

Ecole Seven Oaks Middle School

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[website](http://www.7oaks.org)

Welcome! Bienvenue!

Walk through the halls of our school and you will meet people who understand what it means to create an outstanding space for learning. Evidence of this commitment is all around you: the powerful mural from last year's Human Rights Museum, the tiled artwork, the respectful manner in which we treat each other, thoughtfully organized classrooms and clean hallways.

We all shape the social and the physical environment of our school together. The work of students, teachers, paraprofessionals, secretaries and custodians reflects this ongoing commitment to thoughtfulness and excellence.

Communication and dialogue is essential to our striving for excellence. One question that underpins this dialogue is: What are we doing and why?

At our school we create numerous opportunities for purposeful conversation, among them:

- orientation meetings with parents and students at the beginning of the school year
- grade-level team meetings for curriculum planning
- three-way conferences to discuss academic progress, teaching and learning
- parent-advisory council meetings

We value ongoing conversations with students and parents about student progress. We welcome parents to meet with us throughout the school year. Please email or call us.

Our school offers a wide range of sports, arts and social activities. Please, visit our website for updated information.

CALL BACK SYSTEM

If your child will not be at school or will be late please contact our office at 586-0327 or email marie.jowitt@7oaks.org. The office is open for phone calls between 7:45 am until 3:30 pm.

If your child is absent and we have not been notified, you will be contacted to ensure your child is safe.

October 3	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm - staffroom
October 4	Picture Day
October 7	Divisional P.D. – No Classes
October 10	Thanksgiving – No Classes
October 21	SAG - Provincial PD day – No Classes
October 27	Picture retakes
October 28	Halloween Soc Hop
November 1	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm
November 10	Remembrance Day Assembly - Period 7/8
November 11	Remembrance Day – No Classes
November 14-18	Choral Fest
November 18	Student Reports go home
November 22	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferencing - Evening
November 24	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferencing - Evening
November 25	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferencing - No Classes
November 30	Grade 6 Song and Fiddle Cafe – Evening: Gym
December 4	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm
December 5	School PD – No Classes
December 6	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm - staffroom
December 22	Winter break Soc Hop
December 22	Last day of classes
January 9	Classes resume – Day 5
January 10	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm - staffroom
February 3	School PD – No Classes
February 7	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm
February 20	Louis Riel Day – No Classes
March 5	ESOMS Winter Activity Day
March 6	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm
March 7	ESOMS Band Concert 7:00 at NKMB
March 9	Student Reports go home
March 13	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferencing - Evening
March 15	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferencing - Evening
March 16	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferencing – No Classes
March 15-16	Brandon Jazz festival
March 23	Last day of classes before Spring Break
April 2	Classes resume after Spring Break
April 3	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm
April 6	Good Friday – No Classes
April 9 – 12	ESOMS Musical Production
April 18	ESOMS Open House – 7:00 pm
April 20	School PD – No Classes
May 1	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm
May 7	School PD – No Classes
May 15-18	Band Trip
May 21	Victoria Day – No Classes
June 5	Parent Advisory Council 6:30 pm
June 13	Choral Concert
June 27	Grade 8 Farewell Evening
June 28	Administration Day – No Classes
June 29	Last Day of Classes

* 1 more PD Day – No Classes TBA

FUNDRAISING

Dear parents and guardians

Our school will begin its main fundraising campaign on September 16th.

Students will have the opportunity to raise money for the school and their personal accounts by selling certified peanut-free and nut-free chocolates. Most students will receive one case of 30 boxes valued at \$60.00. When this money is turned in more boxes can be issued. This fundraiser will end October 11th. Money and unsold chocolates must be returned at the conclusion of the campaign.

Please note:

- We cannot accept third party checks.
- We will not accept post-dated checks.
- If you are going to accept a personal check from a friend or a relative, you must still send cash to the school.

The funds raised during this event are shared directly with your child. Each student has a school activity account. A portion of the profit from each box will be credited towards the seller's individual student account.

Students **can** use money from their accounts to pay for ESOMS clothing, field trips, Activity Days, etc.

Students **cannot** use money from their accounts to pay for school pictures, pizza days, and school dances.

The school activity account **cannot** be transferred from one year to the next.

This is a great way to raise money for the school and the activities your child will participate in throughout this busy school year.

