## Janurary & February 2023 Newsletter

# Ecole waterford Springs School

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### Principal and Vice Principal's Message

Happy 2023 Everyone! Welcome back after what we hope was a relaxing break spent with family and friends.

January and February will be busy months at the school as children continue to grow in their learning in all of the curricular areas. We will be celebrating I Love Literacy all month long in January. February will see us learning about Festival du Voyageur as well as learning about Black History Month.

Congratulations to Gurdaat Brar and Modit Manchanda who made the honour role in the Grade 7 category in the Canada Jay Mathematics Competition that took place this year!

Please take the time to read the rest of this document as it has important updates for families. We wish you a very healthy new year.

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# Important Information!

Due to limited parking space, we are strongly encouraging all families to walk to and from school as much as possible.

"Drop and Go" loop is between <u>8:30am and 8:55am</u>. The loop closest to the front entrance of the school will only be used to drop children off. Please do not get out of your vehicles in the drop and go loop.

All grade 1-8 students will go to the school field (south side) when they arrive in the morning. School staff will assist in directing students to the field and there will also be staff supervising in the field. Nursery and Kindergarten students will use the north doors near their classrooms for arrival and dismissal times (if any N/K are late, or arrive after 9:00AM, please come to front doors.)

- There will be **no supervision before 8:30 am**. Students will enter the school at 8:45 am.
- Limited parking is still available in the inside loop where spots are marked for parking.
- A reminder to those who park on Prairie Spring Bay and Brooksmere Trail when picking up your children that parking is only allowed on one side of the street. Please do not stop in front of the homeowner's entrance.
- Please do not stop at the entrance to the parking lot as that blocks cars from entering.



Registrations for the 2023-2024 school year have now begun!

To register for <u>Nursery</u>, your child must be born in **2019**. To register for <u>Kindergarten</u>, your child must be born **2018**.

Nursery is only available to families living in the Winnipeg School Division catchment areas.

For families interested in the French Immersion Program, children can enter in either Kindergarten or Grade 1 only.

Registration forms can be found online on our website at: <u>winnipegsd.ca/waterfordsprings/schoolregistrationinformation</u>

Email completed forms to waterfordsprings@wsd1.org (Please also send with the registration forms copies of your child(ren)'s birth certificate, Manitoba Health card, and a Property Tax form or Lease Agreement)



Daily Schedyle

<u>8:45 A.M.</u> Students enter building

<u>9:00 A.M.</u> Announcements and O'Canada begin and classes start for the morning

<u>9:05 A.M</u> Students are <u>late</u> after this time

<u>11:30 A.M.</u> N/K AM dismissal <u>12:00 P.M.</u> Grades 1-8 Lunch time

<u>12:55 P.M.</u> Students enter building

<u>1:00 P.M.</u> Classes start for the afternoon and students are marked late after 1:00 PM

<u>3:30 P.M.</u> Dismissal of all classes



## <u>Safe Arrival</u>

SafeArrival is a student absence reporting system that makes it easy for you to report your child's absence and increases student safety by allowing staff to respond to unexplained absences more efficiently.

You are asked to report your child's absence using one of the following methods:

• Phone: 1-855-278-4513

Call the toll-free, interactive telephone system

- Website: <u>https://go.schoolmessenger.ca</u> Set up your Parent Portal account then log in
- Mobile App: SafeArrival App

Set up your Parent Portal account, download the Apple or Android app, then log in

If you report an absence in advance or <u>before</u> the morning bell time at <u>9:00 AM</u>, you will not receive a call. Safe Arrival attempts to contact parents/guardians at multiple contact numbers until the designated contact(s) is/are reached.



## Dates to Remember for <u>February</u>



Fri, February 3rd No School PD Day Mon, February 13th to Fri, February 17th Vision Screening

Tues, February 14th Happy Valentines Day!

Fri, February 17th to Sat, February 25th Festival du Voyageur Week!

Mon, February 20th <u>School Closed</u> Louis Riel Day



Students will be bringing home information regarding the Mobile Vision Care Clinic that will be held here at our school from Monday, Feb. 13th - Friday, Feb. 17th 2023.

The Winnipeg School Division is working with Mobile Vision Care Clinic (MVCC) to bring eye doctors to our school to test the students' eyesight and to make sure their eyes are healthy. An optometrist and a team of eye care professionals will come to give full comprehensive eye exams to our students and provide them with glasses, if needed.

If you already have an optometrist, please check the "No" box where it asks if you want your child to participate in the MVCC program, complete section A and return the form to the school.

Please complete the yellow **EYE EXAMINATION CONCENT FORM** - one form per child and return the form to their classroom teacher as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact us at school at 204-694-9690

# Fundraising!

#### Jump Rope

In June of 2022, our school held a Jump Rope event and raised **\$245** in online donations for the Heart and Stroke Foundation!

## <u>Bake Sale</u>

In September 2022, 2W12 (Gr. 3/4) heard about a family that needed some kindness, love and support. Michael, a 16-yearold boy, was trying his hardest to support his family while his mother was in the hospital for emergency heart and lung surgery. The class decided to host a Treat/Bake Sale to raise funds for the family and our school did not hesitate to support the cause.

We were able to raise **\$767.70** to donate to Michael's family!! 2W12 would like to send a huge THANK YOU to all our students, families and staff for your tremendous support and generosity!



