

West St. Paul School

3740 Main St. West St. Paul, Manitoba R4A 1A4 Telephone: 204-339-1964 Fax: 204-339-7204 website: www.7oaks.org/school/weststpaul Tammy Harder – Vice-Principal Jenny Macdonald – Vice-Principal

David Ingram – Principal

January 16, 2024

Dear Families.

We have returned from the holiday break with some very cold temperatures, winds and some fresh snow. Please be sure that your children are dressed to go outside. We go outside each day for some fun, fresh air, and learning. Even on very cold days, students who want to go outside for a Polar Bear Recess for ten minutes are allowed to go outside as long as they are dressed properly and understand that they must go inside if they are cold. Many students are very appreciative of being allowed outside for a few minutes each day.

Our Lost and Found Box is overflowing again. Please label your child's clothing. We would prefer returning clothing to its owner rather that donating it.

Please call the school office at 204-339-1964 if your child will be away for the day. The answering machine is available 24 hours a day. When leaving a message, please include your child's name, teacher's name and reason for being absent.

We recognize and salute the support of the families of West St. Paul School. Firstly, our two evening concerts on December 20th at Seven Oaks Performing Arts Centre were each attended by more than 500 people. The matinee performance was also attended by about 200 people. Thank you for encouraging and supporting our students. Secondly, our annual pancake breakfast was supported by dozens of family members by cooking sausages and pancakes. Equally important were those serving food and drinks and helpers cleaning up after the pancake breakfast concluded. As a community, we make this pancake breakfast a magical memory for our students.

Basketball season has begun for our Middle Years teams. Practices are ongoing and games will begin soon. The grade 5 tennis jamboree will happen on January 31st. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Rempel's classes have started the Learn to Skate Program and Mrs. Cervantes and Ms Brown's classes have started the Learn to Swim program.

There are two professional development days coming soon. Our individual school PD day will be Friday, January 26 and there will be a division-wide PD day on Friday, February 2.

Our January Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meeting will take place tomorrow, January 17 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Free childcare will be provided.

Enjoy the Manitoba winter!

Administrators

Tammy Harder Jenny Macdonald David Ingram



WEST ST. PAUL SCHOOL FREE FAMILY GAMES NIGHT!

Plan to join us at West St. Paul School for another year of Family Games Night!

Our next Family Games Night will take place on **FRIDAY**, Jan. 19th from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Our evening includes snacks and fabulous play time with your family. This is a great



night of <u>screen free</u>, family time. Playing Board Games helps to improve communication skills, increase creativity, build cognitive skills, express emotions, and promote physical development! Friday, Jan 19. 2024

West St. Paul School

6:00-7:30 pm

To ensure we have adequate food, Please register for this free event by contacting Debbie Talling by Wednesday, Jan. 17th, 2024

email: debbie.talling@7oaks.org 204-339-1964