



Margaret Park School

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March 2018 Newsletter



LEAST, SOMETIMES, MOST OFTEN

You may have seen this bulletin board greet you as you walk into our school. We like our displays to reflect the conversations we are having with our students as well as reflect what we value as a school community. For those of you who haven't seen this, here are the children's words, accompanying their pictures.

Most Often foods: "These foods have lots of nutrients. They are low in fat and sugar. They help you grow and keep you healthy!"

Sometimes foods: "There are some nutrients in these foods. They can be higher in fat and have some sugar in them."

Least often foods: "You could eat these foods once in a while, as a treat. They are very high in fat and sugar and are low in nutrients."



Family Literacy Evening

What do you do on a cold winter's evening? You come to school to celebrate LITERACY!

Thank you to everyone who came out to participate in our first family literacy evening, where we shared cookies & milk, lots of laughter and learned about some great ways to engage our children in the area



of literacy.

We had an extensive menu of activities to choose from: Musical ABC's, Story Cubes, Scattagories, Biblionasium, Literacy with iPads, Scrabble, Word Art, Art Literacy, Word Hunts, Nursery Rhyme Games, Alphabet Fun, Boggle, Jeopardy, Wonderful Word Wednesday, We Can Read the



Pictures and Supper Table Games. Not to mention, getting to see some of your teachers in pajamas!



One of the things we know for sure, is that literacy does not only happen during I LOVE TO READ month, it happens all year round.



Family-School Partnership



Our KERNELS fundraiser was a great success! Thank you! We raised approximately \$1800 towards our outdoor green space at the back of the school! Way to go Margaret Park families!

Celebrating Indigenous Cultures Through Language and Literacy

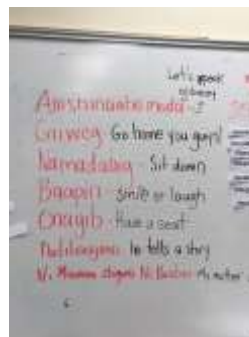
Wednesday, March 21 2018 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Everyone welcome!



Potluck Feast!

- 5:45: Smudging
- 6-6:45: Opening prayer by Mary Courchene and eating dinner
- 6:45—8:00: Language Teachings



We invite you to bring a dish for community sharing!

Say 'hello' to spring...

Word games! Cree! Ojibway! Meet our elders! Hair teachings! Stories in Indigenous languages!

News from Room 14

We have been exploring non-standard linear measurement in Room 14.

The students had fun measuring each other using hand spans, popsicle sticks, dice, keys, and unifix cubes. They are learning to measure with no gaps or overlaps. We compared our feet with those of Shaquille O'Neal. He wears a size 24!

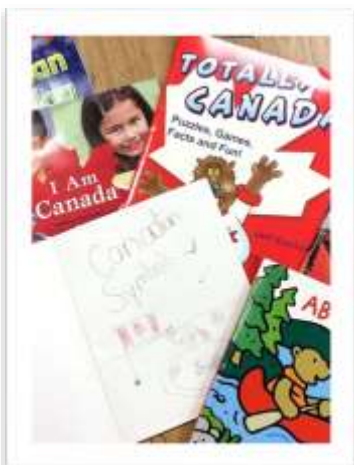


In Social Studies we have been learning all about Canadian symbols such as the flag, coins, and the beaver.

We even created our own flags to symbolize us!



We enjoyed having our elders, Barb and Clarence Nepinak, join us to talk about the sacred teaching of love. We are learning to have compassion for others and to show empathy.



News from Room 5

Room 5 has been learning about materials and structures. We are learning about the nature of materials by observing and using them. We are using the design process by choosing materials suitable to build **our structure project called 'My Miniature House'**. Everybody has shown incredible ideas and tried their best to do all of these things. Excellent job Room 5!



News from Room 4

Room 4 has been practising our doctor/nurse/mad scientist skills with a variety of human body related activities, including the dissection of a cow's heart, the construction of prosthetic hands, the dissection of chicken wings, and model lungs made of balloons and bottles. It's been awesome to learn about ourselves in such a hands-on way!



News from Room 2

Hello Margaret Park families! Learners in Room 2 studied the sacred teaching of Wisdom for the month of January. In our study we reflected on ourselves, our gifts, talents and also our mistakes. We concluded that Wisdom is shared, gained with experience and elders have much wisdom to share. We had resident elders Clarence and Barb come into our classrooms and share teachings with us. Miss Meranda also taught the Cree **word for my gift, "Nikiskenitamawin."** We culminated our learning by presenting our gifts at a school assembly. We created a wisdom wreath! Way to go Room 2!



