R.F. Morrison School February 2015

Principal: R. Valcourt

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January in Pictures:

We welcomed a delegation of visitors from China, who are considering a move to Winnipeg.



Students are enjoying recesses outdoors with our new toboggans and shovels.



Students in K – Gr. 3 enjoyed a drumming workshop with Evans Coffie, "Coffieman".







Finally we invite parents and caregivers of children born in 2010 to join us on Monday, February 23rd at 6:30 p.m. for our Kindergarten Open House. Please share this information with your friends, relatives and neighbours.





Dates to Remember...

Monday, February 2 School P.D. Day – No School

Tuesday, February 3 PAC Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Friday, February 6 7 Oaks "GOT TALENT" Fundraiser

Friday, February 13 Pancake Breakfast

Monday, February 16 Louis Riel Day - No School

Monday, February 23 R.F. Morrison Kindergarten Open House 6:30 p.m.

Monday, February 23 Public Budget Meeting @ Maples Collegiate 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 13 Parent Teacher Conferences – No School

March 30-April 3 Spring Break – No School

Monday, April 6 First Day Back from Spring Break (Day 5)

Friday, April 24

Monday, May 11

Monday, May 18

P.D. Day – No School

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Victoria Day – No School

Tuesday, June 30 Last Day of Classes

Please check future newsletters for additions/changes to this list. Thank you.

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PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Parent Advisory Council traditionally hosts a pancake breakfast for all children in February for "I Love to Read" month. Children may come to school in their pj's and we serve up pancakes and a drink. This is a morning all the children look forward to each year. The date is set for Friday, February 13th and we need as many volunteers as we can get starting at 8:00 a.m. to help make pancakes and serve the pancakes and drinks to the children. We also require several electric griddles. If you are available to help and/or can provide a griddle, please contact the school and leave your name and contact information. We would love to see you there!

Thank you,

Lisa Radlinsky, PAC Chair

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration for 2015- 2016 begins on **Monday, February 23, 2015**. Parents of children born in **2010** can complete registration between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. All children should register at their home school for regular English instruction programs. To register, please bring along the Birth Certificate and Manitoba Health Card for the medical numbers.

If parents are choosing a second language program, the following programs are available in Seven Oaks School Division:

<u>French- Immersion Program: École Belmont School</u> (Information Night is Wednesday, February 4th at 6:30 p.m.)

<u>Ukrainian Bilingual Program: R.F. Morrison</u> (Open house is Monday, February 23rd at 6:30 p.m.)

<u>Hebrew Bilingual Program: Margaret Park School</u> Contact school at 204-338-9384 for information

Parents choosing a second language program can register directly at that school.

Please share this registration information with your neighbours who have kindergarten age children.

R.F.MORRISON KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

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will be held on Monday, February 23rd from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Love to Read



February is "I Love To Read" month. Of course, here in the library we consider **EVERY** month to be "I Love To Read" month but in February the whole school is focused on the love of reading.

This February R.F. Morrison is holding a "Reading Around the World" week.

In the library, there will be a lot of books being displayed about various countries. As well, picture books which take place in different countries will be coming home with your children.

Become an explorer. Help your child to expand their horizons beyond their own backyard by reading to them (and discussing with them) other cultures.

S. Rose, Library Technician

NEWS FROM THE GYM:





FEBRUARY IS HEART MONTH - DO SOMETHING GOOD FOR YOUR HEART!!!

BE ACTIVE FOR AT LEAST 15 – 20 MINUTES, 3 TIMES A WEEK TO GET THAT HEART PUMPING! IT'S

GOOD FOR YOU AND ALSO FUN!!!!





Room 12 – Ms. Dahl

Room 12 has been learning about different forms of Poetry. The Poetry that the students wanted to share with you is some of their Haikus. Hope you enjoy!

Snowflakes beautiful Soaring through the wind Snowflakes large and small **By Paige**

Snowflakes sparkle in The moonlight, Falling gently And beautiful too By Nevaeh

Snowflakes are falling
We can play it's so much fun
And it is so fun
By Joshua

A butterfly flaps her Wings and flies like a glider in The wind so pretty By Hannah

A little bird flies
Up to its cute family
They go tweet, tweet, tweet
By Tina

Oh snowflakes gentle, As a pillow, oh how soft, And as cold as ice By Marc







Poetry Alive and Well in Room 7

In December the students in **Room 7** started a creative journey with our Teacher Candidate, Ms. Waite, to learn about and compose original poems. Here are some examples of the amazing work they produced.

Morning Poem

Birds chirping and flying in the sky.

Sun rising, moon still setting.

Animals sleeping in their homes.

Everyone is sleeping in their soft beds.

Trees hold homes for animals and the trees are sleeping too.

By Danielle

Animal in Me

A hummingbird is very quiet and speedy.

It lives in my heart and likes to fly to my eyes.

It peeks to see what is out there and it loves to drink the nectar where I smell the flowers.

It loves to play, have fun, is very sneaky, and loves to annoy people.

That's the animal in me.

