



# *West St. Paul School* *Community Newsletter* **SEPTEMBER, 2011**

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***Our Beliefs: Take care of yourself. Take care of each other. Take care of this place.***

## **Welcome to the New School Year**

We are always excited about a new school year. Building new classroom communities, making new friends, finding something challenging and new in our academic work, meeting new families and starting afresh all contribute to our sense of new beginnings.

School start up with construction is a challenge. We are living the saying “short term pain for long term gain”! When the construction is finished, we will have a beautiful new foyer, an elevator from the lower floor to the upper floor, a lift from the main floor to the Library floor, a wheelchair accessible bathroom and a new office configuration.

In the meantime, here are some of the changes we will be making to accommodate on-going construction:

Mrs. Rioux and Mrs. Tabor’s Grade Six class will be in the Library until construction is finished.

Red River Hall is now assigned to the Elementary Music Program.

All students will go to the back playground when coming off the buses. Students will remain outside until the school bell rings. Most classes will also exit from the back of the school to load buses at the end of the day.

**Parents will NOT be allowed to drive into the parking lot in the morning.** The drop-off spot for parents between 7:30 and 8:00 will be on Minnehaha. We will have crossing guards to meet and cross students at the lights.

Some teacher parking will be reassigned to the field.

Volunteers, as well as parents and caregivers attending the Family Center, will park alongside the gym and use the back entrance from the playground.

Please be patient with us as we work through the new patterns of movement in the school. We have made what we believe to be workable plans for student movement through the school. However, we know that when the students arrive, we will have to make some adjustments.

We welcome new and returning staff to our school. Mrs. Rempel (Grade 2), Mrs. Rioux and Mrs. Tabor (Grade 6) are returning from maternity leave. Mrs. Elizabeth Walker (Grade 2) joins us from Elwick School. We are also welcoming 8 new families of students to our school community. We know you will all help them to feel welcome.

## **Middle Years Camp**

On September 12 and 13, all our Middle Years students will be heading off to Camp at Roseau River. We know this is a great way for students to make connections with each other, to build a wonderful positive climate for learning, to work on leadership, and to build positive working relationships with each other and with the whole group of teachers. Information about Camp will be given out to each family at Orientation.



## **Terry Fox Walk**

West St. Paul School will be participating in the Terry Fox Walk. Our anticipated date for our walk is September 28<sup>th</sup>. Students will be given information about either bringing donations or pledges in the second week of September.

