

**THE WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION**  
**INNER CITY DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS – Wednesday, April 22, 2015**

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**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee members agreed to add restructuring of the Winnipeg School Division to the Agenda of April 22, 2015.

**2. STRUCTURE OF DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

Committee members were informed that at a meeting held November 3, 2014, the Board of Trustees adopted a motion to establish a Special Committee to Review the Existing Structure of the District Advisory Committees to improve participation and communication between the Board of Trustees, School Parent Councils and the community.

The purpose of the Special Committee is to review the existing structure of the District Advisory Committees and to improve participation and communication between the Board of Trustees, School Parent Councils and the community.

Committee members were informed that as a result of discussions regarding the importance of parental involvement within the Winnipeg School Division, a survey has been developed to obtain feedback from parents/parent councils, District Advisory Committee members and community members to improve communication with the Board of Trustees.

Committee members were informed that the Public Relations/Communications Committee has recommended that an area on the Division's website be developed for parent councils. This survey will also be posted on the Division's website under the newly created *Parent Council* subsection under the *Family & Community* tab.

[www.winnipegsd.ca/FAMILY%20COMMUNITY/Parent%20Council/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.winnipegsd.ca/FAMILY%20COMMUNITY/Parent%20Council/Pages/default.aspx)

Committee members were asked to share this information with their respective parent councils and include this information and link to the survey in the upcoming May newsletter.

Committee members were informed that feedback will be compiled and given to Trustees for consideration.

### **3. RESTRUCTURING OF THE WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION**

At the request of a parent representative, restructuring of the Winnipeg School Division was added to the agenda for discussion.

Committee members expressed concern on the lack of communication, consultation and transparency that was involved with the elimination of a District Superintendent in the Winnipeg School Division. Committee members felt that with the increase in enrolment and new programs being added, support would not be available for students and families.

Committee members were informed that the elimination of a superintendent position was incorporated as part of the approval of the 2015/2016 Budget to reduce administrative costs and lower property taxes for Division residents.

Committee members commented that the reduction of a superintendent should have been discussed with parents due to potential issues related to the level of service being provided to parents and students. Committee members also expressed concern with the additional positions being added to the Budget.

Committee members also expressed concern that the eliminated superintendent was also aboriginal and was a representative of their voice. In response to a parent representative, Trustee Naylor informed Committee members that the criteria used to identify the reduction of a superintendent was based on seniority.

In response to an enquiry, Trustee Naylor informed Committee members that communication to the parents and the committees was delayed due to the sensitivity of the matter and discussions that needed to occur between the employer and employee.

Committee members were informed that most recently the Board established an Advisory Council on Aboriginal Education with the mandate to review and make recommendations on a new Aboriginal Education policy for the Division. The membership will include members of the community.

Committee members requested that the restructuring plan be shared with Committee members, including the process and criteria used for the restructuring.

In response to a parent representative, Trustee Naylor informed Committee members that in terms of timelines, the Chief Superintendent is preparing a restructuring plan that will be presented to the Board for implementation in the new school year.

In response to an enquiry regarding the absence of trustees, Trustee Naylor indicated that at the beginning of every school year the Board reconstitutes its committees and appoints a trustee representative and an alternate to each of the Advisory Committees. Although all trustees are invited, the representative and the alternate represent the Board of Trustees. Trustee Freedman did send regrets.

Committee members extended an invitation to the Chief Superintendent to attend the next meeting to discuss the restructuring of the Winnipeg School Division.

Committee members were informed that the Board receives delegations from parents at Special Board meetings. Delegations are required to register by 12:00 noon the Thursday before the Special Board meeting by contacting Brenda Lapointe, Board Administrative Assistant, at 789-0469. Special Board meetings will be held on May 11 and June 8, 2015.

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#### 4. ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHOOL REPORTS

##### SCHOOL REPORTS

Parent representatives from the following schools provided a written report (attached) on school activities:

- Argyle Alternative High School
- Dufferin School
- General Wolfe School
- Hugh John Macdonald School
- Machray School
- Mulvey School
- Norquay School
- Pinkham School
- Sister MacNamara School
- Strathcona School
- École Victoria-Albert School
- William Whyte School

#### 5. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Inner City District Advisory Committee to be determined.

##### IN ATTENDANCE:

###### **Voting Representatives:**

Argyle Alternative High School  
Jessie Howell, Children of the Earth  
Mary Jane Napolitano, Dufferin School  
Kathy Gaudreau, General Wolfe School  
Mary Chuol, Hugh John Macdonald School  
Elisheba Tait, John M. King School  
Shayla Donnelly, King Edward School  
Kristi Degenhardt, Mulvey School  
Dolly Daniels, Niji Mahkwa School  
Candace Nykiforuk, Norquay School  
Madeline Hatch, R.B. Russell High School  
Roxanne Ballantyne, Sister MacNamara School  
Camilla Hoepfner, Strathcona School  
Lee Jenks, École Victoria-Albert School  
William Whyte School

