



O. V. Jewitt Community School

Principal: Ms. T. Nishibata-Chan

Vice-Principal: Mr. C. Weekes

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Summer 2024 News

Land Acknowledgement

We would like to acknowledge that we are on Treaty 1 land, home to the original lands of the Anishinaabe, Ininewak (I-nee-nee-wawk), Anishinin (Ah-nish-ih-noon), Dakota and Dene peoples, and on the national homeland of the Red River Métis. We respect the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

Farewell Ms. Dina...

It has been a short but very sweet year for me at O.V. Jewitt Community School. It seems like only a few weeks ago I was setting up my office and meeting staff, students, and families, and now I am already moving across the neighbourhood to be Vice-Principal at James Nisbet Community School. I have been honoured to work with and support the talented and dedicated staff here at OVJ as they each do their part to create rich learning opportunities for the smart, funny, big idea thinking, caring, and hardworking students here, in classrooms and through clubs and teams. I enjoyed meeting some of the families through the Family-School Partnership and others at events and conferences. The children of O. V. Jewitt School have bright futures ahead of them! I will miss their smiles and energy, but as I won't be too far away, I hope to continue to cross paths with many of you in the upcoming years. Wishing you all "Endless Love,"



JEWITT COMMUNITY SCHOOL X TOTEM@DOODLE X "ENDLESS LOVE"

Ms. Dina Drabyk

Welcome Mr. Weekes...

Clifford Weekes has 15 years of educational experience. He was an EA for one year before he went back to school to get his Bachelor of Education Degree. He was a classroom teacher for 12 years, teaching grades 1 - 5 at Elwick Community School and for the last two years held the position of Anti-Racism Team Lead for the School Division. Mr. Weekes enjoys watching sports, playing videos games, and reading in his downtime but most of all, treasures the time he gets to spend with his wife and young daughter. He is looking forward to returning to the Maples Family of Schools and is excited to be part of the O.V. Jewitt School community as Vice-Principal!



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Connection...Current information...Upcoming events...Classroom highlights



2024-2025 Teaching Staff

Kindergarten:	Mrs. Cathy Foy	Room 20	Gr 4/5:	Mr. Kai	Room 11
Gr 1/2:	Mrs. Catherine Johnson	Room 1	Gr 4/5:	Ms. Lori Dubnicoff	Room 12
Gr 1/2:	Ms. Pamela Onchulenko	Room 4	Gr 6:	Ms. Sabrina Campos	Room 14
Gr 1/2:	Ms. Manpreet Grewal	Room 5	Gr 6:	Mr. John Mantolino	Room 15
Gr 1/2:	Ms. Naomi Dennie	Room 6	Gr 6:	Ms. Kina Wong	Room 17
Gr 3:	Mrs. Mary Robertson	Room 2	Gr 7/8:	Ms. Sara Jantzen	Room 16
Gr 3:	Ms. Erin Murphy	Room 3	Gr 7/8:	Ms. Amanda Rivers	Room 18
Gr 4/5:	TBA	Room 9	Gr 7/8:	Mr. Jeff Morris	Portable 3
Gr 4/5:	Ms. Kim McCallum	Room 10	Gr 7/8:	Mr. Dan Besner	Portable 4
Learning Support:			Music:		
	Ms. Kim Crass			Ms. Arielle Block	
	Ms. Krystin Cullum		Band:	Mr. Bryan Clendenan	
	Ms. Lucy Batista		Phys Ed:	Mrs. Kim Pereira	
	Mrs. Jennifer Erickson			Mr. Marco Lopes	



Welcome to Grade 6 Ms. Wong...

I am thrilled to be teaching grade 6 next year, marking my fifth year of teaching. I love being part of the O.V. Jewitt community and getting to learn from staff and students! Outside of the classroom, I enjoy spending quality time with my family and my cat, staying active, exploring new culinary delights, and unwinding with a good book.



Farewell Mr. Camaclang...

In the fall I will be moving to General Byng School in the Pembina Trails School Division. It was a pleasure getting to know so many students and their families. There were so many memorable moments during my four years at O.V. Jewitt. I wish you all the best during the upcoming school year.

Farewell Ms. Jain...

