

SALISBURY MORSE PLACE SCHOOL

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March Newsletter



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happening in the division.*



Principal's Message:

Happy Spring!

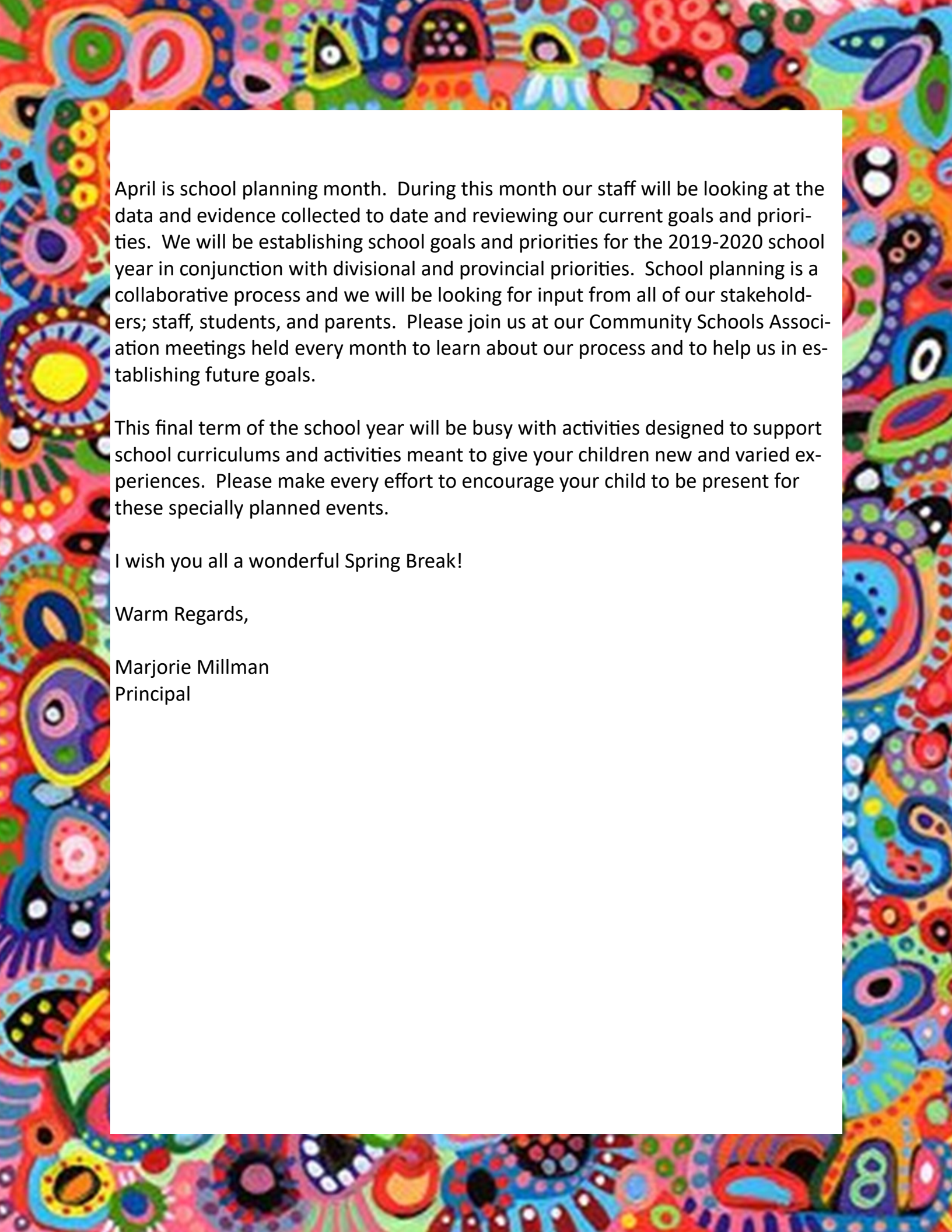
After a long, cold winter it is good to breathe the spring air. I personally am enjoying the longer days and the warm sun. While spring is finally in the air, the weather can be confusing with one day being warm and the next being cold. This can make it difficult to know how to dress your children for school. We advise you to pack an extra pair of socks and pants in your child's backpack for those puddle accidents. Please make sure to label everything!