###### **Alternate Representatives:**

Dufferin School  
Sister MacNamara School  
École Victoria-Albert School

###### **Trustees:**

Lisa Naylor

###### **Regrets:**

Trustee Kevin Freedman  
David Livingstone School  
Machray School  
Gordon Bell High School

###### **Guests:**

Angel Coutu, King Edward School  
Sheryne Phillips, King Edward School  
Frankie Edwards, King Edward School

###### **Administration:**

Karin Seiler, Superintendent of Schools – Inner City  
Brad Corbett, Director, Program Support  
Pat Graham, Principal, Argyle Alternative High School  
Jackie Connell, Principal, Children of the Earth High School  
Pat Mainville, Vice-Principal, David Livingstone School  
Wayne Wyke, Principal, Dufferin School  
Michelle Namaka, Vice-Principal, Dufferin School  
Gwen McLean, Principal, General Wolfe School  
Vinh Huynh, Principal, Hugh John Macdonald School  
Lucy Schnaider, Principal, John M. King School  
Aaron Benarroch, Principal, King Edward School  
Peter Correia, Principal, Mulvey School  
Chris Goring, Principal, Niji Mahkwa School  
Debbie Gould, Vice-Principal, Niji Mahkwa School  
Leslie Last, Principal, Norquay School  
Tricia Penner, Vice-Principal, Norquay School  
Val Mowez, Principal, Pinkham School  
Bev Wahl, R.B. Russell High School  
Debbie Lenhardt Mair, Principal, Sister MacNamara School  
Anastasia Sych-Yereniuk, Principal, Strathcona School  
Lloyd Rana, Vice-Principal, Strathcona School  
Paulette Huggins, Principal, École Victoria-Albert School  
Kathy Palay, Vice-Principal, École Victoria-Albert School  
Helena Tessier, Recording Secretary

###### **Non-Voting/Resource Members:**

Argyle Alternative High School, Community Support Worker  
John M. King School – Community Support Worker  
Mulvey School – Community Support Worker  
Niji Mahkwa School – Community Support Worker  
Norquay School – Community Support Worker  
Pinkham School – Community Support Worker  
R.B. Russell School – Community Support Worker  
Strathcona School – Community Support Worker  
École Victoria-Albert School – Community Support Worker  
William Whyte School – Community Support Worker

Inner City District Advisory Committee  
Argyle School Report  
Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

**Staples" Super Power Your School" Contest:** Students at Argyle School have won \$25,000 toward new technology through the Staples" Super Power Your School "Contest. Over 600 schools across Canada participated, with 10 finalists taking home the cash prize. Our school won in the category of Western Canadian High Schools. This announcement was made official at a school assembly on April 7<sup>th</sup>. The contest focused on how each school is making a difference for the environment. School dignitaries, CBC news and Staples representatives were present as we were awarded with this prize.

Argyle's achievements have been documented by CBC TV. View the news clip and photos at:

<http://www.cbc.ca/m/news/canada/manitoba/winnipeg-school-wins-25k-staples-canada-eco-innovator-prize-1.3023839>

Argyle's video proposal: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xD6w982iBwY>

**Women In Black:** Argyle staff and students were among many schools that attended the matinee performance Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> of Woman in Black, known to be one of the scariest stories that has ever been made into a play.

**Open House:** Argyle hosted our annual open house from 2p.m-6:30p.m. on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> This is a way to showcase what our school has to offer. Our Student ambassadors did a great job escorting small groups to each classroom and answering questions about our school.

**Earth Day:** Staff and students celebrated Earth Day on April Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, they did their part by cleaning up our school yard and the outdoor classroom. Each team leader and their students were assigned a specific area to clean. A free lunch was served.

**Gowns for Grads:** Argyle will once again be participating in the 'Gowns for Grads' program, 18 young ladies will be going to the Convention Center on April 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> to pick out a beautiful gown and an accessory.

**Family Night:** Argyle's monthly "Family Night" will be held on Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, the make and take craft will be rose petal tea lights and a gift box. Dinner is prepared by staff and students, child care is provided. This is always a great turnout and enjoyed by all who attend.

