



SISTER MAC SPECIAL

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Message from the Administrative Team

Dear Sister MacNamara Families,

Happy October! Please check our school's website and notes that come home from your child's teacher regarding school/classroom information.

These are a few highlights from last month:

·We were so excited to see several families at our Meet the Staff evening-289 people were in attendance. Classroom overviews with information about learning and programming were available that night and those not in attendance had the package sent home.

·Ms. Macdonald conducted our annual Terry Fox Run on the playground. Giant Tiger on the corner of Donald and Ellice Street donated \$500.00 on behalf of our school to the Terry Fox Foundation—we appreciated that!

·Our dedicated staff worked hard to provide the very best learning opportunities for our students to kick off the school year-making all students feel welcome!

-All students and staff participated in a day of listening, learning, remembrance and action to honour the First Peoples of this land on Orange Shirt Day.

Events coming up are:

· Family Gathering will take place on October 17th at 5:00 PM-please join us for information and a light supper with your family.

· Grade 6 Immunization Clinic will take place on October 11th.

· Bus Ridership—October 16th during the day.

· Halloween celebrations are up to each classroom teacher and information will follow.

· Teachers are focused on building relationships with students and creating a caring classroom community. They are collecting information and getting to know each of their students as individuals. This will help to plan for your child(ren)'s learning success all year long. We are honoured that you trust us every day to take good care of your child and provide quality daily learning. Thank you so much to the groups and individuals who partner with us to support our students in many ways, including donating supplies.

Reminders:

October 9th-WSD Division Professional Development day-SCHOOL CLOSED

October 11th - Grade 6 Immunization

October 14th-Thanksgiving Day-SCHOOL CLOSED

October 17th-5:00 PM Family Gathering-gym

October 23rd- School Photos

October 25th-Professional Development-SCHOOL CLOSED

·Playground safety is very important. Families returning with their child(ren) at noon must wait at the picnic area, and not on the field/play structure as this space is for our students in the Lunch Program.

D. Lenhardt Mair
Principal



S. Medaglia Dos Santos
Vice Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024-25



NOVEMBER 2024

- 5-6-7 HEARING SCREENING
- 8 REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY—11:00 AM
- 11 REMEMBRANCE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
- 21 SCHOOL PHOTOS - RE-TAKES
- 22 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - NO CLASSES
- 25-26-27 IEP MEETINGS
- 28 STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES—EVENING
- 29 STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES—NO CLASSES

DECEMBER 2024

- 3-4-5 CLASS DATA REVIEW MEETINGS
- 18 WINTER CONCERT—6:00 PM FOR GRADES 1-6
- 19 N-K WINTER CONCERT—10:00 AM & 1:30 PM
- 20 MOVIE DAY
- DEC 23 – JAN 3 WINTER BREAK – SCHOOL CLOSED

JANUARY 2025

- 6 SCHOOL RE-OPENS AFTER WINTER BREAK
- 28 MOBILE VISION CLINIC
- 31 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO CLASSES

FEBRUARY 2025

- 14 VALENTINE'S DAY
- 17 LOUIS RIEL DAY—HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
- 28 JUMP ROPE FOR HEART ASSEMBLY 2:30 PM

MARCH 2025

- 14 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT – NO CLASSES
- 17-18-19 IEP MEETINGS
- 20 STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES – EVENING
- 21 STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES – ALL DAY – NO CLASSES
- 24-28 SPIRIT WEEK
- 28 MOVIE DAY
- MAR. 31-APR. 7 SPRING BREAK – SCHOOL CLOSED

APRIL 2025

- 7 SCHOOL RE-OPENS AFTER SPRING BREAK
- 8-9-10 CLASS DATA REVIEW MEETINGS
- 11 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY—NO CLASSES
- 16 BUS RIDERSHIP
- 17 DAY OF PINK – ASSEMBLY 1:15 PM
- 18 GOOD FRIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
- 25 VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION—10:30 AM

