



WEST ST. PAUL SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

June, 2016

Our Beliefs: Take care of yourself. Take care of each other. Take care of this place.

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PIZZA DAY

June 1



Upcoming Events

- June 1 E.Y. Divisional Track
- June 8 Patrols Dragon Boating
- June 15 Prov. Track & Field
- June 16 M.Y. Goldeyes School Day Game
- June 22 E.Y. Tabloid Activities
- June 27 Admin Day-No Classes
- June 28 M.Y. Activity Day Bird's Hill
- June 28 Gr. 8 FAREWELL Hitch'N'Post
- June 29 M.Y. Activity Day Fun Mountain
- June 30 Farewell Assembly Early Dismissal
- Aug 29 School Office Re-Opens
- Aug 30 Parent Connect Online Orientation booking begins after 8:30 a.m.
- Sept 6-7 Orientation Days

Volunteering...Precious Time Well Spent

Volunteering is a noble pursuit, which touches the lives of many at West St. Paul School. Volunteers love to help and as a result are a valuable asset. Volunteers of all ages come eager to share their gifts and talents hoping that their humble contributions will make a difference. Some folks help children with various classroom activities from speech exercises, reading and writing tasks to learning centres. Some provide assistance with outdoor activities such as gardening and field trips while others are the resident "expert" providing insight into particulars of their specialty or career. Others are the workers who plan and run the Annual Craft sale or those who willingly flip pancakes at our Christmas Pancake breakfast. Then there are those who assist with immunization, sports such as badminton, are active representatives of parent council and excitedly contribute to projects like the development of the natural play space and planting/care of trees. Regardless of what form the volunteering takes; what is most notable about these individuals is their selfless effort and willingness to spend **time** to benefit others. Time is the most precious gift that these energetic folks can give. We heartedly thank the over 150 people who have given meritorious service to the children of our school community.

On Tuesday, May 31, 2016, we had the opportunity to honour this very distinct group of people. The volunteers were welcomed by hearty applause from the children. The youngsters, with their teachers' assistance, had a number of selections that they dedicated to these guests. The first was a flute performance by Mr. Isaak's flute choir. Then under the direction of Mme Fournier and Mr. Isaak the 100-voice choir of Grades 1, 2, and 3 sang a medley of songs, which included *Do Re Mi* and a *Thank you* song. Each volunteer in attendance received a carnation and a card commemorating the donation made by the school, to the Canadian Red Cross, which will benefit families in the community of Fort McMurray. This tribute was made in the spirit of "paying it forward". The assembly concluded with a performance of Ms. Greening's and Ms. Perillo's tap dancers. It is hoped that volunteers gained a better understanding of the vitality they bring to programming offered at West St. Paul School. **We thank them for their precious gift of time!**

The Time You Have Spent

*The time you have spent, as a volunteer,
Be it half a lifetime, or just a year,
Will have its effect, on such far reaching ways,
It can never be measured, in hours or days,
But we want to say thank you, for doing your part,
For giving your hand, and giving your heart,
But thanks more than ever, for years yet to come,
When someone remembers, the job that you've done,
And memories brighten, a young child's face,
In some other time, and some other place.*

-Poet unknown

From the Gym...

MIDDLE YEARS BADMINTON



Grade 6



Grade 7



Grade 8



From the Gym...

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

Over the last 2 weeks students have been working very hard during PE classes practicing a variety of track and field events. We have about 50 students that will be representing West St. Paul at the divisional meet on May 25th at Maple Collegiate from 9:45 until 2:00. Those students that make qualifying standards will participate in the Athletic Manitoba Provincial Track and Field event held at University of Manitoba on June 15.

SLO-PITCH

Starting at the end of May, Middle Years students will have an opportunity to participate in the annual 7oaks Slo-Pitch tournament at Little Mountain Sportsplex. Practices will be held at lunch.

Tournament dates:

Gr.6 - June 13

Gr.7 - June 7

Gr.8 - June 8

Raindates are:

Gr.6 - June 15 (please note this conflicts with Athletics Mb provincial track)

Gr.7 - June 9

Gr.8 - June 10

Lunch practices:

Gr.6 - June 6, 8, 10

Gr.7 - May 27, June 1 & 6

Gr.8 - May 30, June 3 & 7

GOLDEYES GAME

90% of our Middle Years students will be attending the annual School Day Goldeyes Game on June 16. Notes will be sent home at the beginning of June to remind those students and parents that have purchased tickets to the game. It's always a good time. Go Goldeyes!!