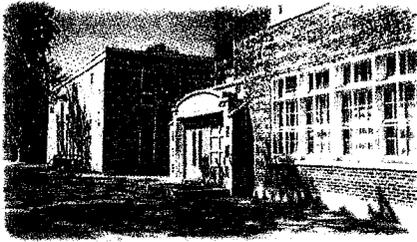
**Fort Whyte Farms:** Students have the opportunity to participate in the farm program. We attend once a week, and are exposed to sustainable practices as they relate to food, livestock, and an urban centre. Students are encouraged to try new foods, to feed a variety of livestock (rabbits, chickens, pigs) and to have a hands on learning experience in the greenhouse.

**Moccasins:** Manitoba Mukluks opened its doors to us via the Storyboot Project. This was an opportunity for students to create a pair of moccasins or mukluks from doing the beadwork, to hand stitching the footwear. We were able to tour the facility, meet with and ask questions to the owner, as well as work with a variety of individuals who are skilled in the art of moccasin and mukluk making. Students created beautiful, wearable pieces of art that reflect their own personal style. It took over 20+ hours to complete our individual projects.

**Upcoming Events:**

- Yip Windup May 14, 2015 @ WAG
- Family Night Year End Celebration – BBQ and Make and Take May 28, 2015
- Graduation Ceremony June 25, 2015

Respectfully submitted by:  
Clare Dilley (Community Support Worker)  
Argyle Alternative High School



## Dufferin School Report – April 22, 2015

*Every student at Dufferin Elementary School enjoys the inherent right to a high quality, anti-racist and equity-centered education and every member of the Dufferin Family comprised of school, home and community is committed to providing such an education every day of the year.*

### **Mission Statement**

### **Highlights**

- Parent/Child Family Room
- Phillipino Language Classes (Mondays October–May)
- Fitness Mondays for children ages 5-12 (8:30 – 9:00)
- After-school Drop-in Program Mon/Tues - Boys and Girls Club
- After-School “Power-Up” curriculum support –Boys and Girls Club
- Floor Hockey Fridays
- Active Lunch Program - Full (Waiting List)
- Grade 4-6 Teachers PD and implementation of Spirit of Math Program
- Grade  $\frac{3}{4}$  Teachers PD and implementation of Jump Math Program
- Grade 1-2 Teachers PD and implantation of Dreambox Learning (online Math Program to build Math Skills)
- Engaging Fusion Artist – Music Artist collaboration/teaching – Grades 1-6
- Integrated Arts in all classrooms (in-house Inquiry Arts Specialist)
- Aboriginal Headstart Program (Little Red Spirit)
- Early Childhood Learning Center (Kindergarten Speech and Language Therapy/Programing)
- Primary Language Center (Grades 1-3 Speech Programming/Therapy)
- Inner-City Soccer Team
- Mural Design Created in the entrance towards the lower gym (Theme-Stars)
- Junieur Bakers 5/6 students
- Welcome to Kindergarten evening (Bright Beginnings)
- Babysitting course
- Fathering Group Program
- Parents helping Parents (PAC initiative to emergency support for families in need)

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"HOME OF THE WOLFPACK"

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## Advisory Report – April 23, 2015

- Eight students will be going to the Divisional Science Fair
- The students recognized Earth Day with a School Wide recycling/clean-up contest
- Our Dance students are preparing for Art in The Heart of the City
- All of our grade nine students will be cleaning up the West End on Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> as part of our partnership with the West End Biz. This is the 27<sup>th</sup> year we have been involved in this partnership.
- Our EAL students were involved in World of Work – a Divisional Job Fair for Newcomer Students
- Soccer season has begun and we have several teams for the outdoor season.
- Several Leadership students attended the Right to Play initiative at TecVoc high school.
- Several classes volunteered at Winnipeg Harvest during the month of March.
- Parent Council is running a Show and Save fund raiser to raise money for an electronic sign.
- Parent council hosted informational evenings for parents – Cyberbullying and Dealing with Stress and Anxiety.





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**Ms. A. Loria**  
Vice-Principal

April 22, 2015

Inner City Advisory Report

We are now well into the first week of May and despite the lingering coolness in the weather there is an excitement in the air as we work toward a good completion to the 2013-2014 school year.

One of the highlights of achievement for many of our students who are involved The Bridge's Jazz learning with the University of Manitoba and our dance performance team was the opportunity to showcase our students' tremendous talent at the Inner City's Arts in the Heart on April 24/14. Our students played their instruments, sang and danced to the Jackson Five's tune, "I want you back." Way to go HJM Performance Team!

Our student and staff who have been participating in land based learning are also industriously preparing for a 4 day trip to Opaskwayak First Nations by The Pas. We expect to have 20 students and 3 staff members participate in this learning. In addition, we will be joined by a couple of students and one staff member from our partner, Community Education Development Association. This learning trip is scheduled for June 3rd to the 6th of 2014. A resounding thank you in advance to Mr. Helbig and Mr. du Plooy for their lead in the planning.

