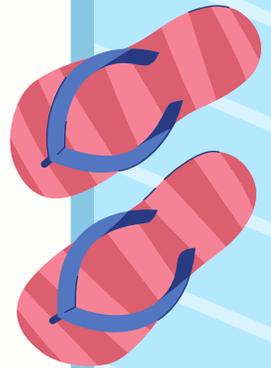


# ÉCOLE REGENT PARK

## Summer 2023 Newsletter

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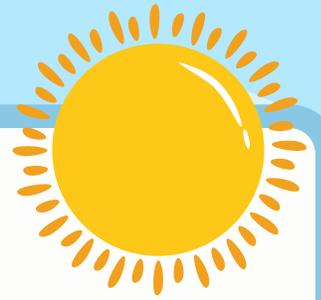
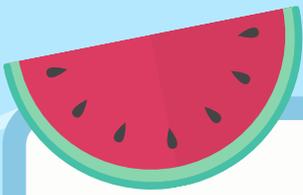
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# Principal's Message

These last few months have been filled with beauty of growth, fresh beginnings, lengthening daylight hours, and many opportunities for outdoor exploration and adventures while learning! We are so fortunate that students and staff were able to engage in our school motto while at school: Excellence, Responsibility, Participation, and Service without any obstacles this year!

As you peruse this newsletter, you will notice the vast learning experiences over the last few months. We bid a sad farewell to our grade 8 students and other students leaving École Regent Park. You all have contributed to making this 2022-23 school year an amazing one!

Thank you to our staff who have committed to extra curricular activities throughout the school year, with field trips, band clinics, theatre productions, concerts, soccer, football, cross country, track and field, Quebec trip, and battle of the books. These are a few things in a long list of additional activities too long to mention. We have invited experts, elders, knowledge keepers, musicians, and so many community members into our building to embark on our school wide learning journey of inspiring our students to be engaged and responsible citizens. It is hard to believe that we are already planning ahead for September.

Class lists have been created and we would like to share our ERP staff for 2023-24. We would also like to take the time to say Au Revoir and good luck to the staff who are leaving us. M. Fradet is retiring after so many wonderful years as an educator. We wish you all the best as you do more of what you enjoy! M. Shawarsky who had a term in grade 6, is moving onto another RETSD school. Mme Hyra and Mme Kruchak are taking a leave for the year. We wish them all the very best and Bonne Chance!



**Grade 2:** Mme Girardin, Mme Campbell, Mme Banman  
**Grade 3:** Mme Dunlop, Mme Chmeliuk, Mme Ferguson  
**Grade 4:** Mme Sokoliuk, Mme Ambrose & M. Kilpatrick

**Grade 5:** M. Labelle, Mme Leslie

**Grade 6:** Mme E. Thompson, M. Smith, Mme Stein, Mme Arbez, M. Kraychuk  
**Grade 7:** Mme Grimard, Mme Massey & Mme Jones, Mme Earl, Mme Bergeron

**Grade 8:** M. Duma, Mme Fuhro, M. Hodgins, Mme Telencoe, Mme Lepine,  
**Student Services:** Mme J. Thompson, Mme Ambrose, Mme Lafleur, Mme Apsit

**Industrial Arts- Drama:** M. Hyra **Teacher Librarian- Art Specialist:** Mme Brakel

**Music:** M. Adams, Mme Nowostawski

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**Clerks:** Mme Fehr, Mme Shelby

**Head Custodian:** M. Patrick

We would like to take this time to say a huge MERCI to our students and families as well, for your continued support and positive outlook this school year. We are thankful to have your trust in us as we strive to support all our learners!

We wish you a wonderful and safe summer! Our office will be open on August 21st. Take the time to enjoy the outdoors and family time.

Sincerely,



Mme Lucia Grande  
Principal

M. Chris Coppinger  
Vice-Principal

# 4ième Année - Grade 4

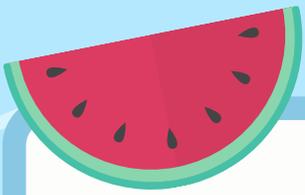
The grade 4 students have been busy completing year end projects and assignments in social studies and science. In Social studies, students created a brochure about Manitoba and learned about many Manitoba cities and towns that perhaps they would like to visit someday. Using the design process in science, 4A planned and created their own instruments using recyclable materials, and 4B designed their own animal habitats. Both grade 4 classes have been enjoying some engaging end of year activities and are looking forward to starting grade 5 in September!

