



R. F. Morrison School January 2015



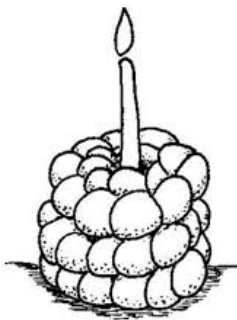
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We hope that all of our R.F. Morrison families had a wonderful holiday. We are so happy to welcome your children back to school, full of energy and eager to learn!

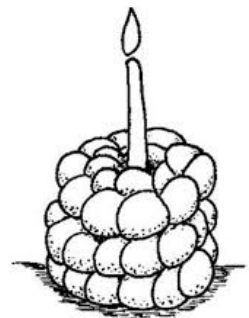
Here are a few news items and reminders:

1. Thanks to all of our R.F. Morrison community members who attended our December performances of "The Nutcracker". The students worked very hard to be ready to sing and perform for you! A big thank you as well to our music specialist, Ms Todaschuk, for her hard work and leadership in preparing the students for this event, and to all Morrison staff members for their assistance with planning, decorations, supervision, sound, lighting and many other tasks required to make our musical a success.
2. Please join us for a **Zabava** (party) to celebrate 35 years of the English-Ukrainian Bilingual Program in Manitoba - on Wednesday, January 21st from 6 - 8 p.m. FREE!
3. Just a reminder that children need to be dressed appropriately for the weather in order to play outdoors at recess. This includes ski pants, warm jackets, hats, boots and mittens. We are accepting donations of extra winter clothing (hats, mittens, ski pants, etc.) for days when children "forget!"
4. Professional Development day for staff - Monday, February 2 - **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

Віншування

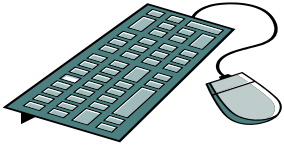


*Хай Різдво і Новий Рік
В Вашу хату завітають,
Принесуть добра й здоров'я,
Чого серце забажає.
Хай смачна кутя Вам вдасться,
Хай в сім'ї панує щастя.
Щоб весела коляда
В хату радість принесла.
З Новим Роком!
Христос Рождається!*



CALL-BACK SYSTEM

R.F. Morrison now has a new phone system that allows you to leave a message. Parents or guardians please call **204-338-7804 to report a child's absence. Please leave child's first and last name, room number or teacher's name and reason for absence.**



Information at your fingertips

Bookmark the Seven Oaks website on your computer to view the most up to date school information.

<http://www.7oaks.org>

The homepage will now indicate whether or not schools are open and if the busses are running, which is especially important on those cold and blustery mornings!

Dates to Remember...

Tuesday, January 20	Gr.4 students & Gr.6 girls Immunization 1p.m.
Wednesday, January 21	35 th Anniversary Zabava 6-8 in the gym
Friday, January 23	Red Scarf Day & PAC Hot Lunch
January 26-30 th	Artist in the Schools
Monday, February 2	School P.D. Day – No School
Tuesday, February 3	PAC Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Friday, February 13	Pancake Breakfast
Monday, February 16	Louis Riel Day - No School
Monday, February 23	R.F. Morrison Kindergarten Open House 6:30 p.m.
Monday, February 23	Public Budget Meeting @ Maples Collegiate 7:00 p.m.
Friday, March 13	Parent Teacher Conferences – No School
March 30-April 3	Spring Break – No School
Monday, April 6	First Day Back from Spring Break(Day 5)
Friday, April 24	P.D. Day – No School
Monday, May 11	P.D. Day – No School
Monday, May 18	Victoria Day – No School
Tuesday, June 30	Last Day of Classes

Please check future newsletters for additions/changes to this list. Thank you.

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From the Gym...



A BIG THANK YOU TO Mr. Faseruk and Mia for helping the school refinish and repair a balance beam. The staff and students in the Barefoot Gym program are VERY THANKFUL!!!!

K. Matwichyna & B. Lasko

LIBRARY NEWS

Now that Christmas is over and the cold weather is setting in, the library becomes busier than ever with children doing various research projects for class.

The new books that were prepared over the summer will be appearing on the display shelves for students to bring home.

Being a winter city, the library will also be displaying books about all the sports and activities that can be enjoyed in these cold snowy months.

Always remember that there is nothing better to do with your child on a freezing winter day (or night) than cuddling up together with cups of hot cocoa and reading a book.

Enjoy the winter.



S. Rose, Library Technician



BULLETIN BOARD

JANUARY REMINDERS



Hot Lunch:
January 23rd
Date was changed

Next PAC MEETING

February 3, 2015
6:30 PM

*All Welcome!!!
Childcare available.*

School Bussing will be cancelled ALL DAY if the windchill reading is **-45C or colder**

at 6am
at the Forks
according to

Environment Canada
<https://weather.gc.ca/city/pages/mb>



R.F.MORRISON KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

will be held on
Monday, February 23rd
6:30 p.m.

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35th Anniversary EUBP Zabava

January 21st

6-8pm (IN THE GYM)

***Classroom displays, food, fun, and
dancing!!!!***

FREE – ALL WELCOME!!!