As we wrap up the 2nd term and head into 3rd term, I am amazed at all that we've done in the last few months:

- We fed over 700 people at our Festival du voyageur breakfast
- All grades took part in Festival du voyageur outdoor activities
- Grade 7 & 8 band students enjoyed a two-day retreat at Camp Cedarwood while the art students took part in a special workshop at the Winnipeg Art Gallery
- Grade 6, 7 & 8 students ended their basketball season with all teams demonstrating significant improvement and teamwork.
- Early years students participated in the after-school Literacy Club
- The SMP literacy committee hosted a Family Literacy Night.
- We hosted the kindergarten and grade 6 open houses
- Many students in grades 1 – 6 students participated in the Mad Science after-school club.
- Students and staff celebrated I Love to Read month with a variety of activities including classrooms who took part in the Tournament of Books – stay tuned to find out the winning book!
- Grade 7 students participated in the Spaghetti Bridge competition
- Student-led conferences were very well attended and students got to “shine” as they demonstrated their learning to their families
- Grade 1 – 5 students performed in an amazing gymnastics, dance, and drumming extravaganza

Congratulations to all students who participated in the clubs and activities we offer at SMP. Thank you to our many staff members who volunteer your time to enhance our students' school experience. We could not do it without your support.

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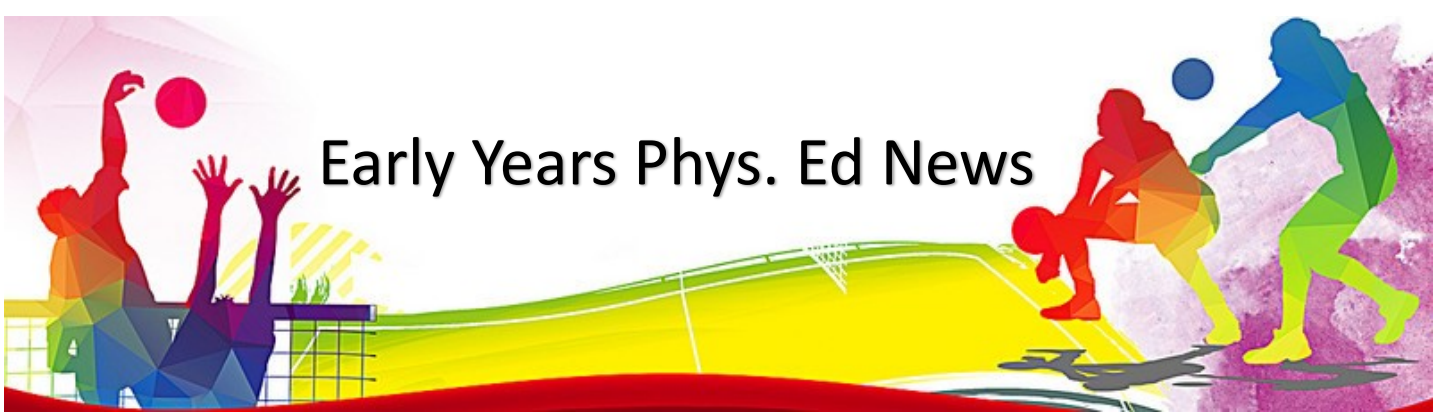
April is school planning month. During this month our staff will be looking at the data and evidence collected to date and reviewing our current goals and priorities. We will be establishing school goals and priorities for the 2019-2020 school year in conjunction with divisional and provincial priorities. School planning is a collaborative process and we will be looking for input from all of our stakeholders; staff, students, and parents. Please join us at our Community Schools Association meetings held every month to learn about our process and to help us in establishing future goals.

This final term of the school year will be busy with activities designed to support school curriculums and activities meant to give your children new and varied experiences. Please make every effort to encourage your child to be present for these specially planned events.

I wish you all a wonderful Spring Break!

Warm Regards,

Marjorie Millman
Principal



Early Years Phys. Ed News

What a busy few months!!! In the last newsletter, students from grade 4 and 5 had just completed their mini basketball tournament and we had begun the Gymnastics Club. The students' hard work is once again ready to be displayed. On Thursday, March 21, several students from grade 3,4 and 5 will get the chance to show off their gymnastics skills at the 2nd Annual Extravaganza Evening. Congratulations to Aylah, Victoria, Miley, Alexis McR, Ava-Lynn, Debbie, Zion, Avery, Ezekiel, Madden, Even, Veda, Madison, Elise, Mari, Alexis N, Ashley, Gabby, Rachele, Triana, Mya, Ciara, Brylee, Caitlin, Maya, Amber, Arvalee, Morgan, Debora, Laylee, Allyson, Fifi, Isabella, Ayat, Emily, Abigail and Esther for their dedication. A great big thank you to Ms Warkentin, Mrs Lumb, Mrs Tryon, and Mme Sara for their many hours of coaching.