-Mme Sokoliuk



We have had a strong end to the year in grade 4. All of the students have continued to make progress throughout the year. We had a really fun time at the splash pad and the students were a delight to take and have some fun in the sun. Students have been working hard in class on creating habitat dioramas specific to a geographic environment. In ELA we have been working on creating our own water park. We wish everyone the best, we had such a great year all together! We wish everyone an incredible summer of rest and relaxation! We look forward to seeing all the students again in September.

-M Kilpatrick & Mme Ambrose

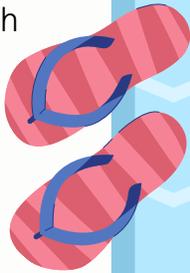


# 5ième Année - Grade 5



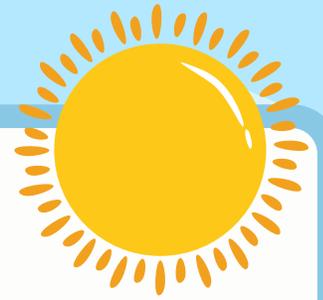
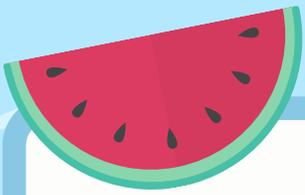
The grade 5 students are ending the school year off on a high note. The students have had many opportunities to do some high-end learning whether it be in ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies or any other subject. Along with the rich opportunities, we just finished our Kildonan Park Pool field trip. It has been a wonderful year, and we wish you and your families a fun, relaxing and safe summer.

See you in the fall,  
The grade 5 team

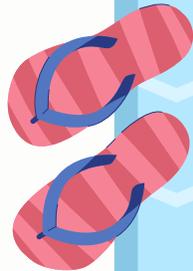


3D art compositions exploring colour and value with acrylic paint. Students created these optical illusions themselves using only hexagon tracers! 5B





# 6ième Année - Grade 6



What an incredible end to the school year for the grade six students! A couple memorable outings - the first to Skills Canada and the second to Downtown Winnipeg for a walking tour of the Vaughan Street Gaol and Legislative Building & Grounds - were jam-packed with learning experiences and connections to prior knowledge taught this year. Grade 6B & 6D offered a French carnival for the grade 4-5 students at ERP in support of Children's Hospital Foundation. They raised just over \$625 in two short days - and they did it all while having fun and building connections en français. Everyone is excited to move up to the next level and section of the school - grade 7, here they come!!! Thanks for a wonderful school year, grade -sixers!!





# 7ième Année - Grade 7

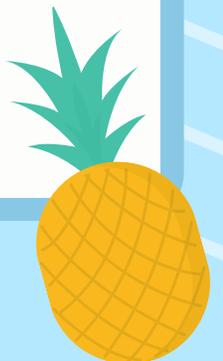


Grade 7 News at ERP!

The students and teachers in grade 7 have been busy with year-end projects such as designing, building and testing solar ovens and creating prototypes of coolers to reduce the transfer of heat.

We have also been busy and planning and attending several year-end field trips to celebrate our year together. A few of our outings include bowling at Chateau Lanes, a field trip to Birds Hill Park, a movie at Junxion Theatre at Kildonan Place and next up, a Zoo outing on June 28th!

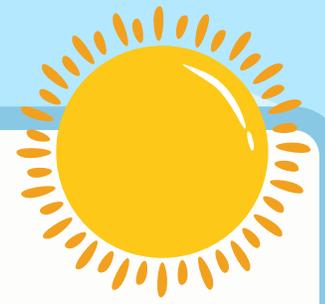
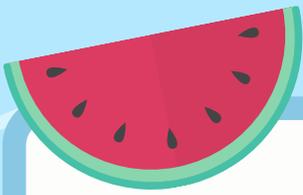
Last Wednesday students from all grades were also involved in a wide variety of activities to celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day at Ecole Regent Park. We celebrated the history and heritage of Indigenous Peoples by participating in a wide variety of cultural activities including dance, music, art and indigenous cuisine.



