

### École Sir William Osler **February 2023 Newsletter**



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ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

he month of January is now a memory for our school and community. The days may still be cold but the learning indoors is really heating up. In the classroom, we continue to see growth in all areas of students' development. They have been learning so much and have been working diligently. We are looking forward to seeing some of their gains as we approach the next reporting period.

During the month of February, classes will be celebrating Festival du Voyageur activities in the class as well as I Love to Read activities. If you, or anyone you know would like to read to our students, please contact the office.

The weather usually starts to warm up this month but continue to refer to the school's Cold Weather Guidelines. Students are expected to take part in outdoor recess when weather permits so please make sure your child is appropriately dressed and their clothing is labelled. There is indoor recess when temperatures drop to -28°C (with the wind chill) and colder. We will continue to head outdoors with our Polar Bear Club when temperatures dip below the division guidelines.

Our Open House/Community Information Evening took place on January 25, 2023. We are very excited to see the expansion of this amazing school! We are accepting registrations starting February 1, 2023 and throughout the remainder of the year. If you have family, friends or neighbours with children who will be 4 years old for nursery (born in 2019) or 5 years old for kindergarten (born in 2018) by December 31, 2023, please encourage them to check out our school website at <a href="https://">https://</a> www.winnipegsd.ca/sirwilliamosler. There is also a tab with registration information at

https://www.winnipegsd.ca/sirwilliamosler/page/1804/ school-registration-information.

Our enrolment projections are coming up very soon as well. Student intention forms will be going out February 1, 2023 and will be due back February 10, 2023. Please make sure to complete your forms as these help to create what our classrooms will look like next year as well as our staffing.

Thank you for all your support and assistance. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me or your classroom teacher if there is anything we can assist you with or if you have any questions.

Mme Ostermann



### **Parent Advisory Council**



Our École Sir William Osler Parent Advisory Council is always looking for new members! Please consider joining us to help support school programs and initiatives.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 6:00 p.m.

### Wind Chill & Recess

We will be checking on the Winnipeg School Division website before each recess to check the wind chill factor. The wind chill reading used by the Winnipeg School Division will be that of **Enviornment Canada at The Forks**.

- -17°C to -27°C we will be going outside.
- -28°C and below we will have indoor recess. When this happens, students remain in their classrooms and play games, etc.

Please remember to have your child dress appropriately for all weather...boots, hats,

mitts (insulated gloves), scarves, face masks, ski pants, etc. If they are attending school they will be

expected to go outdoors for recess.



### 2023-2024 School Year

We are now accepting registrations for the 2023-2024 school year. Registration forms are available on our school website.

Nursery students must be four years of age by December 31, 2023 (born in 2019).

Kindergarten students must be five years of age by December 31, 2023 (born in 2018).

Grade 1-6 students must be born between 2017 and 2012.

To register your child, the parent/guardian is required to present a copy of the birth certificate, Manitoba health card and proof of address (either rental agreement or property tax bill).

Registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis. If you are registering your child for kindergarten -

grade 6 and live outside the Winnipeg School Division you will be put on a waitlist and advised as soon as possible if space is available. Nursery students living outside the division must pay a fee and are accepted if there is space available.



### **Please Note**

Intention forms will be sent home to all parents regarding your intentions for the 2023-2024 school year.

Please notify the school office if you are leaving our school for the 2023-2024 school year.

### Festival du Voyageur!

The Manitoban **Festival du Voyageur** will take place this year at Voyageur Park in St. Boniface, from **Friday**, **February 17 to Sunday**, **February 26**, **2023**. The Festival du Voyageur is the largest winter festival in Western Canada, and a fun-filled family event with music, food, and activities for young and old, including viewing snow sculptures, horse-drawn sleigh rides and tobogganing! Snow sculptures will be on display in Voyageur Park, as well as in various locations around Winnipeg. For more information, please visit https://heho.ca/.

Theme days at our school for our Festival week are:

Date	Theme			
Monday,	No School:			
February 20	Louis Riel Day			
Tuesday,	Journée de la tuque/			
February 21	Toque Day			
Wednesday, February 22	Journée de la chemise à carreaux/ Checkered Shirt Day			
Thursday,	Journée de la ceinture fléchée/			
February 23	Sash Day			
Friday, February 24	Journée du voyageur/ Dress Like a Voyageur Day			



Students, staff and volunteers are encouraged to dress for our theme days! For "Sash Day," while some students may have an actual "ceinture fléchée," many students choose to tie a scarf around their waist, as a sash. On Friday, we hope everyone will dress as a voyageur, including toque, sash, checkered shirt, and jeans. Beards are optional!