The Extravaganza will also have presentations by the grade 1,2, 3 Dance Club, and the Grade 4-5 Dance Club directed by Miss Zawadowski and Mme Sara. These students have learned two separate dance routines, along with a warm up routine and a finale with the Gymnastics Club.

Mrs. Neufeld prepared a group of Grade 3 students to perform two routines during the evening, and they will also be part of the FINALE. We look forward to showing off all that we learned and can't wait to knock your socks off!!!!

Along with these clubs, a floor hockey recess club also began at the beginning of March for grade 3-5 students. Twelve teams were placed into 2 separate pools. Each team got the chance to play three games. The top 4 teams from each pool then advanced to the playoff rounds. At the time of print, Canada was playing Norway. The winner of this match will play the teacher's All-Star team on Thursday, March 21 at lunchtime. We congratulate everyone for the teamwork and joy that was displayed at each game.

When we return to school after spring break, there will be a badminton club offered to the grade 3-5 students, as well as a skipping club for 1-5 students. The 28th annual Milk Spirit Week will take place at the end of April, including the Jump Off and many opportunities to enjoy dairy products and many milk prizes.

Enjoy the warm weather that is on its way.

Mme Gagnon



PLANT SALE FUNDRAISER

The **SMP Band Parents Association** would like to invite you to participate in our **Glenlea Greenhouse Plant Sale**. This is a sale of bedding plants, hanging baskets, vegetables, herbs, container gardens and Plant Cards (gift certificates). Check out the on-line catalogue for products at www.glenleagreenhouses.com, whose prices are competitive with garden centres and are of excellent quality. All pricing includes taxes.

Paper order forms are due: **Friday, March 22nd** (last day before spring break), but **on-line orders can be accepted until April 7th**. The plants will be delivered to Salisbury Morse Place School on **Tuesday, May 14th** and available for pick up between **11:45 am – 5:00 pm**, just in time for planting on the May long weekend.

If you are interested in helping us sort plants, ***WE NEED YOUR HELP!*** *We are looking for some adult volunteers who could be available to help sort plants and fill orders during the day on **TUESDAY, MAY 14th** starting at **9:00 am**. Please contact Ms. Giese at jgiese@retsd.mb.ca or phone 204-668-9304 if you could spare a couple of hours to help.*

LEVEL 1 BAND FESTIVAL

The Grade 7 and Grade 8 bands will be performing at the band festival, held at Canadian Mennonite University, 600 Shaftsbury Blvd. This will highlight their hard work from band camp in March. Performances are open to the public. Admission is \$2.

Gr. 7 Band performance – Friday, May 3rd 1:40 pm

Gr. 8 Band performance – Wednesday, May 1st 11:20 am

We are currently looking for a few parents who could be available to drive with us to the festival to transport large instruments and possibly students, as there may not be enough room on the bus. Please contact Ms. Giese as soon as possible if you can help on either of these days.





MUSIC NOTES



Congratulations to the Bucket Drumming club members for their dedication and commitment in coming to rehearsals and for their upcoming performance at the Gymnastics Extravaganza!

Bucket Drumming Club will continue to meet during morning recesses after Spring Break.



**The VIPER VOICES
(our Early Years Music Club)
will be performing on the steps of the
Manitoba Legislative building on May 16th
at 11:30 in honor of Music Month in Mani-
toba. Everyone is welcome to attend and
watch!**

More details will be sent home with music club
members after Spring Break
VIPER VOICES will be starting rehearsals on Tues-
day, April 2 during lunch recess.



PATROL CORNER

The patrols continue to keep the students at Salisbury Morse Place school safe while crossing at the busy intersections. **Please help your child make sure they are arriving before attendance is taken and not late, as this affects the whole team.**

The patrols were treated to a movie and pizza lunch on February 13th. They also had a movie morning on March 20th. I am so proud of my team for the seemingly never-ending frigid days on post and contending with less than ideal sidewalk conditions!

Thank you to Mr. Wehrle and Mrs. Tryon for bringing treats for the patrols!