# 8ième Année - Grade 8

Our Grade 8 students have been putting their French speaking skills to the test while engaging in debates this term! Students chose a topic of interest and then developed an argument either supporting or opposing their topic. Throughout the debate process, students demonstrated impressive critical thinking and oral speaking skills, all while dressing up and looking the part. To cap it all off, we are doing a grade-wide debate during the final week of school. Students will be able to pair up with students in other classes while debating some lighter, fun topics!



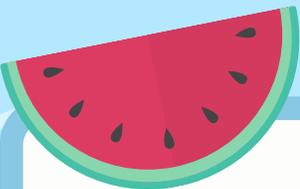


# Industrial Arts

Students have been working on designing and creating various types of digitally made products and art pieces. We have had the pleasure of working in the software Scratch, TinkerCAD, GarageBand, Adobe Illustrator & Photoshop, as well as a plethora of others. Students participated in project-based learning where they were required to research new design methods for Adobe Photoshop, teach it to themselves, and submit a final piece. Some of them were truly excellent!

From 3D printing to coding we covered a lot of different subject areas within the Mac Lab this year. Don't forget – Scratch & TinkerCAD is free software that can be accessed from home! Try some coding and 3D modeling on a rainy day this summer!



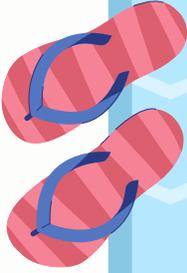


# Drama

We had multiple different types of productions to end this year in our Grade 7 & 8 Drama classes this year. The Grade 8 classes finished the production of this year's "Sock Puppet Theatre" production to end the year. Students designed and created their own puppets, wrote their own scripts, performed their own roles, and shot & edited their own movies. Great work from everyone!

Our Grade 7 Drama classes just finished making their own movie, as well as a mini-movie challenge. We had a lot of fun making and producing a movie, writing scripts, editing scenes, and figuring out some of the more technical aspects of film making.

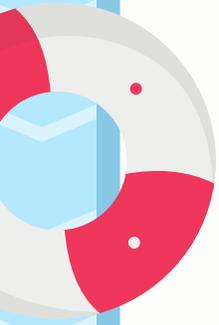
All Grade 7 students should be extremely proud of their excellent work in drama class this year; we look forward to seeing you all in Grade 8!



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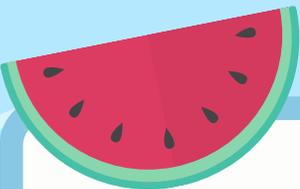
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# Music and Band News

## Level One Festival:

Congratulations to the Grade 6 and 7 Concert Bands on their performances at the Manitoba Band Association Level One Band Festival. Each ensemble performed three pieces and participated in two workshops. Thank you to the family and friends for attending the performances!

## Children's Day:

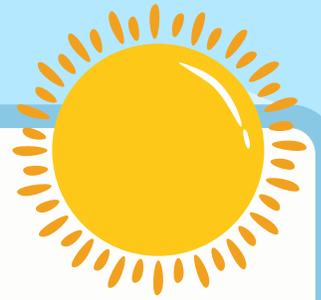
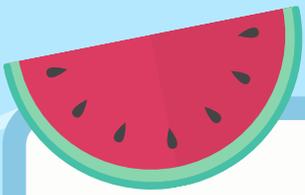
Congratulations to the grade 5 students who participated in a full day of music making at the Manitoba Orff Chapter's Children's Day. One to two students from each class were invited to participate in different activities that included drumming, movement, recorder, and much more, and participated in a small sharing session.

## Grade 4 Choir Performance:

Congratulations to the Grade 4 Choir on their performance for the incoming ERP students on May 1. The choir performed the song, "Friends Forever", and had the opportunity to share their music with our new ERP family members.

## Grade 6-8 Spring Band Concerts:

Congratulations to all band students on their performances at the Spring Band Concerts. It was so wonderful to have a full gym at CPET at each of the performances to support and celebrate the students' hard work!



### **Grade 5 Musicals:**

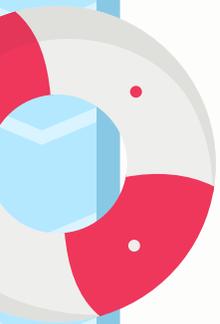
Congratulations to all grade 5 students on their performances of both musicals. Each musical was the classes' own unique spin on the stories of "Despicable Me" and "The Addams Family". Thank you to all the family and friends who made it out to support our students!

