

Dear Parents/Guardians

What a beautiful fall we've had. The days are getting shorter and cooler weather is upon us. Please make sure your child is dressed for the weather. We celebrated our Terry Fox assembly in October just after Thanksgiving. It was wonderful to have all the students together in one space and they were well behaved for the event. It was great to see so many exciting activities and events throughout the school.

**Wet/Cold Weather**: The weather is vastly different from day to day; please be sure to check the weather daily to ensure your child has appropriate clothing: Winter coat, snow boots, mittens and toques should be part of the "get ready for school routine" now that we are entering the winter months.

**Progress Reports:** Parents and families receive three progress reports on student achievement for their child for the year. The progress report in November provides a brief, preliminary assessment of a student's demonstration of learning skills in all the subject areas. This first formal communication of learning will be published on the parent portal on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you have questions about your child's classroom program or level of achievement, please connect directly with their classroom teacher.

Parent – Teacher Conferences: are taking place this month. We encourage parents/guardians to attend the interview for each of your children. The first report card of the year is an especially important one. Parents/guardians and teachers can meet to see how we can work together to help your child succeed! You will be able to choose between an inperson interview, or a virtual one. A sign-up for interview through Conference Manager will be provided in the next week.

**Candy:** Now that Halloween is over and children have had lots of treats, we appreciate if candy can be kept at home. We would like to focus on healthy foods for a good day of learning.

**Attencdance:** If your child is going to be absent or late for school for any reason, please contact the office at 204 -958 -6426. If you are unable to speak to us directly, you may leave a message on the voice mail system to report the absence. Please be specific when calling in. If it is an illness, we do need to know **the symptoms** the child is having as well as the best number to reach you at if we have any further questions.

Absences are considered "unexcused" if we do not hear from a parent/guardian by 9 am. A student who is absent 10 minutes of a day shall be recorded as tardy. Please keep this in mind as you schedule appointments for your children. It is always best to schedule appointments during non-school hours. Students are expected to be in class from 8:20 am to 3:00 pm daily.

As children learn to read, do math and acquire French language skills, it is important that they practice those new skills daily. Regular attendance promotes new learning. Children begin to learn how to socialize with others, follow directions and solve problems creatively while at school. If a child is not part of the classroom, some of these social skills cannot be practiced. Something to keep in mind, if a child misses two classes per month times ten months that makes 20 days of schooling missed which comes close to a whole month.

**Halloween Howl:** we would like to thank and congratulate the Parent Advisory Committee for such a wonderful event. Students and parents alike were expressing the spirit of the evening very well, what wonderful costumes. Even mustard and ketchup made an appearance (AKA Mme Michelle and Mr Miron). What a great school community and spirit that École Centrale has demonstrated.

M. Williams E. Miron

Directrice/principal Directeur adjointe/vice principal

# Remember NO CLASSES at École Centrale in 2023-2024 on the following dates:

Friday, Nov. 24 Co-ordinated Day NO SCHOOL

Friday, Feb. 2 Co-ordinated Day NO SCHOOL

Monday, Feb. 19 Louis Riel Day NO SCHOOL

Friday, March 1, Admin Day NO SCHOOL (EC ONLY)

Friday, March 15, Co-ordinated Day NO SCHOOL

Monday, April 22 Co-ordinated Day NO SCHOOL

Friday, May 10 Admin Day NO SCHOOL (EC ONLY)

Monday, May 20 Victoria Day NO SCHOOL

Friday, June 7 Co-ordinated Day NO SCHOOL

Friday, June 28 Last day of classes Early Dismissal

## **BREAKS**

Winter BREAK DECEMBER 25, 2023-January 7, 2024

SPRING BREAK MARCH 25-March 31, 2024

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Did you know?

Music, along with painting, poetry, literature and architecture, were Olympic events from 1912 until 1948.

Welcome to November! Students in grades 3, 4 and 5 will be starting recorders this month, so please ensure that your child has brought either eight dollars or a recorder to school. Students in kindergarten, grade 1 and grade 2 have been working hard learning their winter concert music. They are so excited to share with you!

Our lunchtime choir has started up again this year! It is open to any students in grades 3, 4 and 5. It will take place during lunch recess on day 3.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

December 5-Kindergarten Odd Day 1:00PM

-Mme Dupuis, Mme Marion and Mme Gosselin 6:00PM

December 6-Kindertgarten Even Day 1:00PM

-Mme Dedieu, M. Dufault and Mme Falvo/M. Segal 6:00PM

\*\*The grade 1 &2 students must be at school for 5:30PM\*\*

Thank you for all your support! Mme Alyssah

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# **Support Transcona Food Bank**

Our school would like to support the Transcona Food Bank with your help. We will be asking staff and students who are willing and able to bring one nonperishable food item to school once a month. If we do this, we will be able to donate 300 food items to the Transcona Food Bank! Please consider supporting families in Transcona.

### **Library News**

Please help your children return their library books on time. All library books are checked out for one school day cycle. If your child would like to renew their book, they must bring it to school on their library day to do so.

#### Exciting news...The Scholastic Book Fair will be

Tuesday, November 21st-Friday, November 24th.

