

The Sister Mac Special



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NOVEMBER 2022

♦ Message from the Administrative Team

Dear Sister MacNamara Families,

We have had a good start to our school year. Teachers are working hard to prepare excellent learning opportunities for their students, at their level, every day. Our amazing learners continue to be engaged in rich learning activities and are very happy to be with their classmates at school. It is rewarding to watch their social and academic skills grow each day.

Nursery through to Grade six teachers will have completed their Early Assessment Program data collection for all their students at the end of this month. With this information teachers will continue to plan their instruction and support their students. Teachers will be sharing this information with you during our Student-Led conferences at the end of the month.

Our Student-Led conferences will take place during the evening of Thursday, November 24th and all day Friday, November 25th. Report cards and your conference appointment time will be sent home on Tuesday, November 22nd. These meetings will be held in person and with your child at school. Teachers will be sharing your child's learning and progress with you. Please make time to participate in this important meeting. If you are unable to be a part of the conference, please contact your child's teacher to make an appointment for another time.

Our Remembrance Day Service will be held on Thursday, November 10th at 10:55 AM. Students and school staff will attend the service in the gym.

With the cooler weather coming soon please be sure children are dressed to comfortably play outside at recess time. **A reminder that students should be arriving at 8:45 AM and 12:50 PM to start the learning in the morning and afternoon.** If your child needs a jacket, hat or mitts please let us know so we can support you with this.

We really appreciate seeing all of our families at drop-off and pick-up times. **We need all families to be on time for pick up of students.** If you have any questions or things you would like to share with us about our school, please do not hesitate to call us at 204-942-6965. Please take care of yourselves and one another so we can all be safe in our community.

School will be closed on -

Friday, November 11th for Remembrance Day

Friday, November 18th for Teacher Professional Development

Friday, November 25th for Student-Led Conferences

Debbie Lenhardt Mair
Principal



Claudia Martinez
Acting Vice Principal

NOVEMBER

8-9-10	Hearing Screening for Kindergarten / Nursery
10	Remembrance Day Assembly—10:45 AM
11	Remembrance Day—School Closed
17	Picture Retake Day PM
18	Professional Development Day—Whole School Closed
14-15-16	IEP Meetings
24	Student-Led Conferences—Evening 4:00—8:00 PM
25	Student-Led Conferences—Whole School Closed

DECEMBER

13	Winter Concert—6:00 PM for Grades 1-6
14	N-K Winter Concert—10:00 AM & 1:30 PM
21	Movie Day
Dec 22 – Jan 4	WINTER BREAK

JANUARY

5	School re-opens after Winter Break
31	Mobile Vision Clinic starts

FEBRUARY—INQUIRY LEARNING MONTH

03	Professional Development Day—Whole School Closed
20	Louis Riel Day—HOLIDAY School Closed
28	Jump Rope for Heart assembly 2:30 PM

MARCH

13-14-15	IEP Meetings
15	Inquiry Celebration – Students
16	Inquiry Celebration - Families
16	Student-Led Conferences - all day and evening - NO CLASSES
17	Professional Development – Whole School Closed—NO CLASSES
20-24	Spirit Week
27-31	SPRING BREAK

APRIL

3	School re-opens after Spring Break
7	Good Friday – HOLIDAY School Closed
13	Day of Pink – Assembly 1:15 PM
14	Professional Development Day—Whole School Closed
28	Volunteer Celebration—10:00 AM

MAY

1	School Planning Day—Whole School Closed
22	Victoria Day—HOLIDAY School Closed

JUNE

13	Year End Celebration—9:00 AM
16	Summer Fun Day
21	National Indigenous Peoples Day
27	Grade 6 Farewell—1:15 PM
27	Report Cards go home
30	Talent Show – 9:15 AM
30	Last Day of School—Student Dismissal at 11:30 AM

SISTER MACNAMARA SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022-23



SISTER MACNAMARA SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

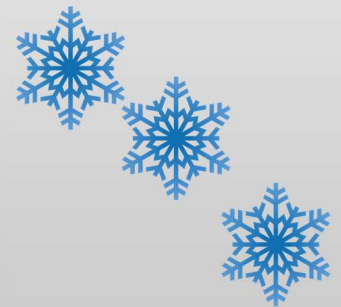
The mission of Sister MacNamara School is to create a safe, respectful environment, where adults help students achieve academic and social success, appreciating and honouring each other's differences and cultural backgrounds.



WINTER IS ON IT'S WAY!!!



With the colder temperatures...
Please keep in mind the following:



- ⇒ -28°C , (including windchill,) There will be indoor recesses—(Temperature reading at the Forks)
- ⇒ - -28C There will be no patrols and adult crossing guards will be on duty for reduced times
- ⇒ DO NOT send your children to school before 8:50 and 12:50
- ⇒ If your child needs mitts/hats please have them tell their teacher or have them come to the office.
- ⇒ Stay off of and away from water areas as the ice is very thin

SISTER MACNAMARA'S LUNCH PROGRAM



Just a few reminders:

- Lunch Program is a service provided for parents who are either working or attending school. In order to qualify for the Lunch Program you must be able to provide proof of either when filling out an application.
- Fees are 30.00 per month for the first child and 20.00 per month for each additional child. Fees are cash only and due at the first of each month. Please send exact amounts as we cannot make change.

