# March 2024 Newsletter

## MULVEY SCHOOL

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## Dear Parents/Guardians:

February was another month that brought many memorable highlights:

- √ The Aboriginal Storytelling, Black History, Inclusive Education, Staff Appreciation and I Love to Read activities were a tremendous success featuring in person visits from several guest readers, and an activity classroom checklist in the hallway that saw lots of participation throughout the month
- √ Student Leadership Team continued to assist with the Meals 2 Go Program and ESD Initiatives
- √ Numerous creative learning moments facilitated by Mulvey Teachers and Mulvey Art Specialist Ms. Brenna
- √ Wonderful indoor and outdoor physical education classrooms by our Physical Education Specialist, Mr Ambaye.
- √ Homemade cards and messages of good wishes were delivered to Misericordia Place and also to other Winnipeg Personal Care Homes.
- √ Generous treats from the parents, students and friends during the month of February.
- √ MP Gazan, MLA Naylor, Mr. Tai Pu reading to the Mulvey School Community and Trustee Chambers.
- √ An amazing performance by Winnipeg Contemporary Dancers to the appreciative Mulvey staff and students

As we move into the month of March, we move into focusing on the theme of Nutrition.

The month of March is when the Dieticians of Canada proclaim the month to be The National Nutrition Month® The 2024 Campaign's theme We are Dietitians https://www.dietitians.ca/



At Mulvey, we will continue with the nutrition education at the school and all the active healthy events happening for the students, staff and parents.

- √ School wide nutritious snack and public announcements.
- √ Healthy food classroom celebrations.
- √ Nutritious breakfast and snack offered daily to nursery to Grade 6 students.
- √ Active Healthy Living Page in the Mulvey newsletter.
- √ Meals 2 Go Program
- √ Mulvey School Wednesday and occasional Friday Food Items available for pick up

Please take note as well that:

√ The Term 2 Report Cards will be sent home on March 12th. There will be Parent Guardia Teacher Student Conferences on March 14 and 15

These are but some of the activities scheduled for the month of March.

Mr. P. Correia, Principal







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# Mulvey Moments



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## Acts of Recognition (AoRs)

Acts of Recognition are given to students for achieving personal, academic, or social goals. We use the Seven Teachings to help students name their goals. This may be when a student goes beyond regular expectations or continually demonstrates skills and/or behaviours that contribute to making Mulvey School S.A.F.E.

The following **96** (our **greatest** number of nominations this year!) students received Acts of Recognition stickers in the month of February. Some students were nominated for more than one act, but have been counted once. We are happy to accept Acts of Recognition from home and the community. If you would like to nominate your child, or any student parent, community member, please email Mr. Correia pcorreia@wsd1.org or Mrs. Ginsburg (nginsburg@wsd1.org).

| Abdi          | Connor L.          | Hellen           | Lado         | Ms. Hildebrand      | Sarah            |
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| Carson        | Hana               | Kimmy            | Mihraz       | Rogue               | Windsor          |
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| February Acts of Recognition |         |          |        |         |          |      |
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| Courage                      | Honesty | Humility | Wisdom | Respect | Truth    | Love |
| 15                           | 8       | 7        | 22     | 17      | 6        | 21   |

# 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)



## Nursery AM Kindergarten AM/PM Ms. N. Schneider

This term the students will be introduced to a new theme on friendship. We will be focusing on how to show kindness to one another in class. We worked hard at investigating what a good friend is in class. The students' set personal goals in the area of being respectful and mindful to one another. I am looking forward to sharing all of our goals with each other. In writing, we will practice representing ideas through drawing pictures and experimenting writing words. In social studies, the students' will continue to explore our study on our community. We will be exploring our community, as well as learning the helpers within their community and roles that they play.

I am looking forward to meeting with all of you at the Parent/Guardian/Teacher/Student conference. I thank all of the students' and parents for your continued support. I am excited to continue the learning journey in the next term.

Thank you for allowing me to have this opportunity to go through this exciting adventure with your child.

## Kindergarten AM/PM Ms. H. Dumond

February was I love to Read, Black History and Indigenous Storytelling month and we had a lot to celebrate. We welcomed many guest readers to our classroom, the library, as well as virtually and at school-wide assemblies. Our class participated in daily literacy activities such as writing to express ideas, learning concepts about print, and participating in alphabet centres.

We also used cards and valentines to practice literacy skills by writing messages and names of our classmates.

Each day as part of our routine, students use their fingers to show different ways to make numbers. We are learning simple addition skills by recognizing different ways to represent numbers. This activity also helps us learn to subitize (when we recognize familiar number patterns without counting). I look forward to sharing your child's progress this

month at our upcoming conferences.







One of the highlights of this past month for the students has been all the activities associated with I Love to Read, Black History and Indigenous Storytelling month. The students enjoyed all the guest readers that furthered are classroom learning.

In Science the students have concluded their study of "states of matter" and will begin a unit that will have us learning about "Position and Motion". This unit will allow us to do plenty of hands-on activities that I know the class will enjoy.

In Mathematics we will focus on creating a variety of graphs and learning about how graphs allow us to better organize and interpret information.

In Language Arts we continue to follow the "Read To Me" initiative with daily small group focus on spelling and reading comprehension. The coming months will have the students spend additional time on "readers theatre" activities in order to strengthen their fluency and ability to read with greater expression. These groups have the students working with classmates who are of similar reading levels.

This month had the class create a presentation for the school-wide assembly. We thoroughly enjoyed creating and sharing with our school what we learned about Diversity during Social Studies lessons.

