



West St. Paul School

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Dear Families,

It was wonderful to see so many families at our Parent Teacher Conferences last week. The opportunity for kids and parents and teachers to meet and talk about their kids learning is so important to children. Children had the opportunity to show what they do at school and share their work with their parents. Parents are encouraged to contact classroom teachers when they have questions about the learning of their kids.

Our school Christmas Concert will take place on Wednesday, December 14th and Thursday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. We will have dress rehearsals at 12:45 on the Wednesday and Thursday for anyone who would like to attend the afternoon instead of the evening. Which classrooms will be performing each night can be found below and on the school website calendar when you click on "Christmas Concert" each day. The school will do an optional silver collection for the Middlechurch Home of Winnipeg "Be a Santa to a Senior" program each evening at the doorway to the gym.

Wednesday, December 14th

1. Grade 8 Band
2. Grade 3/4 – Rm. 8 Ms Greening
3. Grade 6/7 Band - Rm. 46 Mr. Robertson & Rm. 42 Wiebe
4. Grade 3/4 – Rm. 7 Ms Gill
5. Ms Fedorchuk's Dance group
6. Grade 1/2 – Rm. 3 Mrs. Walker
7. Grade 3/4 – Rm. 6 Ms Cervantes
8. Mrs. Campbell's AM & PM Kindergarten
9. Grade 1/2 – Rm. 5 Ms Babcock
10. Tap Club Grades 3 & 4's

Thursday December 15th

1. Grade 6/7 Band – Rm. 48 Mrs. Lidder, Rm. 43 Ms Stockton, Rm. 45 Ms Stromberg & Ms Hancox
2. Grade 1/2 -Rm. 4 Mrs. Rempel
3. Grade 5 - Rm. 41 Mr. Luna
4. Grade 1/2 – Rm. 2 Mrs. Moniz
5. Grade 3/4 – Rm. 17 Mrs. Penner
6. Ms Stockton's Choir group
7. Mrs. Jozwiak's Kindergarten
8. Grade 4/5 – Rm. 9 Ms West
9. Grade 5 – Rm. C1 Mr. Sutton
10. Grade 3/4 – Rm. 19 Ms Yeo
11. Grade 1/2 - Rm. 1 Ms Morwick

With the weather getting colder, please be sure your children are prepared to be outside for recess times. We know it gets cold and snowy and windy during the wintertime and we still go outside to play and enjoy the fresh air.

There have been a few bus cancellations this past week due to bus driver shortages and illnesses. The division is looking to hire additional bus drivers. Please check the divisional website for the job description and refer people that you know would be qualified. Furthermore,

when buses get cancelled, there will be a note on the Seven Oaks School Division website saying which bus numbers are cancelled. When buses are cancelled, they get cancelled for the entire day. When it begins to get very cold outside, the Winnipeg school divisions consult, and will cancel school busses when temperatures are colder than minus 45 degrees Celsius at The Forks at 6:00 AM. Again, this is posted on the Seven Oaks School Division website in the morning.

We would ask each family to check their Parent Connect information. When a child is ill, hurt or in case of emergencies, we need to have accurate telephone numbers to contact families. Also, please check e-mail addresses so that all school notices can be delivered. Families can change their own information in Parent Connect. If you run into difficulties, feel free to phone in the school office.

When your child will be absent from school, please call the school office at 204-339-1964. The school voicemail is available 24 hours for you to leave a message advising us of their absence.

Our school continues to work at improving our math teaching. Today, Friday, December 2nd, we met and worked with Liz Barrett of Jump Math. Liz shared resources and methods and how Jump Math can be a useful tool in teaching students math. In the next couple weeks, students in grades 3-8 will complete the CAT4 math test. The test results will help us to focus our efforts on teaching areas of math that students need more time to practice.

Wildcat update: two new Wildcats were born last Friday November 25th. Miss Mitchell gave birth to a baby girl and Mr. Forsyth's wife gave birth to a baby boy. All babies and parents are doing well. Mr. Hodgins is away and we are pleased to welcome Mr. Carlo Roces to the band position.

We will be collecting holiday hamper items this year. Our goal is to build 5 holiday hampers that will be delivered to families in our community. If you are able to help, a list of items that we're collecting follows. If we end up with any extra items, we will deliver them to the Christmas cheer board. Suggested items include:

*Canned vegetables Canned fruit Crushed or diced tomatoes Canned or package soup
Canned or dried beans, Peanut butter Canned tuna Quick oats, Pasta Rice Pasta
sauce Macaroni and cheese Boxed cereal All purpose flour Mashed or scalloped bag
potatoes Pancake mix, Sugar, Pancake syrup Fruit spread/jam Jelly powder Cookies
Candy*

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