Thank you for your support.

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail us.

Sincerely,

Howard Kowalchuk
Matt Meiers

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Our First Parent Advisory Committee meeting will take place on Monday, October 3rd at 6:30 pm in the school staffroom.

Be sure to mark your calendar.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

For this first month of September, all of our students and their families will receive a paper version of the newsletter. For the remainder of the school year we hope to use as little paper as possible and will begin emailing our families the newsletter. Please update your home email address with us if you have not done so already by contacting the office at 586-0327. However, if you would rather continue with the paper copy of the monthly Newsletter, please inform your child's homeroom teacher.



Lifetouch Canada will be taking student's portraits at our school. Your child/children will be photographed using a proof program. Below are some key points to the proof program:

- Picture day is **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH**
- Watch for a Lifetouch flyer with pose and background colour choices that has been sent or is being sent to you shortly.
- All Students will be photographed. **No payment is required on picture day.**
- A proof order form will arrive approximately 10 days after picture day.
- Please return orders to the school by the due date indicated on the order form.
- Once orders are received, packages will be delivered to your school in approximately 10 days.
- Upon receipt of your proof, if a retake is required, you must check the retake request box on the proof order form and return it to the photographer on photo retake day.
- Please direct any questions to Lifetouch Canada. See contact information below.
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Lifetouch Manitoba:

Unit # 3 - 1410 Mountain Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2X 3C4
Telephone 1 866 443- 9640

CANTEEN

We are very excited to announce that we have re-opened our canteen. At the end of the last year, the company that ran our school canteen ended their canteen contract with us. Our staff has worked diligently and creatively to be able to open and run our own canteen for our students. Although we are not able to prepare hot meals as was done in the past, the items available can be brought back to their classrooms to be heated in the classroom microwave. The canteen is available before school (8:00-8:25) and at lunch (11:15-11:35). We have paid careful attention to the guidelines described in the Manitoba Nutrition Handbook to develop a balanced menu. We take pride of the fact that we have been able to ensure that each item sold in our canteen is under \$1. It will be our challenge/goal to keep prices down throughout the school year! Canteen menus (and prices) are posted outside the canteen and will available on our website in the near future. If you have any questions/concerns please contact Jennifer McGowan or Mary-Jo Holmes at 586-0327.

EDGE

"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 our programs on the Seven Oaks website under Programs or contact Penny Raymond, Extended Day Coordinator at penny.raymond@7oaks.org or at 885-4333."

KYAC

KYAC re-opens Monday September 12th!

KYAC is at ESOMS Tuesdays and
Thursdays from 6-9 and
Saturdays from 1-5pm all school year long!
Come out and join us for a fun time!

Check out our website! <http://www.7oaks.org/Programs/KYAC/Pages/default.aspx>

Want to join the youth student council?
Sign up @ KYAC!
All students are invited!

'Like' our page on facebook, search **KYAC**
And/or
Follow us on twitter → **kyac7oaks** for daily updates

For more information, contact Pierre Feng, KYAC Program Coordinator, at 586-0327 or
By email: pierre.feng@7oaks.org





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www.ldamanitoba.org

**IS READING A STRUGGLE FOR
YOUR CHILD? WE CAN HELP!**

CHILDREN'S LITERACY TUTORING PROGRAMS

WHAT IT IS:

The LDA Manitoba provides a literacy tutoring program for children aged 6 – 11 who are experiencing academic difficulties in school due to a determined or suspected learning disability. The program is designed to provide one-to-one tutoring to help improve reading, writing, spelling and comprehension as well as to heighten the child's academic confidence. Social skills will be addressed based on the needs of the child.

HOW IT WORKS:

The program provides each child with: a trained literacy instructor, individualized lesson plans and a place to meet peers with similar needs. Parents are also involved through training sessions as well as the opportunity to observe and learn strategies they can use at home.

COST:

The cost of the entire 9 or 10-week program (dependent on which program is recommended) is currently \$150.00.



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TIMES AND LOCATION:

Fall programs run from the beginning of October and run through to mid-December.

Spring programs will begin right after the Holidays and run through to Spring Break.

Tutoring takes place at the Learning Disabilities Association at 617 Erin St., Erin Square, just east of Polo Park.

TO REGISTER:

If you are interested in registering your child, you will take part in an intake process to determine if the program is right for your child and if you can meet all commitments.