The staff are working hard to prepare for this week! Many engaging French activities will take place in your child's class.

We are looking forward to celebrating this Manitoban cultural festival!

He ho héros! Bon Festival!



# February 2023 I Love to Read Month



Theme: Stories Connect Us - We are More Alike than Different

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Prepared by: Reading Council of Greater Winnipeg.			Read <i>The Invisible Web</i> by Patrice Karst. What is the main idea?	Create a web of all those who are connected to you.	Write a thank you card to 5 people on the web.	Make a family recipe together. Have your family tell you a story about the recipe.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Volunteer to help someone in your neighbourhood.	Read <i>The World Needs Who You Were Made to Be</i> by Joanna Gaines.	List 5 things that make you unique.	Read <i>The Day You</i> <i>Begin</i> by Jacqueline Woodson.	Tell a classmate more about yourself - share your story with them.	Read <i>The All-Together Quilt</i> by Lizzy Rockwell.	Have each family member draw a picture to make a family quilt.
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Listen to the story of someone you don't know really well.	Make Valentine's Day Cards for those you love.	Read with someone you love.	National Flag of Canada Day - Find out what inspired our flag.	Visit your local library and take home a book.	Celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Day by completing 3 acts of kindness.	What does it mean to be kind? Read a book on kindness.
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Read a book by an Indigenous author.	What is Louis Riel's life story?	Read or listen to <i>Just</i> Ask! By Sonia  Sotomayor.	Discuss the questions from <i>Just Ask!</i> With a friend.	Buddy read with a friend.	Read The Name Jar, Starfish or Borders.	Ask a family member about your family heritage.
26	27	28				
Listen to an oral story by a grandparent or other family member.	Read A Long Walk to Water or No Fixed Address.	Compare and contrast your life to one of the book characters you have read about.				

### **Skating Club**



















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# DRAFT BUDGET CONSULTATION

Central District Advisory – February 8, 7:00 p.m. Tec Voc High School, 1555 Wall Street

South District Advisory – February 9, 7:00 p.m. Collége Churchill High School, 510 Hay Street

North District Advisory – February 14, 7:00 p.m. Tyndall Park School, 2221 King Edward Street

Inner City District Advisory – February 15, 6:30 p.m. Hugh John MacDonald School, 567 Bannatyne Avenue



To present to the Board of Trustees on the topic of budgeting for WSD school programs and services for the 2023/2024 year, please pre-register to be added to the special meeting by contacting the Board Office at 204-789-0469 by noon, February 23, 2023.

Feedback can also be submitted via email or post: board@wsd1.org Winnipeg School Division Attn: Board Office 1577 Wall Street East Winnipeg MB R3E 2S5

### **Winnipeg School Division Digital Resources for Families**

Read an e-book, listen to a story, look for information, explore and wonder at home or school!

1. Go to the <b>WSD homepage</b> . Go to the tab <b>Student</b> on the top row of the page.
2. Click on Visit the WSD Online Library.
Student Resources 3. Click on Student Resources on the left side of the page.
Winnipeg School Division Digital Library: Sora has 100s of ebooks and audiobooks children can read or listen to online! Go to Sora at: <a href="https://soraapp.com/library/winnipegsdca">https://soraapp.com/library/winnipegsdca</a> or download as a free app. Log in and click on Explore to find a ebook or audiobook. Languages include English, French, Spanish, Tagalog and Ukrainian.
To log in at home or school: username = student number; password = last 4 digits of student number.
TumbleBooks has stories, picture books and games in English, French and Spanish. Make sure to visit TumbleBooks from our Division homepage. If you do, no login or password is needed from home or school.  If using a home tablet or iPad, or if accessing Tumblebooks a different way: username: wsd; password: books
World Book Kids is an easy to search encyclopedia with facts, photos, and videos. World Book Student has more text and information. You can also read World Book in French or Spanish. Explore World Book Timelines, and create your own Timeline about your favourite era! Go to <a href="https://www.worldbookonline.com/home/">https://www.worldbookonline.com/home/</a> .
To log in at home: username = schoolswsd; password = student. No login needed at school.
Use <b>Curio</b> to explore CBC/Radio-Canada, BBC and National Geographic content that has been carefully selected for it's educational value and relevance to K-12 subject areas. Includes CBC's current event series: News in Review.
How to connect to Curio:  You must enter your WSD email address on the login page: <a href="https://curio.ca/en/login">https://curio.ca/en/login</a> Curio will send a unique verification code to this email address. You will then need to enter this verification code on the login page.  After the first login, access the site from the following link: <a href="https://curio.ca/en/home">https://curio.ca/en/home</a>
<b>Discovery Education</b> lets you view videos, images, information for students in all grades. Students can print off or download images and view or edit videos for projects.
To log in at home or school:  Grades 4 - 12: students use their live email name and password.  Grades K - 3: live email name; password = 123qwe.  (example: username@live.wsd1.org).
Can-Core is a current collection of Canadian educational videos covering all areas of the curriculum. Go to <a href="https://www.can-core.ca/login">https://www.can-core.ca/login</a> To log in at home:  username = GuestMBE; password = cancoreMB  No login needed at school.

