

RADISSON SCHOOL

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JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

LOCKDOWN PROCEDURES

As a school community, we practice lockdown procedures several times each year as part of safety preparedness.

Our next lockdown drill will be on February 21, 2019 in the morning. Staff explain the safety drill to students and practice the procedures involved prior to the drill. Signs will be posted on exit doors informing students, visitors to the school, family members or members of our community. All members of our school community and any visitors in the school respond quickly to instructions for the lockdown drill.

The creation of a safe culture depends on good planning and communication. If parents have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office.

Each school year we have two "lockdown" drills (threat is inside the building and students do not leave their safe area - no entry of visitors into the school) and one "hold & secure" drill (danger outside the building, and students are kept inside of the school), sharing with students the expectations and procedures for safety during these situations.

Thank you for working in cooperation with school staff as we practice safe procedures at Radisson School.

-Ms. Folkerts
Principal

Schools in our division are located on Treaty One territory, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota and Dene peoples, and the homeland of the Métis Nation.

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School Times:

School Start Time----- 8:45 am

Lunch Begins ----- 11:40 am

Lunch Ends----- 12:40 pm

Dismissal ----- 3:25 pm

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KINDERGARTEN

A New Year... A New Goal

The first week back at school after the winter break was spent talking about goals...what a goal is and what our personal goal for 2019 might be. We spent time sharing, talking, reading, drawing, writing and celebrating our goals for the coming year. Below you will find the goals we have in mind to help us learn new things or get better at something.

I want to learn to throw a football. Ricky
I want to build cool new things with Lego. Andrew
I want to learn to garden. Presley
I want to learn to calm myself. Zachary
I want to learn to skate. Everley
I want to learn Karate skills. Declan
I want to draw a unicorn. Brooklyn
I want to learn to paint my mom's nails. Alyssa
I want to read. Marco
I want to run without falling. Jaap
I want to play baseball. Aseel
I want to learn to cut grass. Lucas
I want to decorate a tree by myself. Madison
I want to skate. Jocelyn
I want to build a snowman. Harvey

If you would like to see our Kid Writing and Art, check out the bulletin board outside the Kindergarten room.
Happy New Year!
By Kindergarten (Days 2, 4, 6)

Kindergarten (Days 1, 3 5)

Play-based learning is a very important part of our kindergarten day. It promotes collaboration, imagination, creativity and builds many positive relationships. Last month both Mrs. Hornung and Ms. Bells classes decided to make a restaurant together. Mrs. Hornung's class wanted to change the restaurant this month and came up with the idea to build an ice rink! We made pretend snacks to sell, a drink machine/popcorn machine, a snowman to build, signs for our rink, a fire pit to warm up our hands and of course a rink to skate on! Here is a letter that we wrote together as a shared write to Ms. Bells class:

Dear Ms. Bell's Class,

Do you want to make a skating rink with us in our classroom? We want to make snacks to sell like popcorn, pretzels and hot chocolate. Can you help us make the signs? We will make the skates and the ice. Make sure to bring your mittens and hats, it might get cold!!! Brrrrrr!

Thanks for helping us.

*Love, The Caring Kindergartens
(days 1, 3 & 5)*

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for Kindergarten for the school year 2019/2020 starting **Monday, March 4th, 2019** at 8:00 am in the school office. Kindergarten registration is open to all children born in 2014. This means that your child must have their fifth birthday on or before December 31, 2019. Kindergarten programming in RETSD is full-day, every-other-day schedules.

In order to register your child, you must bring two pieces of identification that provide proof of address such as your driver's license and your Manitoba Health Card PLUS one piece of identification that provides proof of age of your child such as their Birth Certificate or Baptismal Certificate. This information must be presented at the time of registration.



RIVER RIDGE HOME - CONNECTING WITH SENIORS

In talking with Miss B., we decided it would be a good idea to show people that we care and love them during the Christmas season. We visited River Ridge with our Grade 1 reading buddies, in room 10. One of the things we appreciated about our visit to River Ridge was how the elderly people welcomed us into their "home" with open hearts. We really enjoyed meeting everyone, especially Miss. B.'s Grandma, and liked how they treated us with such kindness. We started our visit by singing Christmas carols to them in their lunch room. The carols we sang to them were *We Wish You a Merry Christmas*, *Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer* and *Jingle Bells*.

