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# December 2013

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#### **Important Dates:**

December 5 Winter Concert

December 20 Last day of school

January 6, 2014 School re-opens

#### REMINDERS

## <u>APPROPRIATE</u> <u>CLOTHING</u>

Just a reminder to all parents and students that as the weather is colder. appropriate clothing is required for your child at all times. mitts Hats. and boots must be worn by your child as all students go outside to play twice a day and at 12:30PM.





## Wind-Chill & Recess

We check with Environment Canada before recess to check the wind-chill before sending students outside for recess:



\*-17°C to –26°C we will be going outside for recess\*

\*-27°C indoor recess\*

Please remember to have your child dressed appropriately for the weather, including hats, mittens, scarves, jacket and snow pants. Always send your child prepared to go outside for recess everyday as the weather may change and warm up during the day.

# When should a student stay home from school?

A child must be kept at home (or taken home) when he/she:



- Fever, sore throat, infected skin or eyes, diarrhea, vomiting, communicable disease, earaches, difficulty breathing, head lice, scabies, unexplained difficulty in breathing; or
- Is not well enough to take part in their regular school program; or
- Is requiring a greater need for care than the staff can provide without compromising the safety of the student or other students (i.e. during a pandemic).

**Resources:** 

Canadian Pediatric Society, <u>Wellbeings</u>, 2nd ed. 1999, http://www.hls.gov.bc.ca/publications/year/2003/com018.pdf

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# Emergency Procedures Severe Weather Conditions

In the event it is necessary to close the schools and the administration buildings before the school day begins on any given day because of severe weather conditions, in accordance with the Administration Handbook Section G18 - Emergency Response Procedures, the following procedures will apply:

i) The decision to close the schools and the administration buildings will be made by the Chief Superintendent (or designate) in consultation with the other Superintendents in the Metropolitan Winnipeg area and with the Chair of the Board of Trustees.

ii) The Chief Superintendent will communicate the decision to the following:

- a) Secretary-Treasurer who will inform the Transportation Supervisor to arrange for the cancellation of school bus transportation;
- b) Communications Officer who will post the information on the Division's website and inform the media outlets as appropriate.

iii) Director of Human Resources - who will inform the Substitute Clerk.

iv) The following media outlets will be asked to share this message:

CBC RADIO	92 CITI FM	99.9 BOB FM
1290 CFRW	QX 104FM	CJOB
102.3 CLEAR FM	CBC FRENCH	Q94 FM
VIRGIN 103 FM	CTV NEWS	GLOBAL TV
CITYTV	<b>CKJR POWER 97</b>	
WINNIPEG FREE	PRESS WEBSITE	







# How do you know if school buses are cancelled?



SCHOOL BUS -45 C at about 6:15 a.m. according to Environment Canada, school buses will be cancelled. (Buses are also cancelled in the case of dangerous road conditions.)

> If the forecast calls for wind chills in the -40 C range, parents should look to media outlets in the morning for possible school bus cancellation reports.

The following media outlets are requested to carry the messages:

89.3 CBC FM; 990 CBC AM; CKSB 89.9 FM (French); CJOB-680 AM; Power 97-FM; 1290 CFRW; 99.9 BOB-FM; Curve 94.3 (formerly Q94-FM); 92 CITI FM; 102.3 CLEAR FM; Hot 103; QX 104 FM; CTV News; CityTV; Winnipeg Free Press website.

Please note that some media outlets will broadcast and post the information to their websites.

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#### **Head Lice Information**



Should they be at school?

If you are aware of children in your community who are not attending school, please let us know.

#### Contact us if:

- You have seen a child in the community during school hours, without his/her parents, on more than one occasion.
   (A student may be away from school due to an inservice day.)
- The child lives within the Winnipeg School Division boundaries.





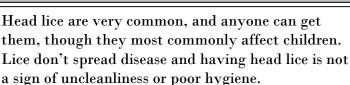
- Information we'll need from you:
- The child's address and name (if known).
  Dates, times and location where you have seen the child.
- What we'll do after you call:
- If the child lives within the Winnipeg School Division boundaries, we'll check to see if he or she is registered, or should be registered at one of our schools. If registered, we'll follow up with the local school and we may ask attendance officers to help as needed. If not registered, we'll try to find out why.