I look forward to meeting with all the families of our students during the upcoming Parent/ Guardian/Teacher/Student conferences. If the time that you have been assigned creates a scheduling conflict for you please contact me and I will reschedule you for a time that is more convenient.





#### Grades 1 & 2 Mrs. A. Cruzada

We believe that field trips are one of the best tools that we can use to provide every student with real-world experiences. We went for a field Trip on February 13<sup>th</sup> and visited the Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada. During the tour, students were taught about the various materials used to build airplanes. They learned how airplanes fly and land with great understanding of the concept of *Motion*. Students were provided with a hands-on activity, wherein they created a vehicle with wheels and axles using lego toys, their own imagination and creativity. For ELA, we are continuously working in small group instruction during our Read To Me Framework and Guided Reading sessions. We are focused on developing our reading fluency and comprehension through daily practice of reading basic sight words, word families, sentences, and stories. We keep on practicing editing sentences, making inferences, spelling, CVC words, blends, digraphs and rhyming words. In Math, students are learning various skills like skip counting, place value, making tens using different manipulatives, and identifying our Canadian coins and paper bills. Students learned about math vocabulary words such as greater than and less than, equals, not equal or the same and its mathematical symbols. For Social Studies, we learned more about our community helpers, our neighborhood, how to help our community, leadership and responsibilities, map directions and symbols. We continued our lessons about the Seven Scared Teachings and discussed how we can practically

apply these teachings to our everyday life. In Science, we learned about how to stay healthy and safe in everyday life, we also had an active discussion about what things are made of and different types of energies. Lastly, students were so enthusiastic when we did a simple Skittles rainbow activity and learned the science behind it. They can't wait for another experiment!





#### Grade 1 & 2 Ms. S. Gomes

February was a busy month! We had a jam-packed month filled with I Love to Read fun! We participated in so many activities. A few of them were visits by guest readers, mystery readers, a virtual visit from a Cartoonist by the name of Dave McDonald and trying to get a win in a school wide game similar to Bingo called 'READO'. What a wonderful month of literacy! We were also able to go on a very interesting and educational Field Trip to the Aviation Museum. The students had so much fun learning about aviation and participating in a few hands-on workshops. We continue to build numeracy skills in our classroom. We recently learned and extended our learning on Doubles, Doubles + and – 1, and

Making 10 and Making 20 facts. We are consistently reviewing previously learned math concepts and skills. We continue using the Read to Me Framework to further develop our reading and writing skills. The students are becoming more confident readers, writers and

confident readers, writers, and mathematicians. I am so proud of them!

### Grades 1 & 2 Mrs. C. Kamara

We had a fantastic February. The class had so much fun on Valentine's Day getting to decorate Valentine's bags and hand out their Valentine's! They also had a lot of fun eating all the treats that were brought in!

The class had a great time on our field trip to the Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada. They got to take a tour and see all of the old planes, as well as got to actually go inside one of them! The students had fun partaking in two different programs, where they learned about 'Stopping and Going' and 'Hoops and Gliders'. What a wonderful place for the class to visit!

In March we will be finishing our Science unit on five Senses and moving on to a new unit. In Social

Studies we will continue to work on our unit on Our Community. In Math we will be continuing our unit on 2D Shapes and 3D Objects, as well as continuing to practice our math strategies that we have learned!







#### Grades 5 & 6 Ms. C. Vande Graaf

We can't believe it is March already! This year is flying by. We have begun learning about Simple Machines and are having a lot of fun with it. We have checked out some Rube Goldberg machines, they are quite the thing. We are talking about designing our own Rube Goldberg inspired machines. We will see what happens! In Social studies we are continuing to study history. We have been reading an incredible book titled Hidden on the High Wire. We are loving it. It takes place in Germany during WW2 and so this has inspired a lot of conversation about the events at that time. So we decided to look at the role Canada played during this time and the contributions of some very important Canadians.

We had a great time for I love to Read month doing all sorts of literacy activities. We wrote letters to our future selves, read books to each other, created book marks for our friends, learned all about creating comics and even traded a teacher. Thanks Ms.

Klassen! It was a lot of fun. In math we are continuing to work on our multiplication facts and our related division facts. We are trying our best to know all our facts up to 9 x 9 and have been playing games to practice our facts. We are also learning to multiply 2 digit and 3 digit numbers.





#### Grades 5 & 6 Ms. C. Fraser

Spring is on its way. We are looking forward to the nicer weather and having the cold winter months over with. We are continuing to learn about multiplication and moving further into division and fractions in mathematics. We are also continuing to work on our reading and editing our writing. When editing our writing we are looking at proper sentence structure, meaning, conventions, and paragraph writing. We are also discussing types of writing such as, persuasive, narrative, and Informational. Please remember that room 16 students have a spelling test every Friday and that their spelling words go home every Monday for studying during the week. In Science, we will be deepening our understanding of the human body and tying it to our Social Studies projects regarding infectious diseases throughout history. We will be looking into the extensive impacts that historical diseases have had on people that endured life during these times and possible impacts that have continued to this day.

I look forward to speaking with all the Room 16 families at the up and coming Parent/Guardian/ Teacher/Student conferences.

I have attached a few pictures of some of our hard

working Room 16 students that continue to help with our "Meals 2 Go" program every Friday.





#### Grades 2 & 3 Ms. K. Rosenberg

Happy March everyone! I hope all of you had a fabulous February enjoying literacy. We had fun participating in many reading and writing activities for I Love to Read Month and watching a live play at Manitoba Theatre for Young People (MTYP) that fantastic! We also enjoyed having "student readers" from our classroom, and listening to all of the guest readers and authors which was exciting!

