

Principal's Message...

Dear River Elm Families,

It's hard to believe we're already into November! The past few weeks have been filled with wonderful learning, laughter, and community spirit here at River Elm School.

One of the highlights this fall has been the launch of our **Nest Groups**—multi-grade groups designed to build connections and foster a sense of belonging across our school. Our first Nest Group gathering was a huge success! Students had the chance to work together, share ideas, and build relationships beyond their regular classrooms. We're so proud of how our River Elm community continues to grow stronger through these meaningful experiences.

There has also been **a lot of exciting learning happening** in every classroom. As we move further into the term, teachers are busy preparing **report cards**, which will be sent home in just a few weeks. We look forward to connecting with families during **Parent-Teacher Conferences on November 20 and 21**. These meetings are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate student progress and discuss next steps for learning. As well, we will have the Scholastic Book Fair. I would like to say a big thank you to Ms. Candice for all her work in making our library an engaging place in our school full of amazing books!

I would like to ask that you remind your child/children about the **school expectations** at River Elm. We have noticed quite a bit of "play fighting" in the first months of school and we have made it very clear that is not acceptable at River Elm. **Students who are "hands on" at recess/lunch will have an alternate recess to reflect on what it means to be a Roadrunner—Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Ready to Learn.** We appreciate your support in helping our school be a safe place for all students.

Looking ahead, we're excited to share that our **Winter Concert for the downstairs classes** will take place on **December 4**. More details will be sent home soon, but we know it will be a joyful way to celebrate the season together.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Together, we're creating a place where every student feels connected, valued, and inspired to learn.

Sincerely,

M. Tran
Principal

Ms. Candice - Library...

Hello RoadRunners!

November has arrived!

We have new things to learn about and look forward to.

We will be learning about Remembrance Day and what it means.

Book Fair is coming up but may look a little different.

Be on the lookout for those posters to tell you where and when!

Happy Reading!



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:

- 1. SchoolMessenger app (free)**
- 2. Web and Mobile Web: go.schoolmessenger.ca**
- 3. Toll-free Phone 1-855-278-4513**

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 School Messenger 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.

It is important to keep your telephone number updated with the school as well as your e-mail address. The SafeArrival system will send notices regarding your child's attendance. River Elm is now using an automated Broadcast system to update and remind families of pertinent school information. The Broadcasts will be sent via e-mail and potentially as an automated telephone message.

Family Room News...

FAMILY ROOM

NOVEMBER 2025

Parents/Caregivers

Moccasin Making

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Wednesdays:

November 5, 12 & 19

1:00-3:15 PM

Snacks & supplies provided.

Nurturing Our Roots

The Division Kookum -Marsha will be comint to chat with parents/caregivers.

Tuesday, November 18

1:00-3:00 PM

Families in the Kitchen

Friday, November 14

9:15-11:30 AM

Come join us cook!

Important

If you or a family member is in need of WINTER clothing (jackets/ski pants/boots), please contact me and we can try get them ordered through Coats for Kids.

Upcoming Events

Parent Council Meeting

Monday, November 17

2:00 PM

Please RSVP

Ms. Campbell-Pereira

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Family Room News...

River Elm School

BSSIP NEWSLETTER

Building Student Success with
Indigenous Parents



November & December 2025

Full Moon Ceremony

Tuesday, November 4.
@ RB Russell
4:50 PM BUS PICK UP
In front of school
Dinner & transportation provided.

Men's Supper Group

Thursdays: November 6 and December 4
5:30 PM
In the school gym
Dinner & childcare provided.

Beading & Sewing

Thursday, November 13
5:30 PM
In the school gym.
Dinner & supplies provided.

Women's Hand Drum

Thursday, November 27
5:30 PM
In the school gym
Dinner & childcare provided.

Winter Solstice Celebration

For all River Elm families that have
participated in BSSIP
Programming.
We invite you to come celebrate
and collaborate with us.

Thursday, December 11
5:30 PM

In the school gym
Dinner provided.

