



West St. Paul School

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Dear Parents,

As we enter the second half of the school year, good things are happening. We continue to benefit from mild winter temperatures mixed in with some frigid days and students can head outside daily. The number of new COVID cases in Winnipeg continues to decline and the test positivity rate is decreasing as well. Nearly all our students are back learning in their classrooms which is where students learn best.

Student and staff safety continue to be our highest priority. Students wash and sanitize their hands multiple times each day. We have two custodians both during the day and during the evening cleaning and sanitizing high touch surfaces. Students are separated to the greatest degree possible in their classrooms and tables have plexiglass barriers on them. All students and staff are consistently wearing masks. Please send several masks each day with your child as they do get damp from talking and kids running with them outside. Any staff or student with COVID symptoms is at home until the symptoms resolve. We are not allowing any visitors to the school building currently. We greatly appreciate the support from the parents and community as we work to keep everyone safe.

I Love to Read month kicked off with 'dress like a storybook character' this week. Wear words day, stop, drop, and read, dress up days and more are coming. Watch the calendar on our website.

Remember that our parent-teacher conferences will be by video call next month. On the parent end, this can be done through a smartphone, tablet, desktop, or laptop computer. Teachers will be in their classrooms during the call. Teachers will be contacting parents with further instructions on how to connect as we get closer to March dates.

Next week is the Jack Frost Challenge Week. Many of our classrooms have signed up and will be doing many additional activities outdoors. More information for families can be found at the Green Action Centre website [Jack Frost Challenge | Bougeons en Hiver | Green Action Centre](#) As always, be sure your children are dressed to be outside and always send your child with several masks each day because they can become damp when students are outside.

Students have been enjoying the outdoors at school. While driving past the school, you will see kids climbing and sliding down the hill, running around the school yard, cross county skiing, snow shoeing, shovelling and just enjoying the outdoors. We are grateful for the supplies the division has provided to us and the ongoing support from our families.

Enjoy being with your family.

David Ingram Tanya Kohut

Administrators



West St. Paul students shovelling driveways in our community.



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- and many free-choice activities.

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Through our fun programs, we help your child develop:

- gross and fine motor skills
- leadership skills
- social awareness and
- relationship-building skills.

Our school-age programs are centered on the core principles of play, health, relationships and learning.



We have daily access to:

- a full gymnasium,
- outdoor community spaces and
- a variety of dedicated child care spaces.

About the Centre

Our child-care centre, located at 3740 Main Street, in West St. Paul School, offers care to school-age children. Our child-care director for this area is Constance Cava and she can be reached at 204-831-3287.

Transportation

Children travel independently to the child-care centre after school.

Hours

Monday - Friday
2:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Break Week Care

The centre is closed during the winter, spring and summer school breaks. However, if your family requires child care during those periods, we welcome families to register at another YMCA-YWCA for the break weeks that you require child care.

Come check us out!

Call and set up a visit to our centre.
We would love to meet you and your children!



We keep your child physically & mentally active.

Interested in our child-care programs?

Please add your name to the province's online child-care registry at www.gov.mb.ca/fs/childcare/occr/
Please be sure to select your child's school from the available list.

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Parent Testimonials

"The staff is top notch!

Our kids are happy and don't want to come home! That should say it all!"

"There are a lot of different activities going on that the children can choose from....fun activities that keep the kids busy and they look forward to going each morning."

"I have been involved with this child care for a while and find the staff amazing and gifted. They're always friendly and always supportive. The best child care I've ever been involved with."

Questions?

Contact the child-care director listed on the previous page