Yours in Safety,
Ms. Gross





CONGRATULATIONS

Patrols of the Month

The patrols of the month for December were
(oops forgot to include these in the last newsletter):

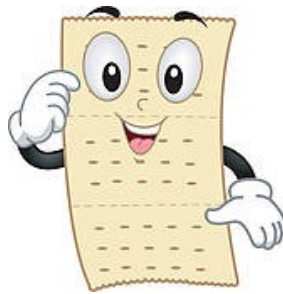
Abdullahi M.
Maddie R.
Arnav S.
Hannah F.
Daniel L.
Jeremy G.

The patrols of the month for February were:

Mathew K.
Montana M.
Danika H.
Mateo O.
Isabella P.
Allyson S.
Natalie F.
Immaculata N.

The patrols of the month for March are:

Nikki C.
Eliane G.
Arvalee K.
Laylee M.
Alexis N.
Abigail D.



Our Camp Canteen is starting up again!

The first one will be Wednesday, April 3, 2019

It is available to all Grade 1-5 students. A canteen cart will travel to each classroom in the afternoon to sell items.

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Ice Cream Sandwiches \$2.00 | Fruit Gummies 75¢ | Sour Keys 50¢ |
| Frozen Yogurt Tubes \$1.00 | Cheese Strings 75¢ | |

Please send money with your child on canteen day if they would like to purchase something.

If you have any questions, please contact the Grade 5 Team (Mr. Vielfaure, Ms. May, Mr. Glowacki and Ms. De Guzman) at 204-668-9304.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Please note the remaining dates for canteen are Wednesdays and Fridays:

April 5th, 10th, 12th, 17th, 24th

May 1st, 3rd, 8th, 10th, 15th, 17th, 22nd, 24th, 29th, 31st

June 5th, 7th

If your child has allergies, please talk to them about what they can purchase. All items are peanut-free; however please see the information below from RETSD:

"Our school is concerned about the health and welfare of all our students. Please note that we cannot guarantee that this snack option is allergy free. We have spoken to the provider and they have indicated that they have not used nuts, peanut butter or peanut oil in this snack. However, if your child has an allergy we encourage you to use this information to make the most appropriate decision for your child. Additionally, please note that RETSD policy states that it is the responsibility of students with life threatening allergies to only eat food provided from home and not purchase food products from school."

MAKERSPACE

Dear SMP Families,

What is a makerspace you may ask? In simple terms, it is a place that allows for creativity and innovation to occur as students engage in learning through hands on experiences. Students will be given time to design, create, build and collaborate. We are so excited to bring this opportunity to our students at SMP, but in order to have spaces that are useful, we are in need of some general household, craft and miscellaneous items. Thank you in advance for any donations that you are willing/able to provide.

ITEMS THAT MAY BE OF USE WOULD INCLUDE...

Legos (new or used)

K'NEX

Used Toy Cars

Popsicle Sticks

Velcro

Masking Tape

Yarn

String

Pipe Cleaners

Rubber Bands

Coffee Filters

Feathers

Felt

Paper Clips

Balloons

Plastic Spoons

Straws

Glue Sticks

Dominos

Paper plates

Toothpicks

Donations can be dropped off in the office



Dear Salisbury Morse Place School,

Is it Spring yet??? The SMP CSA stayed warm and cozy with all our hard work this winter. I really hope we get an early Spring this year, we have earned it!

The Winter Concert Bake Sale brought in \$663.20 that went right back into covering costs for the concert. Thank you to all the volunteers who baked, organized and sold all the baking. It was all so beautiful and very delicious!

Super Bowl Scratch & Score was very successful as well with many ticket orders coming in from the students directly. Thank you to all the volunteers who sold tickets at Sobeys on Reenders over several weekends before the big game. Sobeys personally thanked us for being very polite, friendly and respectful and they've even said we are welcome back anytime! It was a close game, but Tom Brady & the New England Patriots were victorious, and we earned a total of: \$1,815.70. Every year, our school grows and expands and therefore we have the potential to raise more money with this event. Please consider selling tickets to friends & family, volunteering to sell tickets or even help keep track of the winners on the big day. We really want to work SMARTER, not HARDER and this is a fundraiser that is very smart! Thank you to all who made this fundraiser so successful!

The CSA Annual Movie Night is Thursday April 25, 2019!! Please join us for a super fun night of Pizza, Snacks and one lucky winner will take home a copy of the movie we watch!! Please keep your eyes out for more information to be sent home about this event, including Pizza order forms.