MAY 2025

- 9 SCHOOL PLANNING DAY—NO CLASSES**
- 19 VICTORIA DAY—HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED**

JUNE 2025

- 13 FIELD DAY**
- 19 YEAR END CELEBRATION—9:00 AM**
- 20 GRADE 6 FAREWELL—1:15 PM**
- 20 REPORT CARDS GO HOME**
- 21 NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY**
- 27 TALENT SHOW – 9:15 AM**
- 27 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL—STUDENT DISMISSAL AT 11:30 AM**



The Voluntary Student Accident Insurance underwritten by Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada provides enhanced accident coverage for accidents and benefits beyond that of the Universal Student Accident Insurance held by the School Division or through a parent/guardian’s benefits plan through their employer. Benefit coverage includes ambulance, hospital, accidental dental, disability, fractures, dislocations, and many other benefits.

Please visit www.manitobastudentinsurance.ca. If you have any questions, please contact Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada at 1.800.463.5437. You can also visit our Parent Portal at www.hubinternational.com/MSBAParentPortal where you can find further details on Universal and Voluntary Student Accident Insurance for your School Division.



**SISTER MACNAMARA SCHOOL
STAFF LIST 2024-2025**

PRINCIPAL: MS. DEBBIE LENHARDT MAIR
VICE-PRINCIPAL: MRS. SONIA MEDAGLIA DOS SANTOS
SECRETARIES: MS. DONNA PERRETT AND MS. MARIA MANZANILLA

GRADE	NAME
NURSERY (AM/PM)	ANNA SANTOS/MARJORIE WHITE
KINDERGARTEN (AM/PM)	NADINE AVILA/JACKELYNE GUDZ
GRADE 1	JENNIFER FORSYTH/MOTUNRAYO OLADELE
GRADE 1	VERN KLASSEN-WIEBE
GRADE 1-2	TOBAN MOROZ
GRADE 2-3	CLEMENTINA OSEI
GRADE 3	LESLIE MARNOCH
GRADE 3	SARAH ALBIANI
GRADE 3-4	ODESA LEWIS-COUTAIN
GRADE 4	LEAH PAGÉ
GRADE 5	TIFFANY FERNANDO
GRADE 5	GULSHAN SHARMA
GRADE 6	KIRANJEET GILL/CANDACE LIEBRECHT
GRADE 6	STEVE BENEVIDES

SPECIALISTS

PHYSICAL EDUCATION	MAGGIE MACDONALD
MUSIC	TBD
ART	HANNAH MUNS (1, 3, 5)
SUPPORT TEAM	
RESOURCE	SAMANTHA CASTOR / JOANNA LANGTRY
IERT	ALYSON GIROUX
E.A.L.	KAWSER ALI

COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKER: NICOLE CHRISTMAS
CULTURAL LIASON: TBD

EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS:

ROBIN COVEY	IRENE FIGUEIREDO	HINDA IBRAHIM	SUSAN KIELY-SMITH
DENIS ROUSSIN	PRECY VILLENUEVA	CHERRY MAY GAPAS	ANGELA URCIUOLI
MONICA FLETT	NING TAPAWAN	AMANDEEP - LYNN - RENU	

CROSSING GUARDS: CINDY ADAMS

CUSTODIANS: NORA GALVEZ (H. CUST.) ABDI-DAHIR ALI ALEX DECAPIA RONALD MENDOZA
CSS STAFF: TIANNA INNES - PSYCHOLOGY MANDE SMITH - SOCIAL WORK DONNA HARVEY -
SP&L MERCEDE POIRIER - READING CLINICIAN

Our school held its annual Terry Fox Run on September 26. We had a whole school assembly celebrating Terry Fox and his Marathon of Hope. Room 229 shared their Terry Fox learning with the school, which took great courage and strength to do. We then headed outside for a school-wide run in our field and then students received a light snack back in their classrooms. This year Sister MacNamara school was selected by the Giant Tiger on the corner of Donald and Ellice Street to have \$500 donated in our school's name to the Terry Fox Foundation. Our donation will help fund cancer research and carry on Terry's hope of a world free of cancer.