Parents are expected to provide a healthy lunch, including a healthy beverage. (no junk food please!)

The Lunch Program often has a waiting list. If fees are not paid promptly and become overdue, you risk the chance of losing your spot!

We understand that occasionally families might need to have their child stay for lunch. If the occasion arises, please call Ning, the lunch program coordinator, at least 24 hours in advance to make arrangements. Fees will apply.

We expect all students attending the lunch program to demonstrate proper behavior following the school and Lunch Program expectations: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe. If your child has any behavioral problems during the lunch program, you will be notified by either a phone call or a letter.

Also, a big thank you to all the lunch program staff for doing a wonderful job of ensuring your children are well taken care of during the lunch hour.

If you have any questions please contact the school at 204-942-6965.

Sister MacNamara's Lunch Program Coordinator,
Ning Tapawan



Sister MacNamara School is looking to hire an Adult Crossing Guard for the school year. It is a 3 hour per day position staggered through the school day, coordinating with school starting, noon hour, and ending hours. This is a paid position. Applicant must have or be able to obtain a Child Abuse and

Registry check and Criminal Record Check.

This is an important position to ensure the safety of our students and families in coming to and from school.

Position starts as soon as possible. Please contact the Principal, Debbie Lenhardt Mair or Vice Principal Claudia Martinez for further information.





Student Led Conferences.

Thursday evening,
November 24
&
All day Friday,
November 25,
2022



IEP meetings.
Monday—Wednesday,
November 14, 15, 16

Just a reminder.....

Please do not bring cell phones, or any valuables to school. The school is not responsible if they go missing or are broken.

Please keep your valuables at home where they are safe.





November 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 Food Giveaway 3:30 pm	2 Clothing Giveaway 1:00-3:15 Family Gathering 5:00 pm	3	4 Community Clean-up 3:00 pm	5
6	7	8 Food Giveaway 3:30 pm	9 Playgroup 2:30 pm	10	11 Remembrance Day No School	12
13	14 Cooking Class 3:30-4:30 pm	15 Food Giveaway 3:30 pm	16 Tea time 2:30 pm	17	18 PD Day	19
20	21	22 Food Giveaway 3:30 pm	23 Playgroup 2:30 pm	24	25 Student Led Conferences No School	26
27	28	29 Food Giveaway 3:30 pm	30 Nutrition Bingo 2:30 pm	1	2	3

News From the Parent Room – Nov 2022

The Parent Room is Open!

Hi! We are your Parent Room staff:

Nicole Christmas – Community Support Worker

Email: nichristmas@wsd1.org Phone: 204-942-6965

Nasra Hassan – Intercultural Support Worker (speaks Somali and Swahili)

Email: nhassan@wsd1.org Phone: 204-942-6965

We are able to help with resources such as food, internet access, and winter clothing. Please reach out to us with any questions you have about community help and resources.

Food Giveaway

Every Tuesday we receive a donation of potatoes and bread.

Please only take one of each item so that we can reach as many families as possible.

If you are unable to pick up (eg. your child goes to daycare or B&G Club), please contact the Family Room and we will send food home with your child.

Clothing Giveaway

November 2nd 1:00-3:15

You must call ahead to reserve a time slot for this giveaway.

Family Gathering

Wednesday, November 2nd, 5:00 pm.

This is a great opportunity to learn about what is happening in the school!

Our guest this month is Mosaic and they will present on Parenting.

Please join us!



Please pre-register for all programs by phone or email to Nicole or Nasra so we can plan for numbers. Thanks!

What's Happening?

Community Clean Up Friday Nov 4th, 3:00pm

Let's clean up our neighbourhood! We will provide all the materials to pick up litter.

Nutrition Bingo Nov 30th, 2:30-3:30

Come have coffee or tea and visit with other parents! We will play bingo for food prizes to take home.

Playgroup Nov 9 & 23rd, 2:30pm

Have children ages 4 and under?

Looking for a place to play? Bring them to the Family Room for stories, songs, and a snack!

Tea Time Nov 16th, 2:30-3:30

Need information about what's available in your community?

Questions about a specific topic? We're here to help!

**Cooking Class
Nov 14th, 3:30-4:30 pm**
A chance to learn something new and take your dish home! Caregivers may bring their children.

NOVEMBER 2022



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Day 3	2 Day 4	3 Day 5	4 Day 6
7 Day 1	8 Day 2	9 Day 3	10 Day 4	11 Day 5
	HEARING SCREENING - KINDERGARTEN		REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY	NO CLASSES  REMEMBRANCE DAY <i>Let's Not Forget</i>
14 Day 5	15 Day 6	16 Day 1	17 Day 2	18 Day 3
			RETAKES 	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NO CLASSES
21 Day 4	22 Day 5	23 Day 6	24 Day 1	25 Day 2
	REPORT CARDS GO HOME 		STUDENT LED CONFERENCES EVENING 4:00 -8:00	 STUDENT LED CONFERENCES NO CLASSES
28 Day 3	29 Day 4	30 Day 5		
			Looking ahead..... Tuesday, Dec 13 ... 6:00 PM Winter Concert Grade 1-6 Wednesday, Dec 14 Winter Concert n/k 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM Thursday, Dec 22 Winter Break begins Thursday, January 5, 2023..... school resumes	