To prepare for a busy and meaningful final season of learning, our students and teachers are reflecting on our learning and teaching as we prepare for the upcoming exams in June; please consult the attached calendar for detailed information. Upon the completion of our exams, there will be opportunities for students to enjoy experiential learning across our school with mini courses in June and a diversity of teams and school wide activities such as Fun Mountain on June ?

Please also keep in mind that our award ceremony for our Grade 7, 8 and 9 will be Tuesday, June 24th from 9:30 to 11:30 am at our school, details will be included in our invitation letters to parents/caregivers in June to join our students in celebrating their achievements. We can also expect strong representation from our community leaders and government representatives to join us in marking our students' milestones of achievement.

Finally, we are sending a call for parents/caregivers to assist us in preparing for the 2015-16 school year by completing your child application for the next grade and sending it to school so that your child is registered for the next school year. This will ensure, as much as possible, a seamless transition for your child who will be registered in advance for his/her homerooms, and course selections for next year. If you require an application, please do not hesitate to contact us and we'll make certain that you will receive it quickly. Thank you.

## Machray School



### Inner City Advisory Report

April 22, 2015

- Machray School has many activities and programs that engage our students both in and out of the classrooms.
- We have leadership programs such as PALS, patrols, reading buddies, cadets & student council.
- Roots of Empathy with baby Todd is taking place in our grade 2/3 classroom.
- Babysitting Course is being offered to our grade 6 students who are interested in receiving this training. A certificate is given to all participants who fulfill the 8 hours allotted for the course.
- Wiggle Giggle Munch, preschool bookmaking and literacy programs for parents and children are taking place in the Family Room.
- Noon hour activities in the gym are available for students and staff to participate in.
- Mindfulness Training is happening in the Parent Room. This training is helpful to parents as their children are also learning this in the classrooms. Parents and students are learning the techniques and the benefits of deep breathing to help them be calm.
- Parent Involvement meetings take place in the evening on the first Wednesday of each month. Parents receive important information about school and classroom events as well as have a chance to have their voices heard in regards to school activities and concerns.
- Jump Rope for heart had a successful turnout and our students were busy getting sponsors to help support them in their jump offs.
- During Student Led Conferences in March families had an opportunity to have family portraits done by Life Touch. Each family received a free 8 x 10 and an opportunity to order pictures from the different packages offered.
- On April 22 Machray School celebrated Mamawitan Day. This day of celebration saw classrooms and students prepare wonderful art, stories and crafts to share with their families. A feast at lunch was shared by students, families, staff and community. A great day of sharing and learning.
- Mini Soccer will be starting in May. This is an after school program for Nursery - Grade 2 students.

## **Mulvey School Community Report February – April 22, 2015**

Here are some highlights at Mulvey School from February – April 22, 2015

**Mother Goose Student/Staff/Parent Evening - Thursday, February 26, 2015 5:30-7:30 PM**

**Mulvey Student/Staff/Parent School Spirit Week Monday, February 23 – 27, 2015**

**Events included Jersey Day, Crazy Hair Day, Reading Sport Challenge Day, Smoothie Day**

**The Student Leadership Team raised money in February-April 2015 by selling baked goods, spirit week activities and events. A total of over \$1200.00 has been raised so far by the Student leadership for ESD Priority both locally and globally.**

**Mulvey Parent Council also raised funds through pizza lunches and honey sales. All the funds raised are put directly back into school related activities, and programming, such as field trips, extra curricular clubs, and grade six year end celebration, nutrition programs and initiatives.**

**Mulvey School Touring Choir is preparing to visit 8 Senior Citizens Homes and entertain for one full day on Friday, June 12, 2015.**

**Career Trek for 3 Mulvey Students attending weekly on Saturdays**

**Career Trek for 4 students to attend Red River College Career Day**

**Parent Nutrition Bingo in February and then a Potluck in March**

**15 students attended the MTS Speed Skate Races, Private music lessons, choir, dance, Kids in the Kitchen and 15 students participated in the Winnipeg Blue Bomber Youth Football Camp.**

**32 students are receiving private music lessons from Volunteers. Mulvey School Music Recital will take place on May 7.**

**Students and Staff working with Musician Dan Donahue to produce school wide song on human rights. This will be included with school wide picture book on human rights. To be given to all the students in June 2015**

**12 students from Intermediate Team participated in Big Brother Big Sister Mindfulness day at University of Manitoba**

**Youth to Youth with Balmoral Hall and Mulvey Grades 5 & 6 students**

**Balmoral Hall / Mulvey Intermediate Students Science afternoon**

**Leadership Sport and Recess Leader students continued**

**Patrol Training and Roller Skating**

**Earth Rangers Environmental Presentation**

For term 2 34 students 100% Attendance 28 students had above 97% Attendance.  
Over 200 Being your BEST Bracelets given out to Mulvey Students.

