

## **DECEMBER 2014 NEWSLETTER**

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## **ELWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

At Elwick school we have an attendance call back system. If your child is going to be away from school due to medical appointments, illness or any other reasons we ask that you call the school office and speak to one of the secretaries anytime after 8:00 am and by 1:00pm.

204-633-5641

If we do not hear from you and your child is not in attendance we will give you a call to make sure he/she is safe.



Winter is here and with it the cold weather! We want to remind parents to please send students with a warm jacket, mitts, hat, and scarf. Remember to dress for the weather!! If you would like some help getting warm clothes please contact Mrs.Mcmillan or Mrs. Anderson



#### Just a reminder:

To all parents and families who drop off or pick up their children. Please use Maberley Road to do so, as traffic in the parking lot can be a safety concern as children are walking to and from school.



This will be the last paper copy of the newsletter that we will be sending home to all families. Future newsletters will be posted on our school website and sent to family emails. If you would like to continue receiving paper copies of the newsletter, please call the school: 204 633 5641

Peter Obendoerfer Principal

From the School Counsellors: Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. McMillan

Elwick's Giving Tree Project December 2014

**Hello Families!** 

As the Holiday Season approaches, the Staff and Students at Elwick are thinking about ways we can share with the Community.

Each class will be invited to decorate an ornament that will be placed on a Christmas Tree in the school. The ornament will represent the gift that the class has chosen to share. Gifts of time and talents will be shared rather than packages bought at a store.

Last year some classes baked cookies for Firefighters in the neighbourhood while others shared their gift of singing by performing for seniors.

The ornaments will be shared at our December assembly which is scheduled for Friday December 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm. You are more than welcome to attend that day and share in our gifts!

We can't wait to see what kinds of Amazing Gifts are shared this year!

## 2014-2015 Important Dates to Remember...

December 22, 2014 - First day of Winter Break

January 5, 2015 – First day back from Winter Break

February 2, 2015 – NO SCHOOL (PD Day)

February 16, 2015 – NO SCHOOL (Louis Riel Day)

March 30, 2015 - First day of Spring Break

April 6, 2015 – First day back from Spring Break

April 24, 2015 NO SCHOOL (PD Day)

May 11, 2015 - NO SCHOOL (PD Day)

May 18, 2015 – NO SCHOOL (Victoria Day)

June 29, 2015 -NO SCHOOL (ADMIN Day)

June 30, 2015- Last day of school – HALF DAY AM ONLY

## **Community Coordinator News**

Can you believe we have almost completed a whole term of the school year already? Time sure flies when you're having fun!

Thank you to all staff who helped with our Preschool – grade 3 GYM NIGHT and to the families who attended. That was so much fun!

The Preschool programs have been well attended and enjoyed by all. The current session will be ending the week of Dec. 8 - 12 to





I'm looking forward to more exciting stories, songs and activities beginning in the New Year on Tuesday January 6th. Remember to keep reading, rhyming and singing with your children throughout the holidays.



I would like to take this opportunity to wish Everyone a happy holiday season filled with joy, laughter, family and friends.

**Dave Mathers Community Coordinator** 

We would like to welcome everyone to our Sistema Winter concert on December 4th at 6:30pm at the Franco Manitoban Cultural Center, 340 Provencher Blvd. We will be providing bussing for families. We would love to see you there!



## Parent Connect

\*\*\*If you have not provided the school with an email address please do so as soon as possible. This information will be kept confidential. It is just required to be on file so that you are able to login. \*\*\* <u>To login to "Parent Connect" go to</u> <u>schoolconnect.7oaks.org/parentsignone.aspx</u>

#### Or follow these steps.

Step 1: go to www.7oaks.org Click on "parents" up in the top right corner Click on Parent Connect (using email address) Type in the email address that you have provided to the school Click on forgot password and follow the prompts

## Facebook...Instagram...Twitter?? NO!!!

**Elwick School Parent Connect!!** 

## WHAT:

Parent Connect is a secure, interactive website available to all Seven Oaks Families.