From the Office...

For the safety of all students and staff at West St. Paul School, we ask that everyone, including parents, report to the office before proceeding into the building. In order to avoid having unannounced individuals wandering the building, please come to the office, and someone will be happy to locate who you are looking for.

West St. Paul School website: <http://www.7oaks.org/school/weststpaul/Pages>

Please check the website frequently. Updates to calendars, events and special notices are available here. We also have a new FORMS tab where you can print your own forms for things like Pizza orders, Milk tickets etc. These will be updated as events arise.

The month of June continues to quickly unfold before us Report cards will be accessible through Parent Connect on June 30th.

Orientation days are September 6th and 7th. **Be sure to book your appointments through Parent Connect starting after 8:30 a.m. on August 30th.** Please take a moment to review the instructions for logging on to Parent Connect, available on the school website under the Parents tab. Do not leave messages regarding booking appointments, as we will be unable to return your calls.

From the Gym...

EARLY YEARS PHYS ED NEWS

Our fifth annual **Healthapalooza** event was May 6. H5 is a health and wellness day when students can participate in a variety of activities such as karate, yoga, board games, fitness training, art and dance. Our session instructors are various community members such as 7 Oaks teaching staff/students, parents, health organizations and local businesses. The students has a great time learning new things and meeting different people! Thank you to all of our staff and/or presenters for all of their hard work!

The EY Divisional Spring Cross Country meet took place on May 9. Once again, our students had a great time and did very well at the meet. In total, we had 70 students participating in the event.

This year, we teamed up with the students and staff at Belmont School for our annual grade 4 & 5 track and field meet at West Kildonan Collegiate (May 18).



We had great weather and the meet was a big success!

Remaining Event Dates:

7 Oaks Divisional Track and Field Meet, grades 4+5, May 30 (rain date June 1), at West Kildonan Collegiate

Tabloid Activities, grades K-5, June 22 (rain date June 24) at WSP, 8:15-11:55 p.m.

I would like to wish all of our WSP families a safe and healthy summer!

R. Chin



Early Years Track & Field



From the Library...

Another year is almost over and things are winding down in the Library! Book loans are almost finished for another year and there aren't too many that are overdue!! The last day for borrowing items is June 3rd and all books are due June 10th. If your child has anything outstanding from the Library, please send that in as soon as possible. I would like to have all the student accounts cleaned and closed for the year on Monday June 13th. Thank you to the volunteers who came out and helped with the book fairs or joined the story time when they came in to visit their child's class. It was wonderful to see you and have you come by! I wish everyone a wonderful and active summer! Don't forget to do some reading!! See you in the fall!

Ms. Mathis.

From the Gym...

EARLY YEARS CROSS COUNTRY



WSP SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP WITH MIDDLECHURCH HOME

Ms. Yeo's Grade 2/3 class baked monster cookies with our friends at Middlechurch Home.



International Day of Dance

April 29, 2016



On April 29th, West St. Paul School hosted the school division's 7th Annual International Dance Day Assembly. We welcomed dance groups from 11 schools around our division. We were able to celebrate dancers from grade 1 up to grade 12 and enjoy dance styles such as hip hop, bhangra, tinkling, Ukrainian, jazz, lyrical, and of course tap! Our grade 3 and 4 tappers kicked off the assembly with their newest dance to Taylor

Swift's "Shake it Off". It was a wonderful assembly that showcased the tremendous talent our Seven Oaks students possess.



bhangra





Report from the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

I would like to thank all the parents that made it out to the Annual General Meeting in May! I would also like to say a huge thank you to Sharon Church, Shawna Poloway, Chad Shultz and April Bertrand for all of your hard work and dedication helping and volunteering with the PAC.

