



## Школа R. F. Morrison School Newsletter

December 2023

We have had a busy month of learning as our first term wrapped up with report card writing and student-led conferences. We hope that conferences provided an opportunity for every family to meet with teachers and celebrate the learning and growth that have taken place so far this year – we are excited for it to continue!

In the last month we had two wonderfully organized student led assemblies for both Remembrance Day and for commemorating the Holodomor (famine genocide in Ukraine in 1932-33). Two very important days for us to come together and remember. Thank you to the students who put so much work into preparing for those assemblies.

So, just as the rush of report cards and conferences has come to an end, the busyness of Winter Concert season is upon us. This year we are privileged to be holding our concerts at the Maples Collegiate Commons. Concerts will be on Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Check the email we sent Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> with full concert details – We can't wait to see you there!

Room 3 is planning another week of spirited activities! Stay tuned for the themes for each day the week leading up to the break!

Our last day of school for 2023 is Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. We wish everyone a wonderful December, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year! Бажаємо веселого свята та щасливого нового року!





## R.F. Morrison's Indigenous Words of the week!

**Miskwamy:** Ice (Cree)  
**Yoskikonis:** Soft Snowflakes (Cree)  
**Wâsaskocênikanis:** candle (Cree)  
**Bakwezhigan:** Bread (Ojibwe)

### Upcoming Important Dates

- *Grade 6 Band Concert – December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at SOPAC, 6:30pm*
- *Winter Concerts – December 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at Maples Collegiate Commons*
- *Winter Break— December 25<sup>th</sup> – January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – School Reopens January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024*
- *School Based PD day, No School – Monday January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024*
- *PAC meeting – January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 4pm*
- *Division Wide PD day, No School – Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024*
- *Louis Riel Family Day, No School – Monday February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024*
- *Family Conferences, NO SCHOOL—Friday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (evening conferences Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>)*
- *Spring Break – March 25<sup>th</sup> – March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024*

**Please keep children home if they have cold/flu symptoms** until fevers have stopped and they're starting to feel better.

**If your child is not going to be at school for any reason (sick, late, vacation, etc.), please contact the office at 204-338-7804 or email [rfmorrison@7oaks.org](mailto:rfmorrison@7oaks.org).**



Please remember to include utensils when packing snacks and lunches for the students.

It is getting cooler out; please remember to dress for the weather—mitts, toque, neck warmer, warm coat, warm boots, etc...





## Polar Bear Recess

As colder temperatures are nearing, we will be inviting students to participate in our Polar Bear Recess with parent and guardian permission. Stay tuned for an email coming with more information!



## Student Service Learning

Harvest Manitoba came to pick up donations that took up 7+ yellow bins of food for Manitobans! Thank you to families, staff and our greater community who donated so generously.

Students aren't finished with collecting items for those in need. If you are able, please consider contributing to a clothing drive for Ukrainian newcomers and socks and toiletries for the Main Street Project. Posters for both are included below!



# **БЕЗКОШТОВНИЙ РОЗПРОДАЖ ОДЯГУ ДЛЯ НОВОПРИБУЛИХ УКРАЇНЦІВ**

**16го грудня - 9:00-11:00**

**Пласт Вінніпег**

**623 Flora Ave - Вінніпег**



**Нагода для новоприбулих українців  
придбати одяг та взуття для дітей та  
дорослих безкоштовно!**



# **FREE CLOTHING SALE FOR UKRAINIAN NEWCOMERS**

**December 16th - 9am-11am**

**Plast Winnipeg  
623 Flora Ave - Winnipeg, MB**



**An opportunity for Ukrainian newcomers  
to shop men's, women's and children's  
clothing and shoes for free!**





## SOCKS + HYGIENE PRODUCT DONATION DRIVE FOR MAIN STREET PROJECT

**RFM is partnering with Main Street Project to collect sock and hygiene product donations. Please donate new and unused products for our donation drive. Donations accepted until December 22nd.**

**Thank you!**



# Preschool Story Time

This **FREE** program is for children 5 and under accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

- Songs
- Rhymes
- Stories
- Crafts
- Snacks
- Free play activities
- Structured activities
- Parent resources
- Lending library



*Children learn and develop best through play.*

**R.F. Morrison School in the Library**

**MONDAYS 9:00 - 11:00**

**WEDNESDAYS 9:00 - 11:00**

For more information contact Dave Mathers

R.F. Morrison School 204-338-7804

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\*please note these programs are for residents of the 7 Oaks School Division only.



# DECEMBER 2023



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> Day 3 <b>PD DAY-NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Day 4	<b>5</b> Day 5	<b>6</b> Day 6	<b>7</b> Day 1 Hanukkah Begins Term 2 TAS begins	<b>8</b> Day 2	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Day 3	<b>12</b> Day 4 Sadok Winter Concert Grade 6 Band Concert	<b>13</b> Day 5	<b>14</b> Day 6	<b>15</b> Day 1	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Day 2 Hot Lunch Day	<b>19</b> Day 3 Winter Concert	<b>20</b> Day 4 Winter Concert	<b>21</b> Day 5	<b>22</b> Day 6 Last day of classes before Winter Break	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25 Christmas</b> 🎄	<b>26 Boxing Day</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Winter Break December 25 – January 5, 2024</b> <b>School Reopens – January 8, 2024</b>					

**GRADE 6**  
**BAND - Days 2-4-6 in MPR**  
**TAS – Day 1 @ GCCC**

**December 2023 – IMPORTANT DATES**

12<sup>th</sup> Sadok Winter Concert  
19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> Winter Concert  
22<sup>nd</sup> Last Day of Classes-Winter Break (Dec 25 – Jan 5)

  
**Learn to Skate**  
Mondays – Room 8  
Tuesdays – Room 15

 **Milk Tickets**  
**\$10.00/sheet of 10**  
**Available in the office** 

**Parent-Child Program**  
**Monday & Wednesday Mornings**  
**9:00 – 11:00 a.m. in the Library**  
**Contact: Dave Mathers**  
Community Coordinator - Partners in Learning  
david.mathers@7oaks.org

  
**Learn to Swim**  
Mondays – Room 5  
Wednesdays - Room 10