### **Jazz Cabaret:**

Congratulations to the Grade 7 and 8 Jazz Bands on their performances at the return of the ERP Jazz Cabaret! The ensembles performed outside in front of the school and had the opportunity to share the stage with their future peers from Ecole Dugald's Jazz Band.

### **Community Jazz Tour:**

Thank you to the Grade 7 and 8 Jazz Bands for their participation during the Community Jazz Tour on June 23. The ensembles performed for the students at Ecole Margaret Underhill and Ecole Centrale and finished up with a celebration at Chateau Lanes.



# Phys. Ed News

There were a lot of athletic activities to wrap up the school year at all levels. Our athletes all competed exceptionally well in track and field from grades 5-8. Shout out to some students who had excellent results at the divisional track meets: In grade 5, Mila and Sam placed (top 2) in the 70m, Adrian and Sawyer placed in the 800m, and Sam placed again in the long jump. In team events ERP pursuit relay team of Deborah, Shekinah, Paige, Chelsey, Sawyer, and Peter placed and ERP shuttle relay team of Elisa, Lisa, Adrian, Kian, Jaiyana, and Noelle were the quickest team in the division! At the grade 7 level, Ryder Carnegie placed 1st in long jump and second in the 100m. Congratulations to these outstanding athletes!

Soccer for grades 4-6 was also very successful; we had a huge turnout and had lots of fun.

Lastly our spring cross-country club had a good time getting everyone back into shape with a little bit of running in the morning. We had a great Saturday morning fun run with both Ecole Margret-Underhill and Ecole Centrale! Thank you as well to all the grade 7's from ERP who helped out with marking the course and keeping everyone on the right path!

Big thanks to all grade 8 gym leadership students for helping run and coach teams this month and throughout the whole school year. We could not provide these experiences for our younger students without them!

ERP entered 2 teams into Dragonboat races in early June, and they placed 1st and 2nd overall. It was an awesome day on the river.

What a great month. Hope everyone has an awesome summer full of physical activity!

-Mme Pierce, M Trudeau, M Kilpatrick

# Safety Patrol Team

Another successful year for the ERP Street Safety Patrols. Our patrols from grades 5 and 6 did a great job, working through heat, cold, snow and rain! They kept students safe crossing the road and did so with a smile every day. A huge thank you to the grade 6 students for their last 2 years of patrol service. Your leadership will be missed on our team as you move on to grade 7 and other leadership opportunities. We are excited to welcome back the grade 5 students as they move into the role of patrol leaders. We also want to extend a warm welcome to the current grade 4 students who have signed on to help the team this coming year. Being a school patrol is a great opportunity for students to provide service to the school community as they take on the responsibility of this role.



# Counsellor's Corner

Building capacity and skills for ERP students

Summer break is fast approaching and there have been so many opportunities for our students to learn and grow.

Gr.6-Most students participated in this opportunity to take the Babysitting Basics course. This was a busy day but the feedback was so positive and many students are looking forward to getting their first job this summer.

Music and Dog therapy wrapped up this month. Looking forward to next year with continuing creative social emotional supports.

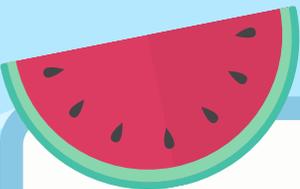
Gr.6,7,8 students were also able to attend the Skills Canada career awareness day at the RBC Convention Centre. This was very informative and peaked new interest in possible future careers.



Have a wonderful summer break 😊

Paulette LaFleur

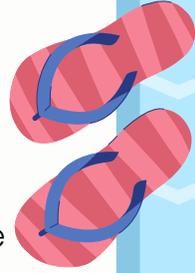
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# SHOW & SAVE

## PAPER COUPON BOOK

### Grade 7 & 8 Class Trip Fundraiser



Our Grade 7 & 8 students will be offered a variety of school trip opportunities during the 2023-2024 school year. They will have the opportunity to fundraise next year to help offset the cost of activities. One of these opportunities will be selling the much-loved Show & Save Coupon Book.