During the month of March, we will continue with our Read to Me Framework and letter writing in English Language Arts, understanding the parts of a friendly letter. In Math, we will continue learning about different graphs, practicing our addition and corresponding subtraction facts as well as our "Word Problem Wednesdays." Our DreamBox math learning program is another way we practice a variety of concepts using

technology. We will be continuing our mapping and provinces/territories unit in Social Studies. In Science, we will be completing our position and motion unit, and students will continue to design their own moving object. Just a friendly reminder that our Parent/Guardian/Teacher/Student Conferences are coming up this month on

March 14<sup>th</sup> and March 15<sup>th</sup>; I look forward to meeting with all of you to talk about your child's accomplishments and next steps. Congratulations again to everyone who participated in our

classrooms READO BINGO card. Even though I Love to Read month has come to an end, it is important to continue reading every night for at least 15 – 20 minutes! Have a safe, fun, and wonderful spring break!







#### Grades 3 & 4 Ms. E. Black

Wow February sure flew by! Must've been due to our class SURPASSING the reading goal for I Love To Read month. Way to go! In ELA this month we will continue learning about how using figurative language adds depth and detail to our writing. We have been practicing reading fluency by reading out loud in Readers Theatre which is a perfect time to enhance students' reading skills and confidence by having them practice reading with a purpose! In Mathematics we are starting to explore the modes of measurement we use in our everyday! Would you use a ruler to measure the length of a football field? No way! What about using a kitchen scale to weigh ourselves? No can do! In Social Studies students chose a country based on interest or personal

connection to research for our inquiry project. Grab your passport! By the end of the unit we will visit 15+ different countries together. Ever wondered what type of habitat your favourite animal lives in? In Science we are getting one step closer to starting the design process of creating our own animal habitats

using recycled material. Your nightly reading doesn't end just because February did...please continue to read 15-20 minutes every night!



#### Grades 5 & 6 Mr. B. Kussin

March is here and we all know what that means: spring is in the air! I am sure that we are all hoping that the warmer weather will be here soon so that we can spend even more time outside! During this month we will continue working on improving our writing skills by expanding our writing to more than one paragraph on a topic and make our way to persuasive writing through the Read to me framework. In Social Studies, we will continue looking at the First World War including what was happening on the home front, in the trenches and the internment of "enemy aliens". In Math, we will continue improving our multiplication and division skills and reinforce what we have learned about factors, multiples, prime and composite numbers. In Science we will continue to learn about the diversity

of living organisms and have a closer look at the animal kingdom, especially vertebrates and invertebrates and their subgroups. As always, talk to your children about what they are learning and doing in class. The more involved the parents and guardians, the more successful the student.





## Grades 3, 4 & 5 Ms. W. Mackenzie

The students are wrapping another successful term of learning!

I look forward to seeing you all at Parent/Guardian/Teacher/Student conferences this month to celebrate your child's successes and discuss their next steps.

In February, we had the pleasure of having several special I Love to Read presentations. The students particularly enjoyed the visit from Marc and his furry friend from Harness Adventures. We all learned about dog sledding and huskies. The students also worked hard on filling up the READO board during the month of February by doing all kinds of exciting literacy challenges. What a fun activity!

The students have been learning about having a growth mindset this year and we are proud to present a little song that we modified at the March 4<sup>th</sup> assembly. We are looking forward to celebrating the joy of working hard and persevering!

In the month of March, we will be continuing our mapping and continents/oceans study in social studies. In

science, we will continue to learn about materials and structures. We have been working on time as well as continuing other numeracy learning activities throughout the month.

Thank you to all who have been working with your children to read each evening, work on math facts, and participating regularly in online activities like Prodigy or Epic! All of that extra work and support is really paying off!







## Coach Program - Mr. M. Jefkins

Last month the students really benefitted from I Love to Read, Black History and Indigenous Storytelling Month with a great bunch of guest readers, including some former staff members. They were highly motivated with our I Love to Read BINGO challenge which gave them all the opportunity to win fun prizes. We learned about our brains with two handson lessons from our resource team members, Katherine, and Kim, who showed us how to make our own brains out of modelling clay. Recently we started taking advantage of opportunities to go to Mulvey and use the jungle gym as one of our physical education options. The students love it with all the various activities they can explore. In Ms. Brenna's art class, we have made wonderful clay plates. The process has been long, challenging, and so worth it! They turned out beautiful after being

glazed and fired in the school kiln. We have begun learning about the fur trade and are now digging into our own research projects about Canadian animals with each student picking a species and researching things like, appearance, diet, habitat, predators, prey, and facts. Of course, our Valentine's Day was a celebration with the sharing of cards and yummy treats.









Now Accepting
Nursery/ Kindergarten
applications for
2024-2025 school year.
If your child is born in
2019 or 2020

Please have the following documents.

- -Birth Certificate
- -Proof of address
- (lease or tax bill)
- -Manitoba health card
- -Immigration papers (if applicable)



...a fun place to play and learn!

## **Coach Program Ms. P. Solmundson**

Thank you to all of our readers for I Love to Read. Black History and Indigenous Storytelling Month! We enjoyed getting to listen to so many different readers and so many great stories. Our Roots of Empathy baby, Leo came to the visit on the 8<sup>th</sup>. It is fun to see the changes from the last visit and the new things she can do. She and her Mom Karyn shared one of their favourite stories. We also finished our plates with Miss Brenna in Art. This month we're excited to be attending Freeze Frame on the 13th and we are going to be viewing the film "Butterfly Tale". We are starting our second dance session with Miss Kathleen on Tuesday afternoons for another 10 weeks. March is CALM, Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month, and we will be having a presentation on the 11th with his year's presenter Jennifer. We hope everyone has a nice and relaxing Spring Break!