Your call or e-mail is confidential: • When you contact us, we will keep your name confidential.

Thank you for helping us to ensure all kids are in school.

To report a child not attending school: Phone: 789-0400 E-mail: attendancehelpdesk@wsd1.org





#### Facts about head lice:

- Lice only live where they are warm and are usually found where there is a lot of hair, especially behind the ears and on the back of the neck.
- Lice are clear in colour when hatched. Seven to ten days after hatching, they become adult lice, which are able to lay eggs.
- Lice need human blood to live and multiply, and they look reddish brown after feeding.
- Lice do not hop, jump or fly.
- Lice bites cause itching.
- Lice can live up to 48 hours off the human body.
- Pets cannot get head lice and people cannot get head lice from pets.

-Information from Winnipeg Regional Health Authority



## **Immunizations**



Grade four students received their first vaccine for Hepatitis B and Meningococcal C in November. Grade 6 female students received their first vaccine for HPV in November. Please be aware that the second dosage of immunizations will take place on January 28, 2014.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call your local public health office at: 204-940-2020 and ask to speak to a public health nurse.





# T.P.C.C. Events



#### Holiday Events at Tyndall Park Community Centre!

#### **Breakfast With Santa!**

Come for pancakes and a visit with Santa Saturday, December 7th, 2013 9:00 - Noon \$3.00 per child (12 & under) \$4.00 per adult (over 13) Craft and Activities!

Every family who comes will be entered in a draw for a FREE Spring Registration for the sport of their choice! Event takes place in Tyndall Park Community Hall at the back of the school. Use entrance by the playground.

#### **Family Holiday Dance!**

Friday, December 13th, 2013 7:00pm - 9:00pm \$3.00 per child Adults are free!

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Canteen will be open.

Come for an evening of festive fun! And you just never know who might stop by!

Located in Tyndall Park Community Hall at the back of the school.

Please use the entrance by the playground.

Every family who attends will be entered in a draw for a FREE Spring Registration for the sport of their choice.

#### New Year's Day

The skating rinks will be open on New Year's Day and serving FREE hot chocolate!

12pm - 5pm

#### Active Start Soccer Program

Saturday mornings starting January 10th for players 9 and under (January 1, 2005-December 31, 2009)

#### Zumba Monday Nights-Drop in fee \$7.50

Yoga starting January 9th!!

Visit <u>www.tyndallparkcc.com</u> for information on how to register, times and locations of our programs





The Tyndall Park School Winter Concert, 'A Tyndall Park Kid's Christmas' will take place on Thursday, December 5th at 7pm. As always, the choir is asked to wear white shirts and black pants (or skirts for the girls) and are asked to be at the school by 6:15pm. Doors will open at 6:30PM.

The Choir will once again perform at the Forks Market on December 20th in the morning. Parents and family are welcome to visit the Forks and listen to beautiful, holiday favorites sung by the Tyndall Park choir. As usual, students are asked to wear their choir clothes for this performance.

Our next choir event will be the Winnipeg Music Competition Festival taking place during the Spring of 2014!



Scholastic Book Fair

Thanks to all who came out to support our Scholastic 'Reading Oasis' Book Fair. It was a great success! We raised just over \$2200.00 with a percentage of that to be used to purchase new books for the school library. A **special thank you** goes out to our wonderful volunteers and staff who helped make the Book Fair possible. Congratulations to Eliza G., the winner of the door prize who won \$25.00 in books for herself and \$25.00 in books for her classroom. We would also like to congratulate all the many winners of posters and book prizes!

# Volunteers



Tyndall Park welcomes volunteers in our school! Volunteers work hard in classrooms, on field trips, Hot Lunches, in the Library and in many other ways. If you would like to volunteer, you will need to fill out registration forms that include a provincial child abuse registry check. If you are interested, please visit the office or phone at 204-633-0065 and we would be happy to answer your questions.

# Tyndall Park Community School Parent Council



<u>Greetings From the Tyndall Park Community School</u> <u>Parent Council!</u>

#### Hot Lunches

The November Hot Lunch raised \$465.87. Thanks to all who participated and a special thank you to the volunteers who worked very hard to put it all together. The December Hot Lunch will be on Friday, December 6th.

