

# TYNDALL PARK

## -School Newspaper-

February 2026



### DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Feb | 2 - No school - teacher in-service    |
| Feb | 3 - Mobile Vision Clinic at TP        |
| Feb | 9 - Parent Advisory Group - 5:30-6:30 |
| Feb | 16 - No School - Louis Riel Day       |
| Feb | 18 - Kernels popcorn orders DUE       |

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The students, staff, and communities of Winnipeg School Division are committed to truth and reconciliation through building relationships with Mother Earth, the original peoples of this land, and the stories that bring us together. We acknowledge the place in which we gather is on Treaty 1 territory, the homeland of the Red River Métis, and the ancestral lands of the Anishinaabe, Ininiwak, and Dakota Oyate peoples.



## ● Staff Spotlight

*By: Audel De Grano*

We have a new vice principal at Tyndall Park! Join me in welcoming Mr. Erickson. Our former vice principal, Mr. Erichsen is now our principal! Both their names are pronounced the same but spelled differently so now we have two Mr. Es...it's going to be very confusing! So far, our new Mr. Erickson is liking Tyndall Park a lot. Mr. Erickson said, if he were to rate Tyndall Park out of 10, it would be 10!

Something he likes the most here at Tyndall is how focused the students are when working. His favourite thing about being the new vice principal is talking to different students and giving them a helping hand. He wanted to be a vice principal so he could help out teachers and a school. I asked him if he was planning on staying and he said yes!

His favourite hobbies are fishing and curling. I asked him if there's anything he doesn't like about Tyndall and he said so far, he loves everything about Tyndall Park. So let's give a big welcome to Mr. Erickson, our new vice principal!





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**When:** Every Tuesday (Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17 & 24, 2026)

**Time:** 9:00-11:00 am

**Where:** Tyndall Park Community School (Room #3)

**To register:** e-mail [rhernandez@wsd1.org](mailto:rhernandez@wsd1.org)

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# I Love to Read Month

*By: Hamalia Alam*

It's 'I Love to Read' month! This year at Tyndall Park, we are going to have many exciting events and activities. Our 'I Love to Read' month theme for this year is "Sustainable Development Goals" (SDG) which will help us learn how to be good global citizens. It ties into last year's theme when we were learning about countries from all around the world. This month, we are going to have many guest readers come read to us. We are also going to collect food and donate it to Harvest Manitoba to help feed people who need a little extra support. As a whole school, we are going to create a Peace Tree. To make it, we are going to have a station day where each kid will get a leaf, write something kind on it, and then it will be stuck onto the tree. We have 'I Love to Read' month because it's important to get students to read more, and to understand that reading is a valuable tool to have in your life.

A huge thank you to Mrs. Watson in the library for planning and organizing so many amazing events and opportunities for our school!

Make sure to check out the special calendar of events for 'I Love to Read' month on page 15!







# Pancake Breakfast

*By: Therrina Yankech*

Pancakes are an amazing way to start your morning and we had a delicious pancake breakfast including a yogurt tube and fruit here at Tyndall Park. This pancake breakfast was on January 14, 2026. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day especially on school days because the brain needs to be nourished to be able to focus and learn. The pancakes were from a company called Sysco and came frozen, and then were heated up in the oven by Mrs. Sikora and Mr. Erichsen. Fun fact: Mr. Erichsen's favourite thing about the pancake breakfast is the kids sharing a meal together. The students had an awesome time!



