



# Wellington School

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## NEWSLETTER

## DECEMBER 2024

Dear Families,

Wow, it is incredible that we are already in the month of December!! The spirit of celebration is in the air at Wellington School. There is no shortage of information to share when it comes to the learning and daily excitement here at the school.

Student report cards were recently handed out and our student-parent- teacher conferences took place on November 21. The academic strengths, challenges and next steps outlined in the student report card provided the opportunity for students and families to reflect on their learning and set goals for the next term. Sharing the learning experiences your children have been engaged in this past term and discussing steps moving forward is a great way to stay involved and be that support that is needed to achieve success.

On November 8th, students and staff participated in a whole school assembly to commemorate Remembrance Day. Classroom work and projects dedicated to the theme of Remembrance Day were displayed throughout the school. The amazing work and effort it took by students and staff brought a unique experience to the commemoration and assembly.

A huge thank you to Ms. Bales for organizing our movie night and starting off our traditional teachings on Wednesdays. Thank you as well to Ms. Halladay for organizing the pizza lunch. Students are very excited to have these wonderful activities, and being able to take part in these special events meant so much to our families and community.

The Winter Celebration that took place on November 27th and 28th was a huge success. Miss Reimer and students worked very hard over the past several months to put on a wonderful showcase of talent. A huge thank you to all the teachers, EAs and students who worked diligently on props, design and all the behind the scenes extras that made our concert that much more special. An amazing two nights was had by all.

Mark your calendars for the Family Fun Night on Thursday, December 12. Families are invited to join us, share some pizza and make holiday crafts together from 5:00 – 7:00 PM. Bring a container for your crafts! Evermore after school program finishes on Thursday, December 5th and will start up again in the new year.

On behalf of the Wellington School Family we would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a joyous and safe holiday season and extend our best wishes for a healthy and happy New Year. So, gather your winter memories like the snowflakes that are gathering outside our windows and we will see you when school reopens on Monday, January 6th, 2025. Be safe, be kind, and enjoy your time with family, friends and loved ones.

Respectfully,

**Emil Contreras, Principal**  
**Kari Bergmuller, Vice-Principal**

As the holiday season approaches, we'd like to wish you and your family a safe, relaxing, and joyful break.

May this season be filled with peace, fun, and special moments together!



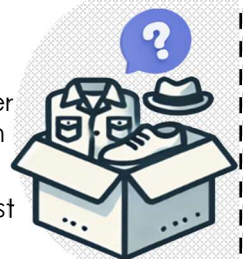
## • Important Dates to Remember •

<b>December 4</b>	Grade 5/6 Volleyball Tournament at Sargent Park
<b>December 5</b>	Pizza Lunch (payment due Nov. 28th)
<b>December 10</b>	No Evermore Program
<b>December 11</b>	Grade 5/6 Volleyball Tournament at Greenway
<b>December 12</b>	Evermore Family Fun Night (5:00 PM-7:00 PM)
<b>December 13</b>	Non-Instructional — PM ONLY ***Dismissal at 12:00PM***
<b>December 19</b>	Great White North in the Gym
<b>December 20</b>	Last day before winter break
<b>Dec. 21-Jan. 5</b>	*** WINTER BREAK ***
<b>January 6</b>	School resumes
<b>January 31</b>	No Classes (Non-Instructional)

### Lost & Found Items

Please remind your child to check for their belongings after recess and before leaving school. Labeling their items with their name can help us return lost things quickly.

If your child is missing something, feel free to check the Lost and Found by the Family Room.



# STUDENT HOLIDAY SHOPPING DAY

**December 4 & 6, 2024**

Books, toys, kitchen stuff, stuffed animals, movies and more!!!

**Items will cost from 5¢ to \$5.00**

**Season's Greetings**



# Winter Weather Reminder

As winter weather arrives, please remember that our students will be going outside for recess every day, except during extreme weather conditions. If the temperature falls to  $-28^{\circ}\text{C}$  or lower, recess will be held indoors.

**(See also WSD Cold Weather Guidelines for more information)**

We want all students to be safe, comfortable, and able to enjoy their time outdoors. To help keep your child warm and prepared, we recommend they wear:

- Winter boots
- Warm winter jacket
- Ski pants
- Toque
- Gloves or mittens

Keeping an extra pair of socks in their backpack is also a good idea for snowy and slushy days, so they'll always have a warm, dry pair ready when needed.