The January Hot Lunch will be on Wednesday, January 22nd. Order forms will be coming home on January 7th and will be due back on January 13th.

#### <u>Fundraising - Lamontagne</u>

The Lamontagne fundraiser generated a lot of interest - thanks to all who took part! As the profits will only be known once the goods are received at the school, they will be published in the January newsletter.

#### Monies Paid Out to the School

The Parent Council is very pleased to report that a cheque for \$550.00 was written to the school for the purchase of 10 hurdles for Track & Field.

#### Website of the Month

http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/assess/report\_cards/ index.html

Parents have noticed the new Provincial Report Cards that came home in November. The website of the Month of December is the Manitoba Education site with details and information regarding the new Report Card format.

#### Parent Engagement Survey

A big thank you to all who participated in the Parent Engagement Survey presented on Triad Meeting night. The winner of the draw is Brandy Polachek. Congratulations Brandy!

#### Parent Council Meeting

All Parent Council Meetings are held at 6pm in the Library:

December 16th January 20th February 18th

These meetings are open to all parents and everyone is welcome to attend. We encourage you to get involved. It is a great way to make a difference, to know what is going on at your school and to have a voice in your child's education.

Please note that you can bring your children along to the meetings. As we meet in the Library, there are a lot of books for them to read and computers that they can use.

Regards,

Tyndall Park Community School Parent Council





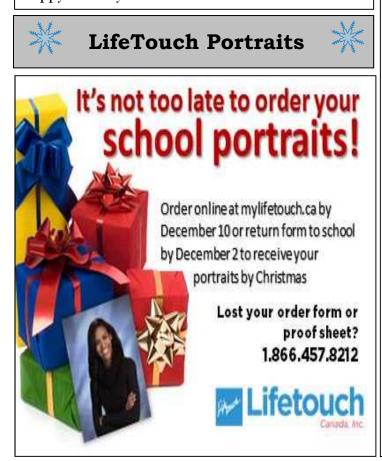
### Winter Concert

Our Winter Concert, "A Tyndall Park Kids' Christmas", will take place on Thursday, December 5th at 7PM. Doors open at 6:30PM. Students in the afternoon Nursery and Kindergarten classes will be performing with the other classrooms in the afternoon dress rehearsal. Students in the morning Nursery and Kindergarten classes will be performing with the other classrooms in the evening concert.

Students **will not** be dismissed at their classrooms, instead they will all be participating in a final parade on stage at the end of the concert and dismissed after that.

The students will have worked very hard on their performances and hope everyone gets a chance to enjoy them! Parents are welcome to attend the afternoon dress rehearsal as the evening performance can be quite crowded.

We thank all parents for coming to the concert and supporting all our wonderful students! Happy Holidays!



## Patrols

A big thank you to all our dedicated school patrols, for volunteering their time and also to our Adult Crossing Guards, Ms. Pimentel, Ms. Martin and Ms. Evangelista for braving the cold weather and ensuring students are crossing safely.

Just a reminder to all parents, that as the weather gets colder, the patrols will be at their posts for a shorter period of time. In the morning they will be on post at 8:45-8:55AM and again at 12:45-12:55PM. At our dismissal times, students crossing with patrols may be asked to meet with patrols at certain doors and will proceed as a group and cross at one time to ensure our patrols are not out in the cold for too long of a time.

Also, if your child is a school patrol, please ensure they dress appropriately for the cold weather. They should be dressed in hats, mittens, boots and a warm parka.

Patrols are reminded to be on time and if they are unable to make it for their duty in the morning, they should call the office and let us know.

If you have any questions regarding patrols, please call the school at 204-633-0065 and we would be happy to get back to you and address any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you, Patrol Supervisors, Mr. Chaszewski and Mrs. Ponte





# What Tyndall Park Students Are Up To...



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**DECEMBER 2013** 

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### Looking ahead...

January 6 School reopens **January 20** PAC Meeting at 6pm January 22 Hot Lunch January 28 2nd Immunization for Grade 4 students and Grade 6 girls February 3 No Classes-In-service February 17 Louis Riel Day March 14 No Classes-In-service March 28 Last Day of School Before Spring Break March 31-April 4 Spring Break April 7 School reopens April 25 No Classes-In-service May 12 No Classes-In-service May 19 No School-Victoria Day June 27 Last Day of School

