

DAVID LIVINGSTONE SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2026

Important Reminders

**Report Absences/
Lates to
204-586-8346**

**Students need to
enter through their
assigned doors.**

**ALL DOORS WILL BE
LOCKED OUTSIDE OF
PICKUP/DROP OFF
TIMES. PLEASE USE
FRONT DOORS TO
ENTER IF LATE.**

**This is a nut/peanut
free school.**

**Remember to dress
for the weather!**

Message to Families

Dear Families,

As we move into February, we continue our learning journey during a season that invites reflection, care, and connection. In many worldviews, this time of winter is about nurturing relationships—within ourselves, with one another, and with the world around us. It reminds us that learning grows strongest when we show up consistently and support one another as a community.

Regular attendance is an important part of this learning journey. Being present each day helps students stay connected to their classmates, routines, and learning, and supports their sense of belonging. Every day at school is an opportunity to learn, grow, and build relationships.

February is also **Reading Month**, a time to celebrate stories, learning, and the power of reading together. Storytelling has long been a way of sharing knowledge, values, and teachings across generations. We encourage families to spend time reading at home whether it's a book, a story, or shared conversation as these moments strengthen literacy skills and deepen connections between children and caregivers.

Throughout the month, students will continue engaging in learning that honours storytelling, community, and shared responsibility. These experiences encourage empathy, respect, and understanding, helping students recognize the strength that comes from listening and learning together.

In addition to literacy-focused learning, February is full of special events and activities that enrich our school community, including:

- 100th Day of School activities
- Groundhog Day lessons and seasonal activities
- Black History Month learning and projects
- Pink Shirt Day (Anti-Bullying Day)
- Winter Olympics Opening Ceremony

We are grateful for the partnership we share with our families and community. Together, we nurture a learning environment rooted in respect, care, and belonging where every child's story is valued.

Mr. Clarke
Principal



Ms. Martinez
Vice-Principal

DAVID LIVINGSTONE COMMUNITY SCHOOL



SCHOOL TREATY

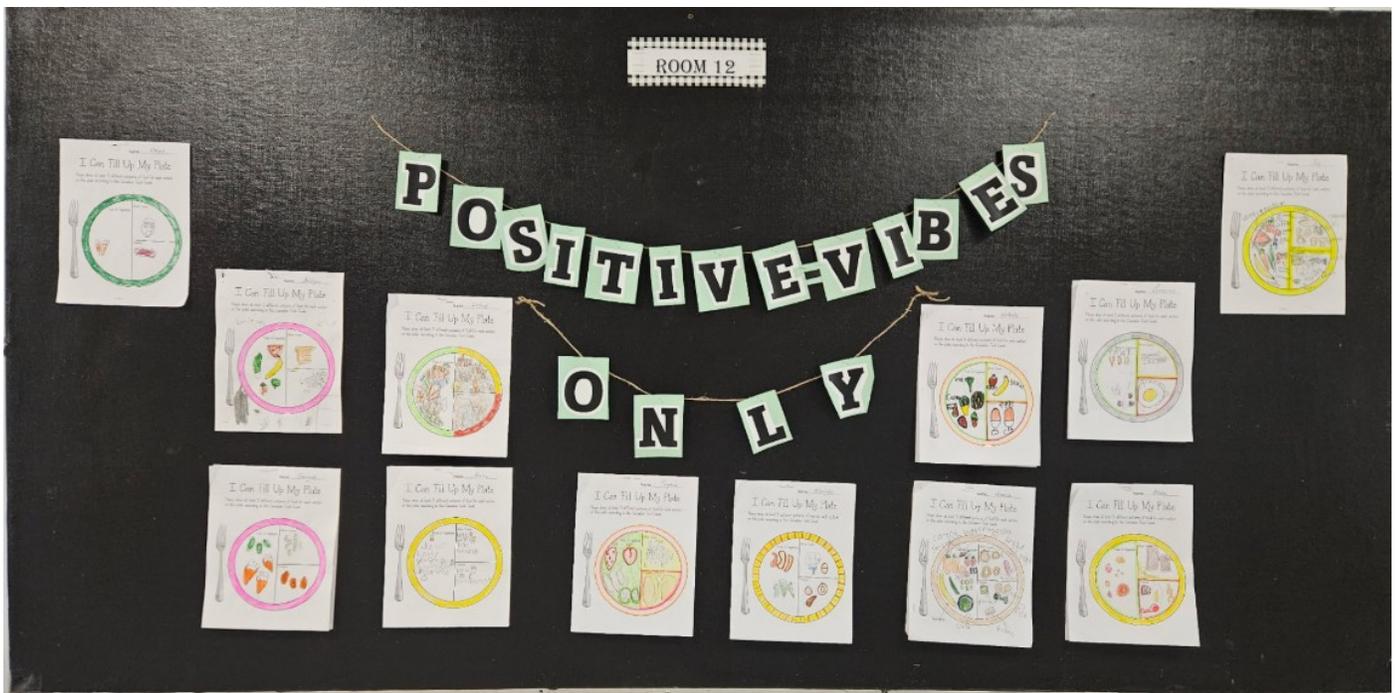
Over the month of January, Room 12 has been working hard to build a strong and inclusive classroom community. Together, we revisited and revised our classroom rules and expectations, focusing on respect, empathy, and kindness. Through, open discussions, students learned the importance of standing up for one another and reinforced the understanding that there is no place for bullying in our classroom. These conversations helped students develop strong social skills, empathy, and responsible decision-making.