# Student Early Dismissal Policy

For safety reasons, students are not permitted to leave school premises on their own during school hours. If your child needs to leave before the regular dismissal time, a parent, guardian, or an authorized person listed on the pick-up list must come to pick up the student.



**The person picking up the student will need to visit the school office in person and sign them out.**

To ensure smooth communication, please keep your home phone number, email, and contact information up to date with the school. If you need to update any information, feel free to call the office at **204-774-8085** or send an email to **wellington@wsd1.org**.

## • Winter Break •

Just a reminder, the last day of classes before winter break is

**Friday, December 20th**

and we'll see everyone back on

**Monday, January 6th**



Wellington School & Evermore present:

# FAMILY FUN NIGHT

THUR, DECEMBER 12, 2024  
5:00PM - 7:00PM

Join us for a fun evening featuring

**HOLIDAY & WINTER CRAFTS**

**SNACK STATION**

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

**DOOR PRIZE**

**PIZZA**

at Wellington School

PLEASE BRING A SMALL BOX OR CONTAINER IN ORDER TO TAKE  
YOUR CRAFTS HOME. PARENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ACTIVELY  
PARTICIPATE WITH THEIR CHILDREN

# AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS CALENDAR

## DECEMBER 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 JOHN M KING 3:30PM - 5:30PM BBBS	3 GREENWAY 3:30PM - 5:00PM WELLINGTON 3:30PM - 5:00PM	4 GREENWAY 3:30PM - 5:00PM	5 WELLINGTON 3:30PM - 5:00PM JOHN M KING FAMILY FUN NIGHT 5:00PM - 7:00PM (NO ASP)	6 NO PROGRAM
9 NO PROGRAM	10 NO PROGRAM	11 NO PROGRAM	12  WELLINGTON FAMILY FUN NIGHT 5:00PM - 7:00PM	13 NO PROGRAM
16 WINTER	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31	AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM WILL RETURN JANUARY 6TH!!		



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# Family Room

## December 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 <span style="float: right;">Day 2</span> <i>Hands on beading</i> Loom beading 9:30 pm—12:00 pm 1:10 pm—3:30 pm	3 <span style="float: right;">Day 3</span> <i>Hands on beading</i> Loom beading 1:10 pm—3:30 pm	4 <span style="float: right;">Day 4</span> Student Holiday shopping All day  Traditional teaching and powwow 3:40 pm	5 <span style="float: right;">Day 5</span> Family room closed All day	6 <span style="float: right;">Day 6</span> Student Holiday shopping All day 
9 <span style="float: right;">Day 1</span> Holiday wrapping All day	10 <span style="float: right;">Day 2</span> Holiday wrapping All day	11 <span style="float: right;">Day 3</span> Food security Holiday wrapping All day Traditional teaching and powwow 3:40 pm	12 <span style="float: right;">Day 4</span> Holiday wrapping All day <i>Craft Night 5pm—7pm</i>	13 <span style="float: right;">Day 5</span> Holiday wrapping All day
16 <span style="float: right;">Day 6</span> Hands on baking Carrot cake 9:30 am	17 <span style="float: right;">Day 1</span> <i>Family holiday photos 4:00 pm</i> 	18 <span style="float: right;">Day 2</span> <i>Family holiday photos 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm</i> 	19 <span style="float: right;">Day 3</span> <i>Family holiday photos 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm</i> 	20 <span style="float: right;">Day 4</span> Family room Pot-luck celebration  <b>Last Day of School Winter break</b>
23	24	25	26	27
<b>W I N T E R   B R E A K</b>				
30	31			
<b>W I N T E R   B R E A K</b>				



# Greetings from the Family Room

As this year comes to an end, we are happy to be a part of all the wonderful moments we have done. I wish everyone a safe and happy holidays, may all your dreams come true. See everyone January 6th, 2025!

