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PRINCIPAL SPARLING SCHOOL

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2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Happy New Year to the families of Principal Sparling School! I hope all families spent quality time together over the holiday break.

A big welcome to Ms. Brenda Langton who will be the acting Principal during my absence to the end of February. Ms. Langton is a former colleague who brings with her a wealth of experience and looks forward to meeting the families of Principal Sparling School.

Welcome to our Support Teacher, Ms. Mariz Punzalan. She will be supporting our intermediate classrooms to the end of this school year.

Moving forward, we are honoured to have the support of our community member Mr. Duncan Mecredi as our Knowledge Keeper to assist us in our journey of Truth and Reconciliation. Mr. Mecredi is the papa to one of our former students and facilitated the opening of our Turtle Garden in 2018. Mr. Mecredi is a Cree/Metis poet, writer and storyteller. He has spent decades exploring themes of cultural resurgence, of connection to the land, and of the urban Indigenous experiences. We look forward to our journey in learning.

I would like to reinforce with families that one of our many initiatives is to encourage our students to read for comprehension. We are working hard to encourage students to think beyond the text. This includes:

Inferring - Thinking about what the writer means but has not stated

Synthesizing - Adjusting present understandings to accommodate new knowledge

Making Connections - Connecting the text to personal and world knowledge

Predicting - Anticipating what may happen next

Please find the time to dialogue with your child about understanding after they have completed their home reading.

Our Parent Council Meeting is next month on February 6th, Monday at 6:00 pm. The meeting will continue to support fundraising opportunities to support students. We will also have the opportunity to share the Winnipeg School Division's 2023-2024 Budget Consultation process. Thank you to Parent Council for the ongoing support!

At this time the Winnipeg School Division will begin the 2023 - 2024 Budget Consultation process. There will be opportunities for input from stake holders as further information will be posted on the WSD website.

The WSD continues to support;

- Practicing Sustainable Development
- Employing Qualified, Caring and Competent Staff
- Building Relationships with Our Community
- Managing Tax Dollars Responsibly

On behalf of Principal Sparling School, we wish you all the best in 2023!!

Regards,

L. Pang
Principal



January 2023

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
1	2 WINTER BREAK	3	4	5/Day 3 School Reopens	6/Day 4	7
8	9/Day 5	10/Day 6	11/Day 1	12/Day 2	13/Day 3	14
15	16/Day 4	17/Day 5	18/Day 6	19/Day 1	20/Day 2	21
22	23/Day 4	24/Day 4	25/Day 5	26/Day 6	27/Day 1 Assembly – 1:10 pm	28
29	30/Day 3	31/Day 4				

February / March at a Glance:

Feb. 3	Non-Instructional - NO CLASSES
Feb. 20	Louis Riel Day – NO CLASSES
Mar. 16	Student Led - Evening
Mar. 17	Student LED – NO CLASSES
Mar. 24	Last day before Spring Break
Mar. 27-Mar. 31	Spring Break
April 3	School Re-opens