## Grades 4 & 5 Mr. B. Papineau

February was another busy month for everyone in the classroom.

- I Love to Read Month, Indigenous Storytelling Month, Black History Month lessons were included in our learning;
- Sharing the book <u>Beatrice and Croc Harry</u>, written by Canadian author Lawrence Hill;
- In math we continue to use problem solving with sudoku, word problems, and 'skyscrapers,' we revisited addition drills to solidify basic arithmetic skills, and learned about fractions and decimals;
- For language arts we engaged in Read to Me activities at the end of most days;
- In Social Studies we have been learning about the first inhabitants of Canada, their traditional ways of life (and how geographic regions affected them), early colonization, and treaties.
- And a whole lot of our classroom students and their teacher – went to Camp Cedarwood.

Coming up soon: Family Life, a favourite spring-time tradition!





## Welcome to Ms. Brenna's Artists Alley

Greetings, and welcome back once again to Ms. Brenna's Artists Alley.

This has been a very exciting month for me as I've watched a whole lot of your art in progress reach towards completion. At least a few students from each grade group have completely finished their projects and so many others are getting really close! It is very rewarding for me to see your hard work paying off in such a beautiful manner. As such I've included a few photos of completed work. Shown in Artists Alley this month are some of our Unity Vases as well as a few of the Habitat plates that are finished.

The Grade 1/2's are nearly finished their Piet Mondrian style sun-catchers. I will be hanging them up in the art room windows shortly. The grade 2/3's have made their little bowls and are working on glazing them before we learn how to pour candles and turn them into gorgeous gifts. The grade 3/4's and COACH students. They have been busy glazing their habitat plates. The ones that have come out of the kiln already are absolutely stunning. Their hard work has certainly paid off as you can see from the pictures. Great work everyone. The grade 4/5's are making the clay book covers after cutting and making their pages for the memory books. Once that is done the tricky task of book binding begins! Hopefully we don't get too tangled into knots in the process!

Finally the grade 5/6's are making good progress on their famous artist artwork studies. The replications are looking great as they begin the painstaking process of colour matching and painting their images on the stools/round canvases. These gorgeous pieces will grace

our art room for years to come. Even in progress they look stunning. I can't wait for the final pieces to be done!

Everyone has been so focused and I am really pleased with the continued effort you all put into your work. I think next month will be equally exciting for me as even more of you finish your projects! Keep up the hard work.









#### Grades 1 - 6 AP - Ms. L. Costello

The students really enjoyed participating in the I love to read month activities and having the guest readers read to them.

The students have been enjoying the new sensory items we were able to purchase due to a grant through the division. We have new spinning chairs, sensory tiles for the floor, swings and treadmills. The students continue to work hard on their individual academic goals and are showing improvement and engagement daily. We continue to play games together as a group to learn turn taking, following rules and how to win and lose gracefully. The students have been enjoying the nice weather and love having extra outside time in both the morning and afternoon. Some days are messier and wetter than others, but that is what the dryer is for.





# **Congratulations to our Patrol of the Month**

This student has shown great responsibility and dedication to ensuring all Mulvey Students are safe coming to and from school each and everyday Thank you for all you do!



## Welcome to Physical Education Mr. Ambaye

Acquisition of movement skills is key for students choosing to lead physically active and healthy lifestyle. The Physical Education program at Mulvey School covers a variety of physical activities such as low-organised co-operative games, individual/group activities, sport skills, free play and activities/games for fitness. In February, our students were busy working on a diverse range of movement skills, with a primary focus on throwing, catching, bouncing and striking as applied to Basketball (Grades 4 to 6), floor hockey, as well as

low organised and co-operative games. In March, students will continue to develop the competency needed to participate in a range of physical activities across grades (moving from basic movement skills in early years to selected and/or activity-specific skills in the intermediate grades). Throughout the school year, we offer our students ample opportunity to engage in various intramural and club activities based on their interest. These activities afford students the opportunity to explore and refine movement skills, enhance personal fitness, and develop social skills.

Intramural and Club Activities: In March, students are participating in Inner City Soccer League, A Basketball Tournament, Football Club, Dodgeball intramurals and Before School Open Gym.

Thirty-two students are representing Mulvey School in the Annual Inner-City Indoor Soccer League. The games have been played during lunch hours at the University of Winnipeg, Axworthy Health and Recplex Centre. Please review the Intramural Calendar for details.