## Family Room Events

### Hands on beading

**Loom Beading : December 2nd, 2024 & December 3rd, 2024**

### Hands on Baking

**Carrot Cake: December 16th, 2024 @ 9:30 am to 11:30 am**

### Family room holiday potluck:

**December 20th, 2024 @ 1:10 pm**

**Please come and sign-up in the Family Room**

### Student's Holiday Shopping Day

**It's that time of the year when our students are invited to the Family Room to do some Holiday shopping for their families.**

**We will be hosting our annual Student's Holiday Shopping Days on December 4th, 2024 & December 6th, 2024 in the Family Room.**

**We will be selling toys, videos, books, music, and household items from 5¢ to \$5.00.**

**We will also be offering free gift wrapping to our students.**

### Holiday Family portraits

**December 17th, 18th, & 19th, 2024**

**Time: 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm**

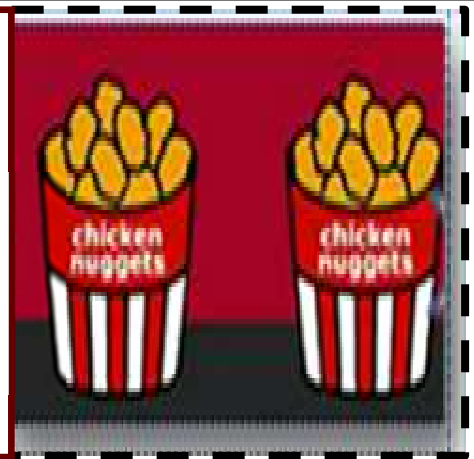
**Families must pre-register for the photos—there is a form that will be sent home.**





# LUNCH PROGRAM

(Dixie Halladay)



We ask parents to please go over the lunchroom rules with your children on a regular basis: Our policy follows School Division guidelines. When a child misbehaves the first time, a verbal warning will be given. The second time, a written letter will be sent home. Within this letter it will state that your child will be removed from the Lunch Program. Then you will need to make alternate arrangements for your child. In the event of a serious incident - your child WILL BE REMOVED immediately without warning.

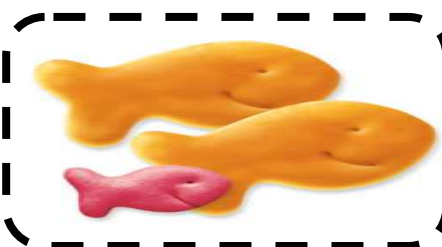


We would like to encourage you not to send soda pop or noodles. Nut and seafood allergies among children are becoming increasingly common; therefore we have a NO NUTS & SEAFOOD policy. We have many other allergies as well, children are not allowed to share or exchange their snacks or lunches.



We are in need of volunteer supervisors for the Lunch Program. If you are able to volunteer, please reach out to Ms. Dixie or Ms. Livia for more information.

As of right now, microwave service is unavailable. Please send a lunch that doesn't need to be reheated.



**Snacks** are available through the Lunch Program!  
**Cost is approximately \$1.00 each.**

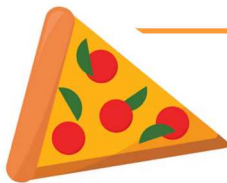


**Don't forget!**

Wellington School

# Pizza Lunch

Thursday, December 5, 2024



- 2 slices cheese pizza
- 1 juice Box
- 1 snack



WELLINGTON SCHOOL

## Breakfast Program

**Hot breakfast is available  
for all Wellington Students  
every morning between  
8:30 AM—9:00 AM**

*\*\*\* No sign up necessary \*\*\**

**Enter at the playground doors**

# Room 228

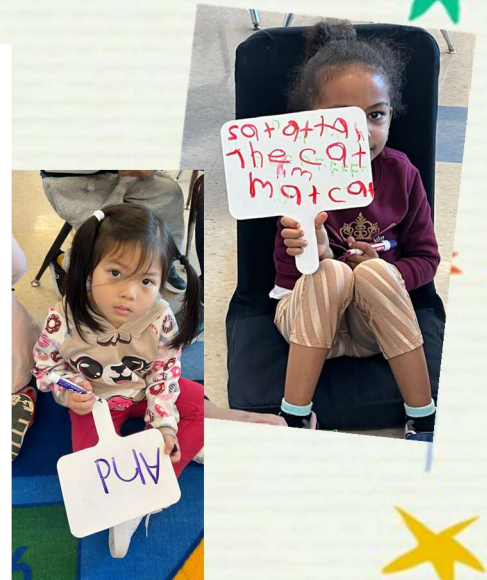
## Nursery/Kindergarten

By: Mrs. J. Larson

Over the past term we have been busy and having fun learning about the alphabet. The students have been learning what a letter is, how we use letters and how they each make their own sounds. We have also been learning how to write the letters using lines and curves in both the upper and lowercase formations.