By Owen

Calm Poem

On the hill watching the moon glow.

Wishing you can stay there forever, but forever isn't as long.

Feeling the wind blow softly across my face makes me calm.

Imagine staying here for as long as you want.

But, I guess I'll end this poem all alone.

By Shakira

Left Out Toothpaste

Left out toothpaste stays on store shelves.

Left out toothpaste is never to be bought.

Left out toothpaste at the back of the shelf.

Left out toothpaste stays on the shelf until close.

Left out toothpaste never gets used.

Left out toothpaste.

By Joshua





























ABORIGINAL DRUMMING & STORYTELLING WITH DAVID BOULANGER



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R.F. MORRISON SCHOOL BULLETIN BOARD 🗞





SEVEN OAKS SCHOOL DIVISION

Invites the Community to the 2015 - 2016 **Public Budget Consultation** Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Seven Oaks School Division invites the public to an open meeting to discuss the 2015-2016 school year budget. The purpose of the meeting is to inform the public about funding provisions and current budget discussions and to invite comment on educational and budget initiatives.

Monday, February 23, 2015 - 7:00 p.m. **Judy Silver Commons – Maples Collegiate** 1330 Jefferson Avenue

> School Bussing will be cancelled ALL DAY if the windchill reading is

-45C or colder

at 6am

at the Forks

according to Environment Canada https://weather.gc.ca/city/pages/mb

Next PAC MEETING

February 3, 2015 6:30 PM All Welcome!!!



IF YOU ARE PARKING IN THE **BUS LOOP, PLEASE TURN OFF** YOUR ENGINE. THE EXHAUST **FUMES CAN TRAVEL INTO THE CLASSROOMS THROUGH THE VENTS AND CAUSE AN** UNHEALTHY SITUATION.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!!

CALL-BACK SYSTEM

Parents or guardians please call 204-338-7804 to report a child's absence. Please leave child's first and last name, room number or teacher's name and reason for absence.

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Positive Discipline Parenting Sessions

- Are you feeling challenged by your kid's power struggles?
- Bad attitude or whining?
- Lack of follow through?
- Bed time and morning time routines?
- Getting chores done?
- Getting homework done?
- Or something else????

Then come learn some positive, long-term solutions for raising kids to feel "I am capable, I can contribute, and I can use my personal power in useful ways to improve my life and the lives of others!"



Positive Discipline is for parents who are looking for long-term parenting skills that will encourage their children to;



- think for themselves,
- become more responsible,
- have a greater respect for themselves and others.

The teachings of Positive Discipline are filled with nonpunitive, respectful methods that will incorporate kindness and firmness into parenting, help parents get to the core of their child's misbehaviour, bring more joy into the home and give parents a sense of accomplishment!

The 7-Oaks School Division will be offering a series of 8 sessions on Positive Discipline.

Sessions begin:

Wednesday, March 4, 2015 and run until Wednesday, April 29, 2015 from 9:15 am to 11:15 am at BZERC – 375 Jefferson Ave

For more information please contact Veronica Thiffeault at 204-338-7804 or 204-586-9716 or email veronica.thiffeault@7oaks. Space is limited so registrations will be processed on first come basis.

Please return this form to your school before Friday, Feb 20th, 2015.

Free Childcare is available.			
Parent(s) first and last names:			
Child's name:	age:	Email:	
Child's name: No you require child care: Yes No		any: Allergies: Yes No	

PRESCHOOL CULTURE CONNECTION

INVITING FAMILIES OF FOREST

PARK & R. F. MORRISON

Wednesday, February 25, 2015 5:00 to 7:30 pm R. F. Morrison School 25 Morrison Street



Drumming Dancing and Story Telling Food

RSVP to: Debbie Talling, Forest Park, 204-338-9341 Veronica Thiffeault, R. F. Morrison, 204-338-7804



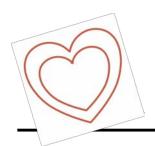




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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
IO	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
BOOKS!	NO SCHOOL	PAC - 6:30	Patrols Bowling	Rm 4 swimming Rm 8&11 Skating	Rm 5&6 Skating	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
O	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Valentine's Day
				Rm 4 swimming	Pancake Breakfast	
				Rm 8&11 Skating	Rm 5&6 Skating	22
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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	Day 4	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	20
	Public Budget			Rm 4 swimming		
	Meeting at 7:00 pm RFM Kindergarten	*	Culture Connect	Rm 8&11 Skating	Rm 5&6 Skating	
	OPEN HOUSE 6:30					



RF MORRISON'S PRESCHOOL PROGRAM FEBRUARY 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	NO PROGRAM			Preschool		
	THIS DAY			Program		
				9:30-11:30		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Preschool			Preschool		
	Program			Program		
	9:30-11:30			9:30-11:30		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	NO PROGRAM			December		
	THIS DAY			Preschool Program		
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				9:30-11:30		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Play,	Preschool					
Learn	Program			Preschool		
Grow	9:30-11:30			Program		
Together!	Kindergarten			9:30-11:30		
* 9	Registration begins					