Lunch Program Update:

- Reminder: The 2nd Installment is due by January 9th, 2023.
- There are no microwaves available to students. If they would like a hot lunch, please send it in a thermos.
- The Lunch Program has started handing out Foxtails to students that are following the Lunch Program Expectations. Ask your child(ren) if they've received any Foxtails. We do weekly draws and pick 5 students out of the whole school to win a prize.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me.

Thanks,

Robyn Whitney Lunch Program Coordinator ewsslunchprogram@gmail.com



Director: Sheila Argue

# <u>A Message from Parent Coyncil</u>

Hello families of École Waterford Springs School!!!

First we would like to extend a huge thank you to all for ordering from "Mom's Pantry" fundraiser, we were able to fundraise \$1555.80 which will go towards getting the school's sign board.

Below is from our Chair, Gurjeet Kaur:

Most of you have seen/heard my name in the emails from the Parent Council or during discussions on Lunch Program, some might have heard me during the School's opening Ceremony. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for trusting us in making decisions when it comes to Lunch Program/ Fundraisers or any concerns that are brought forward by parents or school. You all have put your faith in us all and we promise to keep continuing our work to get whatever our school or our students need.

I have been involved in community services for a few years now; volunteering for Habitat for humanity, being a local union Board member and a Chair of Parent Council, are some of my involvements. I, with some neighborhood members, have also been lobbying our local City members to get "Komagata Maru" Park developed. Recently, I was nominated by Cindy Lamoreux, MLA of Tyndall Park to receive the "Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal".It was a great honor to be receiving this award, and being in the presence of so many members who take pride in serving the community. I believe volunteering is my way of giving back to the community for what it does for each and everyone of us.

We would like to invite you all to attend our next Parent Council meetings. We are offering these meetings in person in the school library or via ZOOM. Please email melanie.loyola.programassistant@gmail.com for a link.

Dates for our meetings are:

- Wednesday, February 8, 2023 @6pm
- Wednesday, March 22, 2023 @6pm
- Wednesday, May 3, 2023 @6pm
- Wednesday, June 7, 2023 (AGM) @6pm

Regards,

École Waterford Springs School Parent Council Email: winnipeg.ews@gmail.com



# EWSS 2023 Staff List

#### **Office**

Silva, Manuel Manness, Amanda Krakalovich, Corrie Ghuman, Harinder Pruden, Charissa Olver, Rachel

#### <u>Teachers</u>

Ambaram, Alka Antonio, Jacintha Bevan, Michelle Bova, Francesca Burroughs, Luca Carson, Heather Cerqueira-Gonçalves, Odette Chaudhari, Manjit Coffell, Tamara DeLeon, Angeli Fillion, Marc Foulis, Vanessa Frederique, Martine Fredette, Ashley Gaulin, Olivia Graustins, Jennifer Hughes, Sandra Iwanicki, Jennifer Jones, Stefanie Klan, Shaun Klueppel, Susanne Kuyp, Jennifer Levy, Tanya Manicom, Chantelle Matias, Kayla Ngo, Andrew Quinn, Jonathan Ramos, Anthony Salvador, Roshel Shafto, Sharon Singh, Swaran Smyrski-Yu, Jennifer Torchia, Maria Violy, Evelyne Walsh, Kristen Wood, Becky Yozenko, Hailey Zankowski, Evelyn Zinn, Sandie

Principal Vice-Principal Head Clerk V Clerk III Clerk II Library Technician (Days 1, 3, 5)

#### <u>Custodians</u>

Fernandes, Joe Barton, Rick Pulad, Julito De Melo, Dora Head Custodian Assis. Custodian Caretaker (temporary) Cleaner

#### Educational Assistants

Blanco, Sharon Cadotte, Tamarra Dehar, Manminder Dhaliwal, Harmeet Dhanoa, Karamjit Dhillon, Amritpal Dutta, Rohini Ferbrache, Amanda Gaidhu, Gurpal Gonzales, Melanie Helal, Manal Kaur, Gagandeep Kaur, Komalpreet Lampa, Angie Malaki, Ikvinder Paul, Basil Rakhra, Sanbax Sharma, Renu Walker, Jocelyne

Gr 3 Eng – room 2W03 Gr 8 & Home Economics – 1E08 Guidance Counsellor - room 1W16 Gr 1 Eng – room 1W05 Gr 7 Eng – room 2W24 N/K Eng a.m.& p.m. – room 1W29 SERT/Resource - room 1W18 Support Teacher Gr 7/8 FI – room 2W21 N/K Eng a.m. & p.m. – room 1W31 Gr 1 Eng – room 1W17 Gr 1/2 FI – room 1W08 Gr 3 FI – room 2W02 Music - room 1E11/MPR 1E29 Gr 5/6 FI – room 1E06 Gr 4 Eng – room 2W04 Gr 2/3 Eng - room 2W15 Phys Ed Gr 5/6 Eng – room 2W29 Gr 5/6 Eng – room 2W07 Gr 5/6 Eng - room 2W25 Gr 2 Eng - room 1W09 N/K Eng a.m. & p.m. – room 1W32 Kindergarten FI – room 1W28 Gr 3/4 FI – room 2W28 Phys Ed Band - 1E11 (Days 2, 4, 6) Gr 8 & Industrial Arts - 1E17 Gr 3/4 Eng – room 2W12 Gr 1/2 Eng - room 1W06 Gr 1/2 FI – room 1W27 Gr 4 Eng - room 2W05 Support Teacher Support Teacher Gr 5/6 Eng - room 2W27 Gr 2 Eng – room 1W10 Gr 1/2 FI - room 1W07 Gr 5/6 Eng - room 2W06

Gr 7 Eng – room 2W09