

Machray School News

December 2021

Dear Parents & Guardians,

December is upon us already and we have been busy at Machray. Many of our programs are in full swing, such as the Musical Theatre and drumming sessions. We are looking forward to the sharing dance program starting in the new year.

We enjoyed connecting with our community (even if it was only through the phone or virtually) during our parent/teacher conferences.

Unfortunately, due to the ongoing pandemic we will not be having a winter concert. However, on December 17, Machray will be having an activity day jam packed with fun activities and crafts. We want to remind our parents and guardians that December 22nd will be the last day of classes before winter break. Classes will resume on January 6th.

As the weather becomes colder we're reminding families to send students with warm clothing like jackets, mittens, scarfs and toques. Students are expected to be outside before school, during morning and afternoon recess breaks and the lunch hour if they are registered in the lunch program. We know that playing and running around outdoors is important for physical health and well being, so please make sure they are dressed warmly. Also, we want to remind our students to be careful while playing on snowbanks as they are often around high traffic areas. Another reminder is to be aware of thin ice on water ways.

From us here at Machray we want to wish everyone Happy Holidays and the very best in the new year.

Mr. Braga

#KnowWhereToGo for children's cold and flu symptoms

Health Links – Info Santé

Call 204-788-8200
1-888-315-9257 (toll-free)

This free service is available 24/7 with nurses who can assess and provide advice on where to go.

Walk-In Connected Care Clinic

(After Hours & Weekends Winnipeg)

McGregor Walk-In and Access Point Garry

Doctor/Clinic/Primary Care (Weekdays)

During respiratory virus season, your child may experience common cold/flu symptoms.

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Sore throat

Critical Injury or Life-Threatening Condition?

Call 911 or go to an
emergency department.

When to get tested for COVID?



Severe Weather Conditions

The decision to close a school is made by the Chief Superintendent.

The decision to close ALL schools is made by the Metro Superintendents Group to ensure consistency across the Metro area.

If it becomes necessary for the schools to be

home early during a school day because of severe weather conditions, the school will be contacted by telephone by a representative from the Superintendent's Department.

All staff and families are requested to listen carefully for the announcement. The announcement

Radio: *CBC Radio

***CBC French**
***Power 97FM**

***CJOB ***
QX104FM

***92 CITI FM**
***Q94 FM**

***Hot 103FM**
***1290 CFRW**

Cold Weather Conditions

Periodically, guidelines are requested by schools regarding when students should remain indoors during extremely cold weather. Guidelines from Environment Canada will assist schools in making

these decisions.
- Check the wind chill before going outdoors in the winter
- Individuals are to make sure they are well prepared for the weather
Even moderate wind chill

values can be dangerous if individuals are outside for long periods. Students have indoor recess at -27, with windchill. Temperature is determined by the Environment Canada reading at the Forks.

December

Wednesday, Dec. 22 - **Last Day of School**

Winter Break Dec. 23, 2021 - Jan. 5, 2022

January

Thursday, Jan. 6 - **First Day Back - School Open**

Friday, Jan 21 - **Non-instructional Day, No Classes**

February

Friday, Feb. 4 - **Non-instructional Day, No Classes**

Monday, Feb. 21 - **Louis Riel Day, No Classes**

March

Thursday, Mar. 17 - **Parent Teacher Conferences**
4 - 7pm

Friday, Mar. 18 - **School Closed - Parent Teacher Conferences 9:00 am - 3:30 pm**

Friday, Mar. 25 - **Last Day of School**

School Closed for Spring Break

March 28th/22 - April 3rd/22

April

Monday, Apr. 4 - **First Day Back, School Open**

Friday, Apr. 15 - **Good Friday, No Classes**

Friday, Apr. 22 - **Non-instructional Day, No Classes**



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>Remember! Use the SafeArrival system if your child is going to be <u>Absent or Late</u> - call 1-855-278-4513 - use the School Messenger app - visit https://go.schoolmessenger.ca</div> <div></div>			1 Day 6	2 Day 1	3 Day 2	4
5	6 Day 3	7 Day 4	8 Day 5	9 Day 6	10 Day 1	11
12	13 Day 2	14 Day 3	15 Day 4	16 Day 5	17 Day 6	18
19	20 Day 1	21 Day 2 <div><i>Machray Holiday Breakfast</i> <i>In class 9:15am</i> <i>Grades N - 6</i> <i>And Ugly Festive Sweater Day!</i></div>	22 Day 3 Last Day of School!	23 Winter Break Begins	24 New Years Eve	25 Merry Christmas!
26	27 Winter Break	28	29	30	31	
<div>School reopens Thursday, January 6th, 2022</div> <div> </div>						

Hello Machray Families!

We have been having a ton of fun in music room this year!

Unfortunately, due to restrictions regarding in-person performances, we will not be having a live Winter Concert this year.

Instead, students will be creating illustrations of winter songs in their classes. I will be creating videos and the school will be sharing them with all the Machray families.

In addition to illustrating winter songs, students at Machray will be participating in a Winter Activity Day on December 17th! They will have the opportunity to play in Santa's Workshop, sing songs, create ornaments, and decorate cookies with their classmates.

-Ms. Dziver, Music