## A Note from the Editors (AKA: the Adults)



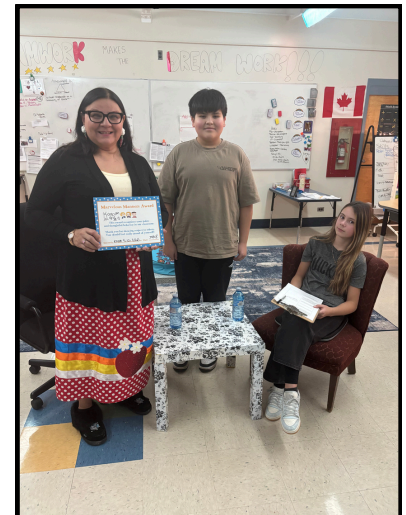
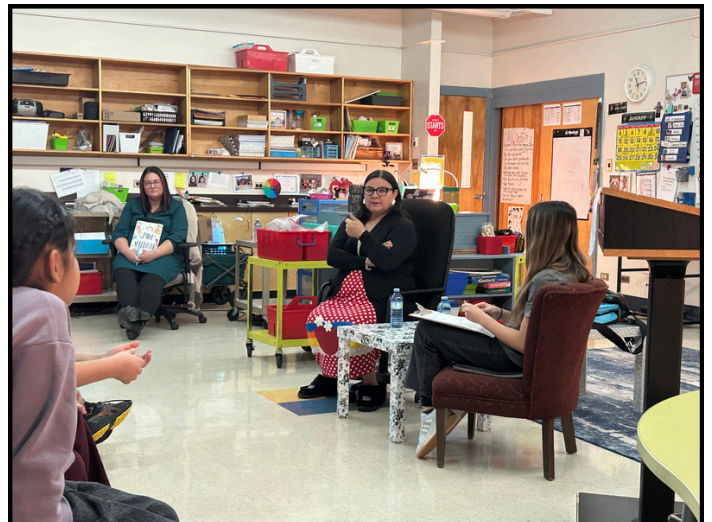
- Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather now that winter is here! Boots, winter coats, snow pants, hats, mitts, scarves, and a change of socks!
- As per divisional policy, students stay inside for recesses if the temperature is -28 degrees or colder, based on the temperature reading at The Forks, found at [this link](#).
- Our Parent Advisory Group will meet on February 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in the school library. All are welcome!



# Interview with Divisional Kookum

By: Therrina Yankech

The divisional Kookum visited Tyndall Park School! On January 8, 2026 Kookum Marsha, or as she is also named, *Strong Walking Woman*, came to Tyndall Park for a T.U.S.C. (Totally Unbelievable Speakers Club) meeting in room 11 so we could interview her! She was a delight to have at our school and such a role model. I, the interviewer, asked her a series of questions like... what are your responsibilities as the divisional Kookum?, what's your favourite part of your job?, and more. I can confidently say that she is very passionate about her job. She looks forward to, and enjoys, helping all the schools in the school division (79 schools)! She wants everyone to remember that we are on Indigenous soil/ land. Even though the interview was 50 minutes it was worth every second.







We are excited to announce a Kernels popcorn fundraiser!

Money raised will support students' field trips and experiential learning. This fundraiser has been quite successful in past years and we are hoping it will be again this year!

7 flavours are being offered with each bag priced at \$3.00. All orders must be paid in cash only, and no change will be provided.

*Order forms will be sent home on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and are due by Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>.*

Late orders cannot be accepted after this date.

Popcorn purchases are expected to be sent home at Student Led conferences on March 19.

We thank you in advance for your support!







# TP Classroom Spotlight

*By: Aiyanah Mejia & Yuna Christopher*

Hi, our names are Aiyanah and Yuna and we interviewed Ms. Jestadt's class in room 9. There are 20 students in her class and not all of them were born in Canada. Her class' favourite subjects are gym and math. Her class' favourite activities this year are doing projects, choice time and playing games together. Ms. Jestadt's students really like their class. Her class loves this school and they like the EA's who are in their room and help out. All of her students work really hard. We had so much fun interviewing Ms. Jestadt's class!





# PUNJABI HERITAGE CLUB



## DISCOVERING THE HEART OF PUNJAB

This club is a space designed to help students explore Punjabi heritage through language, history, and culture.

This club is open to all students from all Winnipeg School Division schools.

## STUDENTS WILL EXPERIENCE:

- Punjabi language basics - reading, writing, and speaking
- Stories and history from Punjab
- Cultural activities and traditions
- Folk songs, Instruments, and Art
- Celebrations and festivals
- Traditional foods and lifestyles
- Games and hands-on learning
- Phrases and Sayings
- Values and beliefs

Join our Free Parent Program, offered in collaboration with our school social worker. Parent volunteer opportunities are available for those who wish to get involved.

📍 **STANLEY KNOWLES SCHOOL**  
📖 **LIBRARY**  
📅 **EVERY WEDNESDAY**  
🕒 **3:45 PM - 5:00 PM**



Scan the QR code on the poster to complete the Google Form.