## WHERE:

- Computer in your home
- Elwick Village Centre
- Elwick School

#### WHEN:

November 2014

#### WHY:

- Book your own Parent Teacher interview
- Field trips
- Look at your child's report cards past and present
- Monitor Attendance

#### HOW:

- Elwick Website: www.7oaks.org/school/elwick/Pages/default.aspx
- Parent Connect: BE CONNECTED!! GET INVOLVED!!!



to all families that attended the parent/teacher conferences. It was so nice to touch base with everyone. A huge thank you goes out to those that logged in to "Parent Connect" to book your appointments. remember "Parent Connect" has many other features such as the calendar(which is updated on a regular basis to include school closures, class field trips, assemblies and, holidays

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**FIDDLING NEWS** 

#### All Parents and Caregivers,

Elwick School is offering a beading/Jewelry making\_session on



mornings from 10:30am to 12:00pm.

All are welcome to come and join in the fun.

Please contact the office at 204-633-5641 if you are interested in joining.

No experience is necessary!!!

Child minding is provided!!!



Save the date:

Senior Fiddlewicks and Middle Years Singers will be performing at the Forks on Wednesday December 10, from 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Family and friends are welcome to come to the Forks to listen to the concert, which will be onstage at Centre Court. The program will include fiddle tunes, Christmas carols, and special music from our vocal trio!

Students should bring a bag lunch on Dec. 10, and report to the band room at 9:00, immediately after attendance is taken. After our performance at the Forks, students will eat lunch, have a walk around the Forks, and then return back to school by 12:30.

#### Important Message from the Seven Oaks School Division Transportation Department:

It has come to our attention that mini hockey sticks are re-appearing on the buses.

While some sticks can be fully enclosed in larger back packs, others are left with the handles sticking out.

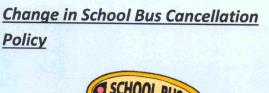
This could be a potential hazard for the student holding a back pack on their lap with the end of the stick outside the bag should the bus have to come to an abrupt stop. Or if the stick is just sitting in an un-zipped bag, it could become a projectile and injure someone else.

On the subject of ice skates, a reminder that they are to be transported with blade guards and inside a protective bag. Plastic grocery bags do not serve the purpose of keeping the blades from cutting or poking through the material.

In order for our buses to transport the students safely, from home to school or from school to event, we ask for your assistance in this matter.

Full size hockey sticks are not a problem at this time as those students in the hockey program have their parents transport them. Full size sticks are not allowed on the bus and students will be refused transportation, should they attempt to board with one.

Thank you Sent on behalf of Don Remillard





Metro Winnipeg School Superintendents have made a change in the policy for cancellation of school bus service due to cold weather.

The new policy will use the temperature reading at The Forks instead of the Airport.

School bussing will be cancelled if the windchill reading is -45 or colder at 6:00 a.m. at The Forks according to Environment Canada.

Notice of school bus cancellations will be provided to media outlets and posted on school division websites as soon as the 6:00 a.m. reading is posted by Environment Canada.

Metro Winnipeg School Divisions are: Louis Riel, Pembina Trails, River East Transcona, St. James Assiniboia, Seven Oaks and Winnipeg. Catholic schools and the Gray Academy also follow the same policy. The change was made as weather conditions at The Forks are closer to weather conditions in most residential areas where children are waiting for school buses. This should result in fewer cancellations.





James Nisbet Nursery School

has a few spaces available for your children to learn, play, & grow. (located at École James Nisbet School, 70 Doubleday Drive)

Choices of available classes include:

2 or 3 sessions per week AM or PM for children 3 to 5 years old

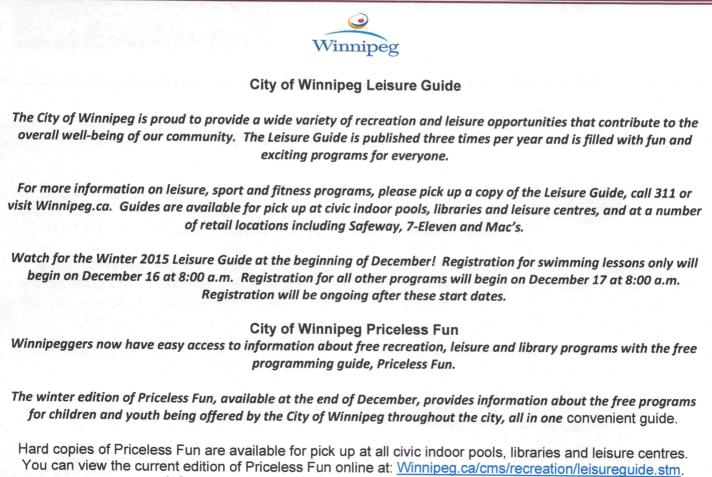
Monday/Wednesday/Friday PM Class (12:45-3:00) - 1 space

