

ELWICK

Community School

REPORT TO THE
COMMUNITY
2014-2015



"Celebrating our diversity through the seven sacred teachings..."

RESPECT, COURAGE, HUMILITY, LOVE, HONESTY, WISDOM, TRUTH

At Elwick school we value all individuals, while encouraging a collaborative community approach to learning by building relationships based on respect.

Together we strive to support each learner to develop to their fullest potential in all aspects of their lives. Each member of our community shares a responsibility to create and maintain a safe, nurturing and engaging environment for all.



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Building Strong Learners



Science Club



Art Classes at the
Winnipeg Art Gallery



Middle Years
Leadership Committee



Classroom Field Trips



Grade 4/5 Science Camp



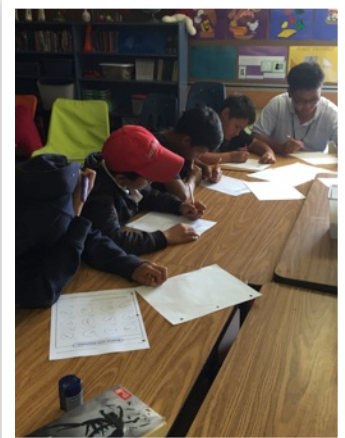
Creating strong writers
and readers.



Sage Picking in
Scantebury



Dance programming
for students.



Engaging Classroom
Activities



Elwick Drumming Group

Grade 2/3 "Family Time"



Local Artist Lita Fontaine teaching in the classroom for Treaty Days.



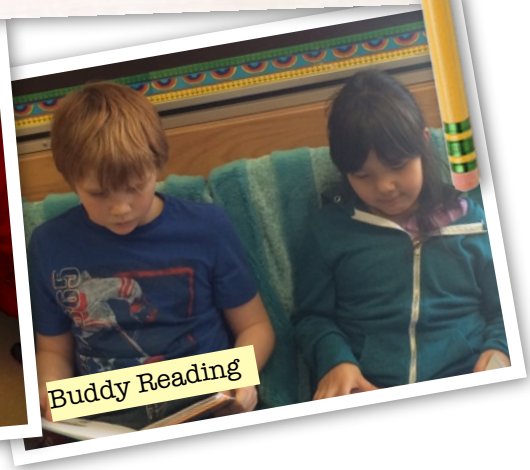
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INDIGENOUS EDUCATION, THE ARTS, AND
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LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.**



Building strong literacy skills



Classroom Parent Nights



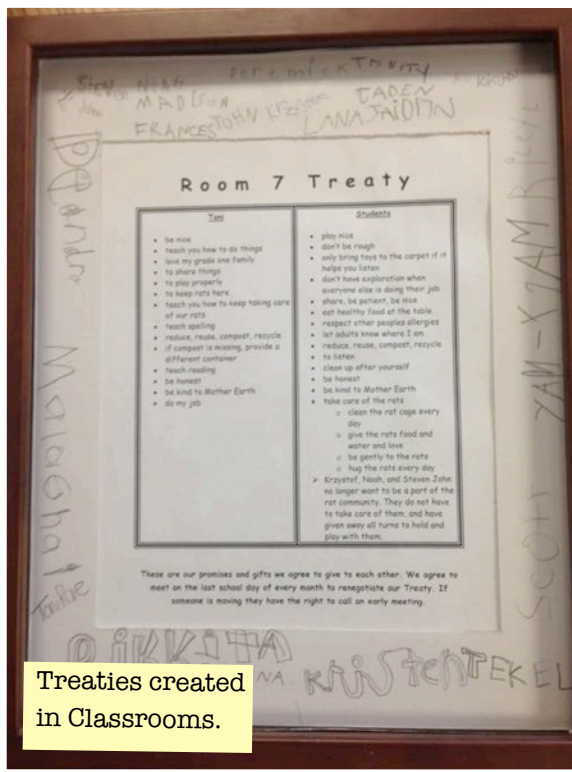
Buddy Reading

At Elwick school we strive to build strong learners by providing experiences as diverse as our students. Whether it be in the classroom or beyond the walls of our school, we strive to provide engaging activities that help meet the needs of all students.

Building Strong Communities



Experiential learning opportunities like picking Sage in Scantebury.



Treaties created in Classrooms.



Hockey Programming with Bauer's "First Shift" Program



Middle Years students working at the Circle Garden.



Bike Recycling program helping community members get new bikes.



Pre-school event at Treaty Days included Family Yoga sessions.



Parent Beading classes held weekly.

BUILDING CONNECTIONS IN THE COMMUNITY AND WORKING ALONGSIDE WITH PARENTS AND FAMILIES WILL ONLY HELP TO FOSTER THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE WHOLE CHILD.