As the students learn about letters they have been learning that letters are used to form words and with that they have been learning how to write simple words like 'at' and how to build upon them by adding beginning and ending sounds.

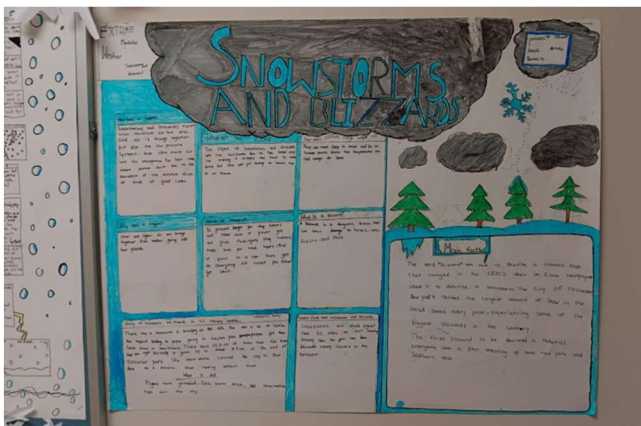
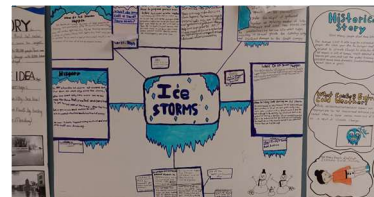
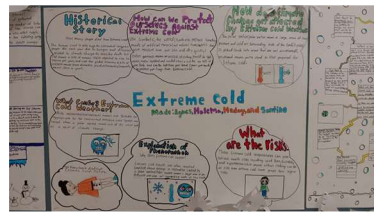
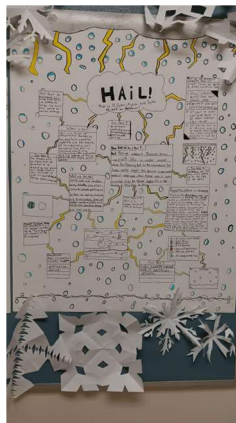
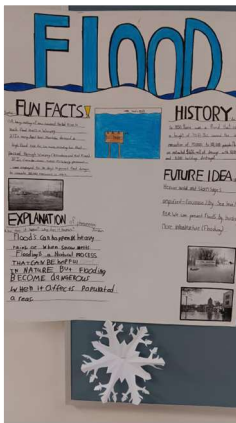
Students have been busy learning how to read the words they are writing as well so that they can see the relationship between reading and writing. As they learn about how letters form words, they are learning that words can be short or long and determine how many words are in a sentence. Students have begun reading simple pattern texts using 1:1 correspondence to track the print in their stories.





# Room 115 Explores Manitoba's Extreme Weather

By: Mr. N. Kolton



As the fall and winter brings cold and chilly weather, and we prepare for the coming snow, the students of room 115 have been wondering about all the dangers and disasters that can happen in a province with such extreme weather. Each group researched a type of extreme weather that has happened in Manitoba, such as tornadoes or flooding, found an historical example of the worst time it happened in Manitoba, and then they discussed and wrote how people, technology and the government has learned to prepare for the next time it happens. There was also a lot of talk about climate change, and how it might cause more extreme weather to happen, and what we can do about it. It was an intense project, and a perfect way to get to know what it is like to live in Winnipeg for a few newcomers to the class. The students worked hard, worked together, had fun, and came up with some amazing posters!



# REMEMBRANCE DAY EVENT

November 8th, 2024



At Wellington, we set aside time on November 8 for the whole school to pause and consider the significance of Remembrance Day. Remembrance Day is a somber reminder of the horror of war, the cost in human suffering, and the debt we owe to those who sacrificed their lives in these causes. Most importantly, it is a call to all of us that taking up arms should be the last resort in resolving any conflict.

We recognized National Indigenous Veterans Day that honours the contributions of First Nations, Metis, and Inuit people who participated in Canada's military efforts. First Nation, Metis and Inuit people have served in every conflict that Canada has fought including the war of 1812, WW1, WWII, the Korean War, and in Afghanistan. Remembrance Day honours the soldiers who volunteered, fought for freedom, and for many who lost their lives during the war. By remembering their service and their sacrifice, we recognize the brave people who courageously volunteered for the cause of freedom and peace.

