



## École Sir William Osler May 2025 Newsletter

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### ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

**A**pril showers bring May flowers (we hope!) and we look forward to watching your children's learning grow and bloom as we head into the final months of this school year. It is amazing how quickly the time goes by and these next two months will definitely be a whirlwind of learning and activities.

Our greenspace committee and PAC continue to be hard at work! Our Glenlea plant fundraiser is a success again this year! Thank you for supporting the greenspace enhancements. Plant pick up is on Monday, May 12. Stay tuned for exciting news about upgrades to our playground! We should see the play structure (along with some new elements) back in place for the fall!

The staffing process is just beginning and our teachers have been tentatively assigned grades. As the staffing process continues, there may be other changes. We do have a few changes coming next year. One of our biggest changes is that Mme Heinrichs will be leaving our school to work full time at École Lansdowne. We will miss her greatly and wish her the best of luck!

As we begin to plan for next year, we are still compiling information to use in the class formation process. Great care and consideration goes into the make-up of all classrooms in consultation with our classroom teachers. Our classroom teachers know the students well and have school-based knowledge about the following criteria: class size, social dynamics, academics, friendships and parent information. We rely on the professional judgements of our teachers to assist us with the process of determining class makeup for the 2025-2026 school year. The classroom placement information will be part of the final report card, which will be sent home on Monday, June 23. The final decision on student placement will be made by school

administration, based on the best interests of all our students.

We continue to accept registrations for the 2025-2026 school year for nursery - grade 6. If you have family or friends who live in the catchment area, please refer them to the website to register online. Children who will be 4 years of age by December 31, 2025 (born in 2021) are eligible for nursery and children who will be 5 years of age by December 31, 2024 (born in 2020) are eligible for kindergarten.

Mme Ostermann



## Important Dates for the 2024-2025 School Year

**\*All Dates Subject to Change\***

Jun. 4 - Grades 4-6 WSD Fit Run  
Jun. 12 - PAC Picnic  
Jun. 16 - Room 3 to Poseidon Care Centre  
Jun. 17 - Volunteer Appreciation Tea 2:00 p.m.  
Jun. 19 - Rooms 9 AM & PM to Morning Sound Farm  
(ALL DAY FIELD TRIP)  
Fun Lunch: McDonalds  
Jun. 20 - No Classes for Nursery & Kindergarten Only  
(Due to All Day Field Trip)  
**Jun. 23 - No Classes: Admin Day**  
Report Cards Sent Home  
Jun. 27 - Last Day of School



### Roots of Empathy

Our school has the opportunity to participate in the **Roots of Empathy/Racine d'empathie** program again next year!



**Roots of Empathy** or **Racines de l'empathie** We are looking for a volunteer parent in our community who has a **baby born in June, July, August, or September**. The volunteer and their baby will visit a selected classroom throughout the year for short sessions lead by a facilitator (Mme Sara). The students will learn about infant and child development, as well as emotional literacy.

You can visit <http://www.rootsofempathy.org/> to learn more about the program. If you, or someone you know, is interested, please contact Mme Sara Tham at [stham@wsd1.org](mailto:stham@wsd1.org) or 204-488-3569.

## Teacher Placement for 2025-2026

**\*Subject to Change\***

Nusery/Kindergarten AM & PM - M. Robert Rozière  
Grade 1/2 - Mme Nicole Ferraro  
Grade 1/2 - Mme Meredith McGuinnes  
Grade 2/3 - Mme Kaila Allegro  
Grade 3 - Mme Melanie Farrage  
Grade 4/5 - Mme Leianne Wood  
Grade 4/5 - M. Aaron Saiko  
Grade 6 - Mme Amanda Toews



**School  
Directory**

Learning Support Teachers - Mme Sara Tham,  
Mme Hélène Constant-Ruest, Mme Anelise Pautes

Music - TBD

Phys. Ed. - Mme Carissa Van Lieshout

### Parent Advisory Council



The Parent Advisory Council's spring fundraiser is partnered with **Glenlea Greenhouses** this year! **Orders can be picked up Monday, May 12, 2025 from 3:00 - 5:30 p.m.** Thank you to all

of our families who supported our fundraiser!

We are always looking for new members! Please consider joining us to help support school programs such as the École Sir William Osler Lunch Program, the Greenspace Committee, and other fundraising events.

**Last meeting of the school year and AGM:  
Tuesday, May 20, 2025  
6:00 p.m.**



## French Activities



Are you looking for some fun things your child can do *en français*? Visit the Radio Canada website at [radio-canada.ca/oniva](http://radio-canada.ca/oniva) for some great games, videos and television series!

The *Oniva!* series is a television show created for Canadian kids. It takes place all around Canada and often includes students from other French Immersion schools in the country.

## Happy Mother's Day

Sunday, May 11, 2025

### Nobody's Like You, Mom

Nobody's quite like you, Mom.  
You're special in every way.  
You cheer me up, you fill my cup  
With tenderness, come what may.

Nobody loves me like you, Mom.  
No matter what I do,  
Good or bad, happy or sad,  
You support me; You always come through.

Nobody's equal to you, Mom.  
With you in my life, I'm blessed.  
I love you so, and I want you to know  
I think you're the very best!



## Math Corner!



Reading to your child is both a wonderful way to spend time together and also an effective way to engage your child in conversation. Students of all ages love stories and love to talk about stories. *"Literature provides students with opportunities to make connections with their own lives, provides a context to think and practise*

*mathematics and enriches students' view of the world of mathematics"* - A Guide to Effective Instruction in Mathematics, Kindergarten to Grade 6.

