











WHAT'S UP at DOC?



Dr. F.W.L. Hamilton School e-memo

Date	School Day	
Monday, November 18	4 	Grade 3 Flashlight Reading at a.m. Recess Grade 4/5 Volleyball at Lunch Recess Grade 4 Coding Club at Lunch Recess K-3 Quiet Reading at p.m. Recess
Tuesday, November 19	5 	Grade 4 Flashlight Reading at a.m. Recess MYRCA Club at Lunch Recess Grade 4 & 5 Quiet Reading at p.m. Recess
Wednesday, November 20	6 	Grade 4/5 Volleyball at Lunch Recess
Thursday, November 21	1 	
Friday, November 22	2 	RETSD Professional Learning Day: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

Date	School Day	
Monday, November 25	3 	Grade 4/5 Volleyball at Lunch Recess
Tuesday, November 26	4 	RETSD Grade 4/5 Volleyball Event at Bird's Hill School Grade 2 Flashlight Reading at a.m. Recess Grade 4 Coding at Lunch Recess
Wednesday, November 27	5 	MYRCA Club at Lunch Recess
Thursday, November 28	6 	Grade 4 Mini Sticks at Lunch Recess
Friday, November 29	1 	HOT LUNCH

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- December 2 Report Cards Published and Emailed to Parent Contacts
- December 5 Vision & Hearing Screening (K, 1, 3 and 5)
- Celebration of Learning (Student Led Conferences) in the Evening
- December 6 **NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS:** School Based Professional Learning Day
- Celebration of Learning (Student Led Conferences) in the Morning

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December 12	Winter Concert
December 20	Last Day of Classes before Winter Break (2:55 Dismissal)

CELEBRATION of LEARNING CONFERENCES

Students are looking forward to celebrating their strengths, progress and goals with you! Please join us here at the school on December 5th from 4:30 – 8:00, or on December 6th from 9:30 – noon. Appointment times must be scheduled through the Conference Manager Booking System prior to December 4th. Conference Manager will open for bookings this Wednesday, November 20th. If you are new to Conference Manager, instructions will be forthcoming in a separate email before bookings open. Reach out to your child's classroom teacher or call us in the office if you have questions or require assistance.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

We are excited to announce that our Scholastic Book Fair will also be held on Thursday, December 5th from 4:00 to 7:30 p.m. and Friday, December 6th from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The Book Fair will accept cash, credit, and debit payments.

Students will have an opportunity to browse the Book Fair earlier in the week and may purchase books during **recesses and lunch on Thursday, December 5th**.

Thank you for supporting reading at Dr. Hamilton and our school library. We look forward to seeing you there!

WINTER CONCERT

We are thrilled to present this year's Winter Concert! As you may have heard at home, students are busy practicing in preparation. The concert will open with performances by Grades 3/4, 4/5 and 5's, followed by Kindergarten, and will finish with a spectacular play by the Gr. 1 and 2/3's! We look forward to seeing you and celebrating the season together!

When: Thursday, December 12th, 2024, 1:30 PM & 6:30 PM

Where: Dr. Hamilton School Gym

Who: Kindergarten to Grade 5 Students & Families

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DR. HAMILTON STAFFING UPDATES

Welcome to Library Technician, Ms. Lauren Anning, who joins us after serving in the same position at B.E. Glavin School. Mr. Kassius St. Kitts continues to serve in a term position for Mrs. Ralph in the Gym.

Thank you both for the work you are doing with our students!



HOLIDAY HAMPER COLLECTION

Please consider supporting Week 1 of the Dr. Hamilton Holiday Hamper Collection ...

Holiday Hamper Week:

Tuesday November 26	Wednesday November 27	Thursday November 28	Friday November 29
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Break-fast items: bars, jam, honey, cereal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring Soup cans or soup mix and crackers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canned fruit or veggies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring: Packaged school snacks (gold fish, granola bars, apple sauce, bear paws...) 

Bring your non-perishable item to your class each day. The school will donate the items to Abundant Life Lutheran Church Community Christmas Hamper program.

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LUNCH PROGRAM NEWS

Did you know that the supervision of children over the school lunch period is a parent responsibility?

It would be a hardship and, in many cases, an impossibility, for most parents to manage this responsibility on their own. For this reason, a committee of parent volunteers assumes this responsibility FOR our school community: The Dr. Hamilton School Lunch Program Committee!

The Dr. Hamilton Lunch Program is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing students with a safe, responsible, respectful environment for parents/guardians who choose to have their children supervised at school over the lunch break.

The Dr. Hamilton Lunch Program Supervisors monitor the classrooms and hallways while the children eat lunch (12:15-12:40). Supervisors then supervise the playground during the lunch recess (12:40-1:10).

The Lunch Program is not a fundraising venture; it is a not-for-profit organization. All money collected is used to pay the wages of those hired to supervise, related training (first aid etc.), equipment used, and any other miscellaneous expenses related to the operation of the program. Funds from this program are managed in a Dr. Hamilton Lunch Program bank account which is overseen by the Parent Committee and is separate from any other school accounts.

