

**Donwood School Newsletter** 

September 29, 2022

#### Important Dates:

- Sept 30 : National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (no classes)
- Oct 3 : Co-ordinated Day (no classes)
- Oct 10 : Thanksgiving (no classes)
- Oct 19 : Picture Day



#### Drop off and pick up

To assist in making student drop off and pick up as safe as possible, if you are driving your child(ren) to school, please consider talking to your child about a regular pick up or drop off location utilizing the streets adjacent to the school. The school parking lot will not be accessible as a drop off/pick up zone. We also ask that students utilize the patrols to safely cross the streets and that parents adhere to the no parking zones in front of the school which includes the bus loop. Thank you for your cooperation.



#### **Lunches and Snacks**

Please ensure your child brings enough food to school for lunch and 2 snacks. We have had quite a few hungry children in the office in afternoons requesting an extra snack.

#### **Verification Forms**

As a reminder, please return student verification forms and out of school activity forms as soon as possible.



#### **Reminder from Transportation**

If you have a child who will not be taking the bus to or from school, please call the transportation department to let them know. They can be reached at **204-669-0202**.



## Hello Dragons!

Our Dragon athletes are headed to the Divisional Cross Country Run Meet (aka 'The Turkey Trot') at Bird's Hill Park September 29 to represent Donwood! Athletes from grades 3-5 have been training VERY HARD to prepare for this event with 10 practices under their belts! We have about 60 runners representing our



school who will compete in grade level distance runs with other students from around the division! We look forward to cheering ach other on as we sprint across the finish line and have a great day at Bird's Hill Park!



Our grade 4 and 5 flag football club has also started practicing! We are having fun learning football skills, strategies, and game play in preparation for the Divisional Flag Football Tournament coming in mid October!

We also had a great time honouring the Canadian icon Terry Fox at our annual school run day. This year we did the Terry Fox run and talks in PE classes. On a rain day we watched a Terry Fox video about his journey, we discussed and had a small quiz about Terry. On our run date students brought in some funds to help raise money for the Terry Fox foundation. Students filled out a sticker who they

were running for and got a Terry tattoo. Students ran hard like Terry and completed over 2,555 laps running a distance over 637kms! Some classes collectively ran over 450 laps of our field! Amazing job to all our classes and thank you to all those families who donated!





#### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is has begun! We hope to see everyone who signed up at the next club date on Wednesday, October 5th.

#### **Parent Portal**

The Parent Portal is used to provide important student information to parents/guardians such as report cards. Information on how to access the Parent Portal (Tyler Student 360) can be found on the divisional website at the following link: <u>Parent Portal Information</u>





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.



#### **Lunch Program**

Lunch program registration forms and fees for the 2022-2023 school year are due. They are available on the Donwood website at <u>www.retsd.mb.ca/school/don</u> under **Documents & Forms > Lunch Program** or at the office.



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



We appreciate the continued collaboration and support!

Donwood School Staff



# Lifetouch PICTURE DAY IS COMING!

Wednesday, October 19, 2022



## What to Expect:



Students are photographed on Picture Day  $\bowtie$ 

Pictures are sent home with your child



Review pictures & purchase on mylifetouch.ca

All students will be photographed. Please notify your child's teacher if you do not want an individual picture taken of your child. Your child may be included in a group picture if requested by the school.

Questions? Contact our Help Center at lifetouch.com/support-ca. Select K-12 School Photography for assistance.

# STAY AND PLAY

Every Wednesday, starting October 12, 2022 to November 30, 2022 from 9:15am to 11:00am is our Stay and Play Program.

Parents/caregivers come with their children, birth to 5 years, to the Family Room at Donwood School and have a morning of FUN!!!!

At Stay and Play, your child will make a craft, eat a healthy snack, sing fun songs, read a story, and have lots and lots of free play time. This is a wonderful opportunity for the parents/caregivers to meet other parents from our neighbourhood.

Registration is weekly, and the program is absolutely FREE.



Come out and play!!!!!!!

For more information and to register, please contact Doreen Ogungbemi at <u>dogungbemi@retsd.mb.ca</u> or call Donwood School at 204-668-9438.



### REGISTRATION STILL AVAILABLE FOR OUR FALL 2022 CLASSES

At Springfield Heights Nursery School we aim to give children a basic understanding of German as an additional language. This occurs through daily practice of the language in a loving and caring environment, fostering the social, mental, physical and spiritual development of each child.

> Monday – Friday 9am – 11:15am Tuesday – Thursday 1pm – 3:15pm,

To register contact (204)259-8888 www.springfieldheightsnurseryschool.com