Spring visit to Misericordia Hospital to visit and sing to residents – 15 students in all

Numeracy PD in February Vicarious Trauma PD and Physical Education PD  
Reading and Writing PD in April Goal Setting Vision Day in May

Constable Jones on Personal Safety and Internet Safety / Bully Proofing

Grade 5/6 Winter Camp at Camp Cedarwood - 55 students & 11 staff 3 days and 2 nights

Reading Club Program continued - RazKids

Staff participated in Big Brother Big Sister Fundraiser – raised \$1 700.00

Report Cards and Parent Teacher Student Conferences – Term 2

Drop the Pop Awareness Campaign – Grant from Kidney Foundation of Canada MB Chapter

2 students participated and performed in Quantum, Prairie Theatre Exchange



Submitted by Mulvey School

April 22, 2015



# Norquay Community School

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Leslie Last, Principal

Tricia Penner, Vice-Principal

## Norquay School Community Report

February, March, April 2015

### School Programs:

- **Breaking the Barriers Bus Pass Program:** Thank-you to St. Georges Anglican Church for the generous donations towards our *Breaking the Barriers Bus Pass Program*. 11 of last year's Grade 6's received a free monthly bus pass to help transition to Grade 7 and to support their being at school everyday.
- **Call Back Program** is implemented 2 times a day; families are called if their child is not present at school. Supports are provided if required (i.e. Walking School Bus)
- **Breakfast Program**, and a classroom daily snack, based on Canada Food Guide and the Winnipeg School Division's Nutrition policy is provided to all students Nursery to Grade 6.
- **Lunch Program**, milk for every student daily is provided and emergency lunches as needed. Some days up to 10 emergency lunches are provided in one day.
- **Norquay School celebrates students' birthdays** each month along with a birthday book for each child. **Walking School Bus:** We have 10 students signed up for the Walking School Bus Program. The Walking School Bus is a partnership run with the North Point Douglas Women's Center Program where an adult will pick up and walk students home at the end of the day. This program is staffed by parents/caregivers of Norquay School and the Point Douglas Community.
- We have had 2 assemblies: one to kick off the event "I Love to Read" and one to celebrate the enjoyment of reading.
- February "I Love to Read Week" "This year's theme," Our Favorite Books "We celebrated our favorite books. Guest Readers read their favorite books to the students.
- **Manitoba Young Reader's Choice Award Club** will vote for their favorite MYRCA Book. Students in Manitoba are invited to vote on the best newly published children's book.



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- The first week of February students were given a bag which has 2 different math games to take home, one for primary and one for intermediate students.
- “Roots of Empathy” in our Grade 1/2 classroom, we have had a few visits with baby Aurora. She is 2 1/2 months old. Baby Aurora’s mom Serena answers all the questions the students have for her.
- “Art Corner” students learned how to use facial expressions and their voices to communicate their ideas more clearly. One game the students played was “Smile Pass it On”.
- Norquay Eagles and Norquay Falcons Soccer Teams, we have 2 teams and 34 students in total that are part of the Winnipeg Schools `s Inner City Soccer League.
- Flag Football Students have joined the Winnipeg Youth Football Club which takes place in the evenings. Thank you to Ms. Braun, one of our Community Support Workers for volunteering her time to support this great sports team.
- Norquay School has been chosen by Hockey Manitoba to participate in a program called Hockey Discovery Days! 25 dedicated and eager students will be fitted with brand new skates, helmets, hockey gloves, hockey sticks and other protective equipment. Our Norquay Eagles Hockey Academy (NEHA) will be given the opportunity to play indoor ice hockey and they will receive coaching from qualified instructors, and Norquay’s skilled teachers and staff and volunteers. Our amazing hockey players completed their 10 week Norquay Eagles Hockey Academy.
- CAMP CEDERWOOD the students in grade 5/6 had some outdoor Educational Experience for 3 days and 2 nights. Skating, Snow Shoeing, Cross Country Skiing, Tobogganing, Sleigh Rides and much more.
- Second annual ‘Winter Fun Day’, students at Norquay School enjoyed a winter field trip to the wonderful Fort Whyte for a full day of outdoor activities.
- Art and Chess Club members are meeting every Monday and Wednesday 12:30-1:00 PM. There are 12 -20 students attending these great learning clubs.
- Norquay School’s Running Club starts at 8:00 am and 12:00pm. 24 Students come out to run.
- Parent/Teacher student Conference on March 12th. and 13 th. Report Cards were sent home with each family after their Conference.
- Our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual “Arts-O-Rama”, Auditions were held. Students had an opportunity to show care their artistic talents though art, dance, drama and music. Walk through galleries, watch videos and enjoy live performances. There were over 200 hundred pieces of art on display. Students also designed the t-shirts.
- “Winter Carnival” The Patrol Team who served as leaders for each activity station. Students enjoyed an incredible day of outdoor activities and snacks.
- “Family Fun Night”, families had an opportunity to enjoy activities, games, snacks and lots of prizes.



