

West St. Paul School

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Dear Families,

It has been a busy June so far and will get busier over the next two weeks!

Last week, our grade 3/4 multiage classes enjoyed their field trip to Oak Hammock Marsh where they did critter dipping while they explored the marsh.

On Monday, our grade 6 students played a softball jamboree at Little Mountain Park before our grade 7 and 8 students had their jamborees rained out until Monday, June 20th for grade 8s and Tuesday, June 21st for our grade 7s. Our grade 1/2 classes enjoyed their first ever assembly on Wednesday with Lions Club members Evelyn, Pat and Jay. They shared information about Canada and the Canadian flag. All grade 1/2 students received a Canadian flag and Canadian and Manitoba provincial pins. Our grade 5s went dragon boating yesterday to the Manitoba Canoe and Kayak Centre. It was a new experience for everyone!

Mr. Luna and former WSP teacher Ms Barkman worked to partner with the East Interlake Conservation District (EICD), and we received 1000 trees to plant. The wet ground was fantastic for planting our trees today. All students had an opportunity to plant two trees. Our grade 8 crew prepared the site for planting by laying landscaping fabric after farmer Reg tilled the soil last weekend. This area with the new trees will remain fenced off for several years to give the small trees a chance to grow. One day we will have a wonderful natural windbreak around our playground!

Our milk program for the year will wind up next week. If you have any remaining milk tickets, save them for next year. They do not expire.

Vice Principal Mrs. Macdonald will be leaving us at the end of this school year as she takes a maternity leave. We wish her and her entire family a happy and healthy 2022-2023 school year. We will welcome Mrs. Tammy Harder as our new vice principal. She is a former West St. Paul School student and is currently teaching at West Kildonan Collegiate. Mrs. Tammy Harder was walking around the school today being introduced to some classes.

Our grade 8 camp will take place from 8:00-4:00 at Camp Manitou on Wednesday, June 22. Grade 8s will receive their grade 8 certificates during an assembly at 8:30 a.m. on June 30. Grade 8 parents are welcome to attend.

June 27th will be a school PD Day and we will be having Indigenous artist Lita Fontaine spending time with us.

We will do a Bump Up Day on June 29 from 1:45-2:15. During the Bump Up Day, our students (and students new to West St. Paul School) will have an opportunity to meet their classmates and teacher for next school year. Bump Up Day for AM kindergartens will take place during the morning of the 29th.

June 30th is the last day of school. Kindergarten classes will dismiss at 9:30 and the rest of the school at 11:00.

Administrators,

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