Call Intake Personnel / Program Coordinators:

DLTP (Destination Learning Tutoring Program): Cher Benoit @ 774-1821 ext. 13, email: ldamanitoba5@mymts.net

or

LINKS (Linking Language to Learning):Shaunna Wall @ 774-1821 ext.17, email: ldamanitoba6@mymts.net

Winnipeg Wave Swim Registration

For Swim Programs At
Seven Oaks Pool
444 Adsum Drive

For more information please contact
Howard Ryant at: hryant@shaw.ca or 334-5927

Forms and fees are on available on our website:
www.winnipegwave.com

Gymnastics Classes

Silhouettes Gymnastics Club

offers:

- Classes for girl ages 3 & up
- Recreational and Competitive programs

Location:

**R.F. Morrison School
25 Morrison St.**

For more information about
our program Call Laura at 582-0736

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. 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. Information about programs is also available by calling 311.

GIRL GREATNESS STARTS HERE

If you like to meet new friends, be active, have fun in the outdoors and explore the arts then Girl Guides is for you!!

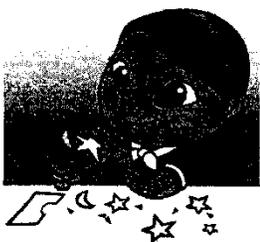
Where: Various Locations

When: Various times

Cost: \$96 (plus \$1 week dues)

Things we do: arts and crafts, cooking, games, sports, explore the outdoors, camping and community service. Girls receive badges for activities completed in their program work.

Contact Girl Guides www.girlguides.mb.ca



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Sept. 22 - 24, 2011 at St. Vital Centre



For more information, please call 204-783-1125 or visit www.goodbear.mb.ca.



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Back to School – Kid's Bingo

~ Hot Dogs ~ Snacks ~ Drinks

~ Come for supper and enjoy a family evening of Bingo ~

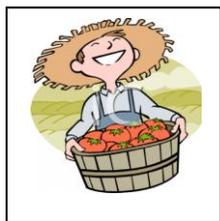
~ Great prizes to be won ~

\$2 per family with a max. of 4 cards/person. Kids are encouraged to play their own cards.

This is a fun family night away from the TV, computer and video games.

**THURSDAY – SEPTEMBER 22nd – doors open at 6:00, games begin at 6:30
– 8:00**

Upcoming events ~ Halloween Bingo and Winter Bingo



WKMCC Urban Farmer's Market & Community Garage Sale 8-1 Saturday morning

The market is going strong ! Check out the website and facebook!

Last dates of the season: September 3 , 10 and 17

See you there!



HOCKEY & INDOOR SOCCER

August 25th 7:00-9:00pm

August 30th 7:00-9:00pm

September 8th 7:00-9:00pm



***registration will take place at**

Red River Community Centre
239 Murray Ave. (at Main St.)

****there is a \$10 club fee added to registration amounts.**

WKMCC Program Registration

Thursday September 8th ~ 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 10th ~ noon till 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 13th ~ 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Payment due at time of registration- Cheque or Cash.



WKMCC DANCE

**Creative Movement ~ Tap ~ Jazz
~ Hip Hop ~ Ballet ~**

Ages 3 to adult

Classes run from October to May

Dance recital in May

Cost: \$100

Classes are once a week for 1 hour.

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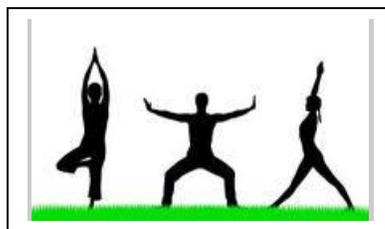
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Ages 4 - 99 welcome

**COME CHECK OUT A FEW CLASSES BEFORE
REGISTRATING**

DAY AND WEDNESDAY 7:00-8:00 P.M.

Twice a week for \$50/month



NEW CLASS!

**Yoga
(Iyengar Style)**

October – November

January – February

March - April

50+	75 min. classes	Tuesday or Thursday	11:00 – 12:00	\$50
High school students	60 min. classes	Tuesday or Friday	4:00 – 5:00	\$50
General public	90 min. classes	Saturday morning	11:00 – 12:00	\$60
Parent and Child classes		TBA		free