The Scholastic Book Fair is a fundraiser for the school library. All proceeds will be used to purchase new library materials. The library makes a 50% profit off all sales from the Book Fair.

All students will have a chance to visit the Book Fair during the school day with their class. Students can purchase books during this visit or can come with their families after school.

# **Book Fair times**

Monday November 20 12:15pm-3:45pm Tuesday November 21, 12:15pm-3:45pm Wednesday November 22, 12:15pm-3:45pm Thursday November 23, 12:15pm-7:30pm

#### No virtual option this year

#### Volunteers needed

Friday, November 17th -1:30PM-3:00PM for set up

Monday, November 20th-Thursday, November 23rd 12:15PM-3:00PM help with classes viewing the Book Fair

Thursday, November 23rd-3:00PM-4:30PM also 4:30PM-7:30PM

\*\*\*All volunteers need their child abuse registry check completed. Please see the off ice if you need to complete the registry check.\*\*\*



Note that calendars are always subject to change, please consult the website regularly for updates

## **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

#### **Class Program**

- At the grades Kindergarten to grade 2 levels, students will be busy practicing different basic motor skills, like throwing underhand and overhand, catching a ball, bouncing a ball, striking an object and kicking. They are also participating in various fitness activities.
- At the grades 3 to 5 levels, we will be doing activities with a compass unit mainly outside and Mini Volleyball activities inside as week as Tumbling skills. Students will be busy doing their Fitness Challenge activities during November.

#### **Intramurals**

- The grades 1 and 2 students will be playing at different stations during lunchtime. Each classroom will be invited to come to the gym and participate in a variety of stations.
- Grade 3 and 4 students will be playing a modified version of Mini Volleyball with Leadership students officiating.
- Grade 4 students who are playing on an intramural team are eligible to participate in a Mini Volleyball tournament between EMU, EC and ERP, date to be determined.
- Grade 5 students who signed up will practice with Mme Burkart

#### **School Clubs**

- The Grade 4 Leadership Club members have been training hard at their various responsibilities.
- Leadership at the grade 5 level will look different this year. All the students will have an opportunity to join a committee that will help our school with a variety of events. For example, we have a supervisor committee who help our grade 4 Leadership students with learning their different tasks.
- Our two Flag Football teams had an enjoyable day of playing against other schools in the Divisional Flag Football tournament.
- The Cross-Country Skiing Club for grade 4 students will be happening this year. Look for a form coming home with your child soon.
- Grade 3 students will have an opportunity to do Cross-Country skiing with M. Boulley and Mme Burkart on Day 4 during period 4 through lunch recess.
- Grade 5 students will have the opportunity to join a Ski de Fonds Club that will be meting on Wednesdays at an off school site

#### Miscellaneous

- École centrale's grade Kindergarten to 5 students will have the opportunity to help break a Guinness World Record Title for the WORLD'S LARGEST NUMBER OF STACKERS IN MULTI LOCATIONS ACROOS THE WORLD, on November 14th to the 16th.
- A big thank you to all of you who have donated generously to our Terry Fox Foundation campaign. We collected over \$2150.00 We also had an amazing assembly where some of our colleagues got to do some fun and wacky things.
- It would be greatly appreciated if students who wear lace-up shoes to gym class could learn to tie their shoes at home.
- With the cooler weather it is important that your child is dressed appropriately because we go outside for Physical Education classes on a regular basis.
- We will allow parents to rent out the ski sets for their child for any weekends. The rate is \$5.00 per pair for the weekend. We do have a limited number of adult sizes for renting.

Keep active

M. Boulley

**Mme Burkart** 



# Terry Fox Fundraising Event Thank you! We raised \$2150





# November 2023



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
		1 Day 5	2 Day 6	3 day 1		
6 Day 2	7 Day 3	8 Day 4 Hot Lunch	9 Day 5	10 Day 6 Remembrance Day Assembly		
13 Day 1	14 Day 2 Picture Day Retakes Even Kindergarten Picture Day World Diabetes Day Wear Blue	15 Day 3	16 Day 4	17 Day 5		
20 Day 6 Report Cards posted	21 Day 1	22 Day 2	23 Day 3 Hot Lunch Parent Teacher Meetings 3:30PM-7:30PM	24 Day 4 Co-ordinated Day No Classes Parent teacher meetings 8:30AM-11:10AM		
27 Day 5	28 Day 6	29 Day 1	30 Day 2			

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Let it Snow	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *		* * * *	1 Day 3
4 Day 4	5 Day 5 Kindergarten Odd Day Winter Concert 1:00PM Mme Dupuis, Mme Marion & Mme Gosselin 6:00 PM Winter Concerrt	6 Day 6 Kindergarten Even Day Winter Concert 1:00PM Mme Dedieu, M Dufault, Mme Falvo/M Segal 6:00PM Concert	7 Day 1	8 Day 2
11 Day 3	12 Day 4	13 Day 5	14 Day 6	15 Day 1
18 Day 2	19 Day 3	20 Day 4	21 Day 5	22 Day 6 Last day of classes before Winter Break Early Dismissal
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