In Health, we discussed the **Canada Food Guide**, and students had a great time creating their own food servings based on the guide. This activity helped students understand healthy eating habits and practice making balanced choices.

In Science, students explored **simple machines** and hands-on activities such as creating paper helicopters, fostering problem-solving skills, creativity, and understanding basic scientific concepts.

In Social Studies, students are learning about the world's oceans, comparing sizes relative to land and population, and developing map skills using directions and coordinates. These activities support critical thinking, spatial awareness, and geographic understanding.

Room 12 also enjoyed a field trip to **St. John's Library** on January 19th, along with Room 3. Students learned how to acquire and use a library card, practiced signing out books independently, and enjoyed storytime led by Lisa, building listening and comprehension skills while fostering a love of reading.



DAVID LIVINGSTONE SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025-2026

March

- 5 Winter Carnival
- 6 No School
- 19 Student-led Conferences—4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- 20 Student-led Conferences—No School
- 23 Reports Go Home
- 23-27 Spirit Week
- 27 Movie Day
- 30-3 SPRING BREAK

April

- 6 School re-opens
- 8 Day of Pink
- 10 No School
- 14 Spring Classroom Photos
- 22 Spring Concert Grade 5-8
- 23 Bus Ridership

May

- 5 Red Dress Day
- 8 No School
- 18 Victoria Day—No School
- 27 Volunteer Celebration—10:30 AM

June

- 5 Divisional Pow Wow
- 11 Field Day
- 16 N/K Celebration
- 17 Award Day Grade 1-7
- 18 Grade 8 Farewell
- 19 Report Cards go home
- 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day
- 24 Community BBQ 1:00-2:30 PM
- 30 Last Day of School—Dismissal at 11:30 AM



DAVID LIVINGSTONE SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

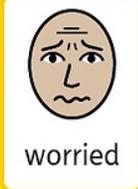
David Livingstone School is committed to working together with the community to prepare students for the challenges of the future by providing a safe, supportive environment, reflecting the diverse needs, cultures, abilities and interests of our students while striving for academic excellence.

February News – Room 2

We are so excited to start the new year together in Room 2 with enthusiasm and fresh New Year’s resolutions. Students created amazing artwork and wrote their own individual resolutions to begin the year on a positive note.

Since the beginning of the school year, we have been learning about emotions and feelings. We are excited to continue learning throughout the month of February and beyond. We have been collaborating with our learning support teacher, Ms. Almdal, to strengthen our focus on social and emotional learning. Students are learning about the Zones of Regulation through a variety of games, books, and videos. This learning helps students develop empathy, build friendships, and better understand their emotions.

We are very excited about our upcoming trip to the Children’s Museum on **February 19th**. We will be engaging in many fun activities that support our learning. Students will participate in an **“All About Me”** activity to celebrate how special each of them is and to share why. They will explore the communities they belong to and bring

BLUE ZONE	GREEN ZONE	YELLOW ZONE	RED ZONE
 sad  tired  sick  bored	 happy  calm  feeling ok  ready to learn	 frustrated  worried  silly  excited	 angry  terrified  yelling  hitting
I can try...  stretch	I can try...  drink water	I can try...  deep breaths	I can try...  take a break

Important Dates

All February	I Love to Read Month
February 2	PD Day– No School
February 9	WPG Police—Guest Reader
February 12	Virgin Radio—Guest Reader
February 13-22	Festival Du Voyageur
February 16	Louis Riel Day– HOLIDAY School Closed
February 22	Pink Shirt Day (Anti-Bullying Day)
Tee-Riffic FriDays	Friday Tee-Riffic FriDays