- Families & School Together Program (FAST) has started Wednesday evenings at Norquay School. 5 families had graduated and now are going to be enjoying the FAST Works Outings that is being planned for the next 2 years once a month.
- The Smile Program once again this school year 2014 checked students for cavities and other oral hygiene needs. Every student received a brand new tooth brush to take home. 7 Students have received dental treatment as of 2015 that were considered emergencies. More appointments to follow.
- "Family Literacy Days" We are divided in to vertical groups; grades 1 though 6, A to T, 20 groups, 8-10 pre group once a month for 10 months. The focus is on celebrating and connecting as a group, the groups are always the same. Students read and share their writing. We discuss their favorite book or books they are reading.
- Speed Skating Races were amazing, 8 students represented Norquay School and pushed themselves to finish first and second in almost every race! The Winnipeg School Division Speed skating Races were held at the MTS Centre.
- We had 8 students attend the Winnipeg International Children's Festival Circus Camp over spring break
- International Day of Pink April 8 was kicked off at our Assembly, led by our Grade 5/6 Leadership Students. Students were making their own unique plans to help end bullying and discrimination. Students made pledges and designed posters that are on display on the bulletin board in hallway.

#### Family Room Programs:

- Daily coffee/tea, colored printer, computer, newspaper, phone and bulletin boards full of resources are offered to our school families and visitors.
- Our Family Room for the months of November, December 2014 and January 2015 had a little over two hundred guests that had signed in.
- "No Body's Perfect" parenting program is running from April 15- May 27. We have 18 participants have joined us and childcare and snacks are also included. We have a Norquay School has a parent in training to be a facilitator for the 7 week Nobody's Perfect Parenting Program.
- Parent Gathering (Parent Council) is held on the first Wednesday @12:00-1:00 P.M. For February our Special guest speakers was from the Manitoba Indigenous Cultural Education Center: Colleen Reader Marketing & Public Relations, Rayna Daniels Receptionist. Our guest speaker for March was Jillian Ramsay Community Development Worker from the Point Douglas Residents Committee. April our Guest speakers were Linda Hancock President of the Board directors and Raymond Vilneff Volunteer Janitor from the North Point Douglas Seniors Association. Lunch is provided to parents/caregivers/ guests. Children that attend with parents/caregivers are supervised in the Norquay School lunch program.



- **“Moe the Mouse” is running every Friday from 2:25-3:00 PM. In the Family Room, 8 are in attendance.**

**Community Connections available during the school year.**

- **Norquay School provides access to a washer and dryer for school families to do laundry. Sign up is in the Parent Room. Families bring their own supplies. We have an average of 9 families a month doing laundry.**
- **A Sewing machine is available to the school families/community to use as needed with support.**

**Submitted by:**

**Marlene Wood, Community Support Worker, Norquay School**



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Principal



## Report for Inner City Parent Advisory Committee

April 22, 2015

### March/April

- Dreambox Club (Grade 1/2) - Monday - Friday 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Room 217 won a National Math Challenge for completing an average of five or more lessons a week. They received \$100 for a pizza party, math bracelets and certificates.
- Extreme Readers Club (EAL Students) Monday-Friday 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Flag Football Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:00-6:00 p.m.
- Run Club Even Days 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Filipino Heritage Classes Tuesday and Thursdays 3:30 - 5.30 p.m.
- Dance Club Wednesdays 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
- Community Pottery Club Thursdays 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
- Roots of Empathy Grade 5/6
- Grade 5/6 Social Justice Club Monthly Meetings and Activities
- Stone Soup at the Manitoba Hydro Building March 11
- Multicultural Day of Learning and Celebration March 12
- Family Room Nutrition Bingo - March 18
- "Family Night - Talk to me" Pancake Breakfast—March 19
- Patrol Appreciation Lunch - March 20
- Parent Council Meeting March 25
- Community Potluck - March 26
- Cyber Bulling Parent Evening April 7
- Red River Community College Nursing - Health Fair Grade 5 and 6 April 8
- Day of Pink April 8 - Ms. Mowez shaves Constable Mac's beard in a Pink Challenge
- "Family Night - Read and Sow" - April 16
- Volunteer Appreciation Lunch April 20