# Get ready for Spirit Week!

## Dress up and be creative!

Day	Date	Theme	Description
Monday	December 16th	Long Winter Naps	Wear favorite pajamas; enjoy a holiday party.
Tuesday	December 17th	Ugly Holiday Sweater/Shirt	Wear an “ugly” Holiday sweater or shirt.
Wednesday	December 18th	Holiday Character Costume	Dress as a holiday character (e.g., snowman, gingerbread, elves, or the Grinch).
Thursday	December 19th	Great White North/Winter Wonderland Whiteout	Wear white from head to toe; enjoy gym activities organized by Phys Ed & Music.
Friday	December 20th	Candy Cane Delight	Wear red, white, or any candy cane colors to kick off the holidays.

# Family Portrait Event

The Family Room will be hosting another family portrait event, with the technology of a green screen. It will run for three days.

**December 17th, 2024 @ 4:00pm – 6:00pm**

**December 18th, 2024 @ 4:00pm – 6:00 pm**

**December 19th, 2024 @ 4:00pm - 7:00pm**

**Registration cost will be \$10.00**

Your family will receive an  
8 x10 Family Portrait with Frame.

Families must be aware that space is limited  
(first 100 families).

**REGISTRATION FORM WILL BE AVAILABLE**



# News From The Gym

By: Mr. C. Thomson

Throughout the month of November, we took part in a wide variety of activities in the gym. Firstly, our kindergarten to grade 2 students progressed their kicking skills through a variety of soccer style activities. They also continued to develop their locomotor movements skills for increasing distances. Our grade 3-6 students started our jump rope and bowling unit as students progressed through our Jump Rope Ninja training. We then progressed into our very popular volleyball unit. Students worked on their bumping, setting, and spiking in a variety of engaging lead-up games. After the upcoming winter concert, we will begin our infamous Rollerblading unit! Students in grade 3-6 are encouraged to bring their own rollerblades and/or bike helmets if they have (however, this is not required to participate).

Our volleyball intramurals started up for our grade 5 and 6 students with the highest turnout we've ever had! Our students have been practicing on Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch for their upcoming Tripleball tournaments in December at Sargent Park School and Greenway School. Any family members that would like to come cheer on our Wildcats at the tournaments are more than welcome!

Keep an eye out for permission forms for indoor running club after the winter break!



# Free Indigenous Basketball Camp

When:  
**Saturday, December 14th**

Where:  
**Duckworth Centre,  
University of Winnipeg**

**To register:**

[forms.gle/3poaGQ6MdMvoCKLi9](https://forms.gle/3poaGQ6MdMvoCKLi9)



## FREE INDIGENOUS BASKETBALL CAMP

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14th**



**The University of Winnipeg Duckworth Centre**

**Session #1**  
10:00 am – 11:00 am  
Ages 5–9

**Session #2**  
11:00 am – 12:30 pm  
Ages 10–13

**Session #3**  
12:30pm–2:00pm  
Ages 14 – 17



**All players and skill levels are welcomed!**

**To give back, we are  
organizing a  
Holiday Soup Drive!**

**We encourage all  
participants to bring soup  
or non-perishable food  
donations, which will be  
shared with a Winnipeg  
food bank this holiday  
season.**



Led by Indigenous U SPORTS Wesmen basketball alumni and coaches Robyn Boulanger and Josh Gandier, this camp is all about developing skills, building community, and celebrating the game we love!

In the spirit of the season, we're also hosting a Holiday Soup Drive. Bring a soup or non-perishable food item to help families in need. Let's make an impact during the holidays, on and off the court.

This camp is open to all ages and skill levels - everyone is welcomed!



# Housing and I.D. Resource Event

December 10, 2024, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.  
Tec Voc High School  
1555 Wall Street

Winnipeg School Division and End Homelessness Winnipeg are hosting events to help our community members get income and housing supports they qualify for.

Join us to receive on-site sign-up services and information on available resources for individuals and families.

To sign up for services you will need some ID such as:

- Manitoba Health Card
- Government Issued Photo ID
- Proof of Income/Option C
- Current Tenancy Agreement
- Direct Deposit/Banking Information
- EIA Budget Letter
- Proof of Status/Residency
- Completed Guarantor Form

If you are unsure of which documents you will need to bring, or if you require assistance in filling out forms please contact:

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Community Support Program  
Coordinator  
[kguzzi@wsd1.org](mailto:kguzzi@wsd1.org)  
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