**SIGN UP!**



# Literacy Night

*By: Francine Fremista*

Who doesn't like a fun literacy night?? If you've never heard what it is, you are in luck, because this article is all about what happens, what it is, and what it's about! I had never heard about this at all until I started writing, and it's more fun than it sounds!

I asked Mrs. Cardinal, the organizer of the event, some questions for information about the literacy night! Here is everything I gathered, prior to the interview:

***Literacy night is a chance to invite families to learn about what the grade 1-2's learn at school, also to see what kind of strategies and games parents can use for teaching at home.***

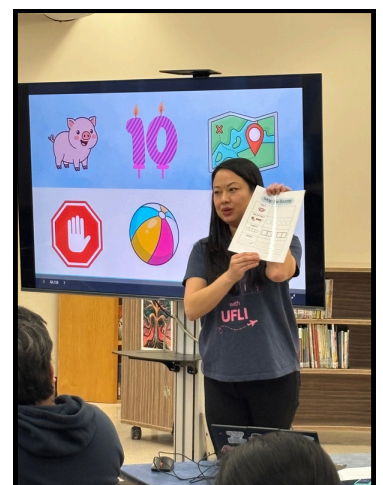
After the event, I asked a few more questions!

***The literacy night went very well, Mrs. Cardinal said it was a full house, with 22 families!! Parents were excited, and students took a serious teacher role. Families said that they thought the night was fun, and how they are able to get to know what their children do!***

Mrs. Cardinal gave such detailed and interesting answers!!

***She also said that 2 words to describe the night were inspiring, and that she was also very proud.***

Literacy night was a great and successful event! If your child is grade 1-2 ask them about their 'Map the Sound' activity and you will not be disappointed!







# Interviews with Grade 6s

By: Sophie Barrion & Jind Gill

Hamalia has attended Tyndall Park since she was in nursery. That's a long time! Her favourite book series is Wings of Fire by Tui T. Sutherland. Hamalia's hobbies are drawing, basketball, and volleyball. Her favourite animal is a Snow Leopard. Hamalia's favourite movie is Mulan 2.



Hamalia, Rm P1



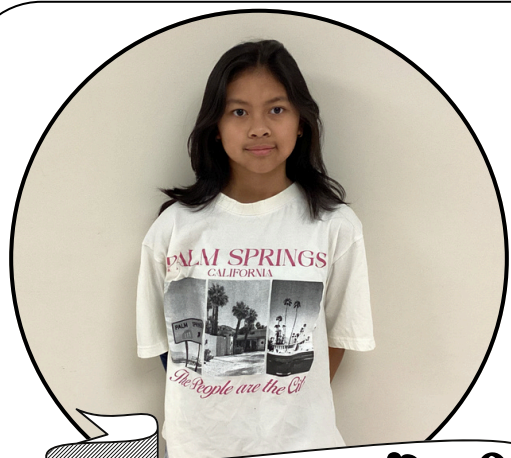
Francine has been at Tyndall Park ever since kindergarten. Her favourite movie is Beauty and the Beast. Francine is and isn't excited for grade 7 since she doesn't want to leave Tyndall Park. Her favourite color is Maroon.



Francine, Rm 9



# Interviews with Grade 6s Contd...



Max Lauren, Rm 9

Max Lauren's favourite anime is One Piece. She is excited for grade 7 but also not excited at the same time. Her favourite animal is a rhinoceros. Max's favourite season is spring. Her hobbies are playing sports. Max also said that if she could do one subject all the time, it would be art.



Greg has been at Tyndall Park since nursery. He said that he is nervous for grade 7. Greg's favorite animal is a binturong. If he could only do one subject, it would be science. His favorite season is fall. Greg said his favorite hobbies are drawing, volleyball, basketball, and swimming. His favorite colour is indigo.



Greg, Rm 10



Sammi, Rm 10

Sammi's favorite animal is the Black Widow spider. If she could only do 1 subject in school for the rest of her life, she would pick art. Her favourite season is Spring. Her favourite movie is Jurassic Park and her favourite book is Treasure in the Lake by Jason Pamment. She is kind of excited and kind of nervous for grade 7. She's been at TP since nursery.