Attendance Facts

- Students need to be present to learn. Attending regularly helps children feel better about school.
- Students who miss **only 15 days a year** will end up missing a **full year of school** by grade 12.
- A student with 90% attendance (missing 2 days a month) will miss **4 weeks of school per year!** This can make it harder to learn to read.
- Being only **10 minutes late** each day equals **6 missed days** of instruction over the year. Children who miss too many days in kindergarten and grade one **often have trouble mastering reading.**

Students also spent time learning about Indigenous cultures as an important part of understanding and respecting the traditions, histories, and ways of life of other communities. A highlight this month was exploring the Treaty Tale “Friendship” under and around the Teepee tent, which provided an engaging way to connect with Indigenous stories and teachings.

As part of our ELA learning, students shared their stories and personal experiences during classroom sharing circles, building confidence, listening skills, and oral communication. We also read a variety of Indigenous storybooks that highlighted teachings, stories, and cultural knowledge, supporting reading comprehension, critical thinking, and reflection. Students explored different cultures from around the world and reflected on their learning through journal writing, strengthening their writing skills and ability to express thoughts and feelings.

At the end of January, we celebrated combined birthdays, practicing gratitude for the gifts we receive and strengthening community bonds.

It has been a busy and exciting month full of learning, creativity, and growth in Room 12!

On February 4th, Room 12 and Room 3 will be going on a field trip to the Manitoba Science Museum to continue exploring and expanding their horizons of learning.



Festival du Voyageur

Festival du Voyageur is a winter celebration in Winnipeg that highlights the history and traditions of the voyageurs and Métis through music,



story-telling, food, and winter activities, bringing community together during the winter season.

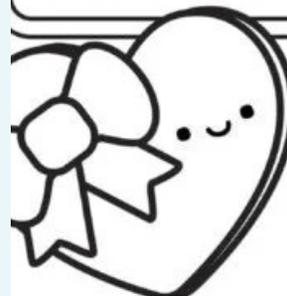


VALENTINE'S DAY WORD SEARCH

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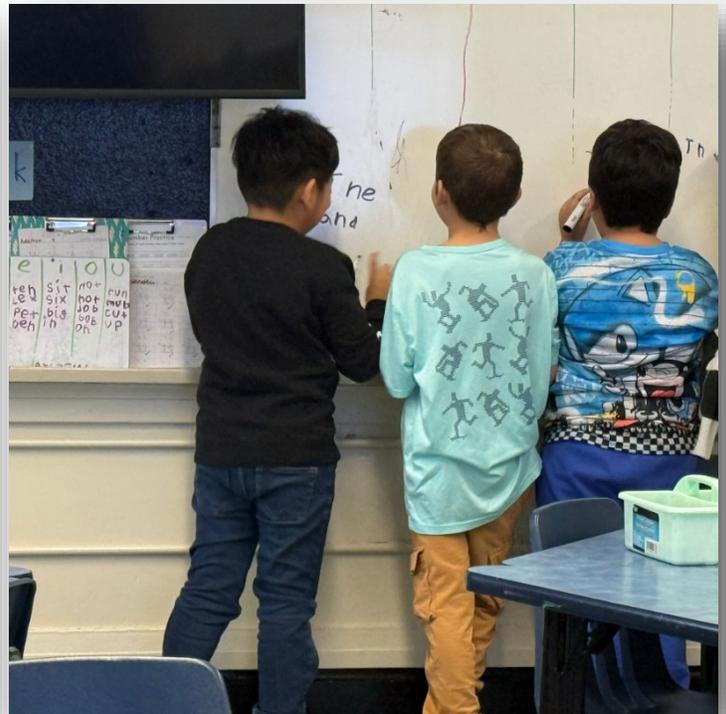
Room 4 News

The exciting February Focus on "Heart Words" in Room 4!

Room 4 will be diving into "Heart Words" with lots of fun and hands on learning! Students will take part in word games, word hunt, and word building activities, all designed to help them feel confident as they learn and use new words. Students will also participate in "Heart Word of the Day" activity, along with daily heart word practice sessions to help students recognize and use these words with confidence in their reading and writing.

As a part of our celebration for I love to Read Month, Room 4 is jumping into a fun reading challenge called "Your Number!" Each student will choose a number from 10 to 30 and turn it into their very own reading goal. They can meet their goal by reading for that number of minutes a day or by reading that many words or books throughout February. This exciting activity will help students track their reading, cheer on their progress, and enjoy working towards a personal goal in a fun and motivating way!

