



Donwood E-News

March 18, 2022

Important Dates:

Mar 28 - Apr 1:	Spring Break - No School
Apr 4 :	Classes Resume
Apr 12 :	Virtual PAC meeting @ 6:30pm
Apr 15 :	Good Friday (no classes)

Did You Know?

If your child will be absent from school, you can **E-MAIL** the school to let us know they will be away?

Emails can be sent to: don@retsd.mb.ca



Please include:

- Student's first and last name
- Teacher's name
- Reason for the absence

You can also call the school and leave a voicemail if it's outside of school hours or speak with one of our friendly clerks if it's during school hours.

We **REALLY** appreciate knowing when students will be away for the day.

Just a
reminder...



**Please send students to school
with a reusable water bottle.**



Spirits Week

March 21 - 25

Monday: **Wear #LotsOfSocks!**

Wear colorful, fun socks on World Down Syndrome Day. It helps to raise awareness and puts some fun into the celebrations!

ROCK YOUR SOCKS
- for -
WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY



Tuesday: **Jersey Day**



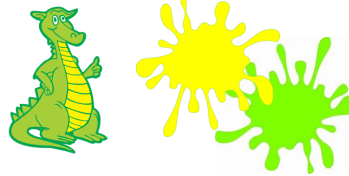
Wednesday: **Silly Hair/Hat Day**



Thursday: **Rainbow Day (Dress in as many colours as you can!)**



Friday: **Donwood Gear/Wear Yellow or Green**



DONWOOD GEAR



Families are once again able to purchase Donwood clothing through our online clothing store at the following link:

www.platinumpromotions.com/sr/2174208

Orders are due by: **April 6, 2022**

KINDERGARTEN

Spread the word - Registration has begun!!!

If you have a child born in 2017, please give the school a call to register them for Kindergarten soon. As we begin planning classes for the upcoming school year, we would love to know how many students will be joining the Donwood Community in September!!!

Registration packages are available for pick-up at the school and on the Donwood website at: www.retsd.mb.ca/school/don under **Documents & Forms > Registration**

Please call the school at 204-668-9438 if you have any questions.

We look forward to welcoming many new students and families to the Donwood Community!



To register your child, the following information must be provided

2 Pieces Proof of Residency:

- Driver's license
- Manitoba Health Card
- Tenancy agreement (duly signed)
- Offer to purchase documents (completed with signatures)
- Utility bill (name and corresponding address)

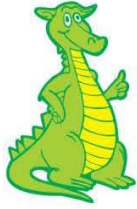
1 Piece Proof of Age:

- Birth Certificate
- Passport
- Manitoba Health Card
- Treaty Card
- Baptismal Certificate
- Certificate of Birth registration, signed by Director of Vital Statistics

More information about Kindergarten Registration can be found on the River East Transcona School Division website by clicking [HERE](#).

In-Division, Out-of-Designated School Boundary

Parents/Guardians have the ability to make a request that their child attend a school outside their catchment. Parents must submit School of Choice forms with the registration at their designated, catchment school. Applicants will be notified as to whether or not they have been accepted into the school of choice by June 30, 2022. For further information please consult RETSD's policy [JFBA](#). Your designated school can be found by using the School Locator on the RETSD website by clicking [HERE](#).



Donwood Elementary School

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Principal: Ms. D. Martineau | Vice-principal: Ms. C. Williment

Email: don@retsd.mb.ca | Web: www.don.retsd.mb.ca

Seeds from Kids Fundraiser

What's Happening?

Donwood School is working with Seeds from Kids to provide quality garden seeds to the community, while raising money for outdoor education at Donwood School.

Who is Seeds from Kids?

Seeds from Kids started as a small local venture with kids from Donwood School! What started as an educational project literally blossomed into something wonderful. Seeds are collected primarily by hand from gardens in Winnipeg and southern Manitoba. Most seeds have been grown in uncertified organic gardens and have been scientifically tested for seed viability. A few machine collected seeds (such as carrots and parsley) are sourced from T&T Seeds.

What to Expect:

Seeds will come in simple packaging featuring kid artists from Donwood Elementary. Seed amounts for each plant are similar to packages from common seed sellers that are sold at grocery stores.

Why Choose this Fundraiser:


Unlike other fundraisers, Seeds from Kids is offering their full net proceeds to Donwood Elementary, so getting outdoor classroom and recess equipment into our children's hands can happen quickly. This fundraiser is environmentally friendly and is empowering to the classes learning about these seeds and plants! Our students are taking ownership of this fundraiser and are even creating the package artwork!

How to Order:

Donwood is accepting orders through the website SeedsfromKids.wordpress.com so that no handling of cash is needed. Seeds from Kids is donating all net proceeds (approximately 90% of the money raised) this year to Donwood School, so **let your family, friends and neighbours know about this fundraiser!** Order deadline is **April 6**. Packages will be delivered to your child's classroom in early April. Alternatively, shipping is available at \$5 per mailing.

Seeds From Kids Fundraiser

Visit SeedsFromKids.wordpress.com to order

<p>Package A \$12</p> <p><u>Fabulous Flowers</u></p> <p>Marigold Daisy Purple Coneflower Blanket Flower False Sunflower Sunflower Morning Glory Zinnia</p>	<p>Package B \$12</p> <p><u>Outdoor Starters</u></p> <p>Carrots Beans Zucchini Cucumber Lettuce Beets Peas</p>	<p>Package C \$10</p> <p><u>Indoor Starters</u></p> <p>Beefsteak Tomatoes Cherry Tomatoes Yellow Tomatoes Eggplant Spanish Pepper Celery</p>
<p>Package D \$15</p> <p><u>Herb Garden</u></p> <p>Parsley Cilantro Basil Fennel Dill Mustard Thyme Catnip Oregano Chives</p>	<p>Package E \$15</p> <p><u>Fun Stuff</u></p> <p>Apple Melon Watermelon Rhubarb Pumpkin Cape Gooseberry Cantaloupe and Honeydew*</p> <p>*Not grown in Manitoba</p>	<p>Complete Garden Package \$50</p> <p>All the seeds from Packages A, B, C, D & E</p> 

If you have questions, please email krahnwun@hotmail.com.