| March 2024          | Intramural A                                 | ctivities B                               | Before School: 8:30—8:55 am  |   |  |
|---------------------|--|---|--|---|--|
| Mon                 | Tue  | Wed                                       | Thu  | Fri   |  |
|                     |  |   |  | 1 Day 3   |  |
|                     |  |   |  |   |  |
| 4 Day 4             | 5 Day 5                                      | 6 Day 6                                   | 7 Day 1  | 8 Day 2   |  |
|                     | - Before school<br>Rm 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 | - Before school<br>Rm 5, 6, 7, 21, 22, 23 | - Before school<br>Rm 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20   | - Before school<br>Rm5, 6, 7, 21, 22, 23<br>- Basketball Tournament                       |  |
|                     |  | - Dodgeball Intramural                    | - Dodgeball Intramural<br>- Winnipeg youth football<br>club @ UW(after school)                       | @ Greenway School<br>(PM)   |  |
| 11 Day 3            | 12 Day 4                                     | 13 Day 5                                  | 14 Day 6   | 15 Day 1  |  |
|                     | - Before school<br>Rm 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 | - Before school<br>Rm 5, 6, 7, 21, 22, 23 | - Before school<br>Rm 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20   | Non-Instructional<br>Parent teacher<br>conferences  |  |
|                     |  | - Dodgeball Intramural                    | - Dodgeball Intramural<br>- Winnipeg youth football<br>club @ UW(after school)                       | comerences  |  |
| 18 Day 2            | 19 Day 3                                     | 20 Day 4                                  | 21 Day 5   | 22 Day 6  |  |
| Louis Riel Day      | - Before school<br>Rm 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 | - Before school<br>Rm 5, 6, 7, 21, 22, 23 | - Before school<br>Rm 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20<br>- Winnipeg youth football<br>club @ UW(after school) | - Before school<br>Rm5, 6, 7, 21, 22, 23<br>- Dodgeball Intramural<br>(staff Vs Students) |  |
| 25                  |  |   |  |   |  |
| Spring Break Begins |  |   |  |   |  |
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## Message from Mulvey Community Support Worker Justine Kiwanuka

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Justine Kiwanuka Work Schedule at Mulvey School

Tuesday 8:30AM-2:00PM Wednesday 8:30AM-11:00AM Thursday 11:30AM-4:45PM Friday 8:30AM-3:00PM

## **Activities and Programs**

It's time to celebrate the cold weather in anticipation for the warmer time to come. Try to go out and take in the fresh air and celebrate the season. We have few weeks of winter left, so let's dress the kids for it and celebrate what is remaining of winter.

## **Food Donations**

Just to remind you about the WSD Food Rescue Program on Wednesdays starting at 8:40 AM: watch for the

information on Tuesday afternoons through the School Messenger email announcing what we will be receiving for Wednesday morning pick-up. Please bring your own reusable bags. Please note that that we provide to our Mulvey School families what we receive and we are very happy that everyone is able to share whatever we have on that day. I would like to thank the volunteers, who give their time help out to every Tuesday and Wednesday so that the program can run very smoothly. Your time is highly appreciated. Please Note, there will be no food distribution on the Wednesday during the spring break week.



## **English Conversation Classes.**

The EAL English conversation class program continues to run on Thursdays from 2:00 – 3:30 pm in room 9. If you are interested, please feel free to join these classes and meet other families. Simply email me at my email listed bellow and your name will be added to the list. Please note we will have no class on Thursday March 28, of spring break.

## **Book Club: Little Readers Club**

Readers please don't forget to come to my office library to pick up a few books for your spring read and relax. Come in and see me. Wishing you a relaxing Spring Break.



Remember to register if you want to take part in the cooking sessions. The March Family Cooking will be on March 22 at 4:30 pm. Please continue to watch for communication on the details and the recipe which will be made available to



you through the School Messenger and your email. Please contact me if you want to be part of the cooking/baking sessions at 204-786-3469 or ikiwanuka@wsd1.org. so I can buy all the supplies for our/your family to cook together.

#### **Mulvey Clothing Line**

Once the weather clears up our give away Mulvey Clothing line (new and used) will take place in front of the school. Watch for more information and details on School Messenger.

## Sewing club

Adult sewing session is on now. It is once a week every Friday from 2:00 – 3:30 PM. This is for parents/ guardians who want to learn and explore the art of sewing/mending and creative through sewing. Are you

interested? Contact Justine at the above email.

#### **Volunteers**

Volunteers are a very important part of our Mulvey community and the growth of all the programs we run. I take this opportunity to thank all those who are giving their time to volunteer in all capacities in the school, thank you for being part of the Mulvey School fabric. Please contact me by email or on phone, if you have questions, would like to know more, or register for any of the listed programs.



## **Prosocial Skills of the Month**

Even though February is a short month, it was packed with events at Mulvey School that celebrated literacy, Black History and Indigenous Storytelling. From mystery and guest readers to virtual drawing demonstrations to an African Drumming storyteller and our Parent

Council's Chair, we were busy learning and having fun

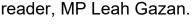
while developing our school's spirit.

# Mr. Truss and the students from Room 23 presented on: Diversity

Our students and their teachers continued to take the lead on presenting about Pro-Social themes by sharing their knowledge and insight. This month, Mr. Truss and his students shared a video presentation with our staff and students at an assembly about Diversity.

The students in the video explained how each of their backgrounds maybe different, their clothes may be different and how their favourite and cultural foods vary from student to student. Following the video, the students quickly exited

the gym to prepare bannock and jam that was served breakfast to the entire school community in addition to our guest







Upcoming Pro-Social Presentations by students in Ms. Dumond Ms. Mackenzie and Ms. Black in March, 2024!

## AFTER SCHOOL DISMISSAL

After dismissal, students are reminded that they must go straight home, to daycare or to any after school arrangement that the parent/ guardians have made. Students in Nursery and Kindergarten need to be picked up by an adult or sibling over the age of 12 at dismissal times, from their classroom in the school building. Students may call parents only regarding emergencies. Teacher/Guardian will be informed of school activities and clubs with sufficient notice. Daycare students will line up on the West side of the staircase font doors on Wolseley Ave

Dates and times will also appear in the monthly Mulvey newsletter and on the school website.

