# École Riverview School March 2025

Dear Families,

As we approach the second reporting period, we would like to share some important dates and details regarding **Report Cards** and **Student-Led Conferences**.

#### **Report Cards:**

Sent Home: March 11, 2025

Our teachers are committed to keeping families informed about their child's academic progress well before receiving the report card. Regular communication helps ensure that families are up to date on their child's performance, and it allows teachers to proactively address both strengths and areas of concern. This open dialogue is key to working together to support each student's success.

#### Student-Led Conferences:

Dates:

March 13: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM March 14: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Scheduling Opens: March 10, 2025, at 10:00 AM

During the conferences, we will schedule 3-4 families at a time, with each student having a 15minute time slot to share their work, reflect on their progress, and set goals for the future. Please note that these conferences are a time for students to showcase their learning. If you wish to discuss specific academic progress with teachers, separate meetings can be arranged. Student-Led Conferences provide students with a valuable opportunity to take ownership of their education, reflect on their growth, and demonstrate their progress. They also allow families to celebrate their child's achievements, better understand their strengths and challenges, and engage in meaningful conversations about their academic journey.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our students' learning and growth!

Cinzia Caputo Principal

#### **Class Placement Process - 2025-2026**

As we begin planning for the upcoming school year, we want to share some important information about how class placements are determined.

When making class placements, we take many factors into consideration to ensure each child's success. These include academic progress, social-emotional development, and the overall classroom dynamics. One key element in this process is ensuring that students are placed in an environment where they can build strong, positive connections with their peers, as we believe these relationships play a crucial role in their growth and well-being.

Although we appreciate parents reaching out with requests for specific classes or teachers, we want to emphasize that there is much involved in the creation of balanced classrooms. Each placement is carefully thought out with many factors in mind to ensure the best possible learning environment for all students. Please note that while we carefully review all factors, final class placements will not be completed until June. We appreciate your understanding and patience as we work to create the best possible classroom communities for our students.

#### Cinzia Caputo

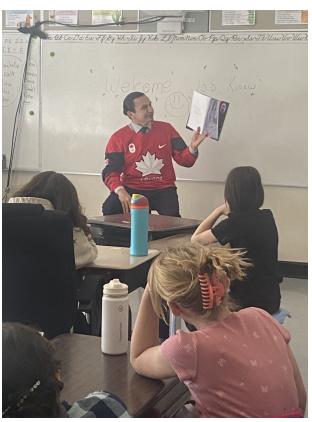
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We were truly fortunate to have Wab Kinew, Premier of Manitoba, as our special guest for our "I Love to Read" event! He visited Rooms 301 and 304, where he read to our students with such enthusiasm and passion for reading. His presence not only made the day memorable but also inspired our students to see the power of storytelling and leadership in action.

A huge thank you to Premier Kinew for taking the time to share his love for reading with us. It was a wonderful reminder of the impact of books, community, and the importance of literacy in shaping the future.

Let's continue to foster that love of reading in all our students, inspired by the example we saw today.



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

## Room 103 - Mme Brown

## 100<sup>th</sup> day of school...

The students in French Immersion Kindergarten celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school on February 19<sup>th</sup>! We have been counting the days since the start of the school year by adding fish to our fish tank and counting by 10s. For the 100<sup>th</sup> day, the students made crowns and worked on dot painting, sorting, and building. We had a lot of fun!







## Le Festival du Voyageur

The students enjoyed jigging in the halls, dressing like voyageurs, singing songs, and of course an awesome pancake breakfast organized by our wonderful parent council!





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Room 105 - Mrs. Galbraith

Nursery Kindergarten have had a very exciting and busy February!

We learned about Ground Hog Day, and we were all really hoping that the groundhog would NOT see his shadow on the 2nd and we were super excited when it was a cloudy morning in Manitoba! Spring is coming soon!

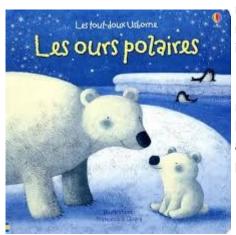
For Valentine's we experimented mixing paints in water. We put our coloured water into the freezer and turned them into ice hearts arts to hang on the trees in the playground for all to enjoy. We wrote many Valentine's and delivered them to special people in the school, so that they knew we cared!