The Book will have thousands of dollars in money saving offers including coupons for purchases at restaurants, golf courses, sporting events, grocery and retail stores throughout the city and province.

For only \$25, you will have endless savings with the Show & Save Coupon Book.

By purchasing your Show & Save from us, you will be working to offset the cost of our child's outings – 100% of the profits of this fundraiser go towards student's trip costs.

Details on the dates for this fundraiser, and others, will be passed along to students and families in the coming school year!

Let your friends and family know on Social Media about this so they too can get in on the savings!





# École Regent Park

## Community Report 2022-2023

4-8 French Immersion

Principal: Lucia Grande  
Vice-Principal: Chris Copping

### Our Mission

June 2023

*Excellence, Responsibility, Participation, Service*

### Code de vie

Respect of self, others, and property

### 2022-2023 Three Priorities

**1. Students will have a sense of attachment in a positive and safe environment that respects diversity, equity, sustainability and inclusivity.** All students participated in establishing a safe and inclusive school environment, while promoting cultural awareness and respecting the values and traditions of others. All expectations fit within the school's mission of Excellence, Responsibility, Participation and Service. Teachers worked continuously to build relationships with students to further establish a culture of respect and caring. Student participation was in full force this year with clubs, sports, field trips, band outings, concerts, musicals, guest speakers and collaborators. To further connections and demonstrate responsibility and service, students were invited to participate in a variety of community projects: Collections for Winnipeg Harvest, Transcona food bank, Siloam Mission, Take Pride Winnipeg, Ukraine fundraisers and the Terry Fox Foundation amongst others. ERP continues to be the site of growth and change, as construction of the new gym and classrooms is taking shape, and the Parent Advisory Council has completed their fundraising for the new playground, with installation slated for August. Students demonstrated environmental responsibility and promoted spending time outdoors through the ERP greening initiative with the installation of 4 new garden boxes. All students took time this year to recognize and pay tribute to the children lost in the Residential school system, exploring the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action and participating in a variety of activities recognizing National Indigenous Day. Staff and students heard from several elders and Indigenous knowledge keepers, while also having the opportunity to explore a room sized map outlining the history of the Indigenous Peoples of Canada. Staff and families celebrated student successes and learning during our community BBQ and student Expo.

**2. Students will express themselves and actively interact with their immersive French environment by demonstrating growth in their ability, ease, and frequency to use the French language.**

All students at ERP increased and strengthened their reading fluency, comprehension and critical analysis of texts in both languages. Teachers continued their professional learning with a book study of Schools That Matter, as they worked to connect their practices to focus on the whole student—Mind, body, Emotions and Spirit. All students continued to grow their inquiry skills through a variety of in class projects. Professional development was continued around engaging ways to promote the French language through games and student centered activities. Students shared some of this learning exploration at the March Student Expo. Students were provided extra reading and comprehension support with 2 literacy support workers this year. Rich literature was purchased for all classroom libraries focussing on diversity, equity, culture and gender identity.

**3. Students will become independent, confident, accurate and efficient sense makers in math.**

All students at ERP continued to increase and strengthen their collaboration and problem solving strategies in Mathématiques. Students worked through real world math problems as they connected to other curricular areas. They worked to find solutions to problems and think critically and collaborate with others. ERP hosted professional development math sessions for teachers to explore problem solving and math instruction strategies. Cross curricular inquiry projects and virtual platforms provided students with the opportunity to think critically, and problem solve together. Teachers continued to work on building student confidence through the development of a growth mindset as they work on a positive, authentic approach to Numeracy.

### **ABOUT US**

Gr. 4 to 8 - 520 students  
2 Gr.4 classrooms  
6 Gr.5 classrooms  
4 Gr. 6 classrooms  
5 Gr. 7 classrooms  
4 Gr. 8 classrooms

#### **Staff:**

22 Classroom Teachers  
3 St. services Teachers  
3 Physical Ed. Teachers  
2 Music teachers  
1 Industrial Arts teacher  
0.5 Teacher Librarian  
1 Library Tech  
4 Educational Assistant  
2 Literacy support workers  
2 Administrators  
2 Admin Clerks  
2 Custodians  
2 Custodial Aides

#### **Major focus:**

- Safe and Caring School  
- Literacy Numeracy/Tech.  
- Cultural and Indigenous Academic Achievement

