MARCH 2019 NEWS

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Dear Governor Semple Families,

February has been a very busy month here at Governor Semple. We celebrated I Love to Read month with many guest readers, from school division staff, politicians and parents.

Learn to Skate programming is in full swing for our grade 1 class and it never ceases to amaze me how quickly skating skills develop. Children who have never skated before are already gliding and learning stopping techniques. Parents are encouraged to attend sessions if possible!

Please be reminded that we also offer a preschool program every Wednesday and Friday morning with our Community Coordinator Dave. Our program is for children ages birth— 5 years accompanied by a parent or caregiver. If you have a neighbour or friend living in the Seven Oaks School Division who may be interested, please encourage them to phone us for details (204-339-7112).

On Monday, February 25th, our division held their public budget meeting. Please find the

link below to the presentation. We are entering uncertain times in education and now, more than ever, we will need to rally for public education.

http://www.channel7oaks.org/videos.cfm? video=333

On Tuesday, February 26th, we hosted our first Community Council Meeting. Minutes will be sent to families with what was discussed as well as upcoming meeting dates/times and information. We look forward to growing our community council!

Jenny Hughes,

Principal



Governor Semple School is accepting registrations for Kindergarten!

Registrations can be taken during regular office hours from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please note that your child must be five years old by **December 31, 2019** in order to be eligible for registration for fall Kindergarten classes. Please bring your **child's birth certificate, medical card** and **proof of address** when coming to register.

REMINDER NO SCHOOL ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

Friday, March 15—Parent/Teacher Conf. March 25—March 29—Spring Break Friday, April 19 - Good Friday Friday, April 26—School PD Day

Friday, May 17—School PD Day Monday, May 20—Victoria Day Friday, June 7—School PD Day

Monday, March 4th- book your appointment for P/T Conf. in Parent Connect Rm. 3 skating—March 6, 13, & last day 20th Sunday, March 10th—turn your clocks forward Parent/Teacher Conf. Mar. 13,14 & 15th Sunday, March 17th—Happy St. Patrick's Day Tuesday, March 19—patrol outing to Mosienko Lanes March 25th to March 29th—SPRING BREAK



Please see the Seven Oaks website for details for activities in the Division and the Community: Seven Oaks Sportsplex Garden City Community Centre, KidFit 60, West Kildonan Memorial Community Centre, Red River Mini Soccer Club Program, North Winnipeg Falcons Lacrosse & Sunova Summer Camp



Please remember that with our balanced school day children have two opportunities throughout the day to eat. We encourage children to eat about half of their food during our first nutrition break and the other half of their food during the lunch period in the afternoon. We have been noticing many students eating all of their food during the first nutrition break resulting in them being very hungry for the remainder of the afternoon. A reminder as well that as children grow, their appetites do as well! Some great good lunch ideas for snacks and lunches are:

- Raw fruits
- Crackers
- Cheese
- Sandwiches/wraps
- Yogurt
- Hard Boiled Eggs

- -Raw Veggies - Muffins
- Dried fruit
- -Left overs in a thermos
- -Salad
- -Sushi
- Dry Cereal

*Kids can also participate in our milk program where 10 milks (white or chocolate) are sold for \$8.50 or 20 milks are sold for \$16.50.

*Children do not have use of a microwave here at

- -Dried Veggies
- -Meat
- -Soup in a thermos
- -Pita Chips and Dip
- -Energy Bites



school so please make sure that you are not sending food items that need to be microwaved.



We are asking for your help to ensure the safety and whereabouts of all of our students. We have increasingly encountered voicemail boxes that have not been initialized by the plan holders when we call for attendance call backs or in the case of illness and/or emergency. Voicemail boxes that are full pose the same challenge. This does not allow us to leave a message to communicate important information regarding your children. Your cooperation in this is greatly appreciated.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:



City of Winnipeg Leisure Guide

The City of Winnipeg is proud to provide a wide variety of recreation and leisure opportunities Winnipeg that contribute to the overall well-being of our community. The Spring/Summer 2019 Leisure Guide is filled with fun and exciting activities for everyone. The Spring/Summer 2019 edition

features a number of exciting camps to keep the kids busy this summer, including a full-day format for our "L'il Critters" preschool camps and new sport camps.

For more information on leisure, sport and fitness programs, please pick up a copy of the Leisure Guide, contact 311 or visit winnipeg.ca. 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.

Registration for all spring and summer activities begin Tuesday, March 19 at 8:00 a.m. and will be ongoing. The spring and summer 2019 Leisure Guide Swimming brochures and the spring 2019 Leisure Guide Skating brochure will be available online at winnipeg.ca/leisureguide on Thursday, March 7.

Register for any 2019 City of Winnipeg summer camp by May 3 and you could win your camp for FREE!

City of Winnipeg Priceless Fun

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

The Spring/Summer edition of Priceless Fun, available at the end of March, provides information about the free programs for children and youth being offered by the City of Winnipeg throughout the city, all in one convenient quide.

Hard copies of Priceless Fun are available for pick up at all civic indoor pools, libraries and leisure centres. You can view the current edition of Priceless Fun online at winnipeg.ca/leisureguide. Information about programs is also available by contacting 311.

SILHOUETTES SPRING SESSION 2019

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LOCATION: R. F. Morrison School 25 Morrison Tuesdays—April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 & May 7, 14, 21 DATES: Wednesday—April 3, 10, 17, 24 & May 1, 8, 14, 22 Thursdays—April 4, 11, 18, 25 & May 2, 9, 16, 23 Any questions please email silhouettesgymclub@gmail.com

How to Use Parent Connect

We are pleased to announce that our school is using Parent Connect, a password protected website that allows you access to view your child's report cards, attendance and, in early March, book your parent/teacher interviews... all at the click of a button. You can start to use the Parent Connect anytime now.

You can watch a video on-line to help you log in, or follow the instructions below:

1. Log on to our website at <u>www.7oaks.org/school/governorsemple</u>

2. On the top right hand corner you will see a Parents tab. Click on it.

3. Click on Parent Connect (using email address)

4. Now, you will sign in. Type in your email address (be sure this is the one on file with the school)

5. Next, you will click on "FORGOT MY PASSWORD". You will then be prompted to reenter your email address. (lower case letters with no spaces between). Click on the blue email me my current password button. You should receive your password within minutes.

6. Now, you need to check your email. You will receive the temporary password to log in. Please change this password as soon as possible to something that you will remember. Passwords must remain confidential.

If you are having trouble logging in, it may be because:

** Pop-ups are not enabled. Please check your computer settings to make sure you enable pop-ups.

** Your email address you are using is not the address we have on file at the school.

** If your email address has changed, please contact the school to have it updated.