Tuesday/Thursday AM Class (9:15-11:30) - 1 space

Tuesday/Thursday PM Class (12:45-3:00) - 4 spaces

Please note: these classes are available on a first come, first served basis

Please visit our website www.jnns.ca for more information phone: 204-953-1193 email: nisbetns@mymts.net

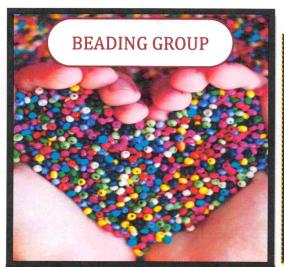


Information about programs is also available by calling 311.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
	1 Day 3 Morning Jazz Band 810	2 Day 4	3 Day 5 MTYP – MY play-"Jabber" 215	4 Day 6 Sistema Concert 630 @ Franco Manitoban Cultural Centre-340 Provencher Blvd	5 Day 1 Morning Jazz Band 810	6		
7	8 Day 2 Pow Wow Club 330-500	9 Day 3 Morning Jazz Band 810 Mr. Raquin's class to MB Museum 915-1245	10 Day 4   Fiddlers & Choir to The Forks 900-   1230	11 Day 5 Morning Jazz Band 810 Ms Conner & leadership group to Xmas Cheer Board 1230-215	<b>12 Day 6</b> Mr. Vaarmeyer's class to Wpg Art Gallery 900-1130 Sistema Beethovan orchestra rehearsal @ Concert Hall 1045- 1215	13		
14 Sistema Beethoven orchestra Concert Hall for Prairie Xmas Celebration 930-315	<b>15 Day 1</b> Morning Jazz Band 810 Ms Chin skate makeup 140-300	16 Day 2   Pancake Breakfast   Ms Manastersky skate makeup   1025-1145   Ms Weppler skate makeup   300	17 Day 3 Staff meeting 800	18 Day 4	19 Day 5 Morning Jazz Band 810 Giving Tree Assembly 115 Parents are welcome to attend. LAST DAY OF CLASSES	20		
21	22	23 HA	24 PPY HOLID,	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS! <b>4 Y S</b>	26	27		
28	29	30	31	January 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!	January 2	January 3		
SCHOOL RESUMES MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2015 DAY 6								
Middle Years Band Day 1-3-5 Choir Practice Day 1(1220) & Day 4 (30 Fiddling Day 2-4-6 TAA Day 2 & Day 4 Gr 4-8 Intramural Basketba December Lunch Game R	My hockey w/Mrs. Huber 1110-1230 Moms & Kookums Drumming Group 100-200 Library	Every Tuesday Adult Beading/Jewelry 1030- 1200 Preschool Story Time 100-300 EDGE 345-600 Heritage Language 430-530	Every Wednesday MY Late Start 1000 Drum Songs 1220-100 Comm Rm EDGE 345-600 Heritage Language 430-530	Every Thursday Preschool Story Time 100-300 Ms. Thompson's class swims 100-215 EDGE 345-600 Heritage Language 430-530 Open Gym 600-800	Every Friday IGE 345-600	Early Years Dance Day 2 & Day 4 Fiddling Day 2-4-6		

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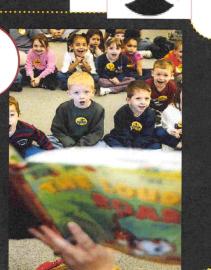
# **ELWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL** Parent & Guardian Program Information



EVERY TUESDAY 10:30 am—12:00 pm CONFERENCE ROOM Childcare Available!

## PRE-SCHOOL STORYTIME

Every Tuesday & Thursday 1:00pm—3:00pm Family Room



POW WOW CLUB

Every 2nd Monday 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Large Gym \*Please contact office for dates\*



MOM & KOOKUMS DRUMMING GROUP



EVERY MONDAY 1:00 pm—2:00 pm LIBRARY Childcare Available!

## Want to become involved in our school community? ALL OF THESE PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE AT NO COST TO ALL PARENTS AND GUARDIANS.

If you would like more information call (204)633-5641. If you require childcare, please notify us ahead of time.

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