Walking through these familiar school halls one last time brings a rush of memories. My time here has been filled with growth, challenges and, most importantly, shared learning experiences with my mentor teachers and students. The relationships I have built with colleagues and students are treasures I will always cherish. As I close this chapter and embark on new adventures, I take with me not only academic knowledge, but also invaluable lessons of empathy, perseverance and the rewards of teaching. Thank you, O.V. Jewitt School, for being a place of inspiration and growth.



Farewell Ms. Jawanda...

It has been a great experience working at O.V. Jewitt since 2017. O.V. Jewitt will always be a special place for me since this is where I began my career in Canada. I built connections with community and positive relationships with students. I have learned through amazing experiences with adults and students. Now, I am ready to start the next stage of my career. Thank you all for polishing my skills and giving me the courage to be the best I can be. I look forward staying connected. Thanks, Maninder



Farewell Ms. Moszkiewicz...

It has been so wonderful to spend the last 17 years here at OVJ! The OVJ community will forever be my second family. Thank you to all the families who trusted me as their child's teacher. I look forward to the next 17 years of my career as I pursue teaching high school at West Kildonan Collegiate.





Farewell Ms. Prabhakar...

It has been my pleasure to be a part of the O.V. Jewitt community where the learning culture is deeply ingrained in collective teamwork and collaboration. In the fall of 2024, I will be moving to Governor Semple School as a Learning Support Teacher. As I reflect on my journey here, I am filled with gratitude for all the **kindness I've been shown. Thank you for all your support throughout my time at O.V.J. I am and will always** be grateful for the learning experiences this community has offered me in my professional and personal journey! Sincerely, Swati Prabhakar

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER 2024-2025

Sept 2	Labour Day (NO CLASSES)
Sept 3-4	Orientation Days (NO CLASSES)
Sept 23	Treaty Education PD (NO CLASSES)
Sept 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (NO CLASSES)
Oct 2	Routine Immunization Clinic – Gr 6 & 8 (a.m.)
Oct 8	Divisional PD Day (NO CLASSES)
Oct 14	Thanksgiving (NO CLASSES)
Oct 15	Picture Day
Oct 25	MTS PD Day (NO CLASSES)
Nov 1	OVJ PD/Admin Day (NO CLASSES)
Nov 8	National Indigenous Veterans Day
Nov 11	Remembrance Day (NO CLASSES)
Nov 20	Picture Re-take Day
Nov 21	Parent Teacher Conferences (Evening Only)
Nov 22	Parent Teacher Conferences (NO CLASSES)
Dec 20	Last Day of Classes before Winter Break
Dec 21, 2024-Jan 5, 2025	Winter Break (NO CLASSES)
Jan 6	School Re-opens
Jan 31	PD Day (NO CLASSES)
Feb 17	Louis Riel Day (NO CLASSES)
Feb 21	Middle Years Winter Activity Day (Gr 6-8)
Feb 28	Middle Years Winter Activity Day (Gr 6-8) *ALTERNATE DATE*
Mar 13	Parent Teacher Conferences (Evening Only)
Mar 14	Parent Teacher Conferences (NO CLASSES)
Mar 28	Last Day of Classes before Spring Break
Mar 29-Apr 6	Spring Break (NO CLASSES)
Apr 7	School Re-opens
Apr 11	Treaty Education PD (NO CLASSES)
Apr 18	Good Friday (NO CLASSES)
May 19	Victoria Day (NO CLASSES)
Jun 6	PD Day (NO CLASSES)
Jun 20	Middle Years Life Days (Gr 6-8) (*Rain Date TBA*)
Jun 24	OVJ PD/Admin Day (NO CLASSES)
Jun 27	Last day of school

**Please check our website regularly for updates/changes:
<http://www.7oaks.org/school/ovjewitt/Pages/default.aspx>**

MOVING?

If your family is planning to move over the summer or your child will not be attending O. V. Jewitt Community School in the fall, please let the office know as soon as possible at 204-633-1714 ~ *Thank you!*

Was your child born in 2019?

Kindergarten Registration for the 2024-2025 school year has begun! *Registration is taking place online or by appointment at your catchment school.* If you have any questions or need assistance, please call O.V. Jewitt School at 204-633-1714