



Wayoata School Community Council (WSCC) - February 10, 2025

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

Principal's Report - R. Reyes

Thank you to our families for coming to enjoy WSCC's Family Movie Night last Friday! It was a great event, with an entertaining movie, delicious pizza and popcorn.... And it was probably the calmest Movie Night we've ever had the pleasure of hosting!

1. **Wayoata Well-A-Thon** - Thank you to our families for supporting and encouraging your children to participate in our Well-A-Thon! We've heard many students talking about the fun wellness activities that they completed at home and school. We look forward to seeing how many donations were collected and how many wellness activities each class completed as a team!
2. **Extracurricular Activities**
 - a. **Busy Builders Club**
 - i. Many of our Grade 1 students have been enjoying playing and being creative with Busy Builders Club with Ms. Falconer during some of their lunch recesses.
 - b. **Basketball Club and Rugby** - These are 2 clubs being planned over the coming months for our grade 4 & 5 students to enjoy!
3. **Skating/Hockey** - As soon as the temperatures dipped low enough, Mr. McGurry and students worked so very hard preparing our outdoor rink.... And we thoroughly enjoyed it! All classes were able to experience skating practice, hockey, or both! Thank you to the many parent volunteers that came to help with skate tying - it made the process so much quicker and allowed students more time on the ice! We are now moving on to curling!
4. **Crazy Carpets** - Since we came back from winter break, we've reviewed expectations around the use of crazy carpets during a school-wide assembly, teachers have taken their classes outside to practice, and we have started allowing crazy carpets at AM/PM recesses and some lunch recesses. Crazy carpets operate

on a 6-day cycle, with each grade level being assigned one day of the cycle as "their" day for crazy carpets.

5. **Black History/ African Heritage Month** - For the month of February, teachers are provided links to excellent storybooks, biographies, and literature to share with their classes, written by black authors, about current or historical figures, or reflective of black culture. There are also many excellent books on display in the library in recognition and celebration of this month!
6. **I Love to Read** - We are excited to be celebrating I Love to Read Month this month as well, with many fun activities planned! These include classroom-based activities and guest readers in classrooms. These also include school-wide activities such as special guest readers during whole-school assemblies, and our "I Love to Read" Community Reading Event which is coming up on Friday!
 - a. **Premier Wab Kinew's Visit as Guest Reader** - Last Friday, we were excited to welcome the Honourable Premier Wab Kinew as our guest reader for a very special I Love To Read Assembly. Premier read a great story to our students, made us laugh, and answered one question from every class. Our classes came up with fun, insightful, and deep questions including Premier's likes, hobbies, provincial nutrition program, political strategy, and hopes & plans to make Manitoba an even better place for students like them.

Lunch Program Coordinator Report - From Sana: TBA

This month, we hired a new lunch supervisor, who has started assisting with daily routines to maintain a safe and organized lunch environment. To improve student engagement, we also purchased new buckets, shovels, and toys for outdoor play, which have been well-received by the students.

In addition, all lunch supervisors attended a Professional Development (PD) training, focusing on student safety, conflict resolution, and emergency protocols. This training has helped improve the effectiveness of our supervision during lunch breaks.

Overall, the month was successful in enhancing the lunch program through new hires, equipment, and training, and we look forward to further improvements in the coming months. **-Sana**

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

Next WSCC Meeting - Monday, March 10th