Several CSA members and I, along with many many parents & a couple grandparents, came out on Friday February 22 to help with the SMP's annual Festival Du Voyageur Pancake Breakfast! What a very fun filled tasty day. I was so proud of all the organizers who did an amazing job feeding 600+ kids, plus some very hungry parents! Thank you to all the volunteers who set up, cooked food in the "Tropical" Home Ec. Room, served pancakes, sausages, syrup & juice as well as cleaned up, packed up and tore down the gym. The kids all said the food was AWESOME!!!

Lastly, as my daughter Ally moves into Grade 5 in the 2019-2020 school term, it will also be my last year on the SMP CSA. I urge all of you to consider stepping up and volunteering to be a part of this amazing organization. The SMP Community School Association works tirelessly to provide additional funds the school uses to augment many aspects of school life; sponsoring School Patrols, helping offset the cost of the Winter Concert, providing funding to start up special clubs such as Maker Spaces and the Middle Years Golf Club! We need volunteers to keep the CSA running and we can't run without them. Please join us at our monthly meetings, the 3rd Tuesday of every Month at 6:30 pm in the Middle Years Library.

If you have any questions, concerns, suggestions or would like to offer volunteer your time or talents, feel free to email us at: smp.pac@gmail.ca or leave a note for us at the office!



Christa Simard

SIDEWALKS NEAR SCHOOL TOO DANGEROUS TO USE!

January and February roared in like Lions and brought with it, massive snow falls and strong wind chills. The sidewalks along Prince Rupert were so full, that they were unwalkable. The 4 corners of Besant & Prince Rupert were too difficult to try to go through. Students use these areas all day long, going to and from school. As well, the school patrols were cancelled due to the dangerous conditions!



On February 7, 2019, we found that the City had left a very large snow hill in the middle of the sidewalk, right up against the school fence! The snow on the sidewalk was so deep it was past the kid's knees. Salisbury Morse Place (795 Prince Rupert Ave.) is zoned as a: **P3S - Residential Street treated as a P2 (Collector/Bus Route)**. According to the 311 websites, this means: "PRIORITY II streets shall normally be plowed to **bare pavement** over the full pavement width".



The students and patrols had to trudge through the snow, climb up and over the hill many times throughout the day and some students had to walk directly on the road! This was a very dangerous situation with slippery roads and not as much space on the roads due to snow build up. I personally called 311 and submitted a formal complaint and I also sent an email to Councillor Jason Schreyer (EK/Elmwood), bringing this urgent and very dangerous situation to his attention. After several complaints to the city and to Mr. Schreyer's office, the sidewalks were cleared, the corner of Prince Rupert & Besant cleaned up and salt was also spread on the corners to reduce the slippery conditions for drivers.

Unfortunately, this is an ongoing issue that the school has been fighting for years. I urge all parents to call 311 or send an email complaint to: 311@winnipeg.ca. We need to send a very clear message to the City of Winnipeg and to our local councillor, that our Children's safety is out number #1 priority. Feel free to cc the CSA in your email at: smp.pac@gmail.ca

JOIN THE SMP CSA!

Community School Association

(AKA: Parent Council)

This is an opportunity to:

- Connect with other parents & administration
- Hear about important news and upcoming events at school
- Have a voice in the activities and programs the csa supports
- Make a difference in our school community

Date: Every 3rd TUESDAY of the month

(Sept 18th, Oct 16th, Nov 20th, Jan 15th, Feb 19th, March 19th, April 23rd, May 21st)

Time: 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Place: Middle Years Library

Bring Your Kids, FREE Child Care Provided!



Contact us at: smp.pac@gmail.com or
Join us on Facebook at "SMP CSA Parent Council"



SUNRISE SUNSET CHILD CARE

(Located in the school)

Sunrise Sunset Child Care (a government licensed center for 55 children) located in Salisbury Morse Place school currently has openings for children in grades 1-6 effective immediately.

Here is what we offer:

- Child care from 7 am- 9 am and 3:15 pm-6:00pm
Monday to Friday.
- Child care on all school in service days from
7:00 am-6:00 pm
- A morning and afternoon snack
- Hot lunch on all in service days
- Subsidy- through Manitoba Early Learning and Child
Care
- A variety of activities- gym, outside, science, art, drama,
music, library, building areas.
- Fees are \$ 8.60/day school days and \$ 20.80 on in
service days

For more information or registration for a child care space
please contact the Director - Lisa Harakal at 204-415-2866.
or e mail at Sunrisesunsetchildcare@shaw.ca

Lisa Harakal



All student absences are required to be reported to the school office.