### 7 Ideas for Valentine's Day Fun

www.parenting.com

- 1. **Give love a thumbs-up.** Decorate valentines with thumbprint hearts. Have your child dip their thumb (finger works fine, too) in red poster paint, then show them how to press it onto paper twice to create a heart shape.
- 2. **Eat your hearts out.** Make a pan of Rice Krispies Treats, cool slightly, and then let your kids use a heart-shaped cookie cutter (coated with cooking spray) to punch out edible valentines. Decorate with frosting and/or candies.
- 3. **Look for love.** Play the "I love you to pieces" game: Cut out a big heart from construction paper, and tear it up. Hide the various pieces around the house for the kids to find and then reassemble with tape.
- 4. **Go cocoa.** Melt a bag of chocolate chips in the microwave then stir in raisins, marshmallows, candy hearts, etc. Drop spoonfuls of the mixture onto a baking sheet, and let set in the fridge until hard. Wrap the candies in pink cellophane and tie with ribbon to give to friends, sitters, and teachers.
- 5. Name that passion. At dinner, hand out three scraps of paper to each family member and ask them to write down something they love on each one (parents can write for little ones). You might write "cheese", "tennis", and "sleep" on yours, for example. Fold up the papers, put them in a bowl, and take turns picking one out and guessing who loves what.
- 6. Get carded. Make a pop-up Valentine's card: Cut out three hearts of descending size from decorative paper. Fold all the hearts in half, and adhere the largest one to the inside of a blank card with a single line of glue down the fold line. Layer the smaller hearts on top the same way for a three-dimensional greeting.
- 7. **Cozy up.** Cuddle together on the couch and watch Be My Valentine, Charlie Brown.

### **French Activities**

Does your child like to spend time on the computer, laptop or tablet? Why not integrate some of that playtime with French online games?



Here are some websites you can try:

- <u>www.samamuse.ca</u>. French thematic games that focus on numbers, letters, themes, math and verbs. Turn up the volume for this one!
- www.idello.org/en. A bilingual site with a tab for parents and students. There are tons of videos for kids of all ages. Scroll to the bottom.
- www.french-games.net. French games that focus on thematic vocabulary. The site is in English, but all the games are in French.

### **Boukili**Free Illustrated Children's Books!



Boukili is a free application that provides a variety of illustrated books for children. It aims to encourage children to read and helps them

attain different levels of reading proficiency.

With Boukili you can practice reading in French with your child while keeping track of his or her reading progress.

Visit boukili.ca/en for more information.

# Important Dates for the 2022-2023 School Year

\*All Dates Subject to Change\*

Mar. 6 - Concours d'art oratoire School Finals

Mar. 13 - Report Cards Sent Home

Mar. 14 - Concours d'art oratoire Division Finals

Mar. 15 - N/K Student-Led Conferences 3:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Mar. 16 - Student-Led Conference 3:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Mar. 17 - No Classes: Conferences

Student-Led Conferences 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Mar. 20-24 - Spirit Week

Mar. 24 - Last Day of Classes

Mar. 27 - Spring Break Begins

Apr. 3 - Classes Resume

Apr. 6 - Bus Ridership

Apr. 7 - No School: Good Friday

Apr. 12 - International Day of Pink

Apr. 13 - Rooms 2 & 3 to WSO

Apr. 14 - No Classes: Admin Day

Apr. 18 - PAC Meeting 6:00 p.m.

May 1 - No Classes: Admin Day

May 16 - Grade 6 Immunizations

PAC Meeting 6:00 p.m.

May 22 - No School: Victoria Day

May 24 - Room 1 to the Aviation Museum

Jun. 26 - No Classes: Admin Day

**Report Cards Sent Home** 

Jun. 30 - Last Day of School



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Visit our website: www.winnipegsd.ca/schools/sirwilliamosler

Dominique Ostermann Principal

## February 2023

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