

Life In Our School...

Concert: Grades 3-5

We were fortunate to be able to have our Grades 3-5 concert at the Seven Oaks Performing Arts Centre in January. Our music specialists, Mme Mahir and M Saya prepared an amazing program around Manitoba's history of the Red River Métis. They learned to sing many traditional Voyageur

songs, played the fiddle and performed Métis jigging and Scottish dance



Concert: Grades K-2

Our Kindergarten-Grade 2 students put on an adorable show at SOPAC in March,

highlighting French stories and songs learned in the early years.

Chaque enfant compte



Club de gigue

To mark Canada's National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, students at École Rivière-Rouge made posters with words of hope and kindness to honour survivors of Residential Schools and those who never came home. We came together to walk in the community to symbolise our commitment to create safe and caring schools for Indigenous students. Every child matters.

2022 - 2023

Students in Grades 4 and 5 joined our Jigging Club, lead by Métis Jigger extraordinaire, Dean Davis. They danced proudly during the grand entry at this year's Graduation Pow Wow at Maples Collegiate in June. Students in all grades also had the opportunity to learn a few steps from Dean when he joined us for a full day of jigging workshops.

BUILDING SCHOOL CULTURE: School-wide assemblies and events

- Welcome assembly for the 2022-2023 school year
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- Terry Fox Walk & Run school-wide event
- Remembrance Day
- Cartes avec COEUR
- Winter break sing along assembly
- Concerts at SOPAC
- Festival du Voyageur celebrations
- I Love to Read
- Bear Witness Day
- Pride Walk
- Volunteer appreciation
- Two weeks outdoors
- Indigenous Peoples Day
- Community BBQ
- Grade Five Farewell

Merci aux bénévoles

THANK YOU FOR OUR PARENT SUPPORT

Thank you to our Parent Council and volunteers who organized pizza lunches, ice cream day and brought us



new recess equipment! We were happy to be able to celebrate the contributions of our parent

community by hosting a short assembly in their honour.



Festival du Voyageur



We spent a week in February learning more about French Canadian culture during our Festival du Voyageur celebrations. The official Voyageur

Family, La famille Turenne, came to our school and sang Voyageur songs with us. Classes also joined together to create art, taste la tire, dance la gigue and play Voyageur games in the gym.

Cartes avec CCEUR

A heartfelt thank you to all of our families that supported our holiday card initiative once again. All funds that were collected were used to provide



gifts for families in our school community.



School-wide Pride Walk

Indigenous Peoples Day



Avec COEUR

This year we have been doing work with our students and staff to explore ways in which we can work together, avec COEUR. We also spent time defining the words in

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COEUR that represent our school values as a community. Through this work we have revamped the words avec COEUR with our staff and we look forward to working on these values next year with our whole school community.



EXTRACURRICULAR MUSICAL ACTIVITIES

Our Grade 5 students had an amazing opportunity to perform onstage with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra at the Centennial Concert Hall. 43 students diligently practiced their recorders or violin during recess to prepare. We were so very proud of their performance and how they represented our school.

In May, M Saya prepared a group of Grade 5's to perform at SOPAC for the Seven Oaks Fiddle Jam.



Students in Mme Kristjanna's class had the pleasure of welcoming baby Rosie to their classroom once a month throughout the school year for the Roots of Empathy Program. Throughout the year, the students learned about empathy, defining emotions and understanding the developmental milestones of babies.

EXTRACURRICULAR PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES

This year we were able to resume many of our extracurricular physical activities. Grades 3, 4 and 5 participated in Cross Country in the fall, Grades 4 and 5 had the opportunity to participate in our school track and field meet, cross country meet, and our Grade 5's participated in the badminton jamboree, circulation volleyball, 3 on 3 basketball and handball tournament.













STEAM FEST

Several classes from our school attended the STEAM festival put on by our school division. The students had the opportunity to participate in engaging workshops on the topics of science, technology, engineering, art and math. Two classes from our school (Mme Smith and Mme Francis) presented projects on the topic of animals as engineers.





REFLECTIONS ON 2022–2023

Brigadiers



Our Grade 5 students were wonderful helpers and role models on our buses and with our Kindergarten students. We thank them for their kindness and dedication in this leadership role!

BBQ communautaire

Anges de la récréation

Students in Grade 3 also played a role in guiding our younger students this spring during recess. They taught them new recess games and helped them make new friends. We are so proud of them and the relationships they helped build in our community.



Au revoir aux cinquièmes

It was such a pleasure to welcome our community



to our school for our annual BBQ. This year, we invited the Norman Chief Dancers to perform for us. Our students even got to join them on stage and show off their jigging skills!



It is always hard to say goodbye. This year, we say au revoir to 58 Grade 5 students. We are so proud of who they have become and wish them all the best

as they embark on new adventures in middle school!

Deux semaines dehors

Many of our classes participated in spending two weeks outdoors with their students. Students took nature walks, sketched plants in our gardens and learned in and about nature.



We also had a Yoga instructor that lead students through yoga poses under the shade of the trees.





Merci à notre communauté!

Many thanks to our wonderful École Riviére-Rouge community for your support over the course of the year! It has been a pleasure to work with you and your children.

Ensemble nous sommes plus forts! Together we are stronger.

Avec CŒUR,



École Rivière-Rouge Staff