Messages regarding absences can be left at 204-668-9304 at any time.

Please state clearly your child's first and last name, grade, teacher and reason for absence.



HAVE YOU MOVED? CHANGE OF TELEPHONE NUMBERS?

If you have moved, had a change to any of your telephone numbers (home, work, cell), or your e-mail address or if any of your emergency contacts' information has changed, please let the office know. We need to have current information on file in order to communicate with you if your child becomes ill or is injured during the school day. Thank you for keeping us informed.

Allergies

There are several students with life threatening allergies in our school. We work very hard to provide a safe environment for all students. We ask that all families consider the following in the interest of safety:

- Contact with even a tiny amount of an allergen can cause a severe reaction.
- Nuts are the most common allergen in the school (especially peanuts). **Please do not send nuts or tree nuts in your child's lunch**
- Check the labels on food products that are sent to school and avoid all nut products

Thank you for helping to keep the school safe as possible for all of our students.



THE PARENT PORTAL



1. The Parent Portal site: [https://tyler.retsd.mb.ca/TSI Live 360/](https://tyler.retsd.mb.ca/TSI_Live_360/)
2. RETSD introductory videos: <http://retsdb.ca/Pages/Parent-Portal-Videos.aspx>
3. Your computer will need to have Adobe Acrobat installed to view the report card documents. This can be downloaded for free from: <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>
4. Instructions for access from your mobile device: [Mobile Application Instructions.pdf](#).
5. Password Reset
 - a. The portal login screen does have a "Forgot your password" link.
 - b. Users should be able to have their account reset if they have an email address on file.
 - c. If the user has forgotten their password and doesn't have an email address on file, they will need to contact the school.
6. Data Errors - If student contacts find any errors in the data (attendance, report cards, etc.) please notify the school office.

KINDERLINKS

FREE DROP-IN STAY & PLAY

Stick around after dropping off the older kids and pop in with your preschoolers (Kindergartens welcome on their days off) for a play, songs, craft and a snack.

SALISBURY MORSE PLACE SCHOOL

April 9th - June 11th

EVERY TUESDAY ~ 9:15-11:15 A.M.

• MORE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

• As well as our Stay & Play we will be running these FREE registered programs at SMP.

• **GIFT OF WORDS** - Thursdays 10-11 am - April 11-May 30
• Best enjoyed by children walking to 2 1/2 years

• **NIGHT OWLS** - Wednesdays 6-7:30 pm - April 3-May 8
• Best enjoyed by children ages 1-5

• **POSITIVE DISCIPLINE IN EVERYDAY PARENTING**
• Mondays 1-3 pm April 1-May 6 - Childcare will be provided

For more information & registration please contact Kinderlinks at 204.669.4043 or kinderlinks@retsdb.ca

Dates to Remember

April

- 1 Classes Resume - School Day 1
- 8 Grade 6-8 Girls Empowerment Project
Band Parent Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- 10 Grade 8 WISE Kid-Netic Workshop
Early Dismissal - 2:35 p.m.
- 16 Patrol movie morning
CSA Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Good Friday - No Classes
- 22 Grade 6-8 Girls Empowerment Project
- 25 Grade 6 Skills Presentation
CSA Family Movie Night
- 26 Coordinated Day - No Classes
- 29 RETSD Grade 7 Badminton @ Murdoch Mackay
- 30 Bus Evac
RETSD Grade 8 Badminton @ MBCI

Field Trips

- 5 Grade 7's to MTYP
- 9 Grade 6's to Manitoba Museum
- 24 Grade 6's to Festival du Conte



2018—2019 School Calendar

May

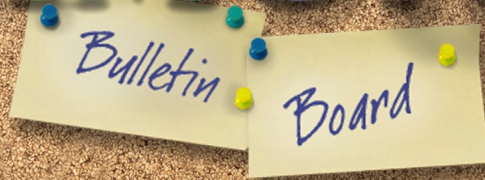
- 1 Grade 8 Band at Band Festival
- 2 Grade 6 Badminton Tournament
Grade 3-5 Jump off
- 6 Grade 6-8 Girls Empowerment Project
- 8 Early Dismissal @ 2:35 pm
- 8 A Day in the Life of Kindergarten - 6:30 p.m.
- 9 Kindergarten Growing and Learning @ 2:00—6:00 pm
- 13 Band Parent Meeting 6:30p.m.
- 16 Grade 6 Immunizations
- 17 SMP Track and Field Day
- 20 Victoria Day-No School
- 23 Grade 6 Band Clinic
- 27 Grade 6-8 Girls Empowerment Project
- 29 RETSD MY Track and Field

June

- 5 Final Band Concert 7:00 p.m.
- 6 Patrols to Lilac
- 7 EY Field Day
- 12 Grade 5 Camp Stephens
- 19 MY to Lilac
- 26 Grade 8 Farewell
- 28 Last Day of classes
Reports are Posted on Parent Portal
Early Dismissal @ 2:20 p.m.