Ms. Sandhu



David Livingstone
Community School

WINTER CARNIVAL

Thursday, March 5, 2026

A DAY OF FUN
ACTIVITIES!



2026 February in the Gym

Canada's elite winter athletes will be competing in the XXV Olympic Winter Games in Milano Cortina, Italy beginning on February 6. The 2026 Winter Olympics will feature 116 events in 16 sports. Our David Livingstone School students will participate in their own version of the Winter Olympics. We will divide into two teams depending on whether we were born in the summer or winter. One team will be Canada and the other Italy as we compete in Snow Soccer, Back to Back get up, Freeze and Melt, Sled Races and Seal Walking to name a few.

Extra Curricular January Gym Activities

Mondays 12:30	Grade 4-8 Floor Hockey
Wednesdays 12:30	Grade 1-8 Jump Rope Club
Thursdays 12:30	Grade 4-6 Basketball Team Practice
Fridays 12:30	Grade 7-8 Basketball Team Practice

Inner City Soccer Games

Thursday, Feb. 5	@12:00 p.m. D.L. (Grade 4-6) vs. Mulvey
Tuesday, Feb. 17	@ 12:00 p.m. D.L. (Grade 4-6) vs. William Whyte

Grade 4-6 Basketball Games

Monday, Feb. 9	@12:00 p.m. vs. William Whyte and Keewatin Prairie @ Sport For Life
Tuesday, Feb. 24	@12:00 p.m. vs. Fort Rouge and Jonh M. King @ Sport For Life
Wednesday, Feb. 25	@Machray School 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

February is I Love to Read Month!

Get ready for a month full of reading fun! Students will enjoy guest readers, word-play activities, reading-themed T-shirt days, Reading Olympics, sight-word challenges, and more.

The BIG highlight? **The Masked Reader!** Each day, a mystery staff member will be revealed in a masked photo while sharing a love of reading. Students can study the picture, read the clues, and guess who's behind the mask!

Students earn **chance tickets** all month long for participating, with a **grand prize draw** for one lucky student and a **class prize** for the class with the most tickets.

Books, clues, surprises, and smiles—February is going to be a page-turner!

Thank you,
Mrs. Jennifer Martin, Learning Support Teacher

TEE-RIFFIC FRIDAYS
FOR I LOVE TO READ MONTH

students who participate will get an entry for our GRAND PRIZE DRAW!

- Friday, February 6th READ-A-SHIRT (wear any shirt with words on the front or back)**
- Friday, February 13th LOVE of Reading (wear a purple, pink, red or Valentine of Heart Shirt!)**
- Friday, February 20th TEAM up for READING (wear any team jersey or a shirt with a sport on it) It does not have to be red***
- Friday, February 27th WE “RED” all month! (Wear a mostly red shirt or top)**

Student Helpers Make Snack Time Special!

David Livingstone School students have been doing a fantastic job helping prepare snacks for our school afternoon snack program. Their teamwork, responsibility, and willingness to help others truly make a difference in our school community. Thank you to our students for stepping up and showing such great care and leadership—your efforts are appreciated!



Hands-On Science with Inner City Science

Students at David Livingstone School had an exciting hands-on learning experience with Inner City Science at Niji Makwa, where they explored marine biology by dissecting a squid. Students were highly engaged, asked thoughtful questions, and had a lot of fun learning through real-life science experiences. This opportunity also opened doors to future learning, including potential visits to a biolab at St. Boniface Hospital, inspiring curiosity and interest in science-related careers.



Every February, people across Canada are invited to participate in **Black History Month**, a time to honour the legacy, contributions, and resilience of Black Canadians and their communities. This month provides an opportunity to learn about the diverse histories, cultures, and achievements that have helped shape our country, both in the past and today.

In schools, Black History Month is a time to engage students in meaningful learning about identity, equity, and social responsibility. Through stories, discussions, and classroom activities, students are encouraged to listen to voices that have not always been fully heard and to reflect on the importance of justice, inclusion, and respect. These conversations help students build understanding, empathy, and appreciation for the richness that diversity brings to our shared community.

Black History Month is not only about looking back—it is also about recognizing the ongoing contributions of Black Canadians and affirming that these stories and experiences are an important part of learning all year long.



In 2012, the United Nations declared May 4 as Anti-Bullying Day. The last Wednesday each February— **February 25, 2025** is Canada's officially-recognized national Pink Shirt/anti-bullying day. Many countries recognize specific days for raising awareness about the prevention of bullying and promoting kindness and inclusion.