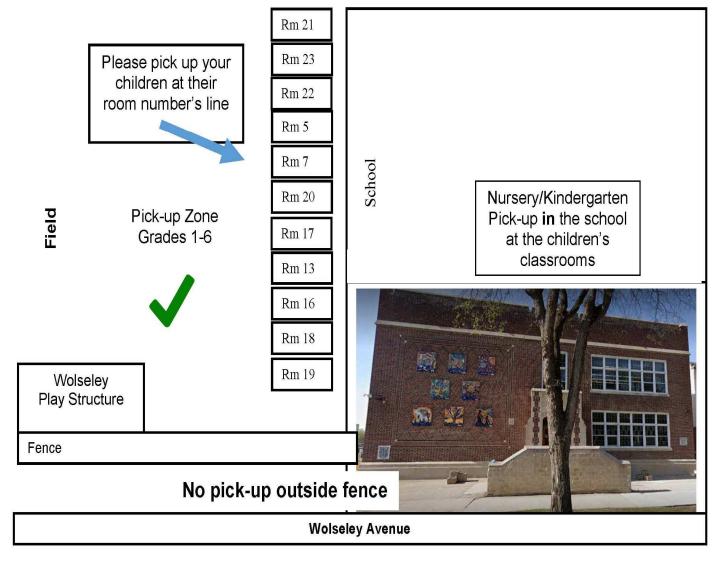
https://www.winnipegsd.ca/mulvey/page/14255/newsletters

## Morning Drop Off and Afternoon 3:30 PM Dismissal

We would like to remind our families that there is supervision for students beginning at 8:45AM in the morning on the Mulvey playground. Our marvelous students have been excellent at lining up at their classrooms' numbers painted on the hardtop next to the side of the school on the hardtop. Students will be able to begin coming into the school at 8:45 AM.

During 3:30 PM dismissal, we are respectfully asking that you greet your children at 3:30 PM in the fencing on the hardtop next to their classroom number so that our students are safely dismissed to a parent/guardian/family member/caregiver.

Please keep the front area of the school and the staircase entrance way to the school playground and field clear for easy access to and from the hardtop.





## **School Attendance Information for Parents**

#### Why Is It Important to Encourage Attendance Everyday?

Regular school attendance helps children to maximise the educational opportunities available to them, and prepares them to reach their full potential ensuring they acquire the skills to prepare them for their individual path beyond graduation.

Building good habits as early as pre-school, parents must take all measures to ensure their child/ren attend(s) school regularly.

Parents, caregivers, and students are all responsible for making sure students are on time and ready to learn.

## **Types of Absences**

- **Excused Absence**: refers to any time both the parent/caregiver and the school approves an absence. In some cases, documentation from the parent/caregiver may be required so that the school can excuse an absence. Examples include a note from a parent/caregiver or health care provider.
- **Unexcused Absence**: refers to any time a student is not in class or participating in a school activity without approval by the parent/caregiver.

**Chronically Absent or Chronic Absenteeism:** refers to excessive absences of a student for any reason, whether excused or unexcused. Chronic absent in 10% of school year 19 days missed. Server chronic is 20% of school year, 38 days missed

## What Parents Can Do to Support Presence and Engagement at School

- Talk to your child about the importance of going to school everyday.
- Set an example of what good attendance looks like.
- Help your child get organized for school the night before; encourage your child to keep a daily to-do list.
- Have regular bed time and morning routines.
- Follow personal health practices that reduce the risk of your child becoming ill and promote healthy lifestyle practices such as regular exercise.
- Connect with your child's school early in the school year; establish a collaborative relationship with your child's teacher(s).
- Get involved; join your child's school council and participate in school community events during and after school.
- Be interested in your child's learning; ask questions, celebrate accomplishments.
- Ensure the school has current contact information.
   Avoid scheduling medical appointments and vacation when school is in session.

#### For more information please visit

https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/attendance/parents info.html

## What is SafeArrival?

SafeArrival is an absence management system that improves student safety and makes it easy for you to let the school know about your child's absence. Please take note if you have not put your child's absence in the system before the school sends out the calls, you will get a call from the system.

Transportation clerks also inform families when busses are cancelled through School Messenger so it is very important for families to provide their child's school with an updated email address and/or cell phone number.

Please make sure you are keeping your home phone number, email and contact information up to date with the school. You can call the office at 204-786-3469.

## For further information on how to access:

https://www.winnipegsd.ca/Parents/safe-arrival/Pages/Default.aspx



## Frequently Asked Questions

## SafeArrival for Families FAQ

#### What is SafeArrival?

SafeArrival is an absence management system that improves student safety and makes it easy for you to let the school know about your child's absence.

You are asked to report your child's absence in advance whenever possible using one of these convenient methods:

#### SchoolMessenger app (free)

- 1. Provide your email address to the school.
- Get the app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at http://ge.schoolmessenger.ca)
- https://go.schoolmessenger.ca).
   Tap Sign Up to create your account.
- Select Attendance from the menu, and then select Report an Absence.

#### Web and Mobile Web: go.schoolmessenger.ca

- Provide your email address to the school.
- Go to the website.
- Click Sign Up to create your account.
- Select Attendance from the menu, then select Report an Absence

## Interactive Toll-free Phone 1-855-278-4513

- Call the toll-free, interactive telephone system.
- Follow the instructions to report an absence.
   Record the confirmation number at the end of the call

If you hang up before this is given the absence will be cancelled and will not be reported to the school.

Whenever an absence is reported or updated, you will receive a confirmation notice by email (assuming you have provided your contact information to the school).

If you don't report your child's absence in advance, the automated notification system will try to contact you (using the communication preferences if you have set them up in the SchoolMessenger app). This may include push notifications to the app, email, phone calls. You will be asked to provide the reason for your child's absence immediately. You may do so using the phone line, website or mobile app.

