

GLADSTONE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 2 - NO CLASSES
(Non-Instructional Day)

Feb 3 – Tec Voc Toy Symphony

Feb 5 – Gas Station Theatre
(Sponge Bob the Musical Gr's 3-6)

Feb 9 – Family Library Night
(3:30 pm - 5:00 pm)

Feb 16 - NO CLASSES
(Louis Riel Day)

Feb 23 – Family Library Night
(3:30 pm - 5:00 pm)

Feb 24 – *Class Photo Day

Feb 27 - NO CLASSES
(School Closure Day)

*We will be having Edge Imaging back in the building on Feb 24th to take our class photos.

Dear Gladstone Families,

As we turn the calendar to February, I am excited to see some exciting events coming up for the month! We have a number of guest readers coming in to celebrate “I love to Read” month including our premier, Wab Kinew, and members of the Winnipeg Police Service who work in our community.

During our Professional Development Day on February 2, teachers will be exploring ways to increase feelings of belonging for all of us at Gladstone School. Belonging is a key element of Mamāhtawisiwin - Manitoba’s Indigenous Education Policy Framework. This provincial document states:

Wellness is a balance of the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual. This balance is enriched as individuals have a sense of belonging and connectedness within their families, to community, and to culture.

The first place that most students find belonging is with their classmates – either in their home room, during recess, Phys. Ed or Performing Arts. We have been expanding the sense of belonging beyond our specific grade levels with our lunch leaders, student council and whole school assemblies and are excited to share a new exciting initiative.

We have created 12 groups (which we are calling Branches) - each containing students from all grade levels. These Nursery to grade 6 Branches will begin meeting regularly after Spring Break for a variety of activities. The intent is to build relationships between our younger and older students and to expand the feelings of belonging at Gladstone. As I’m sure you experience in your families at home, children who feel that they belong have an increased ability to engage the joys and challenges of their world in a healthy way. Mamāhtawisiwin calls this The Good Life and we are excited to see students engage this as we move forward.

Sincerely,

Mr. Nikkel

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Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
		I LOVE TO READ MONTH				
1	Day 1 NO CLASSES (Non-Instructional Day)	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4 YOUNG DESIGNERS (3:45-5:00 pm) SKATE CLUB (3:45-5:00 pm)	Day 5	Day 6
8	Day 6 LIBRARY NIGHT (3:30-5:00 pm)	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3 YOUNG DESIGNERS (3:00-5:30 pm) SKATE CLUB (3:45-5:00 pm)	Day 4	Day 13
15	NO CLASSES (Louis Riel Day)	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1 YOUNG DESIGNERS (3:30-5:30 pm) SKATE CLUB (3:45-5:00 pm)	Day 2	Day 20
22	Day 3 LIBRARY NIGHT (3:30-5:00 pm) COFFEE with the PRINCIPAL (5:00-6:00 PM)	Day 4 CLASS PHOTO DAY	Day 5	Day 6 YOUNG DESIGNERS (3:30-5:30 pm) SKATE CLUB (3:45-5:00 pm)	Day 1 NO CLASSES (School Closure Day)	Day 27
						Day 28

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SPECIAL NOTES

FAMILY LIBRARY NIGHT

We will be hosting our Family Library Nights on
Monday Feb 9th & Feb 23rd from 3:30 pm-5:00 pm.

Please come in from the front door of the school and go upstairs to the library (Rm 10).

Students can sign out some books, take part in activities and have a snack!



COFFEE with the PRINCIPAL

Thank you to those who completed the survey last year. We will have our first Coffee with the Principal on February 23rd from 5:00 – 6:00 (immediately following the Library Night). It will take place at the school and all parents are welcome to attend. More information will follow later in the month.

WEATHER APPROPRIATE CLOTHING

Friendly reminder to families to ensure that your child(ren) come to school with the appropriate clothing for the weather. It is important that everyone is dressed for warmth as we do still enjoy the outdoors during morning, lunch and afternoon recess (weather permitting). Proper clothing consists of mitts/gloves, neck warmer/scarf, toque, ear band/earmuffs, winter boots, and snow pants/snow suit. If you need assistance with any of these items, please contact the office.

BUS CANCELLATIONS / BUS NUMBERS

We ask that parents/guardians please be mindful of what bus route number your child(ren) are on. Some students take one bus route to school and a different bus route home. In this instance, there would be two different bus route numbers to be aware of. In the event of a bus cancellation, the bus route number will be shared via email direct to parents and listed on the division website banner. This information will tell you if you need to drop off or pick up your child(ren), or both. **If you are unsure of your bus route number(s) or if you have any questions regarding transportation, please reach out to transportation directly at 204-789-0452.**

In addition, if you are making alternative plans for pick up due to a bus cancellation, we ask that you contact the office via email at gladstone@wsd1.org or by phone at 204-475-4767 to advise us who will be picking up your child(ren).

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COMMUNITY NEWS



Gordon Bell High School
Open House
February 12, 2026
5:15 to 7:00p.m

Welcome New Students and Families!

- Tour our newly renovated learning spaces
- Learn about the GB student experience
- Meet our teachers and staff

A brief presentation & light supper will kick off the evening in our cafeteria.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

The school's open house is an excellent information evening for prospective students and families to meet the school administration; hear from current students and learn about everything Collège Churchill High School has to offer.

We hope you're able to join us!

Highlights include - French milieu and English programs, athletics, performing arts, practical arts, Churchill hockey academy, Churchill softball academy, and extracurricular activities.



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