Listed below are a few titles to begin the conversation about mathematics at home. These picture books are connected to several math strands of the Manitoba Mathematics Curriculum from your child's report cards:

- Caps for Sale - by Esphyr Slobodkina (Number Sense & Patterning)
- The Doorbell Rang - by Pat Hutchins (Number Sense)
- Count to 10 with a Mouse - by Margaret Wise Brown (Number Sense)
- Is a Blue Whale the Biggest Thing There IS? - by Robert Wells (Number Sense & Measurement)
- Actual Size - by Steve Jenkins (Measurement)
- One Grain of Rice - by Demi (Number Sense & Multiplication & Division)
- Grandfather Tang's Story - by Ann Tompert (Geometry)
- Stone Soup - by Heather Forest (Data Management & Probability)

If you and your child are more comfortable in a language other than English, then read to your child in that language. Your local public library may be helpful in choosing books connected to mathematics.



# Recommended French Apps

## Recommended Apps for Nursery - Grade 1 French Immersion

### *Basic Vocabulary & Interactive Activities*

- **Mini-TFO:** Devine qui vient jouer?
- **Mini-TFO:** ABC (find & count, where is it?, matching activities)
- **TFO:** traditional French songs
- **MindSnacks:** Grade 1-2
- **FeedMe:** Fun vocabulary activities with hungry monsters
- **Mes premiers mots gratuits:** My first words free
- **Boowa & Kwala:** Series on a variety of topics with activities
- **Duolingo**
- **Frenchie Teachie:** Abcs, games, food and object vocabulary

### *Stories (reading with and without audio support)*

- **TFO:** Zoubi Doubi (animated story about cars series - listen or read)
- **Tembo 4 French:** By Bubble Books - reading with or without audio
- **Lire-tot:** Basic first reader e-book, no audio
- **Ana Lomba Early Languages:** Story series - read and/or listen
- **Les comptines de Zoreil:** Songs with amusing video & lyrics

## Recommended Apps for Grades 2 - 3 French Immersion

### *Fun & Educational Grammar, Vocabulary & Content Video Activities*

- **Revise ta conjugaison LITE:** verbs
- **French Vocabulary Games Lite:** Word search games by Neil Coffey
- **TFO & mini-TFO:** Many apps at different levels and on different topics
- **Brain Pop:** Educational video + 10 Q quiz
- **Clever Dragons:** Fun vocabulary activities
- **Quizlet:** Many quizzes at different levels - search "French"
- **Passeport LITE:** By Hachette Education - read along story with audio, and interactive listening and math activities

- **Revise tes tables de multiplication:** Quizzes by Hachette Education

## Recommended Apps for Grade 3 & Up French Immersion

### *Fun & Educational*

- **French Vocabulary Games Lite**
- **La Cibile:** Marshmallow slingshot with questions on math, language and heritage
- **Brain Pop:** Educational video + 10 Q quiz
- **Quiz Animo (CBC):** Challenging quizzes on different animal species
- **Orthofolio:** Spelling - race the clock
- **Letris 4:** Like Tetris, but you have to spell words to make the blocks disappear - challenging, but fun!
- **Quizlet:** Many quizzes at different levels - search "French"

### *References*

- **Verb forms:** Translation, verb forms and full conjugation for many common verbs
- **Le La:** French Gender
- **Le Robert Dixel Mobile:** Dictionary App \$6.99
- **Larousse French Dictionary:** \$6.99, picture dictionary \$8.99

## Recommended for parents who want to learn too!

### *Fun & Educational*

- **French Vocabulary Games Lite**
- **Vacances**
- **24/7 French LE**
- **Quizlet:** Many quizzes at different levels - search "French"
- **Rosetta Stone:** Travel French
- **French for Travel:** Great for parents planning to travel
- **Essentials:** Beginner vocabulary with flashcards, and reading and listening quizzes
- **Tres Bien:** Beginner words and advanced phrases for the not-so advanced learners





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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
 <p>Don't forget that Mother's Day is Sunday, May 11, 2025.</p>			1 <span>Day 3</span>	2 <span>Day 4</span>
5 <span>Day 5</span>	6 <span>Day 6</span> Grades 3-6 Running Club 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. 	7 <span>Day 1</span>	8 <span>Day 2</span> Grades 3-6 Running Club 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. 	9 <span>Day 3</span> No School Admin Day 
12 <span>Day 4</span>  Glenlea Plant Pick-Up 3:00 - 5:30 p.m.  Grades 3-6 Running Club  3:00 - 3:45 p.m.	13 <span>Day 5</span> Room 1 to Manitoba Museum  Manitoba Museum	14 <span>Day 6</span> Grades 3-6 Running Club 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. 	15 <span>Day 1</span> Mobile Vision Clinic 	16 <span>Day 2</span> Rooms 5 & 10 to the Zoo 
19 No School Victoria Day 	20 <span>Day 3</span>  Grades 3-6 Running Club 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.  PAC Meeting & AGM 6:00 p.m. 	21 <span>Day 4</span> Room 3 to Poseidon Care Home 	22 <span>Day 5</span>	23 <span>Day 6</span>  Rooms 2 & 4 to the Zoo  Grades 3-6 Running Club  3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
26 <span>Day 1</span>	27 <span>Day 2</span>  Grade 6 Immunizations  Grades 3-6 Running Club  3:00 - 3:45 p.m.	28 <span>Day 3</span>	29 <span>Day 4</span> Grades 3-6 Running Club 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. 	30 <span>Day 5</span>