This month we also talked about what physical education looked like in Residential Schools. Students looked at photographs and discussed what role physical education played during Residential Schools and what kinds of games and activities Indigenous students were allowed to play. We then discussed the role of physical education in our school and the kinds of games, sports, and activities we play and what those activities teach us. All this great learning is currently being highlighted on a bulletin board outside of the gym.

**WE ARE
HIRING**

Sister MacNamara School is looking to hire an Adult Crossing Guard for the school year. It is a 3 hour per day position staggered through the school day, coordinating with school starting, noon hour, and ending hours. This is a paid position. Applicants must have or be able to obtain a Child Abuse and Registry check and Criminal Record Check.

This is an important position to ensure the safety of our students and families in coming to and from school.

Position starts as soon as possible. Please contact the Principal, Debbie Lenhardt Mair or Vice Principal, Sonia Medaglia Dos Santos for

further information.



Family Room



October 2024

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
		1	DAY 2	2	DAY 3	3	DAY 4	4	DAY 5
		POTATO AND BREAD DISTRIBUTION		NUTRITION BINGO 2:30 PM 		Family Room Closed		COOKING CLASS 1:15 PM	
7	DAY 6	8	DAY 1	9	DAY 2	10	DAY 3	11	DAY 4
CRAFT TIME 1:15 AM		POTATO AND BREAD DISTRIBUTION		Non Instructional Day NO CLASSES 		BEADING 1:15 PM		COOKING CLASS 1:15 PM 	
14		15	DAY 5	16	DAY 6	17	DAY 1	18	DAY 2
<i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>		POTATO AND BREAD DISTRIBUTION		NUTRITION BINGO 2:30 PM 		FAMILY GATHERING 5 PM		COOKING CLASS 1:15 PM	
21	DAY 3	22	DAY 4	23	DAY 5	24	DAY 6	25	DAY 3
CRAFT TIME 1:15 AM		POTATO AND BREAD DISTRIBUTION		NUTRITION BINGO 2:30 PM		FAMILY EVENT 5 PM		MTS PD NON INSTRUCTIONAL DAY - NO CLASSES	
28	DAY 3	29	DAY 4	30	DAY 5	31	DAY 6		
CRAFT TIME 1:15 AM		POTATO AND BREAD DISTRIBUTION		 NUTRITION BINGO 2:30 PM		BEADING 1:15 PM			

Family Room News

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Family Gathering

October 17th @ 5pm

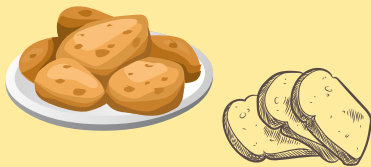
Please join us for the first Family Gathering of the school year! We will discuss plans for the upcoming year and have a light supper.



KOATS FOR KIDS

NEED WINTER GEAR FOR YOUR STUDENT? PLEASE LET NICOLE KNOW WHAT SIZE JACKET AND/OR BOOTS YOUR CHILD WILL NEED. WE WILL PLACE AN ORDER AND LET YOU KNOW WHEN IT ARRIVES.

Potato and Bread Distribution



Please make an appointment with Nicole if you would like to pick up food on Tuesday afternoons.

Family
EVENT
OCTOBER 24TH
5-6 PM
COME OUT FOR A TIME OF FAMILY FUN!

THERE WILL BE ACTIVITIES, SNACKS, AND DRAWS!



MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Please contact Nicole with any questions
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				Non Instructional Day NO CLASSES				Grade 6 immunization AM	
14		15	DAY 5	16	DAY 6	17	DAY 1	18	DAY 2
<i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>				Bus Ridership 		Family Gathering 5:00			
21	DAY 3	22	DAY 4	23	DAY 5	24	DAY 6	25	DAY 3
				Picture Day 		Family Event 5:00-6:00 more info to follow		MTS PD NON INSTRUCTIONAL DAY - NO CLASSES	
28	DAY 3	29	DAY 4	30	DAY 5	31	DAY 6		
						Halloween 