We celebrated 100 days of school on Feb 19. We made a 100 day necklace from 100 beads (10 beads of 10 colours) and made special 100 Day crowns to wear! The start of Ramadan was on February 28. We learned all about this important month-long Muslim holiday through books and art.

#### Room 201 - Mme Vermeulen

We have been busy learning about the Arctic and about polar bears this month. We've used the design process to create igloos using marshmallows and polar bears using clay.

In French, we continue to work on reading, editing and correcting errors in our



morning messages. We have been learning many sounds found within words including: on, ou, in, an/en, ui and au.

In Math, we have been continuing to work on recognizing odd and even numbers, counting by 2s and by 5s to and from a given number and we have been working on using domino patterns to add and subtract numbers to 18.



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

## 1re année Salle 106

This month, our classroom has been filled with curiosity, creativity, and hands-on discoveries as we explored cultural celebrations like Lunar New Year and Festival du Voyageur. Through imaginative play, dance, and artistic expression, students have been deepening their understanding of traditions while building important problem-solving skills.





During a dramatization activity, students eagerly took on the role of voyageurs, paddling through pretend rivers. Their play sparked an exciting idea—what if we built our own canoes? With enthusiasm, they crafted paper canoes and set them afloat, only to discover that paper wasn't the most reliable material on water!

Les canots en papier

After carefully crafting plans and testing the texture and weight of various materials, students eagerly discovered which ones would float on water, bringing their canoes to life!









'Voici mon

canot!'

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#### Room 204 - Ms Warren

It has been a very busy month, full of fun activities and learning. We have been measuring and discovering corners and sides of 2D shapes in math. Counting to 100 in many different ways. We have continued our 5 senses science theme and celebrated Valentine's day by sharing cards with friends. Festival du Voyageur was also a fun week where we created a group mural on our bulletin board to show how the voyageurs lived so long ago.

We are looking forward to March and more creativity as we use the design process and mapping skills to complete some of our community project.





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#### Room 207 - Mme Arnold

We had fun celebrating the festival du voyageur. Students decorated moccasins using pointillism, danced the jig and made maple syrup toffee. Students in 207 celebrated 100 days of school by hunting for 100 hearts and making their own hundred chart. Students are learning about the position of objects and different types of movement and force.



#### Room 209 - Ms. Dorman - Update

In case you have not heard from your child, there has been a staffing change in our classroom. Ms. Dorman will continue as the classroom teacher on days 1 - 3 - 5 of the school day cycle, and she is joined by Ms. McLarty as the teacher for days 2 - 4 - 6 for the foreseeable future. This allows Ms. Dorman the opportunity to work as Literacy Support teacher on alternating days. We both appreciate your support through this change and please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

#### Room 301 - M. Maciejewski

Our room has been at work on a collaborative writing project with the students in room 103, further exploration of states and properties of matter in science, and a research project on 15<sup>th</sup> century colonial powers in social studies. We have been exploring fractions, improper fractions, and numbered fractions in math, working on group novel study in French, and a whole-class novel study in ELA. February 14<sup>th</sup> was packed with excitement, as we celebrated Valentine's Day and joined rooms 307 and 311 on a trip to Fort Gibraltar for Festival du Voyageur. Special thanks to M. Jones for organizing that excursion for us.



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#### Room 309 - Mme Kondziela