SEVEN OAKS
SCHOOL DIVISION
community begins here

SEVEN OAKS SCHOOL DIVISION

Invites the Community to the 2015 - 2016

Public Budget Consultation Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Seven Oaks School Division invites the public to an open meeting to discuss the 2015-2016 school year budget. The purpose of the meeting is to inform the public about funding provisions and current budget discussions and to invite comment on educational and budget initiatives.

Monday, February 23, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.
Judy Silver Commons – Maples Collegiate
1330 Jefferson Avenue



R.F. Morrison Music Notes

Congratulations...I am so impressed with everyone's performance in the NUTCRACKER! I extend bouquets of thanks to all the talented students who performed with such energy and enthusiasm, as well as to the staff for their help! Everyone's effort, support & participation in this musical production are greatly appreciated!
Ms. Todaschuk



NUTCRACKER



NUTCRACKER



Making varenyky in Rm. 1



Thank you to our helpers, Lexi & Baba Banera!

Enjoying our varenyky in Rm.1



St. Nicholas' Visit & Ukrainian Christmas Celebrations



Morrison's Elves



LEARN LACROSSE

Falcons Lacrosse Association is offering an introduction program to the sport of Lacrosse!

Clinics are FREE of charge, non-contact and open to boys and girls ages 5 - 11!

Where: Duncan Arena - 55 Duncan Street

When: Saturday mornings 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Sports teams welcome!

Please contact nwfalconslox@gmail.com for more info or visit the Falcons Lacrosse website at www.falconslacrosse.net.

Building Bridges Drumming, Singing and Storytelling

This initiative serves to celebrate First Nations culture and is open to all people, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal. The goal is to bring families together in Seven Oaks to:

- Have fun
- Learn local Anishinaabe songs
- Understand the significance of each song
- Learn Anishinaabe language

The 12 week program will provide an introduction to the drum and provide opportunity to learn local commonly sung Anishinaabe songs including: the Bear Song; Creator Song; and social songs. **An adult must accompany each child(ren)**. These sessions are open to a maximum of 30 participants **note only 12 consistent participants will make a family drum*. **All sessions will take place at Edmund Partridge School located at 1874 Main Street from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm**

January 27,

February 3, 10, 17, 24

March 3, 10, 17, 24, (no class March 31)

April 7, 14

The last class will be a celebration of learning that will include a community feast to showcase the learning and showcase the new family/community drums!

A snack will be provided at each class.

If you have any questions please contact Alison at 204 421-6767 or Rebecca.chartrand@7oaks.org

Positive Discipline

What it is and how to do it

We all know that parenting is a most rewarding, but challenging experience. Often we are presented with situations or behaviors in our children that leave us feeling confused, frustrated and unsure of how to respond.



Positive Discipline is an approach to parenting that teaches children and guides their behavior, based in research on children's healthy development and effective parenting.

Positive Discipline is not permissive parenting and is not about punishment. It is about long-term solutions that develop children's own self-discipline and their life long skills. Positive discipline is about teaching non-violence, empathy, self-respect, human rights and respect for others.

The 7-Oaks School Division will be offering a seminar on Positive Discipline in March and April, 2015. The seminars will start on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 in the morning from 9:15 am to 11:15 am and will run for 8 consecutive weeks. Childcare will be provided. The program will take place at the Ben Zaidman Educational Resource Centre (BZERC) at 375 Jefferson Avenue.

Registration forms will be sent home early Feb, 2015. For more information please contact the Community Coordinator at your school. We look forward to sharing information, ideas and experiences in these fun and informative parent seminars.

For more information please contact:

**Veronica Thiffeault, Community Coordinator – Advancing Community Schools
Phone: 204-586-9716 or email at veronica.thiffeault@7oaks.org**



RF Morrison's Preschool Program

January 2015



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Welcome back bbb				1 	2	3
4	5 Preschool Program 9:30-11:30	6	7	8 Preschool Program 9:30-11:30	9	10
11	12 Preschool Program 9:30-11:30	13	14	15 Preschool Program 9:30-11:30	16	17
18	19 Preschool Program 9:30-11:30	20	21	22 Preschool Program 9:30-11:30	23	24
25	26 Preschool Program 9:30-11:30	27	28	29 Preschool Program 9:30-11:30	30	31

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4	5 Day 6 School Reopens	6 Day 1	7 Day 2	8 Day 3	9 Day 4	10
11	12 Day 5	13 Day 6	14 Day 1	15 Day 2 Rm 4 swimming Rm 8&11 Skating	16 Day 3 Rm 5&6 Skating	17
18	19 Day 4	20 Day 5 GRADE 4 & 6 GIRLS IMMUNIZATION 1:00 P.M.	21 Day 6 35TH ANNIVERSARY EUBP ZABAVA	22 Day 1 Rm 4 swimming Rm 8&11 Skating	23 PAC Hot Lunch Red Scarf Activity Day Rm 5&6 Skating	24
25	26 Day 3	27 Day 4	28 Day 5	29 Day 6 Rm 4 swimming Rm 8&11 Skating	30 Day 1 Rm 5&6 Skating	31