Hawk Talk

Looking forward, grade 8 students are beginning to explore their options for high school and are encouraged to consider the many opportunities available to them in our community.

Students interested in the MET School are invited, with their families, to attend the MET School Open House on February 17th from 6-7pm. The Open House at Garden City Collegiate will be held on February 24th from 6-8:30pm and the Open House for West Kildonan Collegiate will be held on March 1st from 5:30-8:30 (with the presentation to begin at 6pm).

Additional information is available on the school's respective websites.

CALL BACK SYSTEM

If your child will not be at school or will be late, please be sure to contact our office at 204-586-0327 or email marie.jowitt@7oaks.org or bonnie.pollreis@7oaks.org. The office is open for phone calls between 7:45 am and 3:30 pm. If your child is absent and we have not been notified, you will be contacted to ensure your child is safe.

PHONE CALLS & MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS

Calling students out of class to take phone calls **is very** disruptive to the entire classroom.

Unless it is an emergency, it would be appreciated if you could make afterschool arrangements with your child before they come to school.



Crystal Hanson, Directrice adjointe Phone: 204-586-0327 Fax:204-589-0121 crystal.hanson@7oaks.org





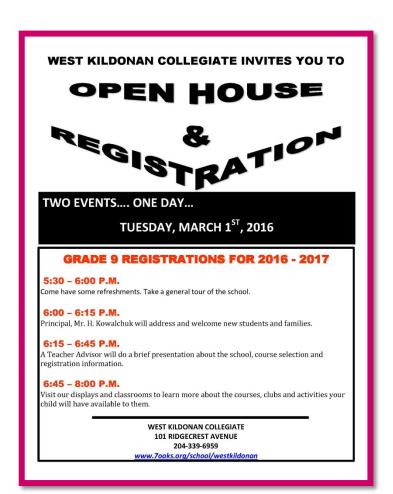
SEVEN OAKS SCHOOL DIVISION

Invites the Community to the 2016 - 2017

Public Budget Consultation Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Seven Oaks School Division invites the public to an open meeting to discuss the 2016-2017 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 22, 2016 - 7:00 p.m. Garden City Collegiate - Commons 711 Jefferson Avenue



Please join us to learn more about this innovative, challenging, and award-winning high school



Open House

Wednesday, February 17th 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Seven Oaks Met School 640 lefferson Ave.

Now accepting applications for grades 9-12*

*space is very limited for grades 10 & 11

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General information sessions will be held at 6:00 & 6:30 in the Great Room. Short presentations and Q&A sessions will take place around the school from 6:00-7:00. In addition to presentations about school-based projects & internships, you will have to chance to meet with our student and family ambassadors, Met School Alumni and post-secondary students, parents of Met School graduates, and of course our current Met School advisors. Refreshments will be provided.

Applications for the 2016-17 school year are due on Friday, March $\mathbf{11}^{\mathrm{th}}$

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Principal (acting) - Nancy Janelle, 204-336-5050, met.school@7oaks.org

With parent conferences just around the corner, please familiarize yourself with Parent Connect. If you have any questions, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

Instructions for Logging on to Parent Connect:

- Go to the École Seven Oaks Middle School website and scroll down to the bottom right side of the page. Click on the *Parent Connect via Email* link.
- Enter your email address and password. If you have forgotten your password or if this is your first time logging on to Parent Connect, click on "FORGOT MY PASSWORD". You will be prompted to enter your email address. Be sure you use the email address that you gave to the school; both email addresses must match.
- The system will then send you a temporary password to the email address you have on file at the school. Please note this is a temporary password and it should be changed as soon as possible. PLEASE DO NOT GIVE PASSWORDS TO STUDENTS.

Instructions for Booking your parent/student/teacher conference time

- On the top tool bar click the <Intrvw> tab.
- Select your child's homeroom teacher.
- Click on "Select" to choose your appointment time.
- The screen on the right shows you the summary of your appointments.
- To make an appointment with any other teacher, remove the check from the "limit to who teaches this student" and then select the teacher whom you wish to see (ie, phys ed, music, resource, guidance etc.)
- Use the <Print> button to get a reader-friendly copy of the schedule.

In the gym....

Physical Education Classes

Throughout the months of January, the students participated in a number of activities: floorball, broomball, team handball, a variety of low organized games and a number of fitness themed activities.

As we continue to endure the winter months, gym classes will continue to take place both indoors and outdoors, so please help remind your child to bring gym clothes that are suitable for the cold weather.

Special Olympics

Our student athletes continue to prepare for the next *In The School* Special Olympic Manitoba sponsored event: snowshoeing! On Wednesday, February 24th, our athletes and Sports Leadership volunteers will be participating at the snowshoe competition that will be held at Westwood Collegiate/Keith Bodley Arena from 10am-2pm. Good Luck!

Extracurricular

Basketball: The basketball season is well under way and all of our teams have been showing well. We have 9 teams representing our school, with approximately 100 students.

All practice times and games can be found on the school website calendar. Check frequently as times and dates change periodically.

