

# MARCH NEWSLETTER

## KEEWATIN PRAIRIE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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### Message from Administration

#### Reflecting on February, Welcoming March

As we step into March, we begin to notice the subtle but meaningful shift in the season. February holds the heart of winter, but March brings longer days, brighter light, and the steady promise of renewal. At Keewatin Prairie, this transition reminds us that growth is always underway – in our classrooms, in our activities, and within each of our students.

February was filled with teamwork, cultural learning, athletic development, and school-wide celebration. As we move forward, we carry that energy into a new month with focus, optimism, and purpose.

#### Basketball Season Wrap-Up

Our basketball regular season is coming to an end, and we are incredibly proud of both teams. From their first practices to their final games, students demonstrated growth in skill, confidence, and perseverance.

Our boys competitive team will be heading to Grant Park School on Monday March 2nd at 4:30 to battling them for a spot at the Tier 1 playoff bracket! Go Thunder!

Thank you to our dedicated coaches for their leadership and commitment, and to the many family and community members who filled the gym with encouragement and school spirit. Your support makes a difference.

#### Learn to Skate Success

Our Learn to Skate program also wrapped up this month, and the progress our students made was remarkable. Many began with cautious first steps and quickly developed balance, control, and confidence on the ice.

Students who participated in the divisional skating event represented our school with courage and determination. Experiences like these build resilience and self-belief that extend far beyond the rink.

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### **School-Wide Olympic Celebration**

February's Olympic Unit brought our entire school community together in a meaningful way. Each class represented a country while exploring Olympic values such as perseverance, teamwork, respect, and fair play.

Students engaged in movement-based activities, connected classroom learning to their assigned countries, and followed Canadian athletes competing on the world stage. These experiences sparked thoughtful conversations about dedication, national pride, and striving for excellence.

Our Closing Ceremony and Olympic Field Day were joyful celebrations of unity and school spirit from Nursery through Grade 8. It was inspiring to see our entire school learning and moving together.

### **Physical Education & Extracurricular Update**

In Physical Education classes, students are developing their skills in floor hockey and learning the fast-paced, engaging sport of Sepak Takraw. These activities continue to promote teamwork, coordination, and strategic thinking while keeping students active and engaged.

Extracurricular badminton has also begun for February and March. It has been wonderful to see students taking initiative, building new skills, and staying active beyond the school day.

### **Looking Ahead to March**

March brings renewed focus in our classrooms and important opportunities to gather as a school community.

### **Feast for the Spring Equinox - March 18**

On March 18, students in Grades 1-5 will participate in a Feast for the Spring Equinox. This gathering recognizes the seasonal shift and celebrates renewal, balance, and community as we welcome spring together.

We warmly welcome families of students in Grades 1-5, as well as members of our Pow Wow Circle, to join us for this special celebration. Your presence strengthens the connection between home, school, and community, and we look forward to sharing this meaningful time together.

### **Family Conferences - March 19 (Evening) & March 20 (All Day)**

Family Conferences will take place on the evening of March 19 and throughout the day on March 20. These meetings provide an important opportunity to celebrate student growth, discuss progress, and set goals for the remainder of the school year.

We deeply value the partnership between home and school and look forward to these meaningful conversations.

### **Spring Break**

As we approach the final week of March, students and staff will enjoy a well-deserved Spring Break. This time offers an opportunity to rest, recharge, and spend meaningful time with family and friends before returning refreshed for the final stretch of the school year.

Thank you to our students, families, and staff for your continued commitment to making Keewatin Prairie a place where learning, growth, and belonging remain at the heart of everything we do. As the season changes, we look forward to the new opportunities this month will bring

## Upcoming Events

### March:

March 3 – Grade 8 Farewell Photos  
March 19 – PM – Family Conferences  
March 20 – Family Conferences – No Classes  
March 30 – April 3, 2026 – Spring Break

### April:

April 6 – School Reopens  
April 10 – Professional Development Day for Staff – No Classes

### May:

May 5 - Red Dress Day  
May 6 – PM - Spring Concert – Grades 1-8  
May 8 – Professional Development Day for Staff – No Classes  
May 18 – Victoria Day – No School

### June:

June 19 – Professional Development Day for Staff – No Classes  
June 24 – PM - Farewell Celebration – Grade 8 students  
June 25 – Grade 8 Farewell (students and families)  
June 30 - Last Day of School – Early Dismissal



Please ensure that your child arrives at school every day. If your child is going to be absent, please use our Safe Arrival system to report their absence. You can report absences the following ways:



1-855-278-4513 - Call the toll-free, interactive telephone system.



[go.schoolmessenger.ca](http://go.schoolmessenger.ca) - Set up your Parent Portal account, then log in.



Safe Arrival App - Set up your Parent Portal account, download the Apple or Android app, then log in.

Students cannot leave the school during school hours on their own. If your child needs to leave school before regular dismissal times, a guardian must be called for Middle School students. Elementary families must pick students up from the office and sign them out.



MARCH 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 / Day 2	3 / Day 3  Grade 8 Farewell Photos	4 / Day 4	5 / Day 5	6 / Day 6	7
8	9 / Day 1	10 / Day 2	11 / Day 3	12 / Day 4	13 / Day 5	14
15	16 / Day 6	17 / Day 1	18 / Day 2	19 / Day 3 Family Conferences - PM	20 / Day 4 Non-Instructional Family Conferences	21
22	23 / Day 5	24 / Day 6	25 / Day 1	26 / Day 2	27 / Day 3	28
29	30 Spring Break Starts 	31				

APRIL 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 Good Friday Spring Break Ends	4
5	6 / Day 4 School Reopens	7 / Day 5	8 / Day 6	9 / Day 1	10 / Day 2 Non-Instructional	11
12	13 / Day 3	14 / Day 4	15 / Day 5	16 / Day 6	17 / Day 1	18
19	20 / Day 2	21 / Day 3	22 / Day 4	23 / Day 5	24 / Day 6	25
26	27 / Day 1	28 / Day 2	29 / Day 3	30 / Day 4		

**2026-2027 Student Registration**

If your child is a returning student and attending the same school, families do not need to re-register.

If your child is transferring to a new designated catchment school for Middle Years, students are automatically enrolled. Families do not need to re-register.

**Important Dates:**

- Tuesday, February 17 - New Student registration opens at 9 a.m.
- Monday, April 6 - Schools of Choice application opens at 9 a.m.
- Friday, May 15 - Schools of Choice application closes at 4 p.m.



**Breakfast Program Information**

Students are welcome to come through our front doors between 8:30 AM and 9:00 AM for breakfast

## Community Room

The Community Room is an important part of our school culture. We work to create access to programming that is responsive and reflective of our community. Some of our goals for programming include nutrition programming for community members, opportunities for cultural programming and special events, and inviting guest speakers from various organizations and agencies both in the immediate community as well as across Winnipeg to speak with us. If you would like to chat, please give me a call at school: (204) 783-9012.

For volunteer opportunities at our school, please call or come and see me in the Community Room. We are open every afternoon from 12:45 pm until 4:22 pm and I welcome you to see the space, join us in activities, inquire, give suggestions about programming, or just sit in a safe space and enjoy the company of the community.

See you soon!

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