

MARCH 2026

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INKSTER SCHOOL

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Newsletter



Top News of the Month

February was a flurry of activity with I Love to Read, Black History Month and the excitement of the Olympics! Some students had opportunities to experience and extend their learning at different field trips to Fort Whyte, Festival du Voyageur and the Assiniboine Zoo while other students filled their lunch hours and after school time participating in clubs and sports: Fiddle, Indigenous Dance, Volleyball, Soccer, Open Gym to name a few!

In March, we look forward to one more burst of learning before Spring Break and showcasing student learning since the beginning of the school year. Report cards will be sent by email on March 17 and student led conferences will be held on March 19 & 20. If a paper copy of the report card is required, please phone the school office. Appointment booking for student led conferences will begin on March 9 through School Interviews. A separate information letter with instructions will go home to families.

The Spring Break countdown has begun! The week before Spring Break will be Spirit Week. Monday, Mar. 23: Wear Your Words - wear something with words. Tuesday, Mar. 24: Twin Day - Coordinate your outfit colours to match someone else. Wednesday, Mar. 25: Welcome Spring Day - wear floral print or green. Thursday, Mar. 26: Wacky Hair or Hat day. Friday, Mar. 27: Pajama Day!

Registration for catchment students new to Inkster or new to Nursery and Kindergarten for the upcoming 2026-2027 school year has begun. Registration is now completed on the WSD website or on a device in the office.

We look forward to seeing you as you come to share in your child's success at school during conferences and wish you a wonderful Spring Break!

Sincerely,
N. De Luca

March Events

Mar. 3 - Parent Council Meeting (ISPAC) 6pm, library

Mar. 6 - Winter Fun Day

Mar. 17 - Report Cards sent home by email

Mar. 19 - Student-Led Conferences (3:30-8pm)

Mar. 20 - No School - Student-Led Conferences (9-11 am)

Mar. 23-27 - Spirit Week

Mar. 27 - Last day of classes before Spring Break

Looking ahead to April:

April 6 - Classes resume

April 8 - Day of Pink Pancake Breakfast

April 10 - NO SCHOOL - Staff Professional Development



Help prevent the spread of viruses and other illnesses. Requests for students to stay indoors during recess due to illness will not be permitted. If your child is too sick to play outside, they are too sick to be at school.

HOW SICK IS TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?

Cold and flu season is here. See our tips for parents and caregivers:



KEEP ME HOME:

- Fever**
(higher than 38°C or 100° F)
- Sore Throat**
- Persistent Cough**
- Strep Throat**
- Vomiting or Diarrhea**
- Abdominal Pain**
(severe or long-lasting)
- Illness**
(prevents from participating comfortably in activities)

SEND ME TO SCHOOL:

- No Fever**
(without fever-reducing medicine for 24 hours)
- Occasional Cough**
(but no other symptoms)
- Strep Throat**
(after 24 hours of treatment)
- No Vomiting or Diarrhea**
(for 48 hours)

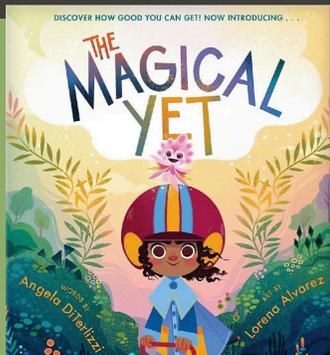


I Love to Read Month

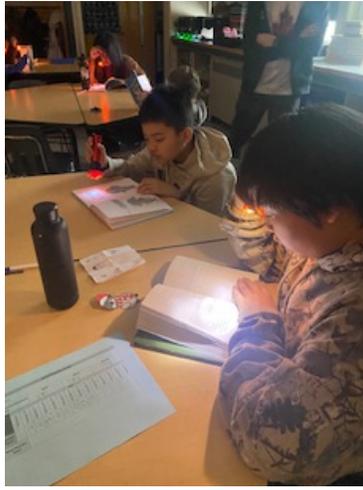
February was filled with activities during I Love to Read month to promote and celebrate literacy skills. **"Reading Champions: Going for the Gold!"** combined literacy and the winter Olympics. Classrooms set their reading goals to earn individual and classroom medals. The celebration began with our Opening Ceremonies. Classrooms selected a country to represent, created a flag and participated in the Parade of Nations.