PAC accomplishments in the 2015-16 school year:

Craft/Bake sale raised \$7286.48

QSP sales raised \$3775.66

Play space Committee raised \$\$1173.88 (Poinsettia/Swags and carry over of the Buy a Tree). They also received donations from the community and were accepted for a grant from the Forest Enhancement Program through Manitoba Hydro for \$19012.00

Parent Advisory Committee 2016-2017 Executive

Chair.....Crystal Spence

Vice Chair.....**OPEN**

Secretary...Carrie Tanchak

Treasurer.....Elana Spence

Fundraising Committee:

Wendy Nachtigall
Carrie Tanchak
Don Petrie
Lisa Davis

Natural Play Space Committee:

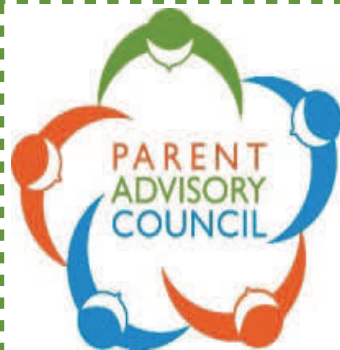
Lisa Davis
Crystal Spence
Don Petrie

Hot Lunch Committee:

OPEN

At this time both the Vice Chair and the Hot Lunch Committee spots are open. We will revisit these in September at our first PAC meeting to see if anyone would like to volunteer to help out with the positions. Feel free to contact us at any time by emailing weststpaulpac@gmail.com.

Our next meeting will be in September (date tba) at 7pm. Child care is provided. All parents are welcome. Have a safe and wonderful Summer!



Report from the Play Space Committee

We would like to send out a heart felt THANK YOU to the families that came out to help us take care of the new trees we planted in the fall! We couldn't have done it with out you!!

We will send out another email in the next couple of weeks (depending on how much rain we get) to check on our trees again. If you can come out and help, we would really appreciate all the help we can get.

We will also be asking for help during the summer months as needed. If you would like to help us out, please pass on some way that we can

contact you during July and August. Feel free to bring the children along "the more the merrier" .

Thank you in advance,
The Play Space Committee
weststpaulpac@gmail.com

PARENT/CHILD PROGRAMS



WEST ST. PAUL COMMUNITY SCHOOL
 Advancing Community Schools
 Serina Shewchuk - Learning Support Teacher - Early Years
 Cheryl Rajfur - Community Coordinator
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 	2	3	4
5 	6 Parent/Child Storytime 11:00 – 12:30 p.m. 3 – 5 years Music with Sonja	7 Parent/Child Rhymes & More 11:00 – 12:30 a.m. 0 – 5 years	8	9	10	11 
12	13 Parent/Child Storytime 11:00 – 12:30 p.m. 3 – 5 yrs.	14 Parent/Child Rhymes & More 11:00 – 12:30 p.m. 0 – 5 years	15	16	17	18
19 Happy Fathers Day 	20	21	22	23	24 	25
26 	27	28	29	30		

Have a safe and happy summer!

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JUNE, 2016

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1 DAY 4 PIZZA DAY	2 DAY 5	3 DAY 6	4
5	6 DAY 1	7 DAY 2 Gr. 7 Softball	8 DAY 3 Patrols - Dragon Boating Gr. 8 Softball	9 DAY 4 Hans Kai 9-11:30	10 DAY 5 Gr. 5 Arts Camp	11
12	13 DAY 6 Gr. 6 Softball	14 DAY 1	15 DAY 2 Prov. Track & Field @ U of M	16 DAY 3 M.Y. Goldeyes School Game Day	17 DAY 4	18
19	20 DAY 5	21 DAY 6	22 DAY 1 E.Y. Tabloid Activities	23 DAY 2	24 DAY 3	25
26	27 DAY 4 Administration Day No Classes	28 DAY 5 M.Y. Activities Gr. 8 Farewell Hitch'n'Post	29 DAY 6 M.Y. Activities	30 DAY 1 Last day of School Early Dismissal		

IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE...

June 8	Patrols Dragon Boating Outing
June 15	Provincial Track & Field @ U of M
June 16	Middle Years Goldeyes School Day Game
June 22	Early Years Tabloid Activities 8:15 – 11:55
June 27	Administration Day – No Classes
June 28	Middle Years Activities – Birds Hill
June 28	Grade 8 Farewell – Hitch'n'Post 6:00-10:00 p.m.
June 29	Middle Years Activities – Fun Mountain
June 30	Last day of Classes – Early Dismissal
Aug. 29	School Office Re-opens
Aug. 30	After 8:30 a.m., begin booking Orientation appointments online through Parent Connect
Sept. 6 & 7	Orientation Days - bring school supply fees of \$35.00 to your meeting
Sept. 8	Classes begin 8:00 a.m.

