

# **Elwick Community School**

30 Maberley Road, Winnipeg, MB R2P 0E2

Principal: Bobbi-Lynn Haegeman Vice-Principal: Ross Meacham

# June 2016 NEWSLETTER



The Elwick Community School Belief Statement

# THANK YOU!!

To all the Presenters, Staff, Students and Families for making our 3rd annual Treaty Days a **HUGE SUCCESS!** 

We look forward to continued learning about Treaty Education! See the next few pages for pictures from the Celebration...















# **Student Artwork**



This is a watercolour painting by Tatiana Nippi, a grade 8 student in Ms. Prout's class. This piece is inspired by the artist Norval Morriseau and was taught by Barb Bottle at Elwick Treaty Days art session.





## News from Sistema

Sistema had one of their busiest months of the year in May, with many performances and visits from special guests. All the students worked very hard to focus for one last push to the concerts. Here is a glance at some of the activities:

- Performed at the divisional mass fiddle concert
- Had 2 visits from Alexander Mickelthwaite to prepare for the fundraiser
- Had two performances at Maples Collegiate. May 12<sup>th</sup> and May 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Played at the Elwick Treaty Days Powwow. May 19th
- Had students from King Edward join us at Treaty Days Had a visit from Alexander Shelley. May 25<sup>th</sup>

Two of our students, Phoenix and Abudineyo, had the opportunity to visit CBC Radio Studios for an interview with Ismaila Alfa about Sistema. They were naturals on the radio! Here are some reflections from Abudineyo about the process:

#### What did it feel like being interviewed?

I felt quite excited and also very shy! I was happy to express what I feel about Sistema. I was proud to be a representing Sistema.

### Would you do it again?

Yes, it was a lot of fun!

#### Was it difficult to think of things to say?

Not really, it just came to me and it was easy to remember all my memories in Sistema.

## What advice do you have for somebody who is going to do an interview?

Stay calm, just honestly answer how you feel about at Sistema, how much fun and joy and interesting things you have learned.







After a successful year as Vice-Principal of Elwick School, Mr. Ross Meacham is leaving for a much deserved Principal position at Margaret Park School. We will miss you!

### **2016-17 Parent Orientation Sessions**

### **Parents and Guardians!**

Please watch for scheduling letters to come home with your child in early June.

Please return completed forms by June 25.



## Welcome!



I am very excited to be returning to Elwick Community School, now in the role of Vice-Principal. Some of you may remember me when I was there a little while ago, in the role of Learning Support Teacher. I am sure that I will be returning to some familiar faces and I look forward to getting to know new students and families as well. I have enjoyed being a Learning Support Teacher and now an Acting Vice-Principal in a Grades 6-8 school, however, I am happy to be back in a K-8 school, where I also

get to see Early Years students every day, along with the Middle Years students. I hope you have an excellent summer and I am looking forward to meeting you all in the fall!

-Ms. Jenny Bilodeau



# **Congratulations!**

To Robin Dow (Dance) and Susan Howell (Library) on their retirement from the school division!

We wish you all the best in the future!



## June Dates to Remember...

June I—Welcome to Kindergarten Night—6:00 pm—7:00 pm

June 14—Middle Years Wellness Day (Rain date—June 16)

June 24—Grade 8 Farewell—Kildonan Park

June 27—PD Day– No classes

June 30—Farewell Assembly— 9:00 am

June 30—Last day of School—Students dismissed at 12:00 pm

September 8—First Day back at school

# Year -End Assembly

Thursday, June 30, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.—Elwick Gym

Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend!

Help celebrate the end of another great school year!



## Pick up/Drop off Reminders



To all Parents and Families who drop off or pick up their children:

Please do not use the parking lot.

Please use Maberley Road for drop off, as traffic in the parking lot can be a safety concern as children are walking to and from school.

Thank you!

## Notes from the Music Room

#### Melanie Clendennan



May was an exciting month in the music room. We welcomed two musicians for treaty days, Mike Flett and David Boulanger, who shared stories and drum teachings with us. It was quite amazing to hear the building and playground beating with the spirit of Indigenous music! In June we will be exploring folk dance, African drums, and bucket drumming.

## Here are some of our upcoming adventures:

<u>70aks Arts Camp</u>: June 16<sup>th</sup>. All grade 4/5 students are attending arts camp, where they choose a workshop in music, dance, drama, or visual arts. This is always a fun day!

Elwick's Got Talent: June 9th. Students will show off their talents in an afternoon assembly!



## **Contact Information**

It is very important that we have updated contact information for your child.

If you have moved or had a change of phone number, please let the school know at: 204-633-5168



## Elwick Call Back System

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 any time after

8:00 am and by 1:00pm.

<del>204-633-5641</del>

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

An exciting program is returning to Elwick School THIS SUMMER!

# B.E.E.P.

(Balanced Experiential Education Program)

Will be offered to Elwick students Gr. 1 – 8 By the Seven Oaks School Division

## FREE OF CHARGE

BEEP starts Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> and runs Monday to Friday until August 12<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am to 3:00 pm daily at Elwick School

Watch for more info and a registration form in late May

#### **BEEP will include:**

Free Breakfast Program
Exciting Hands-on Learning Activities
Free Weekly Outings on School Buses



- \* 9 exciting summer weeks to choose from
- \* Government of Manitoba subsidy accepted
- \* Hours that meet your needs
- \* \$104.00 per week per child
- \* Tax receipts provided

# O.Kamp 2015

O.K. Before & After School Child Care Centres Inc. provides licensed quality child care to children between the ages of 5-12 years old.

We have a limited number of spaces available in our summer O.Kamp program.

Programs are offered by qualified Early Childhood Educators and Child Care Assistants and adhere to Manitoba Licensing Regulations and Best Practises.

We have nine exciting weeks for you to choose from! Pick only the weeks that you want. All field trips, in-house guest, activities and special events are included in the fee.

Our hours are 6:30 am to 6:00 pm. You may drop off and pick up your child(ren) during hours that are convenient for you.

For more information please refer to our website: okbeforeandafter.com

or

Call 204-632-5115 for information and to register.



# Elwick Community Room Preschool Program

Our Parent/Caregiver and Child (birth to 6 years) Program will take place on Thursdays, from 9:00-11:00am. We will continue to have play, snack and Story time, but will also have special activities for families to do together. The coffee will be on!

June 2nd – Wraps for lunch or snack

June 9th - Salad spinner art

June 16th – Last day of programs- Movement stations outside, bubbles, Ice cream...

**SEVEN OAKS EARLY YEARS COALITION** free event for families including supper, a brief Annual General Meeting, children's entertainment, and a take home bag of goodies.

Sunny Mountain Nursery School #6-1965 Main Str.

Open house & registration for Sept 2016 Spaces available for children 3 & 4 years For more information call 334-7075 or

Email smdcnursery@gmail.com



Is happy to announce our registration is now open, Come join in the excitement of the 2016-2017 school year!

At James Nisbet Nursery School, our Early Childhood Educators implement a play-based, developmentally appropriate curriculum.

## Aleph-Bet Child Life Enrichment Nursery Program

Located at 1007 Sinclair Street

Open house & registration for September 2016 has already begun!

For more information call (204) 586-1110 or

Email: alephbet@mymts.net
Website: www.alephbetdaycare.ca