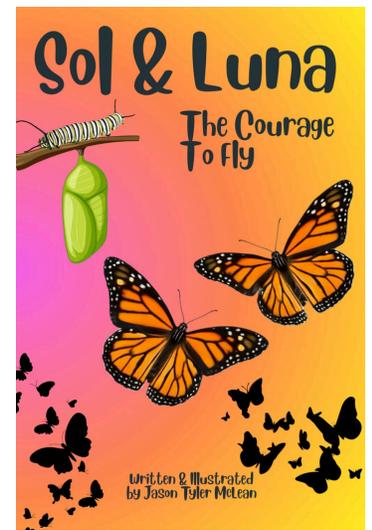
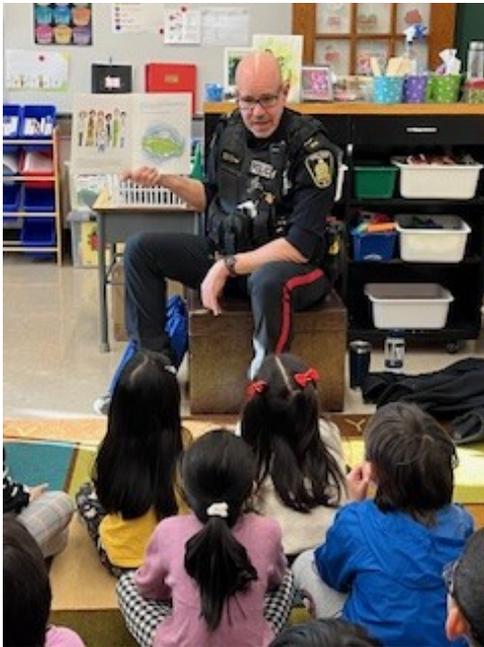
THE OPENING CEREMONIES ALSO FEATURED A READING OF THE MAGICAL YET, AN OLYMPIC READING TORCH RELAY, RECITING THE OLYMPIC READER'S OATH AND A TEACHER COMPETITION!



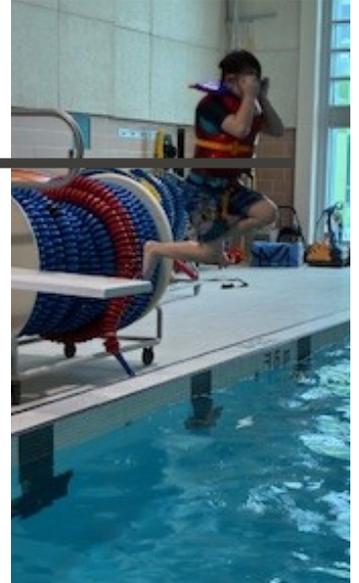
The favourite student activity was Olympic torch flashlight reading!



In addition to decorating the classroom door with Olympic imagery of a sport, athlete or country, students had a passport of reading activities to complete throughout the month. Completed passports were entered into a draw for a book prize draw during our Closing Ceremonies. Most students would agree the special guest readers: Constable Hees, Beau and Gabby from Bounce 99.9FM, Chief Superintendent Matt Henderson, St. John's Vice Principal Kristine Carino and author Jason Tyler McLean made I Love to Read month unforgettable!



Grade 4 Swimming Counts



18 GRADE 4 STUDENTS ENJOYED THREE SWIMMING SESSIONS AT SARGEANT TOMMY PRINCE POOL LEARNING ABOUT WATER SAFETY AND PRACTICING SOME BASIC SWIMMING SKILLS.

SAVE THE DATE

Student-Led Conferences Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20.

Booking information will be sent home to select your conference time through School Interviews beginning March 9.

**STUDENT
LED
CONFERENCES**



ADVENTURES AT FORT WHYTE



**ROOM 2,
6 AND
36
SPENT
A FUN-
FILLED
DAY AT
FORT
WHYTE!**

**ROOM 9
SPENT
A FUN-
FILLED
DAY AT
THE
ZOO!**



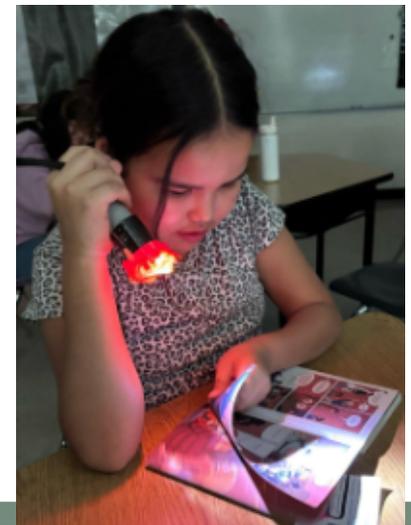
ADVENTURES AT THE ZOO

News from Room 4



This month has been a busy and exciting one in our classroom. Between I Love to Read Month, Black History Month, and the Olympics, students have been actively engaged in a variety of learning experiences.