If an absence is not explained within approximately 20 minutes of the time that the school starts the notification process, school staff will follow-up to make sure that your child is safe. If you try to explain an absence using SafeArrival, but are then told that it is past the cut-off time, please contact the school directly.

If you don't want to receive notifications when your child is absent, be sure to report your child's absence in advance.

If you do receive notifications of your child's absence, be sure to provide the reason as quickly as possible, using one of the 3 methods listed above or during the phone call notification itself.

#### Absences can be reported in advance:

- 24 hours/day
- 7 days a week
- · For any school day in the school term
- Up to the cut-off time on the day of the absence.

Mulvey School will be participating in the Battery Blitz again this year. If you wish to recycle household batteries, please place your old batteries in a clear plastic bag and return to the school.

Campaign ends on March 22, 2024

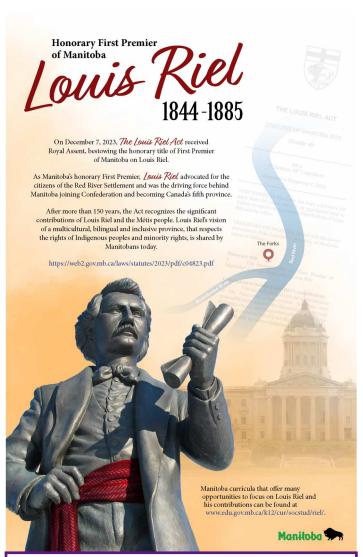


## Parent Council Kernels Popcorn Fundraiser

Thank you everyone for supporting Mulvey School Parent Council fundraiser. The profit form the January Kernels popcorn was \$213.45 this year.

Thank you so very much, truly appreciated! We look forward to your future support.





## International Women's Day

https://www.internationalwomensday.com/

International Women's Day (March 8) is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women.











Winnipeg School Division is hiring:

- School clerks
- Educational Assistants
- 5th Class Power Engineers
- Bus Drivers



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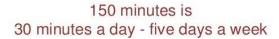
In Winnipeg: 204-982-3660 Rural MB: 1-800-970-5559 Online: HarvestManitoba.ca





## Love Your Heart

Just 150 minutes a week of moderate activity improves heart health



Try these:
Biking, walking, swimming, jogging
or other aerobic activity



## Importance of Breakfast

It's the most important meal of the day – but many children skip breakfast.

At school, a hungry child can lose concentration in class, have no energy for playtime and snack on unhealthy foods, such as chips or biscuits.

A calm and healthy breakfast every day is the best defence against this happening. It also helps children to get into good habits that they can carry through life.

#### **Breakfast ideas**

Breakfast can include all sorts of options: cereals, bread, fruit, dairy products (such as eggs, milk, yoghurt and cheese) and meats.

A number of factors influence what people like to eat at breakfast, such as their food preferences, cultural background, religious beliefs and the time available before they have to head out the door.

## Quick and easy ideas

- Cereal with milk\*, yoghurt and/or fruit
- Wholegrain toast, raisin bread or muffins with a little polyunsaturated or monounsaturated margarine (not butter), fruit spreads, healthy breakfast spread, or sliced banana
- Fresh fruit with yoghurt
- Fruit smoothies made with fresh or canned fruit
- Porridge with warm milk and stewed fruit

### If you have a little more time

- Omelette with lean ham and tomatoes
- Boiled egg with bread fingers (cut slices of bread into dipping sized portions)
- Pancakes with fresh fruit filling
- Wholegrain toast or fresh bread with eggs (not fried), baked beans, cooked mushrooms or tomatoes
- Plain wholegrain muffin with lean bacon and cooked tomatoes

It is also important to have healthy drinks with breakfast.

Water or low fat milk (for children over 2 years) is best. Try to limit fruit juice to  $^{1}/_{2}$  a glass a day as fruit juice contains lots of sugar. Instead give a piece of fruit to your child to get fibre into their diet.





## **CORNISH LIBRARY NEWS**

For the month of March, we have the following fun, free programs happening at the Cornish Library. **Baby Rhyme Time (Newborn to 18 months)**, 8 week session, Tuesdays at 1:30PM-2:00PM, ending March 12, 2024 (Registration required)

- Family Storytime (For children up to 5), 8 week session, Fridays at 10:30AM-11:00AM, ending March 15th 2024 (Registration required)
- Spring Session for Early Literacy Programs is April 8- May 18, 2024 (6 weeks) Registration begins March 11, 2024
- Teen Sharpie Squiggle (Grades 7-12), Saturday March 23 from 2:00PM-3:00PM.Explore your creativity and discover your artistic style by creating colourful squiggly art with Sharpies and other materials. All supplies provided. Grades 7-12. 60 minutes. (Registration Required)
- Super Structures (Ages 9-12) Monday, March 24 from 2:00PM-3:00PM.Learn about different types of traditional Indigenous Structures, as well as about forces, stability and strength. Then design your own structure. Presented by WISE Kid-Netic (Registration Required)

We also have a couple programs for adults who want to expand their computer skills:

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- PowerPoint Level 1 Monday, March 18 from 5:45PM 7:45PM (Registration required)Learn the basics
  of creating slides, formatting text, adding images, and running a slide show. Basic computer skills are
  required.
- PowerPoint Level 2 Thursday, March 21 from 5:45PM 7:45PM
   (Registration required)Learn to insert charts, audio clips, and video clips, as
   well as how to modify slide transitions and customize presentation
   options. Prerequisite: PowerPoint 1 or equivalent knowledge.