Another reason we enjoyed our visit to River Ridge was to share handmade Christmas cards and ornaments with everyone. Doing this felt incredibly good because some of the residents might not have family to celebrate Christmas with them. We really liked visiting River Ridge was because we got to play board and card games together. We were SO happy, and they were SO happy exchanging Christmas and a Happy New Year wishes. We enjoyed our visit SO much that we will be returning February 14th, Valentines Day, to further develop our relationships, do crafts together and play games.

Shared write, Room 1, Grade 5



MALALA'S MAGIC PENCIL

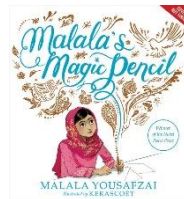
A Shared Write by The Grade 1 Students in Room 13

Do you believe in magic? We do!! In grade 1, Mrs. Lorentz, our classroom volunteer told us a story she heard on the news. It was about the homeless people in Winnipeg. They were given winter jackets that turned into sleeping bags. We thought that was a great idea because it is so cold outside. This story reminded us of Malala, a girl who helps people. She is Mrs. Hoskins' hero. Next, Mrs. Hoskins read us a book called *Malala's Magic Pencil*.

Malala is a girl who lives in Pakistan. She wasn't allowed to go to school because in her country girls were not allowed to go to school. But she did!!

When Malala was a little girl, her favourite tv show was about a boy who had a magic pencil. Malala dreamt about having her own magic pencil. It was magic because whatever the boy drew, it became real. Malala thought if she had a magic pencil, she could draw buildings for all kids to go to school for free. Malala thought that she could draw lots of things to make people's lives better. I you had a magic pencil, what would you draw?

- I would draw food, water and clothes for the homeless people - Brielle
- I would draw buildings for the homeless to live in - Analee
- I would build a big restaurant where people can eat for free - Josh D.
- I would draw houses for people to live in - Ryland, Josh, Carter
- I would draw food like milk and cereal for the homeless people - David
- I would draw one million dollars and a credit card too - Moses
- I would draw water and a turkey for them to eat - Zoran
- I would draw shoes for the homeless to wear - Elia
- I would draw a million bucks for video games - Hunter
- I would draw houses and buildings for them - Kade
- I would draw a house for the homeless people - Marissa
- I would draw food for people who don't have food - Dredan
- I would draw a home for the homeless - Bentley
- I would draw a building where they can play and have fun - Mrs. Baird
- I would draw a bunch of food to feed the homeless - Ms. Marie



KOATS FOR KIDS

Thank you to Mrs. Strempler, our Community Connector for organising the United Way Koats for Kids collection. This has been a great opportunity to help those in need by donating and re-gifting gently used winter clothing to children in our city. The school community donated many items such as coats, ski-pants, boots, mittens, scarves and toques. In total 5 large boxes were dropped off at the Day Street Fire Hall. Thank you for sharing the warmth!



LIBRARY NEWS...

Welcome back Radisson school and families. 2019 is upon us, and with the break and the excitement of the holidays behind us, we just wanted to give everyone a refresher of your child's library routine. Every class has a scheduled time for book exchanges once during a 6-day cycle. Each library class, the children will return their books and will then be able to sign out new items. If for some reason the student has forgotten their book then they will get a printed reminder of what is signed out so that you can help them locate these misplaced items. Remember, lost books are costly to the library so please help your children to take good care of our school library's items.

Here is a reminder of the days your child(ren) has library:

Day 3: Room 2, Room 10, Room 13, Room 17, Room 18 and Kindergarten

Day 4: Room 1 and Room 11

Day 6: Room 4, and Kindergarten

Please make a note of these days so that you can help remind your child(ren) when to return their books!

February is, once again, looking to be a busy and exciting month filled with great events and happenings for I love to read. In addition to some DEARs (Drop Everything And Read), Radisson library will host a new grade on special lunch hours to cozy up and read in the library. On these days, students will be invited to bring a stuffed friend from home, if they choose, so that they can read to a buddy. Check out our I Love To Read calendar in the newsletter for all the fun and exciting events taking place this month.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to Radisson in March, and we need your help to decorate. For this spring's "Dino-Mite" book fair, we are asking students to create a dinosaur. They can use materials they find at home, whether it be recyclable items, clay, LEGO or something else. We only ask that the students remember to put their name and room number on the item, and that they be creative!!! Please make sure that the characters are small enough to be easily transported to school with your child. Entries will be accepted until March 12.