Students completed presentations on a Black Canadian Olympic athlete and enjoyed watching select Olympic events, cheering on Team Canada and our class country, South Korea. We also supported the two Olympians from the Philippines. We are nearly finished our electricity unit and recently conducted tests to determine which items are conductors or insulators of electricity. In English Language Arts, students have been working hard to develop their persuasive writing skills.



● Mobile Vision Clinic

- 90 students received a comprehensive eye exam on February 17 by a certified optometrist at no cost to families through the Mobile Vision Clinic.



● Music News

Dear Inkster families,

As we focus on Music Literacy (reading and writing rhythm and pitch) this term, our classes have incorporated a variety of fun activities to strengthen and demonstrate student learning and knowledge. If you're curious about what this looks like, go to "Ms. Armstrong's Music Class" on YouTube to see our "Pirate Kit" and "Pat, Clap, Grab" videos!

Pirate Kit - monster composition! <https://youtu.be/HFowla4Ciys>

"Pat Clap Grab" 1 <https://youtu.be/LmWBuvLA1wk>

"Pat Clap Grab" 2 https://youtu.be/e2yJ7UyJA_U

"Pat Clap Grab" 3 <https://youtu.be/NoknivVYlfM>

Ms. Armstrong



Registration for 2026-27 School Year

Registrations for **students new to Inkster School** can now be completed online at <https://www.winnipegssd.ca/student-registration>. Children born in 2022 can register for Nursery and children born in 2021 can register for Kindergarten.

Grade 6 students will automatically be pre-registered for Grade 7 at their catchment school. A registration form is not required at this time.

The Winnipeg School Division supports students attending catchment schools. If you are considering attending a school other than your catchment school, you must complete the Schools of Choice application form on the WSD website: <https://www.winnipegssd.ca/student-registration> between April 6-May 15. Schools of Choice applications are approved by the Superintendents' Department. Application does not guarantee enrolment at a Schools of Choice.

**Attention
Grade 6
Families:**



ST. JOHN'S HIGH SCHOOL

FREE ENTRY

OPEN HOUSE

Come join us for an evening of interactive displays, prizes and much, much more.

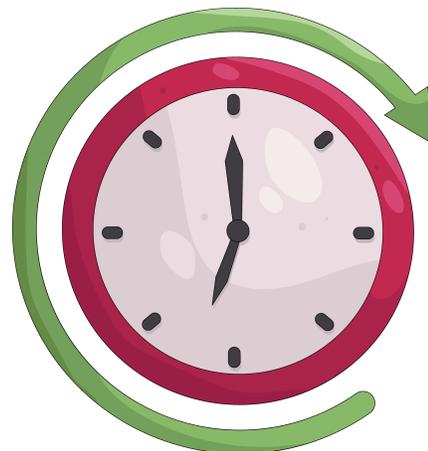
MARCH 12, 2026
5:00 PM-6:30 PM

401 Church Ave.

The poster features a central black circle with the text 'OPEN HOUSE' in white. Surrounding the circle are various school-related icons: a purple book, a yellow speech bubble with 'FREE ENTRY', a yellow school bus, a globe, a pencil, a ruler, and a hand holding a blue pencil. The background is a light green grid with orange and green decorative shapes.



Spring Forward!
Remember to set
your clocks ahead
one hour on Sunday,
March 8.



Inkster School Parent Advisory Council (ISPAC)

ISPAC works on behalf of all parents and guardians to discuss educational matters, assist in fundraisers and be involved in our children's education to support a high-quality education and school experience.

The Inkster School Parent Advisory Council is a group of parents selected by vote each year to represent parent views. Parent Councils have an important role to play in school improvement by ensuring that the parental perspective is represented.

We meet once a month for approximately one hour.

Executive Members

ISPAC Chair

Meagan Berry

ISPAC Co-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary

Kaylee Childs
Kelsey Petkau

Contact us

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Meeting Dates

April 7
May 5
June 2

ALL MEETINGS ARE AT 6PM IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

The North District Advisory Committee is an Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees, which includes Parent Council representatives from all schools in the North District. In accordance with the Board's guidelines, the Advisory Committee is to include one parent representative selected by the Parent Council of each school. The Committee meeting schedule for the 2025/2026 school year is as follows:

Tuesday, April 28, 2026, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Isaac Newton School (730 Aberdeen Ave)

If you wish to be the official parent representative on the North District Advisory Committee for Inkster School, please ensure you are at the next ISPAC meeting to be voted/selected.