Open gym night.



Winnipeg Police member participating in Softball.



Mom and Kookums Drumming Group.

Community at Elwick School begins in the classrooms where we focus on building strong relationships between students, parents, and staff. This sense of classroom community is then extended into our school, our neighborhood, and far beyond. It shows us how we are all connected and highlights our many gifts we have to offer as a community.

Building Strong Futures



Community Hockey Program



Students learning emotional regulation through the Mind Up classroom program.

LIVING BY OUR SCHOOL WIDE BELIEF STATEMENT GUIDES US TO USE OUR POWER IN A POSITIVE WAY AND HELPS US WORK TOWARDS OUR GOALS AND DREAMS.



Creating welcoming spaces for our preschool children.



Elwick students learning to play football.



Pow Wow Club.

At Elwick School the future is bright! By providing a wide variety of programs, clubs, activities, and lessons - our students are sure to solidify their sense of belonging and work towards creating their own bright future.

Sistema students coming together to share their music.

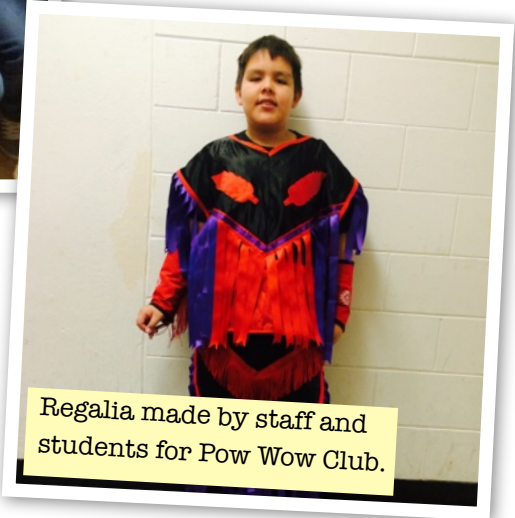


Our Grade 6 Can U participants.

Rec & Read



Equine Training Program.



Regalia made by staff and students for Pow Wow Club.

Treaty Education at Elwick School

What does Treaty Days mean for Elwick Community School?

- Treaty days are a gathering to celebrate the signing of treaties and honoring the relationship with indigenous people across Canada.
- Provides an opportunity to build connections with one another as a school community.
- Ongoing learning about how we live together on Treaty One lands.

TREATY DAYS IS THE HIGHLIGHT OF INDIGENOUS EDUCATION AT ELWICK SCHOOL. IT BRINGS OUR COMMUNITY CLOSER TOGETHER BY GATHERING FAMILIES FOR A CELEBRATION OF OUR TREATY RELATIONSHIP WITH FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE

What are the students' understanding of treaties?

- "A deal between First Nations and Europeans." (Ryan, Grade 5)
- "A promise." (Kelsey, Grade 4)
- "Treaties are about friendships." (Dwain, Grade 2)
- "An agreement between treaty people." (Ashana, Grade 2)
- "We are all treaty people." (Christina, Grade 2)
- "If you give somebody something and they give you something back." (Guilia, Grade 3)

What kind of experience did the students have at treaty days?

- "Treaty Days was fun, because I got to Pow Wow." (Gertie, Grade 5)
- "It was actually good. My favourite part was the assembly." (Ryan, Grade 5)

- "My favourite part of Treaty Days was when the school had the BBQ party with the entire community." (Patrick, Grade 7)
- "I learned about the Treaty Days and how Treaties still exist today. Right now we're all living on Treaty One Lands." (Patrick, Grade 7)
- "It was the best time, and made us very happy!" (Grade 2/3 Class)
- "I enjoyed the drumming, because I felt it touch my heart." (Ally, Grade 6)
- "I had fun playing kickball, because I could dolphin dive onto the mats." (Darren)

How do our families feel about Treaty Days at Elwick?

- "Our family has not got together in a long time. It was the first time my baby has been out to meet everybody." (Family Member)
- "I loved everything about Treaty Days. I liked when the kids and families were given \$5.00 each to purchase their food at the feast. It reminded me of my own experiences back home." (Parent)
- "Treaty Days was awesome. We are living out the culture in the community." (Parent)
- "Every school should have Treaty Days, a gathering of all nations." (Parent)
- "The preschool Events and the Pow Wow and Feast brought out all different cultures. It was nice to see everyone as one." (Parent)

The Importance of The Handshake

- "Shaking hands shows that you are a good person." (Kelsey, Grade 3)
- "The handshake is a sign of respect." (Sean, Grade 3)
- The handshake shows you are trustworthy and it is about building relationships." (Christine, Grade 3)
- "Handshake shows you made a deal." (Ayen, Grade 3)

