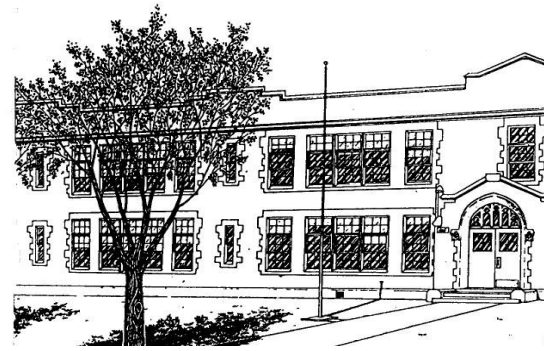


# Faraday School February 2022

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Be Respectful— Be Responsible— Be Safe



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## Principal's Message –

"The key to success is action, and the essential in action is perseverance".  
~Sun Yat Sen

Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Happy February! January threw us all a curve ball, but that didn't stop our wonderful students and their families and our incredible Faraday School team from moving forward and keeping learning the focus for our students! A huge bravo to everyone for remaining positive and optimistic and having perseverance during this hard time. Together, we are stronger!

We ask that everyone continue to do their part to ensure that we are keeping safety our #1 priority. Please continue to follow all of the public health guidelines set out by our province. We are so pleased with how our students have continued to persevere throughout this very trying time. Continuing to screen for Covid symptoms, staying home when not feeling well, wearing a mask, practicing proper hand hygiene and physically distancing all are so important and help to keep Covid out of our schools. We ask that you continue to not come into the school to drop off your child in the mornings or to pick up after school, unless you need to. Each classroom has its own area outside where teachers meet and greet their students each morning and after school. We thank you for your cooperation with this. Limiting the amount of people inside the school is another guideline we are following to keep everyone safe.

With the shift to orange on the pandemic scale, we have worked hard to ensure all learning spaces are as close to the 2 meter distance as possible. All students are asked to wear a medical mask, not a cloth one. We have many masks here should your child need one. A cloth mask can go over top, but the recommendation is for the medical grade masks to be worn at this time.

February is "I love to Read Month". In the newsletter you will find a calendar of events that you can do at home with your child. Every month we celebrate reading and the power of literacy, but we are highlighting it in February with some fun and engaging activities.

With having to shift to remote learning our first week back, The Mobile Vision Clinic was here January 20th. 72 students had their eyes checked. We know that vision can be a barrier for learning, so we appreciate the support from this valuable service. A big thank you to The Mobile Vision Clinic for their continued support!

Term 2 reporting is in March. Our report cards will go home on March 16th at 3:30 with students. Student Led Conferences will be on Thursday, March 17th from 4-7pm and on Friday March 18th in the morning. We anticipate that these will be virtual again. Stay tuned as we continue to navigate this process.

We are looking so forward to the school's 100th birthday this coming spring. We are continuing to work towards our goal of having the funds available for an electronic digital sign hopefully installed in time for this monumental milestone celebration. We are also in the process of planning with a local mosaic artist to have a tree mosaic created by every student in the school. Students are beginning to work together with their classroom cohorts to begin creating a theme which will be represented in a section of our tree to celebrate the learning, growing and building community over the past 100 years at Faraday School. This mosaic will be installed in front of the school on the outside of our building directly located on Parr St. We are super excited for this whole school community art project!

On behalf of the entire Faraday School team, we wish you a safe & healthy February.

Yours in learning,

Mrs. Cox

Mrs. Jennifer Cox  
Principal

J. Grimolfson - Guidance Counsellor

Through these difficult times it is important for students to have support in all aspects of their lives. Learning appropriate coping strategies will help students become more resilient and able to cope with life's many challenges. This article offers information and strategies to help parents/guardians support their children's mental wellness.