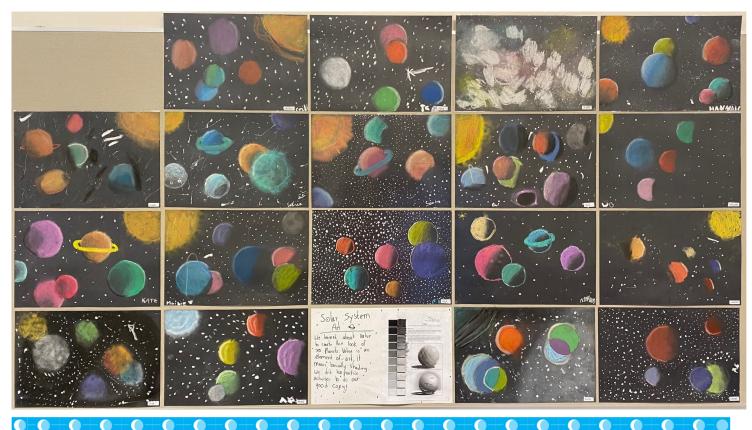
February always flies by! 309 celebrated Valentine's day by making paper mâché boxes and painting the walls of the classroom for a photo booth. For I love to read month, students were challenged with a bingo sheet with different reading activities. We were also able to travel to Festival du Voyageur to participate in dancing, singing, sledding and more! Oakley came for a visit to help us test our building skills. Students built enrichment toys and Oakley was only able to get to one treat! It has been a cold month! Luckily Manitoba Merv predicted an early spring on Groundhog day!







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#### Room 310 - Mr. Papineau

We have been learning some Canadian history in our Super Speedy Social Studies, and in Science we are researching the solar system. We used this topic to learn about value in art - sometimes referred to as shading - in order to create 3 dimensional images. The students followed a process to eventually create images of planets using chalk pastels on dark construction paper.







## MUSIC



Our grades 1-6 students have really enjoyed singing our song of the month "The 59th Street Bridge Song (Feelin' Groovy)" this month. It has been awesome to see our students enjoying this classic Simon & Garfunkel song from their classic 1966 album Parsley, Sage, Rosemary and Thyme.

The music room has been a buzz with

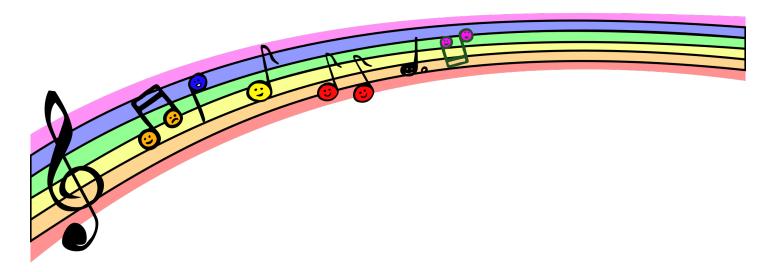
our last minute preparations for the Winnipeg Music Festival. The Grades 5 & 6 Chamber Choir will be singing in the Musical Theatre competition on March 5th and the Grades 4-6 KC Junction extra-curricular choir will be competing in the Contemporary class on March 7th. We wish these ensembles all the best as they strive for excellence and prepare to represent our Division and School at this wonderful event.

Our grades 3-6 students will have the opportunity to be part of the Song Revue Choir. This extra-curricular group will be teaming up with the choir from Queenston School to perform on May 28th. The performance at Riverview will take place at 11:00 am and the performance at Queenston will be at 1:15 pm. Information will go out by email to the families of those students wishing to participate.



## Due to an elevated level of allergies, please refrain from sending any birthday treats to the school for your child's birthday.

Our staff attempts to acknowledge the birthdays of all students and wish them the absolute best during their special day. It can be awkward for some students when invitations and/or special treats are delivered at school. We ask that you be discreet about delivering invitations on your own time and, again, kindly ask you to refrain from bringing treats to the school on/for your child's birthday.



#### **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.

## PE Update February 2025

#### We have been having a BALL in PE these days! Desiree Scott Visit

We had a very special visit from 4 time and gold medal winning olympic professional soccer player Desiree Scott in late January! She is a Winnipeg born internationally recognized athlete who played for the U of M Bisons with Ms Karli and is one her best mates. The kids were amazing and gave her so many cheers and respect while listening to her inspiring stories. She also did the macarena with all the kids too! We felt very lucky she took time out of her busy schedule to come talk to the students at École Riverview! She just came out of retirement to play in the brand new Inaugural Canadian Women's Soccer professional league called NSL (Northern Super League) this summer and cheer Desi on playing for the Ottawa Rapid FC!