Dear Radisson Families,

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school, and we invite you to share in this celebration of books and reading with us. Did you know that for every \$10 you spend at the Fair up to \$6 comes directly back to our school? This allows us to purchase needed books and educational resources for the library. At the fair, we will accept cheques, made payable to Radisson School, Visa, Mastercard and American Express. We will also have Debit available!

During the week of the book fair, students will have a chance to visit the fair with their class, and will be allowed to purchase books during select recesses throughout the week. For our Radisson families, join us for the Family Event, where you'll find something for everyone. While you're there, don't forget to enter our family event draw for a chance to win \$50 in books (\$25 for your family and \$25 for your child's classroom)! If you are unable to visit the fair during this time, look over the highlights flyer coming home soon with your child, and use the student wish list form to select books. Then simply send the correct amount of money to school with your child.

Once again, we will have the Classroom Wish List display for parents interested in helping us build classroom libraries. By purchasing books and donating them to your child's teacher, you give students even greater access to books.

Don't forget to mark the Book Fair dates on your calendar! We look forward to seeing you during our Scholastic Book Fair and thank you, in advance, for supporting this great literary fundraiser. Mostly, thank you for believing in books and the importance reading has on your child's future.

BOOK FAIR DATES: March 11 - 15

FAMILY EVENT: March 14 3:30pm - 8:00pm
 March 15 9:00am - 2:00pm

****PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FAIR WILL BE CLOSED PROMPTLY AT 2:00PM ON THE 24, IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR ADEQUATE TIME TO CLEAN UP. PLEASE PLAN YOUR VISIT ACCORDINGLY****

February 2019 I Love To Read

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1 Day 2 Co-ordinated Day NO CLASSES World Read Aloud Day
4 Day 3 Teacher Swap Read Aloud	5 Day 4 I Love to Read Kick-Off Assembly	6 Day 5 Drop Everything And Read (period 3)	7 Day 6 Grade 2's Library Read-In @ lunch	8 Day 1 Read your T-Shirt Day
11 Day 2 Guess the "Book to Movie" Door	12 Day 3 Grade 4's Library Read-In @ lunch	13 Day 4 Grade 3's Library Read-In @ lunch	14 Day 5 Valentine's Day Wear Red & White	15 Day 6 Drop Everything And Read (period 7)
18 Louis Riel Day NO SCHOOL	19 Day 1 Drop Everything And Read (period 7)	20 Day 2 Book/Movie Character Day	21 Day 3 Grade 1's Library Read-In @ lunch	22 Day 4 Popcorn & Pyjama Movie Day
25 Day 5 Book/Movie Character Day Winners announced	26 Day 6 Grade 5's Library Read-In @ lunch	27 Day 1 Literacy Night	28 Day 2 Drop Everything And Read (period 3)	

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS...

Radisson Grade 5 Volleyball Team

Coaches: Ms. Friesen, Ms. Eichler & Ms. Brnjas

Radisson had 2 teams that took part in the Divisional triple ball Volleyball Tournament at Bernie Wolfe Community School in December. The teams represented Radisson well. They demonstrated fair play, incredible skills and terrific teamwork. The coaches were very proud of the team and how the players performed. Thank you to all the staff that helped make this season so successful for our athletes.



Floor Hockey

All interested grade 3,4 and 5 students have been assigned an NHL Canadian Hockey team to play for during our lunch time intramurals. Intramurals will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays until end of February. The top team will face off against the staff in a floor hockey competition sometime before spring break. The grade 5 leadership team is assisting with refereeing the games during the lunch hour. Thank you to Ms. Eichler and our Educational Assistants for supporting our students.



Tumbling Rally

The Tumble Rally (gymnastics) club for grade 3,4 and 5 is in full swing and will run through until the performance night on March 19th at Kildonan East Collegiate in the evening. The team is practicing twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays during the lunch hour, and a few after school practices. Thank you to our coaches for supporting our gymnasts.