<https://www.mghclaycenter.org/parenting-concerns/what-parents-can-do-to-promote-mental-wellness-in-our-children/>



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### From the Support Team

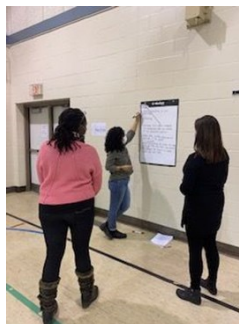
What do teachers and educational assistants do when schools are closed to students? They participate in PLCs "Professional Learning Communities".

This is an "ongoing process in which educators work collaboratively in recurring cycles of collective inquiry and action research to achieve better results for the students they serve".

The educators at Faraday School (which includes all teachers and educational assistants) have been learning how to design inclusive themes and lessons to support all of the students in their classrooms. Our focus for term 2 is to help students...

"understand sustainability and how their actions and decisions impact themselves, their community and their What do teachers and educational assistants do when schools are closed to students? They participate in PLCs "Professional Learning Communities".

"understand sustainability and how their actions and decisions impact themselves, their community and their world now and in the future".



Winter is now here and so is the cold weather. Indoor recess will occur if the temperature (with wind-chill) is -27 or colder.

Please ensure that your child(ren) is dressed for the weather conditions. Warm jacket, snow boots, toque/hat, mitts, scarves, and ski pants.

Thank you to all Parents/Guardians that make the lunch fee a part of their monthly budget. This is a reminder that all monthly payments due by the 22nd of the preceding month. Please make sure that all cheques are made payable to Faraday School Parent Council.

Thank you to all Lunch Supervisors for all their hard work and dedication.

Be respectful, Be responsible, Be safe



## I Love to Read Olympics! February 2022

FEBRUARY 2022						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Make your reading goal for the month	2 Read a new-to-you book	3 D.E.A.R.	4 Opening Ceremonies Make a flag for your favourite book!	5 Take a trip to St. John's Library
6 Read with a family member	7 Read a poem	8 Write a poem	9 Listen to a book online	10 Read a biography	11 D.E.A.R.	12 Read a fiction book
13 Write someone special a message!	14 Valentine's Day read your cards 	15 Read a book by a Canadian author	16 Read a research book	17 D.E.A.R.	18 Write a letter to your favourite character!	19 Make a snow sculpture
20 Write a poem about your snow creation	21 Louis Riel Day	22 D.E.A.R.	23 Write a sports story	24 Make a cover page for your story	25	26 Try a winter sport
27	28		Did you reach your reading goal?			

Holidays and Observances: 14: Valentine's Day, 21: Presidents' Day

Wiki Calendar

We would like to thank the Real Canadian Superstore on McPhillips for their donation of the 200 hot chocolates for our Santa bags. That donation was greatly appreciated.

For Santarama, we raised \$237.00 and it went to our holiday hamper.

We will be doing a hot lunch on March 2nd and it will be **"PIZZA"**. The order forms will be going out on February 3 and will be due back on February 22 by NOON.



# February 2022 Calendar



Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		
Day 3		1	Day 4		2	Day 5		3	Day 6	
								4		
								Professional Development		
7		Day 2		8	DAY 3		9	DAY 4		
								10		
								DAY 5		
14		DAY 1		15	DAY 2		16	DAY 3		
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21				22	DAY 6		23	DAY 1		
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								DAY 2		
NO CLASS										
Louis Riel Day										
28		DAY 4								

## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

February	4th	All day	No Classes—Professional Development Day
	21st	All day	No classes—Louis Riel Day
March	16th	3:30 pm	Report Cards Home
	17th	4:00 -7:00 pm	Student Led Conferences (virtual)
	18th	All day	No Classes—Student Led Conferences (virtual)
	25th	All day	Last day of school before Spring Break - Spring Break Mar 28—Apr 4/22
April	4th	All day	First day back after break
	22nd	All day	No Classes—Non Instructional Day
May	2nd	All day	No Classes—Non Instructional Day
	23rd	All day	No Classes—Victoria Day
June	6th	All day	No Classes—Non Instructional Day
	28th	3:30 pm	Report Cards Home
	30th	11:30 am	Last Day of School