Tumbling Rally

Tumbling Rally for grade 3-5 has been an incredibly successful and well attended club! It has been fun watching the athletes improve in their tumbling skills and get tested and checked off for new levels of skills! The students have worked very hard and are having a blast. Tumbling club will be wrapping up shortly. Stay tuned for more clubs after spring break!

Floorball



The final floorball session will be this Wednesday, March 23rd for those students who participate in Winnipeg Jets Hockey Academy. It runs from 3:45-5:15. Please ensure your child has a ride home at 5:15.



Current protocols require students to wear masks while on the ice during Hockey Academy.



Lunch Program Opportunities

Donwood's Lunch Program Committee is currently looking for lunch monitors and board members. If these opportunities interest you, please contact the school at 204-668-9438.



Check out more of the exciting events, celebrations and learning taking place at Donwood School by following our Twitter account @don_RETSD.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact the school at 204-668-9438 or email us at don@retsd.mb.ca

Thank
you ❤️

We appreciate the continued collaboration and support!
Donwood School Staff



Spring Preschool Programs

Virtual and In-Person

It's a Bugs Life

Grab your bug nets and put on your bug spray! In this program we will learn all about our wonderful buggy friends through songs, crafts and stories.

Mondays 10:00 - 11:00
April 11 - May 16*

*No Program on April 25th

Community Helpers Part 2

From Dentists to Teachers, lets find out even more about other Community Helpers in our neighbourhood with some wonderful crafts, songs and stories.

Tuesdays 1:00 - 2:00
April 12 - May 17

ABC's with You and Me

A,B,C it's easy as 1,2,3!
Join us for an hour of fun filled learning of our ABC's!!

Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:00
April 13 - May 18

**** IN PERSON ****

Up and Atom

Calling all scientists! Come explore science through exciting hands on experiments, songs and stories!

Thursdays 9:30 - 11:00
April 14 - May 19

This program will be run **In-Person** at Hamptead School and is limited to **8 Children.**

Registration opens Friday, March 18th at 2:00pm

For more information Contact Katie Patteson at 204- 669-9412 or kpatteson@retsd.mb.ca



German Bilingual Preschool Program

A note from Springfield Heights Nursery School:

Springfield Heights Nursery School has been offering an introductory German Bilingual preschool program for 57 years. This year, registration day is Tuesday, March 15, 2022. We invite students to begin learning an additional language in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. If you are planning to enter the German program for kindergarten, our nursery school will help set your child up for success! Even if your child will not enter the bilingual program at school, your preschooler will reap the benefits of being introduced to another language. There is no previous German language requirement. Our 2022/23 school year will be held at Springfield Heights Mennonite Church, 570 Sharron Bay.

We offer two programs. A full-time morning program (5 days/week) and a part-time afternoon program (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday).

Please contact Dina Albright by email (shnsadina@gmail.com) or by phone (204-259-8888) to receive your registration forms and for additional information.

Please send in your completed forms and \$40 registration fee as soon as possible to secure your spot.



March 2022

Community Advisory Meeting
Wednesday, March 16, 1:00pm

Your voice matters!!



2 Activity Kits for kids will be available on March 25th!

Call the centre to register your child.

Donwood

Family Resource Centre

6-64 Donwood Drive

Ph: 204-336-2752

e: donwood@familydynamics.ca

Centre staff: Mary & Joanne

Please see the calendar for our hours of operation.



Keeping Up In the Kitchen

Come once a week to learn how to cook and bake for you and your family!

DONWOOD FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

WEDNESDAYS 4:30-6:30

AGES 11-21

CONNECT ON ZOOM!



BREAKFAST CLUB/ WALKING SCHOOL BUS

underway now!!



Please call or come down to the Centre to register your children



TAX CLINIC

APRIL 13th

From 2- 6:30pm



Two Soup Days this month! Takeaway Soup Kits will be available for those who wish to prepare the meal at home. Please call the centre if interested in a kit. Pre-made soup also available while quantities last.

For up to date information, follow us on Instagram!



Instagram

@donwoodfrc

Spring is a time for growth and reflection.

We are offering "tranquility collection" gift sets on March 11! Don't miss out, first come first served! Adults only please.




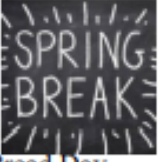


Family Dynamics Calendar



March 2022



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	2 Keeping up in the Kitchen 4:30 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	3 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	4 Bread Day Open for Resources 12:00-3:00
7 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	8 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	9 Keeping up in the Kitchen 4:30 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	10 Clothing Giveaway Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	11 Bread Day *Tranquility Collection” gift sets ready for pick up Open for Resources 12:00-3:00
14 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	15 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	16 Keeping up in the Kitchen 4:30 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	17 Soup Day Advisory Mtg 1:00 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	18 Bread Day Open for Resources 12:00-3:00
21 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	22 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	23 Soup Day Keeping up in the Kitchen 4:30 Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	24 <i>Centre closed— staff training</i>	25 Bread Day *Activity kits for kids* Open for Resources 12:00-3:00
28  Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	29  Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	30  Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	31  Open for Resources 8:30-3:00	1  Bread Day Open for Resources 8:30-3:00