Physical Education News



Badminton Club Practice will continue up to the Tournament date. Practices for the Grade 4's are on Day 2 and for the Grade 5's on Day 6. Both practices are from 1:30 - 2:00 pm.



The Divisional Tournament for both the Gr 4's and 5's will be on Saturday March 10, 2018 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at Maples collegiate Gym. Notes will be sent home soon.

Grade 5 Basketball club will be starting soon in the gym at lunch. More information to follow.



Yours in Sports, M. Leskiw
Physical Education

Notes FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

Ms. Lagace Update



Recently the kindergarten classes have been exploring 'winter' in their classroom through art, words, numbers, and song. We have explored this theme in the music room as well. The students first brainstormed different sounds you might hear in the winter time, specifically outside. Then we experimented with different musical instruments and the students picked instruments to represent the different sounds. The result was a wonderful collection of sounds that we can now add together to create a soundscape (picture with sound) of winter.



<http://helenlagace.doodlekit.com/>

UPCOMING EVENTS



- February 26/18 - Kindergarten Registration began for the 2018-19 school
If your child was born in 2013, please bring a copy of your **Child's birth certificate, Manitoba Health and Proof of address** to the office to register

- March 13/18 - Report Cards go on line (after 3 pm)
- March 15 & 16/18 - Child/Family/Teacher Conferences
No School March 16th

- March 21/18 - Celebrating Indigenous Cultures Evening
- March 23/18 - Last Day of School before Spring Break
- March 26-30/18 - SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL

- April 2/18 - School Re-Opens
- April 19/18 - Spring Concert (Grade 3/4 and 4/5)
- April 20/18 - PD Day-NO SCHOOL
- April 25/18 - Pow Wow Family Night
- May 17/18 - Kindergarten Open House 6:00– 7:00 pm

REMINDER:



If you are going to change end of day plans for your child, please make sure you contact the office before 3:00 pm so that we have time to notify teachers. Please call the office at 204-338-9384.

Kildonan Youth Activity Centre (KYAC)

KYAC Program Coordinator: amy.wilson@7oaks.org OR (204)470-9460
<http://www.7oaks.org/Programs/KYAC/Pages/default.aspx>



Kildonan Youth Activity Centre

MARCH 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	No KYAC @ EP	8	9	10
11	12	13	No KYAC @ EP	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	No KYAC @ ESOMS
25	Spring Break Program			29	Good Friday No KYAC	No KYAC @ ESOMS

What is KYAC?

KYAC is a non-profit youth drop-in centre concerned with meeting the needs of youth, ages 8-17, in Seven Oaks School Division. Our drop-in programs offer a wide variety of activities ranging from low organized games, recreational sports, movie nights, guitar lessons, art classes and crafts.

Drop-in Gym Hours:
Edmund Partridge Community School (EP):
 Monday, Wednesday and Friday 6-9pm

Ecole Seven Oaks Middle School (ESOMS):
 Tuesday and Thursday 6-9pm
 Saturday 12-5pm

Structured Program Hours:
Governor Sennels School:
 Wednesdays 3:30-5:30pm

Forest Park School:
 Thursdays 3:30-5:30pm

Ecole Riverbend Community School:
 Tuesdays 3:00-5:00pm
 Fridays 6-9pm

KYAC is once again offering a Spring Break Program

Dates: March 26th—March 29th
 Hours: 11:00am-3:30pm

Location: Ecole Seven Oaks Middle School (800 Salter Street)

*This is a free drop in program but please note that there is no lunch program offered. We ask that you please bring the appropriate snacks & drinks. Thank you!



March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>Learn to skate- Rm 6</i> <i>Learn to Swim- Rm 4</i> <i>Patrol Outing- Bowling</i>	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 <i>Learn to skate- Rm 6</i> <i>Learn to Swim- Rm 4</i>	9	10
11	12 <i>Start booking Family/ Teacher Conference Times on line</i>	13 <i>Report Cards available on line after 3pm</i>	14 <i>MTYP - The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe 2-3 pm</i>	15 <i>Learn to skate- Rm 6</i> <i>Learn to Swim- Rm 4</i> <i>Child/Family/ Teacher Conferences 4-8 pm</i>	16 <i>Child/Family/ Teacher Conferences NO SCHOOL</i>	17
18	19	20	21 <i>Celebrating Indigenous Cultures Evening 6-8 pm</i>	22 <i>Learn to skate- Rm 6</i> <i>Learn to Swim- Rm 4</i>	23 <i>Last day of school before Spring Break</i> <i>Assembly 9:15 am</i>	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 <i>Good Friday</i>	31



Spring Break