The success of our Lunch Program hinges on the volunteer, parent-run Lunch Program Committee. Please consider contributing to our school community in this way!

GROWTH in RETSD: HOW DOES IT IMPACT YOUR CHILD?

Please join the River East Transcona School Division Board of Trustees and Senior Administration for our 2nd annual Parent/Community Education Forum being held online **Monday, November 18th, from 6 - 7:30 p.m.**

Participants will hear about the unprecedented growth in our division and its impact on our schools, including topics such as transportation, combined classes, schools of choice, and previous reconfiguration decisions.

Registration is required to attend and can be done by visiting: [Parent/Community Education Forum](#)

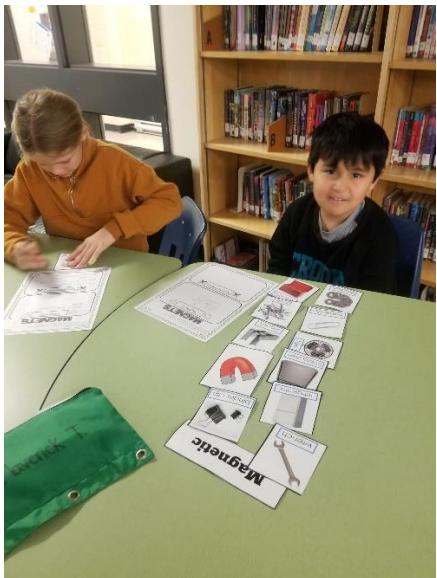
PLEASE NOTE: A meeting link will be sent to the email address you provide prior to the meeting.

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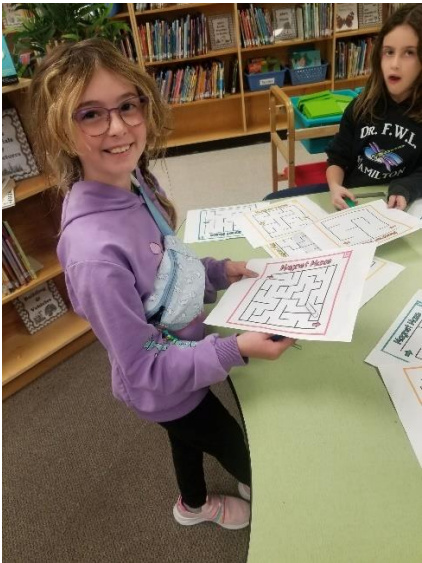
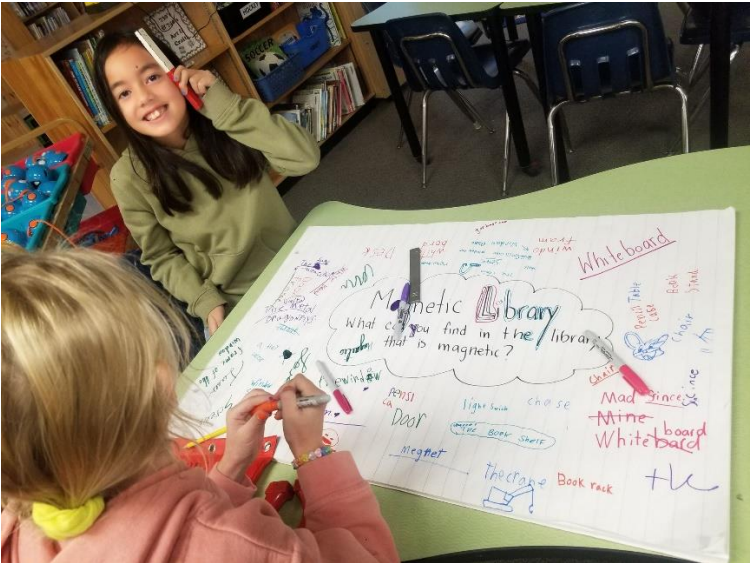