# Sister MacNamara School Report Spring 2015



## Highlights:

### March 2015

- \*\* Wiggle Giggle & Munch continues every Tuesday morning
- \*\* Bounce Back & Thrive Parent Program continues on Thursday afternoons
- 4<sup>th</sup> Parent Council Meeting  
Topic: Review of WSD 2015/2016 Budget Proposal
- 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. 3's Agriculture in the Classroom Program
- 6<sup>th</sup> Whole School Assembly
- 12<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Bake sale in support of Lunch Program
- 11<sup>th</sup> Jobworks EA Training Information Session for parents/ volunteers
- 16<sup>th</sup> Patrols & Conflict Managers to Wheelies
- 17<sup>th</sup> Grade 6 visit to General Wolfe
- 18<sup>th</sup> Nutrition Bingo for Parents/Caregivers
- 19<sup>th</sup> Grade 6 visit to Hugh John MacDonald
- 19<sup>th</sup> Evening Student Led Conferences: Theme; "Tell Me a Story"
- 20<sup>th</sup> SLC's- Silent Auction Fundraiser
- 20<sup>th</sup> WGM Training Workshop for Downtown Facilitator's at Sister Mac.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Fastworks Family Night and Farewell to the 2013 FAST Grads.



Monthly Parent Council meetings are a "family affair" at Sister Mac with an average of close to 100 family members attending regularly!

## April 2015

- \*\* Wiggle Giggle & Munch Spring Term begins Tuesday mornings



Wiggle Giggle & Munch runs for 3 terms (24 sessions) each year. It is one of our most popular programs bringing school and community parents and children together to sing songs, learn active skills and enjoy snacks, crafts and stories.

- \*\* New Spring Programs begin in the Community Room  
English Conversation Circle - Monday afternoons (Drop in Program)  
Mini Fit- Parent Child Physical Literacy Program (Wed. mornings)  
Mother Goose Story Time (Thursday mornings)  
Coffee Club (9:00 to 10:30 Friday's)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade 1's visit the Children's Museum
- 8<sup>th</sup> Seven Teachings Assembly
- 8<sup>th</sup> Day of Pink kick off Assembly & Community Walk
- 8<sup>th</sup> Parent Council Meeting  
Presentation: Neighborhood Safety (Constable Doug Jones, SRO/WPS)
- 13<sup>th</sup> Bus Ridership for all students
- 14<sup>th</sup> N & K students to Music champion's Concert at Pinkham
- 21<sup>st</sup> Grade 6 classes to Aviation Program
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Grade 5 classes visit Children's Museum
- 28<sup>th</sup> Gr. 4 class visit to the aviation Museum
- 30<sup>th</sup> Glee Club performs at Arts in the Heart of the City

## Coming Up in May & June

- \*\* Class Field Trips and excursions to a variety of destinations including:  
Fort Whyte, Birds Hill Park, MB Museum, Oak Hammock Marsh, & Deer Meadow Farms
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> City Wide Fastworks Event at PTE (Dan the Magic Man)
- May 5<sup>th</sup> Meg Tilly visits to read to gr. 4 to 6 classes
- May 6<sup>th</sup> Parent Council Meeting

- Presentation on Family Fitness from Fit Kids, Healthy Kids
- May 12<sup>th</sup> Wiggle Giggle & Munch Year End Celebration
- May 12<sup>th</sup> Honour Choir performance (eve.)
- May 13<sup>th</sup> Honour Choir Tour
- May 14<sup>th</sup> Run & Read 5km run at Assiniboine Park
- May 29<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Appreciation Event
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> Parent Council Year End Potluck Celebration
- June 11<sup>th</sup> Family Fest (Year End Barbecue & Festivities
- June 16<sup>th</sup> Field Day
- June 17<sup>th</sup> Year End assembly
- June 19<sup>th</sup> Grade 6 Farewell
- June 30<sup>th</sup> Student Talent Show in the morning



### **Spring Extra Curricular Student Clubs/Opportunities**

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| Patrols             | Filipino Heritage Club |
| Leadership Training | Glee Club              |
| Do It Yourself Club | Art Club               |
| Pow Wow Club        | Sports/intramurals     |
| Boys and Girls Club | Conflict Managers      |