Join the Reading Adventure!

Do you love stories? We do too! Our library is looking for awesome parent volunteers to come and read fun books to our students. Help us turn reading time into an adventure full of imagination and laughter!

If you'd like to be a reading hero, please contact the school at 204-586-8346.



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Housing and I.D. Resource Event

February 12, 2026, 3:30 to 6:00 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@wsd1.org
204-788-0203



School Start Times

David Livingstone School offers a Breakfast program for grades N-8 in class from 9:00-9:30 am.

The bell will ring at 8:55 and classes will commence at 9:00.

Lunch is from 12:00-12:55. End of the day dismissal is at 3:30pm.



FEBURARY PARENT ROOM



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Parents, grandparents and guardians are always welcome to drop in and check out what is happening in the family room. Please feel free to sign up for any upcoming workshops that may interest you.</p> <p>We offer various crafts, bingo, sewing, or even just for a chat and a cup of coffee or tea.</p> <p>Food Security is every Thursday</p>				
<p>2 Day 1</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p> <p>PD Day</p>	<p>3 Day 2</p> <p>Scrapbook making 10:30</p> 	<p>4 Day 3</p> <p>Coffee and Connection</p> 	<p>5 Day 4</p> <p>Food Security</p> 	<p>6 Day 5</p> <p>Drop-in AM Room closed PM Dental</p>
<p>9 Day 6</p> <p>Room Closed</p>	<p>10 Day 1</p> <p>Pancake Breakfast/ Valentines Day Crafts 10:30</p> 	<p>11 Day 2</p> <p>Ijeoma from Recycle Manitoba presentation @ 1:30.</p> 	<p>12 Day 3</p> <p>Food Security</p> 	<p>13 Day 4</p> <p>Valentines Day Bingo</p> 
<p>16</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p> <p>Louis Riel Day</p>	<p>17 Day 5</p> <p>Scrapbook making 10:30</p> 	<p>18 Day 6</p> <p>Beading with Shawndrea 1:00 to 3:20</p>	<p>19 Day 1</p> <p>Food Security</p> 	<p>20 Day 2</p> <p>Drop-In Crafts/Sewing</p> 
<p>23 Day 3</p> <p>Coffee and Connection</p> 	<p>24 Day 4</p> <p>Games Day 10:30</p> 	<p>25 Day 5</p> <p>Beading with Shawndrea 1:00 to 3:20</p>	<p>26 Day 6</p> <p>Painting with Lawrence @9:30 Food Security</p> 	<p>27 Day 1</p> <p>Nutrition Bingo</p> 

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Healthy Food at School



We want to hear from YOU!

Tell us what you think about the food available at your school.

Take our short online survey!

Your answers are private.

Deadline: February 13, 2026



Scan the QR code to start

survey.pra.ca/S2/1/SchoolNutrition/



Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Clinic

This CRA clinic offers one-on-one help. Register to reserve a spot. You can register by phone, online or at any Winnipeg Public Library.

This clinic helps with the following services only:

- Applying for benefits (CCB, GST, DTC)
- Answering personal tax questions (no trusts, business or farming)
- Updating information (address, direct deposit, contact information)
- Printing letters or Proof of Income Statements (Option C)

Registration opens 2 weeks prior to event date at 10 a.m. You can register for one CRA clinic only at a time. On the day of the CRA Clinic, the order of when you are seen will depend on when you check in at the branch. Check in starts 30 minutes prior to the clinic start time. Limited walk-ins will be taken if time allows, or if spots are not yet filled.

St. Boniface Library 204-986-4331
Thursday, Jan. 15 from 1-4 p.m.

Charleswood Library 204-986-3072
Friday, Jan. 23 from 1-4 p.m.

Henderson Library 204-986-4314
Friday, Jan. 30 from 1-4 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 24 from 1-4 p.m.

Louis Riel Library 204-986-4573
Wednesday, Jan. 21 from 1-4 p.m.

Millennium Library 204-986-6489
Wednesday, Jan. 7 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 4 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
*Drop-in only. No registration.

Osborne Library 204-986-4775
Monday, Feb. 2 from 1-4 p.m.

Pembina Trail Library 204-986-4369
Tuesday, Jan. 20 from 1-4 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 25 from 1-4 p.m.

St. James-Assiniboia Library 204-986-3424
Friday, Jan. 9 from 1-4 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 13 from 1-4 p.m.

