



West St. Paul School

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Dear Families.

We have only two weeks until spring break and the school is busy! We look forward to seeing everyone this week during Parent Teacher Conferences.

The snow has begun to melt and puddles are forming. We know kids love to play in the water so please send extra mittens, socks and pants in case your child gets wet. Children are allowed to play in the puddles (including in and around Booter Island) but students need to have rubber boots or other waterproof boots.

Tuesday is our monthly PAC meeting. PAC meets on the second Tuesday or Wednesday of each month (except for December and June). The meeting begins at 6:00 PM and concludes by 7:30. Free childcare is provided in one of the classrooms. Please come out to learn about and help out at your child's school! During the evening of Parent-Teacher Conferences, PAC will be selling snacks at the front doors to the school.

Kindergarten registration is ongoing. If you or someone you know in our West St. Paul catchment area has a child who was born in 2019, they can register their child for kindergarten. Check out the Seven Oaks School Division website at www.7oaks.org to register online.

Our students in grades 3-8 will be participating in the Our School survey during the next two weeks. The purpose of the survey is to measure student engagement, increase student involvement & sense of belonging at school. For more information about the OurSCHOOL Student Survey, please visit The Learning Bar's website: www.thelearningbar.com.

As the building boom continues in the Municipality of West St. Paul and the West St. Paul School population has continued to expand, we can only accept students living in West St. Paul School catchment area. Students currently attending West St. Paul School who live outside of the catchment area will have an 'Out of Catchment/Division' form sent home to be completed and returned to the school.

Be sure to book your conference time online through Parent Connect. Please attend your child's conference to share and celebrate in their learning. Our Library technician, Ms Mathis, will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair in the fitness studio during Parent-Teacher conferences.

Spring Break takes place the week beginning March 25 and we will return to school on Monday, April 1st.

Enjoy the Spring-like weather!

Administrators,

David Ingram Tammy Harder Jenny Macdonald



A Word from PAC (Parent Advisory Council)

- Where does your money go when you donate to PAC?

To lots of things! Did you know that PAC has given \$100 to every classroom teacher to purchase outdoor play equipment for your children to use during outdoor recess? We have given an additional \$100 to those same classroom teachers to purchase more materials and supplies for use in the classroom. We love to see what our amazing staff does for our kids and we are happy to help them make it happen!

- Do you own a business? Do you have donations that you think may be useful for prize baskets to raffle off? Reach out to PAC at weststpaulpac@gmail.com and a member of our committee will contact you about ways that you can help. Thanks in advance for what you are doing for our kids!
- Interested in what we do at PAC? Join us for our next meeting -Tuesday, March 12 from 6:00–7:30 pm. Childcare is provided!
- Did you know? West St. Paul's Craft Sale is back! Mark **November 16** on your calendar for a day of crafting and fun! If you are interested in reserving a table, reach out to weststpaulcraft@gmail.com.

PAC will have a treat table set up on March 13 & 14 during Parent Teacher Conferences!

Prices:

Coffee & Hot Chocolate - \$1.00 each

Assorted Bags of Chips - \$1.00 each

Candy Cups - \$2.00 each

****Please note that we can only accept cash****

Thanks as always for your continued support!

~West St. Paul School PAC

Mini Minutes - February 13, 2024

Upcoming Events:

- Hot Lunch (for those who have ordered): April 24 & May 22
- Upcoming PAC meeting: April 10 at 6 pm. Childcare provided.
- Kindergarten Welcome Night for registered students only - May 7
- Final PAC Meeting and AGM - May 8 at 6 pm. Join us for a meal!
- Also, we'll be having another Family Fun Day (September 11), another Halloween Dance (October 18), and we're re-introducing our Craft Sale! (November 16)

Upcoming Fundraisers:

- Parent Teacher Interviews (Wed and Thurs night) - chips, candy, and coffee!
- Lacoste hanging baskets and frozen pizzas - Spring (date TBA)

Be sure to check the Community News page on the school website for updates about activities taking place in our community.

[https://www.7oaks.org/school/weststpaul/NewsEvents/Pages/Community-News.aspx#/=">](https://www.7oaks.org/school/weststpaul/NewsEvents/Pages/Community-News.aspx#/=)