We look forward to seeing you soon for a program or a visit to the Cornish Library on 20 Westgate. Phone: **204-986-4680**, visit or go online at **Winnipeg.ca/library** to register.



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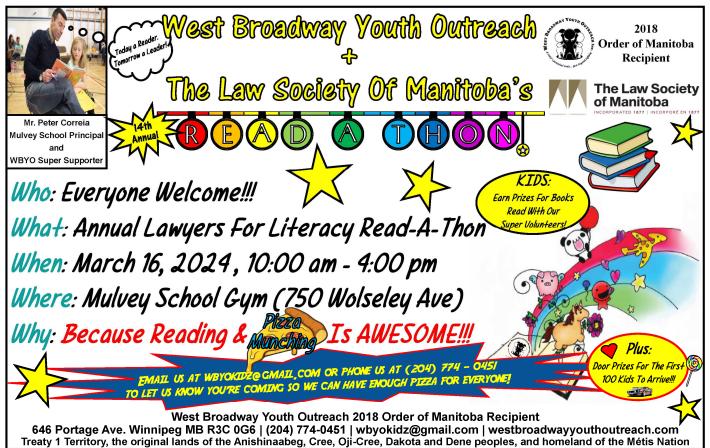


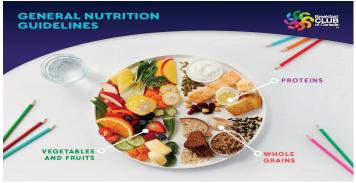




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#### GENERAL NUTRITION GUIDELINES





#### ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

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## River Safety Reminder

Here is a message from The Winnipeg Police Service River Patrol Unit:

They would like to remind the public that with the colder weather rivers and retention ponds

develop thin ice and are not be safe to be around. All public is advised to stay away from

waterways as ice thickness can be very unpredictable.

Parents, guardians and teachers are asked to remind children of the dangers involving cold water and thin ice. This is an extremely dangerous time as open water on the rivers is swift and very cold.

Members of the public are asked to refrain from venturing near any bodies of water as rivers banks can be slippery.





Robert A Steen Community Centre

## Spring 2024 Programs

## Youth Programs

- Art
- **Babysitting Course**
- Badminton
- Introduction to Chess
- Advanced Chess
- Children's Dance Movement **Programs**
- Dance & Baton
- Dungeons & Dragons
- Floor Hockey
- Home Alone Course
- Mini Soccer
- Community Movie Night
- Nourishing Young Minds
- Introduction to Olympic Fencing
- Open Gym PickleBall
- Fundamentals of table Tennis
- Table Top Board Games
- Vollevball
- Yoga Kids

## Adult Programs

Email: admin@acornfamilyplace.ca www.acornfamilyplace.ca

- Basketball
- Badminton
- Bridge
- Introduction to Chess
- Advanced Chess
- French
- Men's Shed
- Memoir Writing
- Community Movie Night
- Parent and Tot
- PickleBall
- Spanish (Beginner, Intermediate, & Advanced)
- Tai Chi
- Yoga Flow
- Zumba

For More Information Check out our website www.robertasteencc.ca

Email: rasteenpm@shaw.ca



## March 2024



| Monday  | Tuesdav                                   | Wednesdav                       | Thursdav   | Fridav  |
|---|---|---------------------------------|--|---|
|   | •   | •                               | •  | 1 Day 3   |
| 4 Day 4   | 5 Day 5                                   | 6 Day 6                         | 7 Day 1  | 8 Day 2   |
| MYRCA club @noon  | Pow Wow @ noon<br>Pottery Club @ noon     | Piano lessons<br>@ 4:00-5:00 PM | Grade 4 Swimming<br>Counts<br>Inner city Soccer<br>Team 1 @ noon<br>Flag Football<br>@3:45-6:00                                | Basketball Tournament @ Greenway PM  spring forward  dont forget to set your clocks forward this Sunday |
| 11 Day 3  | 12 Day 4                                  | 13 Day 5                        | 14 Day 6   | 15 Day 1  |
| MYRCA club @noon  | Pow Wow @ noon<br>Report Cards<br>Go Home | Piano lessons<br>@ 4:00-5:00 PM | Parent Teacher Student Interviews 4:30-8:30pm Grade 4 Swimming Counts Inner city Soccer Team 2 @ noon Flag Football @3:45-6:00 | Non-Instructional Day No Classes Parent Teacher Student Interviews 9:00 am - 3:30 pm                    |
| 18 Day 2  | 19 Day 3                                  | 20 Day 4                        | 21 Day 5   | 23 Day 6  |
| MYRCA club @noon<br>Pizza Orders Due<br>Google Meet<br>Parent Council<br>@ 5:30pm | Pow Wow @ noon<br>Pottery Club @ noon     | Piano lessons<br>@ 4:00-5:00 PM | Parent Council<br>Fundraiser<br>Bothwell Cheese<br>Orders arrive at the<br>School  | Pizza Lunch @<br>12:00pm<br>Last day of School<br>Spring Break<br>to April 1                            |

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Please mark the following important dates on your calendar (watch for changes in future newsletters)

| Date               | Event   | Cycle<br>Day |
|--------------------|---|--------------|
| Apr. 1             | School Resumes  | 6            |
| Apr. 19            | Wellness PD ~ No Classes  | 1            |
| May 6              | Vision Day PD ~ No Classes  | 1            |
| May 20             | Victoria Day - No Classes   |              |
| June 29<br>June 30 | Last Day of Classes for N/K PM Students Last Day of Classes for N-6 Student | 6<br>1       |