# Newcomer CONVERSATION CIRCLE

Thursdays from 2:00pm - 3:15pm  
February 5<sup>th</sup> - March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Tyndall Park Community School  
2221 King Edward Street



- Meet other Newcomers
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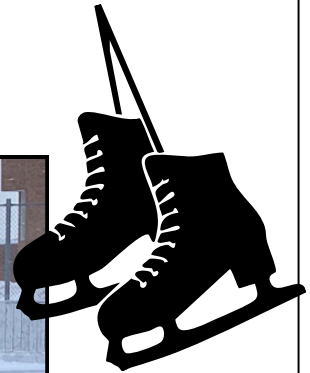




# Skating Club

*By: Sammi Pineda*

“Tis the season to be skating...fa lala la la lala la la!” The skating club has officially begun! Students are psyched to join and skate on the Tyndall Park Community Centre’s skating rink. The coaches, Ms. Basaraba, Mrs. McKelvey, Mrs. Greco, and Ms. Kennedy, have been waiting all year to finally start skating! Students are expected to go to the community centre every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday to train for the future race at Canada Life Centre on February 18th. Skating is a fun and beneficial way to work out in the cold, and harsh winter weather. Students get great practice for physical and mental benefits, coordination, bone density, etc.! That being said, please dress appropriately for skating outside because it does get cold! Skating is also a relaxing way to get all the stress and energy out of your mind and body. Every school in the Winnipeg School Division is participating in the future race at Canada Life so train as hard as you can students of Tyndall Park school! Special thanks to Tyndall Park Community Centre for being so flexible!





# I LOVE TO READ MONTH

**Theme:**  
**Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)**  
**"BE A GOOD GLOBAL CITIZEN!"**










Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 No school	3 I Love to Read Opening Ceremony	4 S.D.G. #1	5 S.D.G. #2 Special guest author visit	6 S.D.G. #3 Premier Wab Kinew guest reader	7 Visit your local library <b>Must Try</b>
8	9 S.D.G. #4 Wpg. Police Service guest reader	10 S.D.G. #5	11 S.D.G. #6	12 S.D.G. #7	13 S.D.G. #8 Harvest MB guest reader	14 Read a book on Sora <b>Must Try</b>
15	16 No school - Louis Riel Day	17 S.D.G. #9	18 S.D.G. #10	19 S.D.G. #11 Councillor Vivian Santos guest reader	20 S.D.G. #12 Kookum Marsha as guest reader	21 Watch a movie and write a review! <b>Must Try</b>
22	23 S.D.G. #13 MLA Cindy Lamoureux guest reader	24 S.D.G. #14	25 S.D.G. #15 S.D.G. Stations Day in library	26 S.D.G. #16 Wpg. Public Library guest reader Gr 3 Engineer guest presentation	27 S.D.G. #17 I Love to Read Closing Ceremony	28 Think of all the ways to be a good Global Citizen <b>Must Try</b>

February is 'I Love to Read' month! We are so excited about all the guest readers visiting our school and reading to our students. Our theme this year is based on the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals and 'Being a Good Global Citizen'. Last year we learned about countries around the world; this year we are learning about how to take care of our world. Each day of school, students will learn about and discuss each of the 17 goals.

**As a school initiative, we will be collecting items for Harvest Manitoba. People often forget that after the season of giving, the need for food donations is still there. Please take a look on their [website](#) to see items most requested and to learn more.**

# FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Squad 3 patrols 	2 Inservice - No School Day 1	3 Mobile Vision Clinic Kernels order forms go home Gr.4 Drama Day 2	4 Day 3	5 Smudging Group Day 4	6 Day 5	7
8 Squad 1 patrols 	9 Parent Advisory Group 5:30-6:30pm Mini Métis Museum in P2 Day 6	10 Last Gr.4 Drama Day 1	11 Gr.6 Drama Day 2	12 Gr 5/6 Triple-ball Tournament Smudging Group Day 3	13 Day 4	14  Valentine's Day
15 Squad 2 patrols 	16 Louis Riel Day - No School 	17  Lunar New Year Gr.6 Drama Day 5	18 Speed Skating Races @ Canada Life Centre 4-8pm Kernels order forms DUE! Gr.6 Drama Day 6	19 Smudging Group Day 1	20 Day 2	21
22 Squad 3 patrols 	23 Day 3	24 Gr.6 Drama Day 4	25 Gr.6 Drama Day 5	26 G. 4s to Manitoba Museum Smudging Group Day 6	27 Day 1	28