Have a great summer!

COMMUNITY



**Check out our new digital
Community Bulletin Board to
learn more about events, camps,
and special offers for RETSD
students and their families.**

retsd.mb.ca/community

**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

For more information, contact: 204-661-4451

Celebrating Canada's Diversity



Register your child today!

Kindergarten Registration has begun for the
2019-2020 School Year

Kindergarten registration is open for all children born in 2014. This means that your child must have had their 5th birthday on or before December 31st, 2019.

In order to register your child, you must bring: 2 pieces of identification regarding proof of address as well as 1 piece of identification regarding child's proof of age

Registration Required Documentation:

Proof of Address: (2 items are required) *Driver's license *Manitoba Health Card *Tenancy Agreement *Offer to purchase documents (completed – signature) *Utility bill (current)

Proof of age: (1 item is required) *Birth Certificate *Baptismal Certificate *Passport *Certificate of Live Birth Registration (long pink form filled out in the hospital at time of child's birth), signed by Director of Vital Statistics *Valid Treaty Card

This information is very important and must be presented at the time of registration. Please pass this information to any neighbours or friends who have children ready for Kindergarten, but do not receive this newsletter. Thank you for your help.

School of Choice - Parents/Guardians do have the ability to make a request that their child attend a different school from the one designated by their home address by the school division. School of Choice requests for students living within the River East Transcona School Division will be received along with the registration forms, but notification of acceptance will not be available until the end of June 2019.

Out of Division Schools of Choice applications will be received starting May 1st, 2019

If you require further information please call the school at 204-668-9304.



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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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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NOTICE TO GRADE 6 STUDENTS RE BUSING

Grade 6 students transported by RETSD School Bus will not be eligible for busing in Grade 7. According to the Manitoba Education Public Schools Act Regulation (M.R. 259/2006) Grade 7 to Grade 12 students living within the city limits are not eligible for School Bus Transportation. Fee-for-Service may be available. If you are considering this option, submit a Transportation Application – Fee-For-Service 2019-2020 form. Forms are available from the school office or follow the Quick Link “Busing Information” on the RETSD website at www.retsd.mb.ca Fee-For-Service applications must be submitted to the Transportation Department by **June 30th** of each school year. Applications received after June 30th will be reviewed on an individual basis.



2019 POWWOW



**ALL WELCOME
ADMISSION IS FREE**

We Welcome and Include
LGBT/Two-Spirit People



WHEN & WHERE

Thursday, April 18
River East Collegiate

TIMES

Pipe Ceremony in Tipi at
Front of School: 4 p.m.

Dancer/Drum Registration
Begins: 4 p.m.

Community Feast: 4:30 p.m.

Grant Entry: 5:45 p.m.

Closing Ceremony: 7:45 p.m.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Coco Ray Stevenson

HOST DRUM

Buffalo Red Thunder

CONTACT

Lisa Aymont Hunter at

204.669.9412 ext. 2955

BUSING TO THE POWWOW AT RIVER EAST COLLEGIATE, 295 SUTTON AVENUE

Concert Hall on Main Street
Catch the 11 Portage-Kildonan
(North Kildonan via Donwood)

Garden City Shopping Centre
Catch the 77 Crosstown North
(Kildonan Place)

The First 10 Guest Drums and 150 Dancers Registered
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River East Transcona
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Block Parents Are Needed in Winnipeg

The Block Parent Program® of Winnipeg is experiencing a shortage of volunteers in YOUR AREA and is asking for YOUR help.



The Block Parent® Program has evolved over the years and now not only focuses on the safety of the children in our community but also seniors and any other citizen that may be in distress. It is here for the safety of all citizens in our community, but it desperately needs your help.

Did you know that being a Block Parent® in your area can also help to reduce crime? All just by hanging a sign in your window! In areas where the Block Parent® signs are displayed criminal activity can be deterred by letting everyone know that particular community has an organized program that works in close partnership with the Winnipeg Police Service and is always keeping a watchful eye in the community. We've all seen the posts on the community web pages that are talking about property or auto vandalism occurrences, becoming a Block Parent® is one active way to help to reduce these crimes.

