

GREENWAY SCHOOL DECEMBER NEWSLETTER 2022

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ADMINISTRATIVE MESSAGE

Hello Greenway Families!

As November comes to a close and we enter the final month of the calendar year, our school continues to be a very busy place full of learning and fun.

It was wonderful to have so many Greenway families and students join us for both our Welcome to Kindergarten and Tri-Conference events this past month. Students were so happy to be taking their families to meet their teachers and talk about their learning. Thank you to all who came and participated or conneted through a phone call!

Looking forward to the coming month, we have two very special school events that we want to hilight for you.

The first of those is our songs have been filling o performing in front of fa ter Concer hallways fo card friend

Dur students have been working so hard and their ne past few weeks. They are so excited to be and we are really looking forward to it as well.

The second event is our Family Fun Night taking place on December 13th. Family Fun Night has been a winter tradition at our school, and we are so happy to see it return this year. We would like to thank Evermore for organizing the craft stations and collaborating with us, as well as DMSMRI (Daniel McIntyre/St. Matthews Revitalisation Inc.) for their financial support in helping to make this a memorable event for our community.

From all of us at Greenway, we look forward to seeing you in December, and want to wish you all a very happy holiday season!

Ms. Boult & Mr. Olfert







GYM GAMES & SPORTS ARTS & CRAFTS

BOARD GAMES

SNACK AND MUCH MORE

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!

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SHOULD YOU NEED A PAPER COPY CONTACT US - 204-772-9315

DECEMBER PROGRAMS



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DECEMBER IN THE FAMILY ROOM

Play Group Thursdays 9:00 am - 11:00 am (Feel free to stay until noon to wait for lunch time pick up!)

Join us on Thursday mornings with your children aged 0-5 for a play group that includes active play, a healthy snack, story time, and free play. Running behind in the morning? That's ok! We're happy to have you whenever you make it.

Food Security Thursdays & Fridays

Did you know that the Family Room has a Food Security Program? The community support worker picks up donations of potatoes and bread products on a weekly basis for families to take home. Contact your teacher, Greenway school's office, or Lisa in the Family Room to sign up!

Community Resource Shelf Thursdays & Fridays

The Family Room is excited to announce the Community Resource Shelf! Located at the entrance of the room, this shelf holds parenting resources as well as donations available to visitors of the Family Room such as house wares, winter accessories, hygiene products, food items, and more! Items will change on a weekly basis based on what is available through donations received.

Smudging Thursdays & Fridays

Did you know that we have medicines and supplies in the Family Room that are available for self led smudging for Family Room visitors? Stop by and Lisa will be happy to help you access the space and supplies for this important practice.

Volunteers: Contact Lisa

Are you interested in supporting Greenway School's Breakfast Program, or helping out in classrooms or the Family Room? Contact Lisa to become a parent or community volunteer at Greenway! Volunteers are provided a volunteer paperwork package, necessary background checks & online trainings, and will have a volunteer appreciation event at the end of the school year!

Lisa Scales - Community Support Worker - Greenway School

E-mail: lscales@wsdlorg - Phone: 204-775-7455 Hours: Thursdays & Fridays all day. Tuesday mornings by

appointment

Drop In Thursdays 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Are you interested in getting out, but want to stay out

of the cold? Just want somewhere to keep warm while waiting to pick up the kids from school? Drop by the Family Room on Fridays anytime between 1:00pm and 3:30pm! We have toys, books, and activities for kids as well as projects, comfortable couches, and free coffee/tea for the adults! A healthy snack is always provided, too!

Winter Holiday Lunch Tuesday, December 20 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

The Family Room is excited to announce a Winter Holiday Lunch! Already on the menu is mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, vegetables and dessert! Rumour has it, Santa Clause's elves have dropped off some early presents for the little ones, too! <u>Please</u> <u>contact Lisa to register!</u>



Parent Gathering

Please join us on Tuesday Dec 6th at 6:00 pm for a small snack and conversation.

Agenda – The possible renaming of Greenway School.

Information and discussion. Feedback to be shared with the Board of Trustees.

LUNCH PROGRAM

The Colder Weather is here!

Please remember to send your children with the appropriate outdoor clothing for lunch recess. Warm coats, hats, scarves, mittens or gloves and proper footwear for cold and wet weather. Weather permitting Lunch Program students go out for a minimum of 25 minutes during the lunch hour.

Intramurals have begun! Each grade cohort will have an opportunity to be involved in recreational activities in the gym under the tutelage of Ms. Thomson, our Phys Ed Teacher.



Please check Ms. Thomson's webpage for a schedule.

<u>Please Note : Receipts for September to December's payments</u> with be issued in the New Year.



greenwaylunchprogram@gmail.com

PHYS.ED INFO. WITH MS. THOMSON

<u>IF THE SHOE FITS WEAR IT!</u> Proper fitting shoes are a 'must-have' for people of all ages. Wearing footwear that isn't fitted properly for growing feet can lead to poor development and foot problems down the road. If your child is complaining of knee, hip or back or joint pain, it could be a sign of poor fitting shoes.

We always think about shoes being too small but being too big can be a problem also. Here are some reminders and tips!

Shoes that are too big can be just as bad for your feet as shoes that are too small.

- Heels lifting out of shoes when they walk
- Trip or twist ankles often
- Walk is affected, they might drag their feet

Foo Small:

- Shoes cause blisters or press into skin
- Toes are jammed against the front of the shoe
- Child is less active
- Your child is telling you that their feet hurt

Some reminders about getting the right fit: Firstly going to the shoe store with your child is the very best way to buy shoes. Make sure you have your child's foot measured (and both feet as one foot is always bigger than the other.) The distance between the 'big toe' and the end of the shoe is about half and inch (10-12 mm)-no more. Children's should have laces or Velcro. Avoid backless shoes as they do not provide enough support.

WEST END SANTA CLAUS PARADE

The West End Christmas Miracle presents Their 3rd Annual Santa Claus Parade!

Join in to catch a glimpse of Santa and Mrs. Claus from the comfort of your own front yard! Santa and his team of elves will be parading the streets of the West End on <u>December 10 and 11 beginning at 4:00</u> <u>PM</u> each evening. The 'Foul Weather' dates are December 18 and 19.

Find the most recent up to date news from the 'SANTA TRACKER FACEBOOK PAGE' and the 'WESTEND CHRISTMAS MIRALE FACEBOOK' group. Information can also be found on the Valour Community Centre website: valour.ca. Watch for the contest held between now and the dates of the event with prizes to be won!

The map includes suggestions for 'LOOKOUT SPOTS' where Santa will slow down to say 'Hello' from his sleigh.

Remember to stay on the sidewalk for everyone's



Join us from the comfort of your front yard for our 3rd annual Santa Claus parade!

Santa is coming to the West End!

December 10th & 11th starting at 4pm

Please join the *West End Christmas Miracle* Facebook group for the most up to date information on routes, contests and more! Be sure to follow *Santa Tracker Elf & West End Santa*!



* Please note that every effort has been made to include as many families as possible. There will be changes made to the route from previous years to accommodate accessibility of the float as well as to ensure the safety of Mr. & Mrs. Claus. There will be suggestions for look-out points where Santa plans to slow down to say hi from his sleigh to those who ventured out to see him. This parade is brought to you by a small group of volunteers who only wish to bring happiness and good cheer to the West End. Please visit our social media for further information on the event. Thank you for your patience and understanding. **



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