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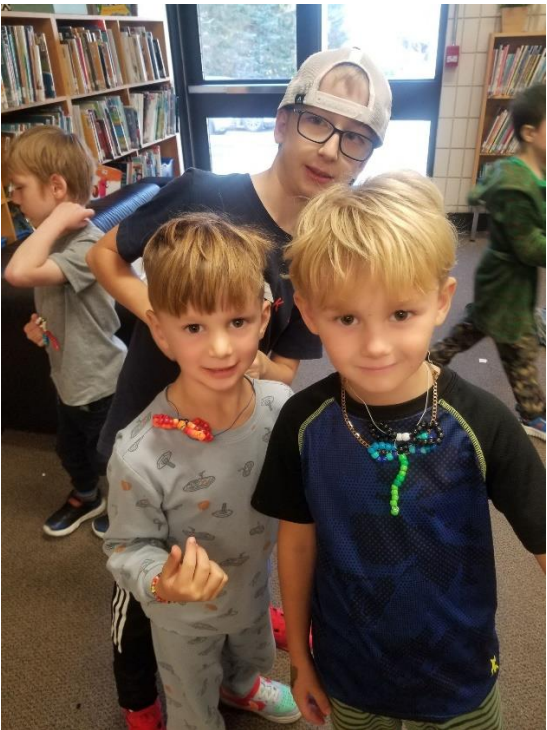
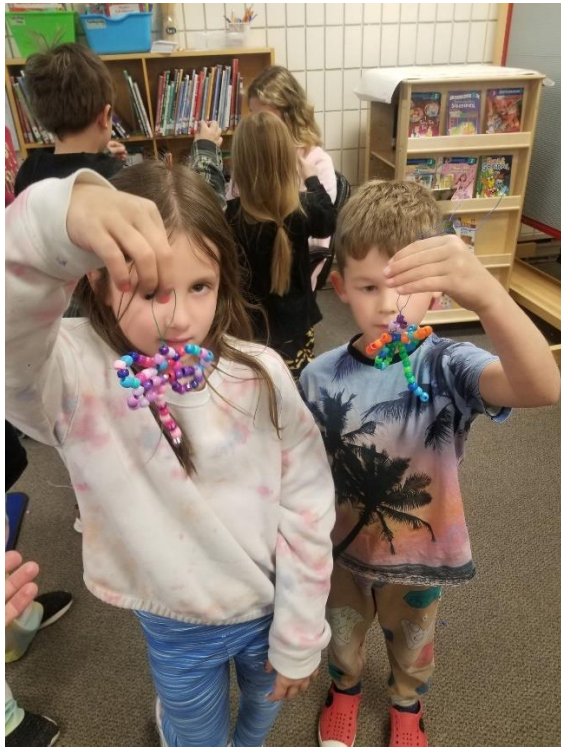
Here is a look at Ms. Brown and Mrs. O'Leary's classes investigating properties of magnets with Ms. Soroko in the Library. Also see students from across the school participating in our paper chain STEM challenge and dragonfly learning buddy beading activity, both encouraging belonging in our building.



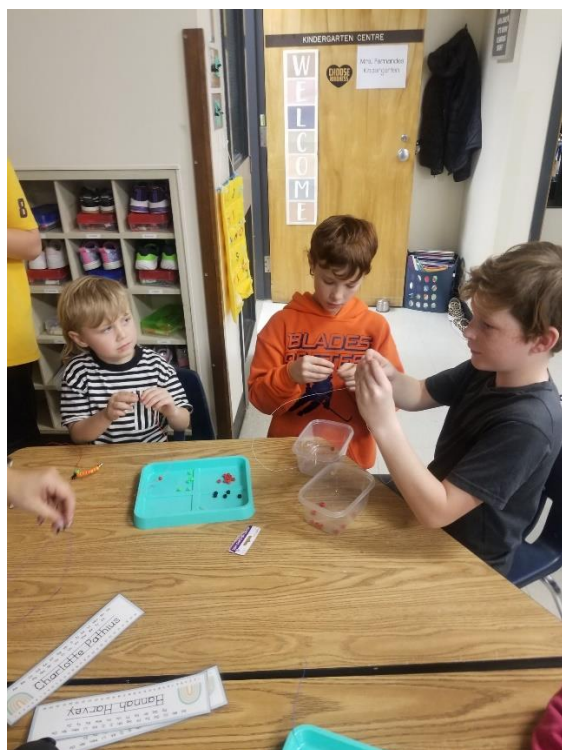
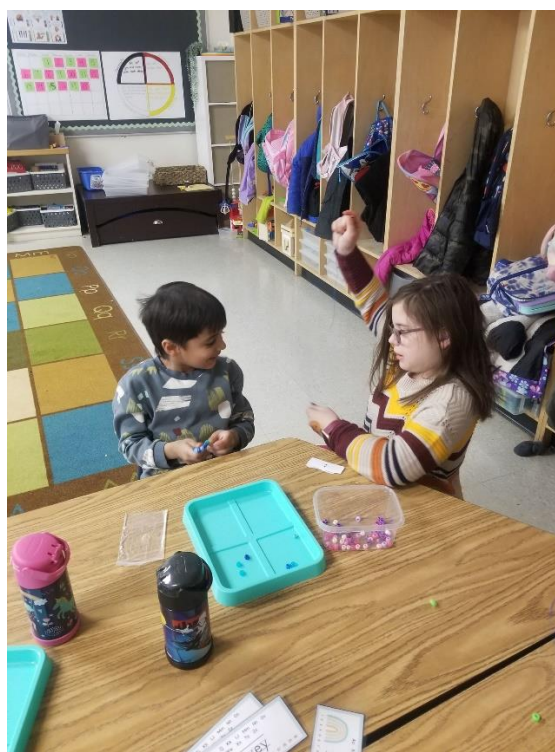
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Please phone the school at any time with any questions you may have!