



# Governor Semple School

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## December 2024 Newsletter

Dear Families,

As we welcome the winter season, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of you for your incredible support of our Winter Concert. Your enthusiasm and participation helped make it a memorable event for our students and the entire school community. We truly appreciate your involvement! A special thank you to Mr. Stark, with the support of Ms. Alma and the entire staff, for organizing the event and spending countless hours helping the students prepare, both in classes and through extra-curricular activities.

We would also like to inform you of a slight change to our daily schedule. Our snack time is now at 10:30 AM, and recess at 11:00 AM for all classes. We notice these adjustments help ensure smooth transitions and a safe, engaging recess for our students.

In the next two weeks, many exciting activities will be taking place in our school. Along with classroom-based events, we also have two school-wide initiatives taking place. Starting next week, we will be collecting items to support some families in our community through our Holiday Food Drive. Also, on December 18<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding our Winter Solstice Assembly and Feast for all our students and staff. Please see the email with details.

Thank you for your continued support! We wish you a warm and joyful Winter Break!

Sincerely,  
Jill





**Please note the remaining important dates for the 2023-2024 School Year:**  
(Subject to Change)

December 18, 2024 - Winter Solstice Celebration - Pancake Breakfast

December 23, 2024 - January 3, 2025- Winter Break

January 6, 2025 - School Reopens

January 31, 2025 - PD Day - No School

February 17, 2025 - Louis Riel Day - No School

February 24, 2025 - PD Day - No School

March 14, 2025- Family Conferences - No Classes

March 31, 2025 - April 4, 2025 - Spring Break

April 7, 2025 - School Reopens

April 11, 2025 - PD Day - No School

April 18, 2025 - Good Friday - No School

May 19, 2025 - Victoria Day - No School

June 6, 2025 - PD Day - No School

June 21, 2025 - National Indigenous Peoples Day

June 25, 2025 - Grade 5 Farewell

June 27, 2025 - Last Day of School



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**Attendance:** Your child's safety and whereabouts are important to us. Our **Callback System** ensures that your child is safely in your care when he or she is absent from school. Please call **204-339-7112** if your child is going to be away or late. *Please keep in touch with us if your child will be staying home for an extended period of time.* If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to call us anytime. Our office hours are from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Outside of office hours, feel free to leave a voicemail message. As well, please feel free to update your contact Information with the office (or on Parent Connect) anytime.



*The cold weather is coming! Please make sure that you are helping your child/ren dress appropriately for the weather. Children should have:*

- *Mittens/Gloves*
- *Boots*
- *Skí Pants/Jackets*
- *Toques*



*Also, consider sending extra mittens and socks so children have dry options if their first pair gets wet.*

# Governor Semple Holiday Food Drive



This holiday season, our school community is coming together to support families in need. We are asking students to bring in non-perishable food items, if they are able, from now until December 18th. Our request is that classrooms collect certain types of items, although any items donated are accepted and appreciated. Thank you in advance for your support!

<h2>Pantry Staples:</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Pasta</li><li>❖ Pasta sauce</li><li>❖ Rice</li><li>❖ Lentils</li><li>❖ Beans</li><li>❖ Other grains</li></ul>  <p><u>JACK PINE &amp; WILD PLUM</u></p>	<h2>Breakfast Items:</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Cereal</li><li>❖ Jam</li><li>❖ Peanut butter</li><li>❖ Coffee</li><li>❖ Tea</li><li>❖ Pancake mix</li><li>❖ Oatmeal</li></ul>  <p><u>TAMARACK &amp; COTTONWOOD</u></p>
<h2>Canned Items:</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Canned fruit</li><li>❖ Canned vegetables</li><li>❖ Canned soup</li><li>❖ Canned beans</li><li>❖ Canned fish (tuna/salmon)</li></ul>  <p><u>MANITOBA MAPLE &amp; BASSWOOD</u></p>	<h2>Baking Products:</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Flour</li><li>❖ Sugar</li><li>❖ Cooking oil</li><li>❖ Spices</li><li>❖ Fruit Cups</li><li>❖ Apple Sauce</li><li>❖ Granola Bars</li><li>❖ Crackers</li></ul>  <p><u>WILLOW &amp; WHITE SPRUCE</u></p>