Mamāhtawisiwin: The Wonder We Are Born With
The goal of BSSIP is to increase the involvement of Indigenous
parents in education. The funding has assisted schools in
developing partnerships and programs with parents and the
community which will contribute to the educational success of
Indigenous students.

RSVP

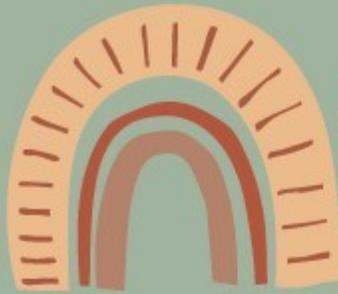


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Land Based & Treaty Learning with Miss Vezina



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TREATY TEACHINGS

Our students are learning about treaties and the importance of understanding our shared responsibilities as Treaty people. The natural prairies once vast and thriving ecosystems have been reduced to only about 1% of their original area.

Students have discussed how the near extinction of the bison across Turtle Island represents the lasting harm of colonization, as bison were central to the lives, cultures, and survival of many Indigenous Nations.

We are learning about deep connections between land, animals, and people, and the importance of protecting and respecting them today.



The students, staff, and communities of Winnipeg School Division are committed to truth and reconciliation through building relationships with Mother Earth, the original peoples of this land, and the stories that bring us together. We acknowledge the place in which we gather is on Treaty 1 territory, the homeland of the Red River Métis, and the ancestral lands of the Anishinaabe, Ininiwak, and Dakota Oyate peoples



Cold Weather Guidelines...

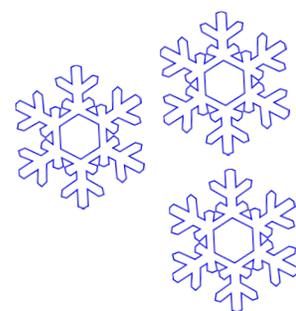
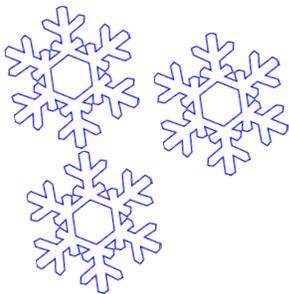
The decision to close a school in the Winnipeg School Division is made by the Superintendent.

Indoor Recess:

Students stay indoors for recess when the wind chill reaches -28 degrees Celsius according to Environment Canada's temperature reading at The Forks.

The following media outlets are contacted in the early morning to ask that they broadcast and/or post bus cancellation information:

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|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| CBC Radio | 92 CITI FM | 99.9 BOB FM | TSN 1290 | QX 104 FM |
| CJOB Radio | KISS 102 FM | CKSB – French | 94.3 The Drive | Virgin 103 FM |
| CTV News | Global TV | CityTV | CKJR Power 97 | |
| winnipegfreepress.com | metronews.ca | winnipegson.com | | |



November 2025

| Sun | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Sat |
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| 2 | 3 Day 1 | 4 Day 2 | 5 Day 3 | 6 Day 4 | 7 Day 5 | 8 |
|  | | Bookworms 3:30pm-5:00pm 114 | | | | |
| 9 | 10 Day 6 | 11 | 12 Day 1 | 13 Day 2 | 14 Day 3 | 15 |
| | REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY 9:15 AM |  | | | | |
| 16 | 17 Day 4 | 18 Day 5 | 19 Day 6 | 20 Day 1 | 21 Day 2 | 22 |
| | PARENT COUNCIL 2:00 PM | Bookworms 3:30pm-5:00pm 114 | REPORT CARDS GO HOME <u>WHOLE SCHOOL LUNCH</u> | Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00pm-7:45pm PICTURE RETAKE –AM ONLY | Parent-Teacher Conferences  SCHOOL CLOSED | |
| 23 | 24 Day 3 | 25 Day 4 | 26 Day 5 | 27 Day 6 | 28 Day 1 | 29 |
| | | Bookworms 3:30pm-5:00pm 114 | | | ROOM 201 CLASSROOM ASSEMBLY 9:15 AM | |

THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR WILL BE AT RIVER ELM SCHOOL DURING PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES, IN THE MUSIC ROOM