MUSICALLY SPEAKING ...

In the music room we have been learning about the families of the orchestra with all our students. Woodwinds, brass, strings and percussion - there have been many new instruments to discover and names to remember. We have also enjoyed watching YouTube clips of some excellent performances on these instruments.

On January 15 the Grade 3's went to hear the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra perform their student concert *How the Gimquat Found her Song*. It was an adventure through time where we heard wonderful music composed by composers from different time periods to help the Gimquat find her song.

The Grade 5's have had a number of opportunities to experience band instruments and hear band music in this month. On January 23 they went to John Gunn to hear the Band concert performed by the Grade 6 band, Grade 7 band, Grade 8 band and Jazz Band. We then had Mr. M. Wichert, the band instructor at John W. Gunn, come to Radisson to talk about the band option for next year. It was a great opportunity to see what playing in a band might be like and to have many of our questions answered by Mr. Wichert. It will soon be time to make some decisions for next year between band and art and this experience will hopefully help the Grade 5's do to that more knowledgably.



Making music together is a joy and a privilege at Radisson! Thank you for supporting and encouraging your child in this wonderful art that supports and expands our learning.

"Sing" cerely,

Ms. J. Hildebrand

RETSD SCHOOL BOUNDARIES

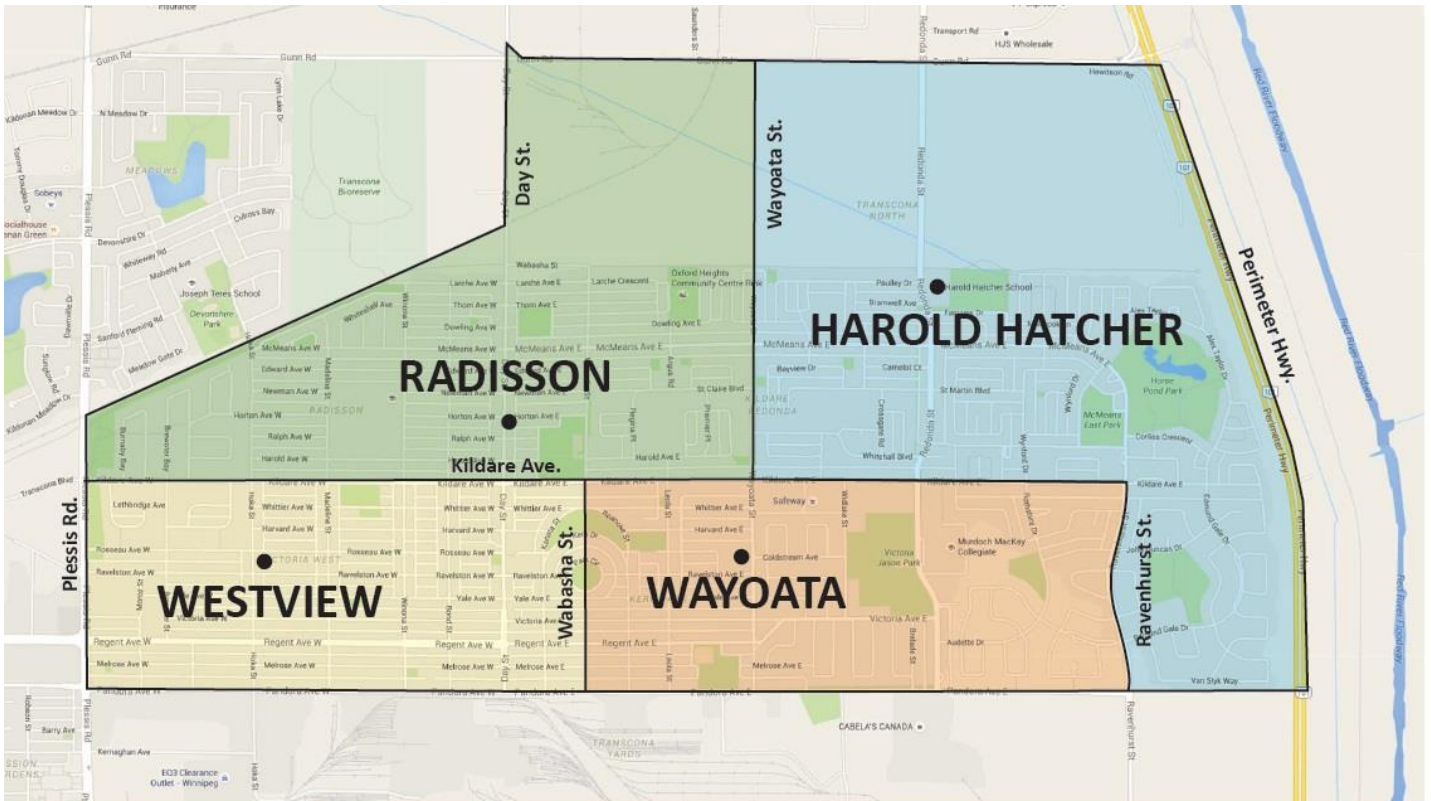
In 2017, River East Transcona School Division realigned the school boundaries in Transcona to accommodate projected enrolment and facility space issues. The following schools were affected:

Early Years: Harold Hatcher; Wayoata, Radisson, Westview

Middle Years: Arthur Day, John W. Gunn

Senior Years: Murdoch MacKay, Transcona Collegiate

The maps attached outline the boundaries for these early, middle and senior years schools.



Transcona Catchment Area • Early Years

**GOING IN TO GRADE 6 AND LOOKING FOR A
NEW CHALLENGE?
EXPLORE THE
LATE ENTRY FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM
AT
MUNROE JUNIOR HIGH
405 Munroe Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba**

Available to all RETSD students

Parent Information Evening
February 6, 2019 @ 6:00p.m.

Grade 5 families...

Registration package for John W. Gunn Middle School will be sent home this week. This registration package must be completed and returned back to Radisson by **Monday, February 4, 2019.**

THESE EVENTS ARE FREE BUT YOU MUST REGISTER – SEE OTHER SIDE FOR DATES

Countdown to Kindergarten Preschool Growing & Learning Days

Is kindergarten just around the bend for your child? If so, we can help you stay ahead of the curve, learn a thing or two about what to expect, and have fun at the same time!

If your child will be attending kindergarten in our division in the year 2019, you are invited to attend one of our free Preschool Growing & Learning events this spring.

Get a taste of school and meet the friendly, helpful people you'll find in it. Kindergarten, resource and gym teachers will be on hand with all kinds of games and activities for you to enjoy.

Meet principals, vice-principals and student support staff, as well as clinicians, public health nurses and other community service providers who have helpful information for you. You can even get your child's hearing and vision screened. The activities/screening stations take approximately 90 minutes to complete.

Registration begins March 4, 2019

Call: 204.669.4043

E-mail: kinderlinks@retsd.mb.ca

Visit: www.retsd.mb.ca

Dates and locations are listed on the reverse side of this handout.

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THESE EVENTS ARE FREE BUT YOU MUST REGISTER – SEE OTHER SIDE FOR INFO

Countdown to Kindergarten Preschool Growing & Learning Days

Event schedule: The activities/screening stations take approximately 90 minutes to complete.

Lord Wolseley, Polson,
Princess Margaret, Neil
Campbell, Angus McKay,
Springfield Heights,
Prince Edward

Lord Wolseley
939 Henderson Hwy.
Thursday, April 11, 2019
2–6 p.m.

Harold Hatcher, Radisson,
Wayoata, École Margaret
Underhill

Harold Hatcher
500 Redonda St.
Wednesday, April 17, 2019
2–6 p.m.

John Pritchard, Maple Leaf,
Sun Valley, Donwood, Emerson,
Dr. Hamilton, Bird's Hill

John Pritchard
1490 Henderson Hwy.
Wednesday, April 24, 2019
2–6 p.m.

Westview, Joseph Teres,
Bernie Wolfe, École Centrale

Westview
600 Hoka St.
Wednesday, May 1, 2019
2–6 p.m.

Salisbury Morse Place, Sherwood,
Hampstead, John de Graff,
Bertrun E. Glavin

Salisbury Morse Place
795 Prince Rupert Ave.
Thursday, May 9, 2019
2–6 p.m.

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TIME TO BUNDLE UP!

