



Wayoata School Community Council (WSCC) - April 1, 2024

6:00 p.m. In Person - Multi-Purpose Room (MPR)

Principal's Report - R. Reyes

We hope that all of our families had a wonderful Spring Break! We are so happy to see our students for their first day back to school today, as we head into Term 3 and this last stretch of the school year!

- 1. Staff Professional Learning** - During our coordinated day on March 15, our teachers engaged in professional learning around student writing. We looked at samples of student writing at each grade level, discussed evidence of students' strengths in writing, as well as next steps. Our full staff (teachers and EAs) also welcomed guest presenters Anita and Anna, who spoke on the topic of EAL learners and newcomer families. This was very informative and important as we have many newcomer families and many students who are in the beginning stages of their English language learning.
- 2. Kindergarten Registration** - Kindergarten registration opened on March 1, and we have received a good number of registrations already! If you know any families in the community with children who will be Kindergarten aged by Sept (born in 2019), please encourage them to come register their child as soon as possible!
- 3. Solar Eclipse** - On April 8, there will be a solar eclipse. To ensure safety of our young students, early years schools across the school division will have indoor recess and indoor Phys Ed classes on this afternoon.
- 4. Bus Evacuations** - On the mornings of April 9 & 10 we will be having our Spring Bus Evacuation Practices. Some of our very responsible bus patrols will help the bus drivers on these days.

5. **Fire Drills** - As the weather starts to warm up over the coming weeks and months, we will have several more fire drill practices, for a total of 10 fire drills throughout the school year.
6. **Divisional PowWow** - On May 23, RETSD will host it's annual divisional PowWow. Kildonan East Collegiate will be hosting the event this year. The PowWow is a huge and well-attended event where families are welcomed to enjoy a meal, watch all ages of dancers, and listen to drum groups. Our grade 4 and 5 students at Wayoata will be working on creating gifts that will be presented to some of the special guests attending the PowWow!

Lunch Program Coordinator Report - From Coralee: TBA

Hooray! Spring break. I hope everyone had a good week!

Winter, spring, thaws and freezes created an adventurous playground. For the safety of everyone we had some indoor days and I think it helped us all feel grateful for the playground we have and Mr McGurry who runs the kids hard in gym!

The last month was quite challenging with many staff shortages. I'd be happy to add at least one more full time staff member for the last stretch of school.

The full spring thaw is still coming and with it, wet conditions, we encourage families to dress their students appropriately and even send spare clothes for the more adventurous ones who may or may not resist the call of the puddles.

I'm looking forward to a good final term of school.

Coralee

Thank you, WSCC, for your time and investment in supporting the students and staff of Wayoata School!

Next WSCC Meeting - Monday, May 6th