Free Throw Competition: The entire school took part in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition held at ESOMS in mid-January. The following students won in their category and qualified to compete at the Regional Competition which will be held at the Holy Cross Gymnasium in March: Shyah, Adrian, Taylor, Jansen, Jennifer and Tony. Congratulations and Good Luck!

Music Notes...

Congratulations to all grade 6 students on a job-well done at your very first ÉSOMS Winter Concert! The evening was a huge success and you should all be very proud of yourselves!

A number of grade 7 and 8 band students are auditioning for this year's Provincial Honour Band. Remember that the sooner you begin practicing and recording, the better your chances are of getting in. Auditions are due by March 7, 2016. Materials can be found online at mbband.org. There is no audition fee as both Ms. Bouskill and Ms. Bittner are MBA members.

We have a few trips coming up: SO Vocal and Jazz Band are busy preparing for the Brandon Jazz Festival in March. A reminder that forms and final payment are due February 12, 2016.

The Grade 8 Band is looking forward to participating in this year's Moose Jaw Band Festival. Forms and final payment are due April 6, 2016.

Grade 6-8 trumpet players will get to work with Matt Neufeld the morning of February 17th. We're looking forward to having a guest trumpet player in!

A reminder that all students are expected to be practicing a minimum of 45 minutes a week. If your child is not bringing their instrument home, their band grade will not be as high as it could be. Consistent practice is important for growth as an independent musician!

Hop into spring break at Oak Hammock Marsh!

From March 28 - April 1, have fun participating in daily themed activities at Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre or register for one or all of our day camps. Camp runs daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is for children ages 6 to 9. Camp is filled with fun indoor and outdoor themed activities that may include scavenger hunts, animal tracking, outdoor cooking and nature crafts. For more information on daily themes or to register a camper please visit: http://www.oakhammockmarsh.ca, or call (204) 467-3300.

Red River Community Center Spring Registration

Baseball/Softball, Outdoor & Mini Soccer

Thursday, February 25- 6:30-8:30 Wednesday, March 2- 6:30-8:30 Monday, March 14- 6:30-8:30

Payment is cash or cheque at this time. (There is no bank machine on site.)

Life and Learning at ESOMS La vie et l'apprentissage

Grade 8's at the Youth BioLab

On Thursday January 14th Sherri's class went to the Youth BioLab at the St. Boniface Research Centre.

When we arrived we went on a tour of the facility and got to see some of the cardio labs and learn about all of the interesting research being conducted including making mice bioluminescent!

We then went down to the lab and learned about microscopes, muscle & connective cells, how sensitive the cells in our eyes are, diabetes and so much more.

The most exciting part of the day was when we got to dissect pig eyes. We started by cutting off the extra muscle around the eye. Next we opened the eye to look at the interior colouration and the thin layer of cells that make up the retina. We finished by pulling out the lens and saw firsthand how it is able to magnify small text. We all have a much better understanding of how the eye really works!





Mrs. Chrunyk - Room 24

Students in Room 24 studied Ancient Egypt. They each did a water color painting for this unit. These are some of the completed pieces.











Mme Friesen - Salle 13

Drumming with Sherri

In Sherri's classroom, we had an opportunity to explore our singing and drumming gifts. We enjoyed learning all about the the drum, including how it was made, as well as practicing a few songs.

Living History-Experiencing Treaties

We experienced first-hand the process of negotiating treaties. We identified personal agreements that we honour everyday with our own families and friends, that remain unwritten. We went through the process of creating our own 'territory', including picking a name and symbol, and negotiated treaties with other 'territories' in the classroom, complete with signatures. We also reviewed existing, traditional treaties that involve Manitoba regions.





Mme Labossiere - Salle 8

Le 28 janvier les élèves de la salle huit sont allés au Youth BIOlab au centre de recherche à l'Hôpital St.-Boniface. Les élèves ont participé à une expérience scientifique où ils ont fait une dissection d'oeil de cochon et ont appris au sujet de l'effet de la diabète sur le corps.

On January 28th, the students of room 8 visited the Youth BlOlab at the Research center at St.Boniface Hospital to participate in an experiment for our Optics unit in Science. In the BlOlab, we dissected a pig eye and learned about the effect of diabetes on the body.









Mme Pancotto - Salle 33

Les élèves de Mme Pancotto au centre culturel indigène du Manitoba









Lunch Club Activities

Activités des clubs de dîner

Le club d'art arrive chaque jour 5 dans la salle 15. Tout le monde est bienvenue! Art club is every day 5 in room 15. Everyone is welcome!





Maker Space: Come build something - build anything you want

Science Club: Try some interesting science experiments and work on a project you are passionate about





Sustainable: Come make you school and community a greener place

Code Makers: Learn how to code through some fun and interactive games



February 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	
	1 Day 3	2 Day 4	3 Day 5	4 Day 6	5 Day1	6	
				Soc Hop 1:30 - 3:00	Divisional PD No Classes		
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