

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

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

Principal's Report - R. Reyes

Thank you to our parents/guardians for your support of our Learning Conference evening. It was so wonderful to see so many families coming out to celebrate their child(ren)'s hard work throughout this second term of the school year. The year is flying by so quickly and we are heading into Term 3 next week! Thank you, also, for your support of our last Scholastic Book Fair this year - it was a great success!

- 1. Global Day of Play We love to learn through play, so the Global Day of Play was a super fun and enjoyable day for our staff and students, with every classroom and area of the school hosting different play options for students, including indoor and outdoor play throughout the day.
- 2. I Love To Read Month We had so many interesting guest readers in our school throughout the month of February! From divisional personnel, to news journalists, to athletes, to administrators and trustees, to community businesses, to politicians, and more!

Thank you also to our parents/guardians for coming to celebrate literacy with us, during our I Love to Read Community Day on Valentine's Day! We loved seeing special family and friends reading with so many of our students! Any student who did not have a family member or family friend able to attend was paired up with another adult in the building, a volunteer, or a younger/older peer.

- 3. Extracurricular Activities
 - **a.** Curling Although our winter temperatures have not been steady, we did manage to get a little more time on our ice rink recently, with some curling during gym classes and at lunch times!

- 4. Staff Professional Learning On coordinated days over the past several weeks, our staff has engaged in excellent professional learning opportunities together. We have continued to build upon our work last year to explore more strategies and resources to support our many newcomer students who are at beginning stages of English language learning. This was led by our EAL Inclusion Specialist, Anita Riedl. We have also re-visited our school-wide beliefs about reading and we have done some further learning and planning around reading instructions from K-5. This was led by our divisional Early Years Consultant, Georgette Rahman, and we will be continuing this work with her this year and next. We also welcomed Indigenous Perspectives & Education Consultant, Leanne Smith, as well as our Cultural & Community Support Worker, Charity Seymore, to do important learning around Indigenous history and integrating Indigenous perspectives into our classrooms and school. This will also be ongoing learning this year and next.
- 5. Report Cards It's report card time again! Term 2 report cards will be posted to the new PowerSchool parent portal on March 28, 2025.
- 6. Spring Break Our last day of school before Spring Break is March 28, 2025, with a regular dismissal time (3:15pm). Classes resume on April 7, 2025.

Lunch Program Coordinator Report - From Sana:

As we finish up March, I wanted to talk about how the lunch period went with the kids. Overall, the students did well with the new routines, and the lunchrooms were mostly calm and organized. There were a few challenges, with some students needing extra help with table manners and cleaning up, but we were able to fix that with a bit more supervision. I'm working on making things even smoother for next month.

Sana

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

Next WSCC Meeting - Monday, April 14th