#### **Basketball Tournament**

Ms McKenzie, Ms Karli and M Matt took some of the grade 5 & 6 boys to an afternoon tournament at Earl Grey school mid February and the team did amazing! Some really awesome basketball, great sportsmanship and good fun was had! We had so much interest we took two teams! Go Raccoons!



In February we did a basketball unit, jump rope and even got the parachute out for some fun when we had multiple grades in class together! Can't wait for another month of movement!





## **Pancake Breakfast**

Thank you Parents & Volunteers!











# **Phys Ed Fun** 542 Eq Equ









#### Visit riverviewcc.ca for details



THURSDAYS 5-6PM

Feb. 20 - March 20

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Thursdays from 5-6PM until March 20 After school program for kids aged 6-11: Engineering 101!



March 21: LEGO SWAP is back!! Joins us for and evening of playing, swapping and lots of opportunity to build!

**SPRING SPORTS** 

Registration is open! Sign up now!

March 14 Movie Night: **Dogman** Doors at 6pm Movie at 6:30pm

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



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



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Dad Hat Available in pink, black or navy

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Sportsman Toque \$25



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

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Available in Black or Grev







Lanyard \$10

Cinch Bag \$10 

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#### 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, Mar 19 | 6:30 - 7:30 PM Virtual Google Meet

Please contact <u>erspac@gmail.com</u> to be emailed the link

# FUNDRAISERS



Do Easter shopping and support the school at the same time.

Chocolates delivered in time for Easter on Friday, April 11.

Online orders open now until March 23. Campaign Code: 29427

## GLENLEA GREENHOUSES



Get your green thumbs ready. Order now to avoid sell-outs.

Plants delivered by Friday, May 23 Online orders open now!

Place items in your cart, THEN select the Ecole Riverview School fundraising option at check out.

## **GET IN TOUCH!**

Reach out to ERSPAC with any questions or concerns at **erspac@gmail.com** 

#### Connect with ERSPAC on Facebook

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

#### APPRECIATION POTLUCK

ERSPAC is organizing a lunch potluck for ERS teachers and staff on non-instructional day



Friday, March 14

Its our way of saying thanks to ERS staff during all their student led conferences.

Sign up to bring a dish! We'd love to see a new group of parents help to pitch in and show their support.

#### 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.

## 2024-2025

## **Dates to Remember**

Please note that some event dates are subject to change

#### **MARCH**

#### <u>MAY</u>

| Mar. 11 | Report Cards go home                       |
|---------|--|
| Mar. 12 | Kindergarten Grad Photos/Spring            |
|         | Classroom Group Photo                      |
| Mar. 13 | Student Led Conferences 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.   |
| Mar. 14 | Student Led Conferences - 9:00 - 4:00 p.m. |
|         | Non-Instructional day                      |
| Mar. 19 | ERSPAC Meeting 6:30-8:00 p.m. VIRTUAL      |
| Mar. 28 | Last Day of School                         |
| Mar 21  | Apr 1 Spring Brook                         |

#### Mar. 31 - Apr. 4 Spring Break

#### <u>APRIL</u>

- 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 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

#### <u>JUNE</u>

- 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

| Sun | Mon              | Tue   | Wed   | Thu   | Fri  | Sat |      |
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|     | Day 2            | Day 3   | Day 4   | Day 5   | Day 6  |     | Ζ    |
| 9   | 10<br>Day 1      | 11<br>Report cards<br>sent home<br><b>Day 2</b> | 12<br>Kindergarten grad<br>photos<br>Spring classroom<br>photos | 13<br>Student-Led<br>4:00-7:00 pm<br><b>Day 4</b> | 14<br>Student-Led<br>Conferences<br>9:00-4:00 pm | 15  | ARC  |
| 16  | 17<br>Day 6      | 18<br>Day 1                                     | 19<br>ERSPAC<br>Meeting 6:30-<br>8:00 p.m.                      | 20<br>Day 3                                       | 21<br>Day 4                                      | 22  | H 20 |
| 23  | 24<br>Day 3      | 25<br>Day 4                                     | 26<br>Day 5   | 27<br>Day 6                                       | 28<br>Day 1                                      | 29  | 25   |
| 30  | <sup>31</sup> SF | PRIN  | GB  | BRE   |  |     |      |