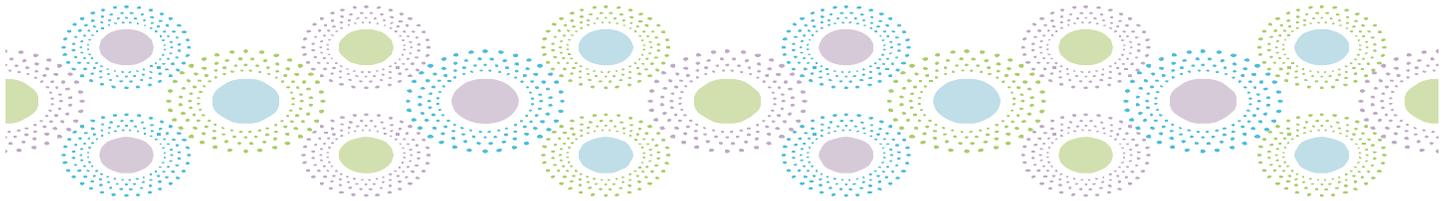
# WEST ST PAUL SCHOOL STAFF ROSTER

2011– 2012

Principal: Mrs. Cathy Horbas

Vice-Principal: Mr. David Ingram

Kindergarten:	Ms Jaime Carpenter (KA & KP)	Room 34
Grade 1:	Miss Patricia Schur (1K)	Room 1
Grade 1:	Mrs. Dawn Moniz (1L)	Room 3
Grade 2:	Mrs. Elizabeth Walker (2K)	Room 6
Grade 2:	Mrs. Lorie Rempel (2L)	Room 9
Grade 3:	Miss Jessica Dilts (3K)	Room 2
Grade 3:	Miss Vanessa Burrige (3L)	Room 7
Grade 3/4:	Miss Leanne Yeo (3M/4M)	Room 4
Grade 4:	Ms Kim Greening (4K)	Room 5
Grade 4/5:	Mr. Jeff Zylstra (4L/5L)	Room 8
Grade 5:	Miss Ashley Sharpe (5K)	Room 17
Grade 5:	Mrs. Jennifer Arjoon (5M)	Room 44
Grade 6:	Mrs. Melissa Rioux & Mrs. Diana Tabor (6K)	Room 42
Grade 6:	Mr. Warren Olson (6L)	Room 43
Grade 6:	Mrs. Serina Shewchuk (6M)	Room 46
Grade 7:	Ms Karren Jopka (Blatz) (7K)	Room 19
Grade 7:	Ms Stacey Los (7L)	Room 45
Grade 8:	Mr. Matthew Bencharski (8K)	Room 41
Grade 8:	Mr. Kevin Rempel (8L)	Room 47
Grade 8:	Mrs. Shelley Torz (8M)	Room 48
Support Teachers:	Ms Joey Robertson (Early Years) Ms Cathy Gingera (Middle Years)	
Community Coordinator:	Mrs. Cheryl Rajfur	
Guidance:	Mr. Randy McGunigal	
Music/Band:	Mrs. Stacy Stockton (Gr. 1-5)	Mr. Earl Isaak (Gr. 6-8)
Physical Education:	Mr. Richard Chin (K-5)	Mr. Rob Ens (Gr. 6-8)
Librarian:	Mrs. Glory Boyce	
Paraprofessionals:	Mr. Roger Correia, Mr. Rob Cosens, Mrs. Debbie Hasiuk, Mrs. Linda Janzen, Mrs. Laine Lefteruk, Mrs. Sheri Mota, Mrs. Jacqueline Rasmussen, Mrs. Jacqueline Zieba	
Custodians:	Mr. Jeremy Muise (days) Mr. Bernd Korden (nights)	Mr. Murray Lubkey (nights)
Secretaries:	Mrs. Cindy Pasternak	Mrs. Nina Wasilewski



**2010-2011**

## **IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE**

September 6 & 7	Orientation Days
September 8	First Day of School
September 12 & 13	Middle Years Camp @ Roseau River
September 13	Parent Advisory Council Meeting ~ Room 43 @ 7 p.m.
October 7	Divisional PD ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
October 10	Thanksgiving Day ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
October 11	Parent Advisory Council Meeting ~ Room 43 @ 7 p.m.
October 21	SAG In-service ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
November 8	Parent Advisory Council Meeting ~ Room 43 @ 7 p.m.
November 11	Remembrance Day ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
November 12	Baking donation drop-off between 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.
November 13	Annual PAC Craft Sale
November 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
December 23-January 6	Winter Break ~ <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
January 9	Classes Resume
February 20	Louis Riel Day ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
March 16	Parent/Teacher Conference ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
March 26-March 30	Spring Break ~ <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
April 6	Good Friday ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
May 21	Victoria Day ~ <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
June 29	Last Day of Classes ~ <b>EARLY DISMISSAL</b>

Please keep this list of dates handy, however, during the year, other professional development days and special events will be planned. Monthly newsletters will provide updates and the information will be posted on our school website.

[www.7oaks.org/school/weststpaul/Pages](http://www.7oaks.org/school/weststpaul/Pages)

# PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

PAC meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month.

The Annual WSP PAC Christmas Craft Sale is on November 13.

Plan on donating baking for the Craft Sale? Donations can be dropped off at the school on Saturday, November 12 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.!

The dates for PAC meetings will be:

## 2011

September 13

October 11

November 8

December 6

## 2012

January 17

February 14

March 13

April 10

May 8 (Annual General Meeting)

All parents/guardians are welcome to attend. Any changes to the meeting dates will be noted in the newsletter and on the school website.



## QSP Fundraiser

*This Fall 2011 our school will be providing the opportunity to renew and/or purchase new magazine subscriptions through the **QSP- Family Reading Program Fundraiser**. Please ignore any notices from the publishers asking you to renew now and instead, support our school's fundraising efforts in the fall. Please share this message with other family and friends who order through our program. As always, you will receive the best price while our school retains a substantial portion as profit (approx. 40%).*

*Thank you for your continued support!  
Orders are due by Friday, October 14th.*



## Grade Eight Fundraising

The 2011-2012 Grade 8 students will be selling Show and Save booklets to help raise funds for year-end events.

The Show And Save card and booklet will be sold at a cost of \$15 each. Each booklet comes with coupons for Fun Food, Casual and Fine Dining, Golfing, Fun and Entertainment, as well as some coupons for Merchandise and Services.

Each Grade 8 student who chooses to sell these booklets will collect the \$15 (cash or cheque) and hand it in to their teachers, who will then supply them with the books purchased. The students will then give the booklets to those whom have ordered.

If you would like a Show and Save Coupon Book, let a Grade 8 student know; or, you can call the school (339-1964) and we'll make sure you get one.