What does a Block Parent® do?

- Offer help from dangerous or frightening situations (caught in severe weather, strangers)
- Offer assistance to persons in distress (ill, bullied, injured) by telephoning the police or home of the child or citizen in need.
- Assist the police by reporting suspicious or criminal activity in the neighbourhood.
- Remove their BLOCK PARENT® sign when not available. (The sign is an indication to children and adults that someone is available and they will receive immediate help in the event of an emergency.)

What do Block Parents NOT do?

- Provide food or beverage
- Provide toilet facilities
- Provide transportation
- Administer first aid
- Leave their home to break up fights
- Actively engage with any dangerous person or situation

It's SO easy to become a Block Parent® you must be a responsible citizen, aged 18 years and over who:

- Cares about the well being of everyone, especially children and seniors
- Is screened by the Winnipeg Police Service (Forms included in the BP application, no charge)
- Is willing to provide help when available
- Does not HAVE to be a parent

It's free of charge to join, there are **no meetings** to attend and if you are only available a couple hours a day that is great! **PLEASE consider joining to help make YOUR AREA a safer community by contacting:**

- Winnipeg Block Parent® web site at www.winnipegblockparents.mb.ca or at 204-284-7562, or by email at bppw@mts.net.

CONCERN PROTOCOL

The River East Transcona School Division has established this policy to ensure effective steps in communication of concerns and/or questions between parents/guardians, adult students, members of the community and divisional staff and between staff members. Each member of the division's staff and the board of trustees should follow these steps.

If a parent/guardian, adult student, a member of the community or a staff member has a concern or question they should follow this sequence:

- (1) Contact the employee's work place and request to speak to the person. The employee may be unavailable, so leave a message with telephone numbers where you can be reached during the day as well as the evening.
- (2) If you are not satisfied with the employee's response to your concern, contact their supervisor. If you contact the supervisor first, s/he will refer you to step one.
- (3) If your concern is not resolved to your satisfaction, contact the superintendent. If you contact the superintendent first, s/he will refer you to step one or two.
- (4) In the event that you believe that your concern has not been addressed, you may write a letter to the chair of the board of trustees. If you contact the chair or any trustee without going through steps one to three, they will refer you back to step one. A trustee may assist you in making the appropriate contacts in steps one through three.
 - When a written concern about a staff member is received, the individual named will be notified and provided with a copy of the written concern and given an opportunity for explanation and written response.
 - At any point in the complaint process, the individual named has the right to have an advocate present.
- (5) All correspondence to the chair of the board of trustees is reviewed at a board meeting. However, all personnel matters must be dealt with in-camera.
- (6) At all steps in the process, you are requested to tell each level that you are not satisfied and are going up to the next level.

CONCERN PROTOCOL

This policy does not supercede:

- The Child and Family Act of Manitoba
- Student Welfare (Reporting Child Abuse)
- Harassment Policy
- Contractual Agreements with the Division
- Codes of Professional Practice of Staff Members

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CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS PROCEDURES

The formal procedures for managing a concern or complaint are as follows:

- (1) Contact the person who is most directly involved and ask to speak to the person. If the individual is not available, leave a message including daytime and evening telephone numbers.
- (2) If the concern has not been resolved, contact the individual's supervisor. Complaints that are brought directly to the supervisor will be redirected to step one.
- (3) If the concern still has not been resolved, contact the superintendent or designate. If contact begins at the superintendent's department, it will be referred to step one.
- (4) In the event that the concern has not been addressed, an appeal of the superintendent's decision shall be handled by the board of trustees through written correspondence to the chair. Neither the board, a committee of the board, nor a trustee shall consider or act on a complaint that has not been explored at the appropriate administrative level, nor shall they contact staff directly in a personal attempt to resolve the problem. A member of the board of trustees may assist the complainant in making the appropriate contacts required to complete steps one to three.
 - (a) When a written concern is received that names a staff member, the individual named will be notified and provided with a copy of the written concern and given an opportunity for explanation and written response.
 - (b) At any point in the complaint process, the individual named has the right to have an advocate present.
- (5) All correspondence to the chair of the board of trustees is reviewed at a board meeting. All personnel matters shall be dealt with in camera.
- (6) Written response of the board of trustees' decision will be provided to the parties involved in the complaint.

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