RETSD Cold Weather Guidelines

Sometimes, severe weather requires us to make changes to busing, outdoor recess, and safety patrolling to keep your children safe.

Busing

When the temperature or wind chill is -45C or colder at The Forks, metro Winnipeg school divisions (RETSD included) cancel buses for the entire day—but schools usually remain open.

We will post a cancellation alert on the RETSD website home page if buses are cancelled, and alert the media. If we have not posted a cancellation alert by 6:45 a.m., buses are running.

Indoor Recess

When the temperature or wind chill is between -25°C and -27°C, a shortened recess period may be warranted. When it is below -27°C, recess is usually moved indoors. This is at the discretion of the principal.

School Patrols

When the temperature or wind chill is between -27°C and -34°C, patrols will remain on post for 10 minutes. When it is -34°C and below, patrols will remain on post for five minutes. At -40°C and below, no patrols will be on duty.

School Closures

Schools very rarely close due to winter weather.

Winter Clothing

Please ensure that your child comes dressed appropriately for the weather each day. When the temperature or wind chill is between -27°C and -34°C, warm winter clothing is essential, and facial protection is recommended. When it is -34°C and below, facial protection is essential, and it's recommended that children avoid going outdoors unaccompanied—skin will freeze in less than 10 minutes.

If you have any questions not addressed by these guidelines, please contact your child's school.



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 Like and follow us to stay up-to-date on what's
 happening in the division.



PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS 2019 (MIDDLE YEARS)

Arthur Day Middle School	Feb. 13 at 6 p.m.
Chief Peguis Junior High	Feb. 20 at 6 p.m.
École Regent Park School	Feb. 25 at 7 p.m.
John Henderson Junior High School	Feb. 19 at 6:30 p.m.
John Pritchard School	Feb. 12 at 6:30 p.m.
John W. Gunn Middle School	Feb. 19 at 6 p.m.
Munroe Junior High School	
Gr. 6 English, Late French Immersion	Feb. 6 at 6 p.m.
Robert Andrews School	Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m.
Salisbury Morse Place School	Feb. 7 at 6 p.m.
Valley Gardens Middle School	Feb. 12 at 6 p.m.

By becoming better informed, parents can help their children make appropriate course selections that will lead to realistic and meaningful career choices.



RADISSON SCHOOL 2018-2019 YEAR AT A GLANCE

Feb 18	Louis Riel Day - NO SCHOOL
Feb 20	Early Dismissal, 2:40 pm
Feb 21	Lockdown drill am
Feb 27	Family Literacy Parent Night 6:30-7:30 p.m., Literacy Committee
March 1	Classes am/- Report Card Writing in pm (No pm classes) - Students dismissed at 11:40 am
March 4-8	2019-2020 Kindergarten Registration week
March 11	Parent Portal Publishing
March 14	Student-led Conferences after school and evening
March 15	AM Student-led Conferences - Coordinated Day - pm PD- NO SCHOOL ALL DAY Student-led conferences am / Staff professional development pm
March 25 - 29	Spring Break
April 1	First Day of School after Spring Break
April 1-5	Artist in the School
April 10	Early Dismissal, 2:40 pm
April 15 - 18	Residential Schools Residency
April 17	Growing & Learning at Harold Hatcher School
April 19	Good Friday, No School
April 22	Earth Day Assembly, am
April 26	Coordinated Day - NO SCHOOL
May 3	Transcona BIZ Community Clean-up
May 8	Early Dismissal, 2:40 pm
May 9	Transcona Spring IAA Feast
May 10	Transcona BIZ Community Clean-up Rain Date
May 20	Victoria Day - NO SCHOOL
May 23	Dancing in the Field, pm/Kindergarten information Evening 6:30 pm
May 28	Dancing in the Field Rain Date
June 6	RETSD Grade 4 & 5 Track & Field at Radisson
June 7	Report Card Writing - NO SCHOOL
June 11	RETSD Grade 4 & 5 Track & Field at Radisson, Rain Date
June 12	Grade 5 Farewell Field Trip, Museum of Human Rights
June 13	Skittles Day
June 20	Grade 5 Farewell, 9:15 am
June 27	Year-End Farewell, 9:15 am
June 28	Last day of School, early dismissal 2:25 pm
June 28	Student Report Cards published to Parent Portal