~Grade 8 Class of 2012 ~

## MILK TICKETS & LUNCH TIME INFORMATION

We are a Nut and Fish aware school. We have many children who have life threatening allergies, in particular, to nuts. Please **DO NOT** send snacks or lunches that contain peanuts, peanut butter, nuts or fish.

White and chocolate milk is available for sale to all grade levels at lunch. Students in grades 1-5 can purchase sheets of 10 milk tickets for \$8.00 through the office. Additional order forms may be obtained from the office. Please send exact change or a cheque made out to West St. Paul School. Each lunch time, students can exchange a ticket for milk just outside the Library. Students in Middle Years can purchase milk from the Canteen and do not require tickets.

Food from the Middle Years canteen is open everyday . Healthy snacks such as cheese strings, yogurt, granola bars and water can be purchased daily. Prices range from .50–\$2.00.

Microwaves are available for Grade 3-8 students to warm up their lunches. Please help us with teaching your child how long their lunch will need to be heated. Students are responsible for the use of and cleaning up after themselves when using the microwaves (i.e. If their lunch spills over in the microwave.) Thanks for PAC for supplying the microwaves.

All students will be eating lunches in their classrooms this year. Students are expected to clean up after themselves after they have eaten and to sit quietly during lunch time.

Parent Advisory Council will be offering Hot Lunch choices occasionally during the year.

## TAS (Technical Courses, Arts and Sports)

All West St. Paul School students have the opportunity to participate in TAS for one morning in every six day cycle. All our Grade 7 and 8 students will be having some of their TAS classes at West Kildonan Collegiate. This year is a new configuration for us. Options for them will be woodworking, electronics, graphics, and foods. The teachers who teach these courses are teachers from West Kildonan Collegiate. Students in Grade Six will have their TAS classes at West St. Paul School.

The sports options, taught by Mr. Ens and Mr. Ingram are soccer , held at the Skylight Soccer Complex in East St. Paul, curling at the West St. Paul Curling Club, and life styles (yoga, aerobics, wall climbing, golf etc.) . In addition, there is an option to participate in the Seven Oaks Hockey Academy at Seven Oaks Middle School. This option is taught by Mr. Rick Farmer.

Technology option revolves around video and movie making and is taught here, at West St. Paul School, by Mr. Isaak and Ms. Stockton. The arts option will be taught by Mrs. Horbas.



## Library Services

Our Library looks a little different again this fall as Mrs. Rioux and Mrs. Tabor have their classroom set up in the Library due to construction. Children will still be able to access books, have storytime and be able to use the Library Services. It may not look the same as it has in the past, as we work through scheduling and space issues. Please be patient with us as we get things rolling.

## Emergency Procedures

We are required by the Public Schools Act to have ten fire drills during the year. Fire exit plans are posted in each space in the school. We have adjusted our fire plans to take into account the change in traffic flow during construction. Students meet at the back of the school to ensure they are all safe. Our first fire drills will take place once all our Kindergarten students are here every day.

If we need to evacuate the school, Middle School students will be evacuated to Middlechurch Home and K - 5 students will be evacuated to West St. Paul Curling Rink. If we are unable to return to the school, parents will be called to pick up their children at the evacuation site.

School Buses do not run if it is -45 or colder. The cancellation of buses will be posted on the Seven Oaks School Division website and notices are on radio stations (CJOB, CBC etc.) The decision not to run school buses is made by the chairperson of the Metro School Superintendent's group. The decision is made by 6:30 a.m.

Schools are generally open when the buses do not run. Parents can drop off their children at the school but must be aware that there is no pick-up at the end of the day.

## Call Back

If your child is not at school on any given day, and we don't know why, our secretaries will call to ensure that your child is safe. We do have an answering machine so please call in the evening or early morning to leave a message if you know your child will be away and indicate the reason. Call back # is 339-1964.

If the buses are not running, we would appreciate a call to let us know if you are NOT sending your child to school.

## ***MedicAlert's No Child Without Program is at Our School***

The ***No Child Without*** program offers a free MedicAlert membership to students who attend our school and are between the ages of 4 up to their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday. If your child has a medical condition, allergy or is required to take medication on a regular basis then you should consider a MedicAlert membership through this program. MedicAlert is your child's voice in an emergency,

MedicAlert membership;

- Gives emergency first responders immediate access to a your child's medical information on their MedicAlert bracelet or necklace.
- Enables first responders to quickly obtain up to date medical information by means of the child's Electronic Health Record through the **24 Hour Emergency Hotline**.
- Communicates with the parent or emergency contact upon activation of the **Hotline**
- Allows free updates of the child's medical recorded, as needed

MedicAlert identification can alert school staff, friends, coaches and others about your child's medical condition should an emergency occur.