### **Community Room**

**Hours: 8:45 to 3:45 Monday to Friday**

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| Active Parent Volunteer Program       | Support/ referral to appropriate services |
| Children's Play Area                  | Parenting information & programs          |
| Parent Workshops                      | Resume & Job Search assistance            |
| Phone, Computer, Resource Information | Parent Library                            |



## Strathcona School

### Inner City District Advisory Committee

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

### Highlights of Activities and Events

- I Love To Read Month was a great success!! We had several guest readers participate in the event and the students enjoyed the wonderful stories that were shared!!
- Student Led Conferences were very well attended. Our students enjoyed the opportunity to share their classroom and school work with parents and guardians.
- Friendship Day was celebrated in February and students were encouraged to “take care of one another”. Classrooms enjoyed a day filled with activities and treats.
- We held our Camp Stephens, Parent Information Session that was very well attended by parents and students. Parents were given information on the upcoming camp trip that will include all grade 5 and 6 students.
- On April 8<sup>th</sup> Strathcona School participated in the “Day of Pink” celebrations and activities. A morning assembly was held to build awareness of the Day of Pink and the anti-bullying message. Students watched videos, submitted anti-bullying posters and heard several stories of how the Day of Pink began. Later in the afternoon the entire Strathcona School participated in a Friendship march which was held in the community.
- The Winnipeg Jets Foundation Hockey Program continues to be a huge success. Our grade 4 students look forward to Mondays when they get to practice and play on the ice with the numerous volunteers that make this event possible.

- PBIS – Positive Intervention Behaviour System has just completed another round of training and our students are being recognized each day for their commitment to the A.R.T.S. criteria.
- Strathcona School Volleyball teams had a wonderful season of practices and games. The students that participated in the Volleyball team were honoured with a fabulous windup that included pizza, treats and of course a great game of volleyball.
- Monthly assemblies honouring the Seven Teachings/Virtues. Classrooms that have met their goal and have demonstrated the monthly virtue are presented with a “Community Culture Catcher” that is displayed in their classroom.
- Our Parent Advisory Group continues to play a very important and active role in our school and is consulted when developing the school plan. The Parent Advisory Group provides our administrator’s with feedback for future growth and development of school programs.
- Our volunteers continue to be an essential part of our school day and we are so fortunate to have over 100 volunteers participating in our baking circle and dozens of volunteers in classrooms, as well as many volunteers who provide resources to meet our student’s and community’s needs.
- Full day Kindergarten program continues to be a very positive program in our school. The students enjoy fun-filled days of learning and growing.

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Inner City Advisory Council  
April 22, 2015

## École Victoria-Albert School Report

École Victoria Albert School continues to be a busy and vibrant building! Activities and events since the last IC Advisory Council:

- French Week celebrations in February, which included a live musical performance by Jake Chenier, a pancake breakfast, voyageur games, toque making and other fun-filled activities!
- Engaging Fusion artists working with our students on furthering their development of photography and animation skills.
- Lunch hour clubs boast high participation numbers, and include activities such knitting club, computer club, jump-rope club, lunch hour choir, and basketball.
- Student-Led Conferences in March with a family attendance of over 85 percent.

École Victoria Albert School's Parent Advisory Council continues to have monthly meetings.

An Elder-led Pow Wow Club is held every week.

A number of programs and activities continue to run out of our Family room.

These include: Nutrition bingo

Grandma's group

Clothing depot

Craft activities

Sewing activities

Koats for Kids

Potluck gatherings

Community outings

Good Food Boxes

Coming up.....

- Students have been busy preparing for our Spring Concert/Production next week, entitled, "A Kid's Life".
- Plans will soon be underway for our annual community BBQ, which will be held on June 11<sup>th</sup>.

April 21, 2015

To: Parent Council Advisory Committee,

The parent council committee from William Whyte Community School have been very busy these past few months. Since September we have done so many things with the school from being involved with the Christmas concert to having popcorn sales to also assisting with the junior high basketball tournament.

The parent council had brought in Mr. Mike Babinski as a guest speaker to one of our meetings as a meet and greet and to ask questions about how the school system works for such things as protocols. This meeting was very successful. The meeting turned out to be a great success.

Our goal as the parent council from William Whyte is to strive to build a new play structure for the students as soon as we can raise enough funds to do so. The funds are also to help with other things such as field trips.

We are hoping to do more popcorn sales and start with hot lunches for the students. We would also like to bring in a healthy snack bar which would include fruits granola bars juice etc.

William Whyte Parent Council Committee

Jessica Bird –president

Mike Denyer –vice president

Kimberly Larsen –secretary

Kayla Cooke - treasurer