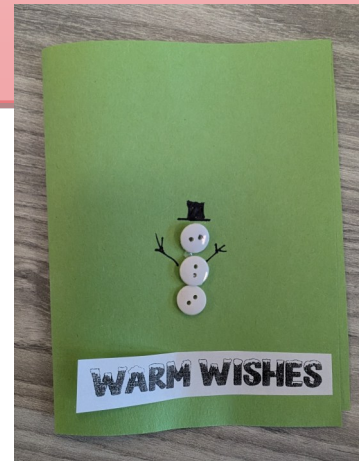
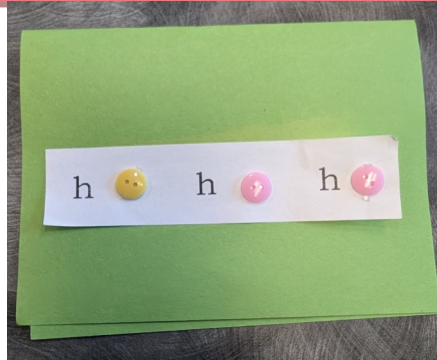
Room 105 - Mrs. Galbraith

December seemed to fly by! It feels like we read about a million books on the topics of winter, Christmas and Hanukkah!

Our favorite book of the month was, "Pete the Cat Saves Christmas." He said, " Give it your all, give it your all. At Christmas we give, so give it your all!" We were inspired by Pete the Cat to find ways that we could give to make other people happy! There were many discussions about how the kids give to others. One shared that he shovels the driveway for his mom and dad. Another shared that they are helping another family by getting them food and presents for Christmas. Another later made a kind choice to give up the coveted spot on the carpet to another to make him happy.

We decided to give to others by creating presents for our friends and families. We made them beautiful clay trees that we sent home just before winter break. We also decided to create cards for our friends and families. We delivered them to our friends around the school with the help of grade 5&6 buddies. We also sent them home as a part of our family gifts.

I hope that they continue to be inspired to give!



Room 301 - M. Maciejewski

December was a busy month in room 301. Students collaborated, working in different capacities and focusing on their strengths while developing our holiday concert piece. Students designed sets, created props, worked together to solve problems, and demonstrated a great deal of practical design ideas and creativity. In math, students have been working on multiplying two-digit by three-digit numbers and applying their knowledge to word problems. In French, students have been working on distinguishing between past-composed, and imperfect past verb tenses and endings for the 1st group of verbs (-er). We have concluded our work on body systems in science, and creation myths in social studies, and will continue to the following units after the holidays.



HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Important

PLEASE REPORT TO THE OFFICE WHEN PICKING UP YOUR CHILD

For safety reasons, anyone in the building needs to sign-in at the office and have a guest badge before they may enter the building beyond the office. For this reason, when picking your child up during school hours, please report to the office and wait there for your child. When dropping your child off during school hours, please bring them to the office to receive a slip to take to their teacher, and they will proceed to their classroom on their own. If they need assistance, someone in the office will help them get to their classes.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Head Lice:

While head lice are not a sign of poor hygiene, they can spread easily in environments like schools, where children interact closely with each other.

As part of our ongoing efforts to maintain a healthy environment, we kindly ask for your cooperation in being proactive about this issue. Here are some important steps that can help prevent and manage lice in our school community:

1. **Regular Checks:** Please check your child's hair regularly, especially if they are experiencing itching or discomfort. Early detection is key to preventing the spread of lice.
2. **Treatment:** If lice or nits (lice eggs) are found, it is important to begin treatment immediately. Over-the-counter treatments or those recommended by your healthcare provider can help eliminate lice. After treatment, please continue to check your child's hair for several weeks to ensure that the lice are completely gone.
3. **Avoid Sharing Personal Items:** Remind your children to avoid sharing hats, combs, brushes, or other personal items that could carry lice.
4. **Cleaning:** While lice do not typically live long without a human host, it is still helpful to wash clothing, bedding, and hair accessories in hot water. You may also want to vacuum furniture and carpets to ensure thorough cleanliness.

Please be assured that we are doing everything we can at school to help prevent the spread of lice, including monitoring and providing education to staff and students. Our goal is to minimize any disruptions to learning while maintaining the well-being of all students.

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

<https://winnipegssd.ca/registration>



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)**. All required documents must be submitted along with a completed “Student Application for Registration Form” (fillable PDF). Priority of class preference (morning or afternoon) will be given on a first come, first served basis.