Important Dates to Remember

NO SCHOOL ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

September 2	Non-Instructional Day	February 2	Non-Instructional Day
September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	February 16	Louis Riel Day
October 8	Non-Instructional Day	March 20	Student Led Conferences
October 13	Thanksgiving Day	April 10	Non-Instructional Day
October 24	Non-Instructional Day	May 8	Non-Instructional Day
November 11	Remembrance Day	May 18	Victoria Day
November 21	Non-Instructional Day	June 26	Non-Instructional Day
December 5	Parent -Teacher Conferences		

SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Tuesday, September 2	Meet The Teacher - 4:30pm to 6:00pm
Wednesday, September 3	First Day of Classes
Thursday, September 11	Common Area Training
Friday, September 12	Picture Day
Mon-Fri, September 15-19	PBIS Reinforcement Week
Tues-Thurs, September 23-25	Kindergarten/ New to Division Hearing Screening
Monday, September 29	Orange Shirt Day
Wednesday, October 15	Bus Ridership AM & PM
Thursday, October 23	Family Night
Tuesday, October 28	Picture Retakes (AM only)
Monday, November 10	Remembrance Day Assembly -AM
Tuesday, December 2	Report Cards Emailed Home
Thursday, December 4	Parent -Teacher Conferences - Evening
Friday, December 5	Parent-Teacher Conferences - Morning
Mon-Fri, Dec. 15-19	Spirit Week
Wednesday, December 17	Winter Concert
Friday, December 19	Last Day Classes before Winter Break
Monday, January 5	School re-opens
Thursday, January 8	Common Area Training
Mon-Fri, Jan. 12-16	PBIS Reinforcement Week
Wednesday, January 28	Family Night (date change)
Friday, January 30	Gr 5/6 Winter Camp
February	I Love to Read and Write/ Literacy/ Black History/ Metis Heritage Month
Tuesday, February 17	Mobile Vision Clinic
Friday, March 6	Winter Fun Day
Tuesday, March 17	Report Cards Emailed Home
Thursday, March 19	Student Led Conferences - Evening
Friday, March 20	Student Led Conferences - Morning
Mon-Fri, Mar. 23-27	Spirit Week
Friday, March 27	Last Day of Classes before Spring Break
Monday, April 6	School Resumes
Wednesday, April 8	Day of Pink Pancake Breakfast & Assembly
Thursday, April 9	Common Area Training
Mon-Thurs, April 13-17	PBIS Reinforcement Week
Wednesday, April 20	Bus Ridership
Tuesday, May 5	Red Shirt Day
Thursday, June 4	WSD Pow Wow
Friday, June 12	Field Day
Wednesday, June 24	Grade 6 Farewell - PM
Thursday, June 25	Report Cards Emailed Home (date change)
Tuesday, June 30	Last day of school - 11:30am dismissal

MARCH 2026

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
DAY 2	2	DAY 3	3	DAY 4	4	DAY 5	5	DAY 6	6
SOCCER 3:30-4:30 PM		GR 5/6 FLOOR HOCKEY 12:30-1		FIDDLE CLUB SOCCER 3:30-4:30 PM		GR 5/6 FLOOR HOCKEY 12:30-1 INDIGENOUS DANCE		WINTER FUN DAY GR 1/2 OPEN GYM 12:30-1	
DAY 1	9	DAY 2	10	DAY 3	11	DAY 4	12	DAY 5	13
SOCCER 3:30-4:30 PM		GR 5/6 FLOOR HOCKEY 12:30-1		FIDDLE CLUB SOCCER 3:30-4:30 PM		St. John's High School Open House 5-6:30pm INNER CITY SOCCER LEAGUE GAME -PM GR 5/6 FLOOR HOCKEY 12:30-1 INDIGENOUS DANCE		GR 1/2 OPEN GYM 12:30-1	
DAY 6	16	DAY 1	17	DAY 2	18	DAY 3	19	DAY 4	20
		 REPORT CARDS SENT BY EMAIL 3:30PM GR 5/6 FLOOR HOCKEY 12:30-1		FIDDLE CLUB		STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES 3:30-8PM GR 5/6 FLOOR HOCKEY 12:30-1 INDIGENOUS DANCE		STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES 9-11AM NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY NO SCHOOL	
DAY 5	23	DAY 6	24	DAY 1	25	DAY 2	26	DAY 3	27
SPIRIT WEEK: WEAR YOUR WORDS		SPIRIT WEEK: TWIN DAY GR 5/6 FLOOR HOCKEY 12:30-1		SPIRIT WEEK: WELCOME SPRING WEAR FLORAL PATTERN OR GREEN FIDDLE CLUB		SPIRIT WEEK: WACKY HAIR OR HAT DAY GR 5/6 FLOOR HOCKEY 12:30-1 INDIGENOUS DANCE		SPIRIT WEEK: PJ DAY LAST DAY OF CLASSES BEFORE SPRING BREAK GR 1/2 OPEN GYM 12:30-1	