For further information come to the office for a brochure or go to [www.nochildout.ca](http://www.nochildout.ca).

To register your child you will need a ***No Child Without*** brochure from the office.

If your child is already part of the ***No Child Without*** program and there have been changes to their medical condition, medications or emergency contact information, call MedicAlert at 1-866-679-3220 Ext 1 to update your child's file.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## City of Winnipeg Leisure Guide

The City of Winnipeg is proud to provide a wide variety of recreation and leisure opportunities to contribute to the overall well-being of our community. The Leisure Guide is published three times per year and is filled with fun and exciting programs for everyone.

For more information on leisure, sport and fitness programs, please pick up a copy of the Leisure Guide, call 311 or log on to [Winnipeg.ca/leisureonline](http://Winnipeg.ca/leisureonline). Guides are available for pick up at civic pools, libraries and leisure centres, and at a number of retail locations including Safeway, 7-Eleven and Mac's.

Register now for fall programs!

## City of Winnipeg Priceless Fun

Winnipeggers now have easy access to information about free recreation, leisure and library programs with the new free programming guide, Priceless Fun.

The fall edition of Priceless Fun, available in September, provides information about the free programs for children and youth being offered by the City of Winnipeg throughout the city, all in one convenient guide. Hard copies of Priceless Fun are available for pick up at all civic indoor pools, libraries and leisure centres. You can view Priceless Fun online at: [Winnipeg.ca/cms/recreation/pdfs/Free\\_programs.pdf](http://Winnipeg.ca/cms/recreation/pdfs/Free_programs.pdf). Information about programs is also available by calling 311.

## KEYSTONE KIPS (1998) GYMNASTICS

### RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

PARENT & TOT CLASSES 2 YEARS & UP  
GIRLS & BOYS - AGES: 3 YEARS & UP

### GIRLS COMPETITIVE PROGRAMS

REGIONAL & PROVINCIAL STREAM

### 2011 FALL REGISTRATION

SEPTEMBER 9 & 16, 2011

6:00 PM TO 7:30 PM

LOCATION: WEST ST PAUL SCHOOL

(3740 MAIN ST, NORTH OF THE PERIMETER)

FOR INFORMATION CALL: 694-8096  
Or email us at: [keystonekips@mts.net](mailto:keystonekips@mts.net)



EDGE (Extended Day Growth Education) welcomes you to another exciting school year with great after-school programs. Many favorite courses will be returning like the Babysitter Certificate Course. Registration will be arriving this month. Don't delay when you receive your EDGE booklet outlining all the courses we have to offer as class sizes are limited and filled on a first come first serve basis. You can sign up for courses like Hip Hop Dance, Art and Drawing plus many more.

EDGE fall courses will start the week of October 17th. We look forward to having you join us. For more information on EDGE check our programs on the Seven Oaks website under Programs or contact Penny Raymond, Extended Day Coordinator at [penny.raymond@7oaks.org](mailto:penny.raymond@7oaks.org) or at 885-4333.

# SEPTEMBER, 2011

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4	5 <b>LABOUR DAY</b> <b>NO SCHOOL</b>	6 – Day 1 <b>ORIENTATION DAYS</b>	7 – Day 2	8 – Day 3 First day of classes	9 – Day 4	10
11	12 – Day 5 <b>MIDDLE YEARS CAMP</b> <b>@ ROSEAU RIVER</b>	13 – Day 6 PAC Meeting 7:00 p.m. ~ Rm. 43	14 – Day 1	15 – Day 2	16 – Day 3	17
18	19 – Day 4	20 – Day 5	21 – Day 6	22 – Day 1	23 – Day 2	24
25	26 – Day 3	27 – Day 4	28 – Day 5	29 – Day 6	30 – Day 1	

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Oct 10	Thanksgiving Day – <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
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# SEPTEMBER

WEST ST. PAUL COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Advancing Community Schools

Joey Robertson - Learning Support Teacher - Early Years

Cheryl Rajfur - Community Coordinator

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<b>Welcome Back!</b>						
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# OCTOBER

**WEST ST. PAUL COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

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## PARENT/CHILD PROGRAMS

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9	10 <b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</b>  <b>NO SCHOOL</b>	11 <b>Parent/Child Rhymes &amp; More</b> 9:15 – 10:30 a.m. 0 – 5 years	12 <b>Health Sessions For Parents</b> 9:15 – 11:15 a.m. FREE CHILDCARE	13	14 <b>Parent/Child Drop-In</b> 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. 0 – 5 years	15
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