PROGRAM OPTIONS	BIRTH YEAR
ENGLISH Nursery (morning)	2021
ENGLISH Nursery (afternoon)	2021
ENGLISH Kindergarten (morning)	2020
ENGLISH Kindergarten (afternoon)	2020
FRENCH IMMERSION Kindergarten (morning)	2020
FRENCH IMMERSION Kindergarten (afternoon)	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.**

Please submit the following documents to complete your registration:

- ✓ **Student Application for Registration Form** (found on the Ecole Riverview School website). It is a fillable PDF form that you can download and submit in your email.
- ✓ **Nursery Letter 2025-2026** Nursery students ONLY! (fillable PDF form found on website that you can download and submit in your email)
- ✓ **Student's Birth Certificate or Passport** (scanned or good quality photo)
- ✓ **Manitoba Health Card** (scanned or good quality photo)
- ✓ **Proof of Address** (must be either a tax assessment or rental/lease, offer to purchase agreement – scanned or good quality photo)

Registration is not considered complete unless **ALL** required documents are submitted. **Please attach all documents within the same email.**

If a program fills and we are not able to grant your time preference (morning or afternoon), you will be notified about the options available.

Please indicate French or English when registering for Kindergarten.

Monday, February 10th, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Early applications will not be accepted.



JANUARY EVENTS

Visit riverviewcc.ca for details

FAMILY SKATE NIGHT
SATURDAY
JAN 18 | 6-8PM

music
friends
skating
games
hot chocolate



Family Fun
SUNDAY
JAN. 19
12-4PM
SKI DAY



Mobile ski library will be on-site!

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Winter eg

OPEN GYM

ACCESS: MAPLEWOOD GYM DOORS

FAMILY DROP-IN THURSDAYS

FOR CHILDREN, PARENTS & GUARDIANS

6:30 Ecole to Riverview
8PM School
253 Maplewood Ave.

In partnership with Ecole Riverview School and

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CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION INITIATIVE

Jan. 17
Movie Night:
Small Foot
Doors at 6pm
Movie at 6:30pm

SMALL FOOT



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

With January upon us, 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 - 28C or below. **Between - 28C and - 34C, patrols will do a shortened duty. At - 35C 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) 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



Light jacket

Wind-resistant would be ideal



TIP:

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

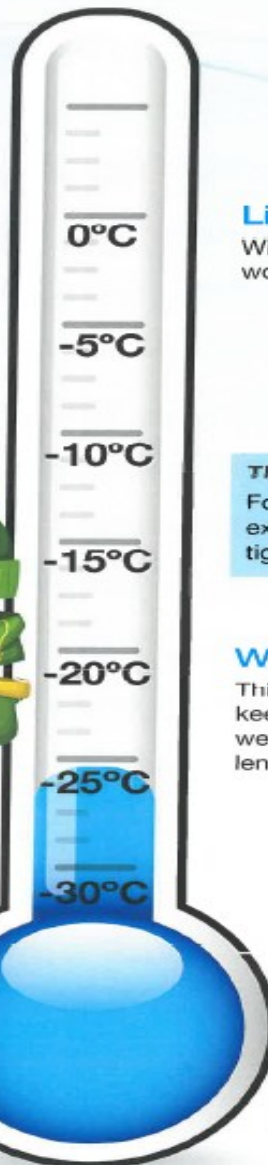
Winter jacket

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



Winter boots

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



2024-2025

Dates to Remember

Please note that some event dates are subject to change

JANUARY

- Jan. 6 School Reopens
- Jan. 22 ERSPAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. MPR
- Jan. 31 Non-Instructional day - No School

FEBRUARY

- Feb 11 Gr 6 Visit to Churchill High School
- Feb. 17 Louis Riel Day - No School
- Feb. 18-21 Spirit Week**
- Feb. 19 ERSPAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. MPR
- Feb. 20 Nursery/Kindergarten Open House
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 21 Pancake Breakfast - Riverview C.C.
- Feb. 21 Festival du Voyageur Assembly p.m.
- Feb. 26 Nursery/Kindergarten Registrations begin
at 8:00 a.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

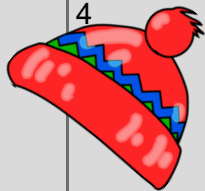
- May 7 Mobile Vision Clinic
- May 9 Non-Instructional Day
- May 16 Gr 6 Immunizations A.M.
- May 19 Victoria Day - No School
- May 21 ERSPAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. MPR

JUNE

- June École Riverview School Art Show
- 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



January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 
- WINTER BREAK -						
5	6 School re-opens	7	8	9	10	11
	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
	14	15	16	17	18	
	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	
19	20	21	22 ERS Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Library	23	24	25
	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	
26	27	28	29	30	31 Non-Instructional Day	
	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	