St. John's Library 204-986-4689
Wednesday, Jan. 7 from 1-4 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 4 from 1-4 p.m.

Sir William Stephenson Library 204-986-7070
Monday, Feb. 9 from 1-4 p.m.

Transcona Library 204-986-3950
Thursday, Jan. 8 from 1-4 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 20 from 1-4 p.m.

Unable to register or have an urgent need? CRA offers services by phone.

- General Enquiries: 1-800-959-8281 (for general questions)
- Benefits Enquiries: 1-800-387-1193 (for questions related to GST and CCB)
- Business Enquiries: 1-800-959-5525 (for questions related to businesses)
- canada.ca/taxes-help (to find someone to get your taxes done for free)



Scan to register.



Canada Revenue Agency

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Applications,
CPP/GIC/OAS



Address Changes/printing
out tax related
documents/General CRA
questions



Assistance with
Taxes

Super Clinic

➤ **Main Street Project February 10, 2026**
➤ **10:00 -12:00 pm**

➤ **N'Dinwemak February 10, 2026**
➤ **1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

➤ **Siloam Mission February 11, 2026**
➤ **9:00 am - 11:00 am**

➤ **Aboriginal Health & Wellness February 18, 2026**
➤ **1:30 PM-4:00 PM**

➤ **One88 Community Church**
➤ **February 23, 2025**
➤ **10:00 am - 12:00 pm**



Assistance with Birth
Certificates



Assistance with Provincial
Support Programs. Updates
on your file or info on your
benefits. Help with forms



Resources & referrals to
housing/food/identification and
mental health

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FEBRUARY 2026



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Day 1 Non-Instructional NO SCHOOL	3 Day 2 Room 3, 5, 6 To Forte Whyte Alive Ukulele Club @ 12:00pm Hockey H.E.R.O.S. 7/8 Shops	4 Day 3 Can U Gr. 5/6 Room 3, 5, 12 @ Mani- toba Museum Family Gathering 3:45 pm Gr. 1-8 Jump Rope Club 12:30 pm 7/8 Leadership	5 Day 4 Spirit North Can U Gr. 7/8 Gr. 4-6 Basketball Team Practice Inner City Gr. 4-6 Soccer Game @ UofW vs Mulvey 11:00-1:30	6 Day 5 Desi Dance at Lunch Grades 1-4 Gr. 8 RB Russell Visit Ribbon Skirt Club @ noon Gr. 7/8 Basketball Team Practice @ 12:30 pm
9 Day 6 Winnipeg Police Constable Guest Reader Inner City Basketball @ Sport Life Vs William Whyte & Keewatin Prai- rie	10 Day 1 Ukulele Club @ 12:00pm Hockey H.E.R.O.S. Gr. 8 Tech Voc. Visit	11 Day 2 Can U Gr. 5/6 Gr. 8 Children of the Earth Visit 7/8 Leadership Gr. 1-8 Jump Rope Club 12:30 pm Ribbon Skirt Club @ noon	12 Day 3 Spirit North Can U Gr. 7/8 Gr. 4-6 Basketball Team Practice 7/8 Shops Virgin Radio Assembly 11:00 am	13 Day 4 Gr. 7/8 Basketball Team Practice @ 12:30 pm
16 Louis Riel Day NO SCHOOL	17 Day 5 Ukulele Club @ 12:00pm Inner City Gr. 4-6 Soccer Game @ UofW vs W. W. 11:00-1:30 Hockey H.E.R.O.S. Desi Dance at Lunch Grades 1-4	18 Day 6 7/8 Leadership Ribbon Skirt Club @ noon	19 Day 1 Spirit North  Gr. 4-6 Basketball Team Practice	20 Day 2 Inner City Science Room 18 AM Gr. 7/8 Basketball Team Practice @ 12:30 pm
23 Day 3 Gr. 4-8 Floor Hockey @ 12:30 pm 7/8 Shops	24 Day 4 Ukulele Club @ 12:00pm Hockey H.E.R.O.S. Rms. 10 & 11 to MB Mu- seum Inner City Basketball Gr. 4-6 @ Sport Life vs Ft. Rouge & John M King	25 Day 5 Pink Shirt Day 7/8 Leadership Desi Dance at Lunch Grades 1-4 Gr. 4-6 Basketball Tournament	26 Day 6 Spirit North  Swimming Counts Gr. 4 1:30-2:30 Gr. 4-6 Basketball Team Practice	27 Day 1 Gr. 7/8 Basketball Team Practice @ 12:30 pm Ribbon Skirt Club @ noon