#### **ERP Before & After School Program**

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Exec. Director  
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4-8 French Immersion

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### ERP Highlights 2022-2023

- ◆ 520 students at ERP this year
- ◆ Community Open House BBQ (over 700 hot dogs served!)
- ◆ Over \$120 000 raised by our PAC towards the playground structure
- ◆ Festival du Voyageur activities and a pancake breakfast for all grades
- ◆ Guest speakers that connect to curricular objectives, social justice initiatives and Indigenous teachings
- ◆ Field trips—Oak Hammock, Museums, Kildonan Park, Birds Hill, Goldeyes game, Skills Canada, Assiniboine Park Zoo, etc...
- ◆ 2 Middle years dances (including the grade 6s for the 1st time)
- ◆ Monthly assemblies— Terry Fox, Orange shirt day, Remembrance Day, Rick Hansen Foundation, Literacy, anti-bullying (Pink Shirt), MMIWC.
- ◆ Food collection for Transcona Food Bank and hampers for community families
- ◆ In-person learning EXPO evening celebrating student success for families
- ◆ School wide preparation of Red Dresses (recognizing Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Children). Reconciliation ceremony, welcomed Elders and Indigenous Knowledge Keepers.
- ◆ Student choice days : Wellness day and activities recognizing National Indigenous Day
- ◆ Building of 4 new garden boxes and planting in existing gardens around the school to link to curricular objectives
- ◆ Grade 8 student leadership. Student service to others including events at EC and EMU.
- ◆ Outdoor Jazz Cabaret
- ◆ Year-end out of school celebrations at each grade level
- ◆ Construction of the new gymnasium and classrooms is taking shape!



June 2023



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### ERP Parent Advisory Council

**President:**  
Corinne Wyatt  
**VP :**  
Heather Fleming  
**Secretary:**  
Gisele Cox  
**Treasurer:**  
Michelle Ritsema

### Closing Remarks

We started up in September with a focus on connecting our staff and students in working with teachers in getting to know each of their students strengths and interests. We continued to connect with school wide assemblies and a large variety of activities that promote connections, relationship building and creating a sense of belonging. Student mental health has continued to be a primary focus of teachers to ensure everyone feels safe and welcome. We continue to focus on curriculum objectives in an enriching environment while promoting our school motto which is based on the Circle of Courage: Excellence (Mastery), Responsibility (Independence), Participation (Belonging) and Service (Generosity).

We continue to see a lot of physical change in our building as we anxiously await the completion of the new gymnasium, band room, home ec room and new classrooms. The phys ed staff continue to be ultra flexible as they adapted to the loss of storage and teaching spaces have shifted outdoors once again. We could not be prouder of our students and staff for their dedication and tireless efforts through the year as we continue to shift according to the spaces that are available. Through an exhausting fundraising effort, the ERP PAC was able to raise enough funds to purchase a playstructure, which is slated for installation this August! Our ERP staff is an amazing collection of educators who are energetic, passionate and committed to the endless possibilities for growth and learning. We would also like to acknowledge all our ERP families and PAC for their constant support and contributions. And...with great anticipation and excitement the ERP family will continue to grow as we welcome students in grades 2 & 3 in September!



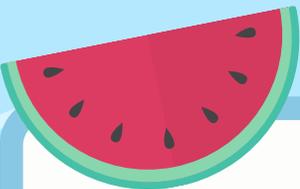
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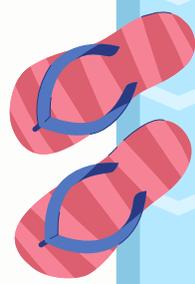
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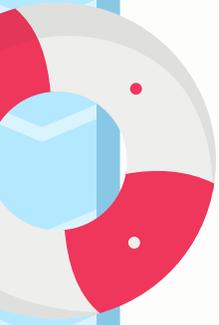
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# Report Cards and Class Placements



A friendly reminder to all families that your student (s) report card is available on the Parent Portal. You will require your parent portal credentials to access the report cards. Parents who are not able to access report cards on the parent portal will be able to contact the school today, and if not, when we re-open in August. Your student's schedule and homeroom placement are also located on the Parent Portal site.



Have a safe and fun summer!  
À bientôt !

-École Regent Park staff

