

École Sir William Osler

Community Report 2016-2017

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WSD Purpose

Winnipeg School Division provides a learning environment that fosters the growth of each student's potential and provides equitable opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills, and values necessary for meaningful participation in a global and diverse society.

WSD Vision

For current and future people learning and working within Winnipeg School Division to be:
Engaged, Confident, Inspired, and Successful Learners.

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About École Sir William Osler

Staff and students were excited this fall when École Sir William Osler officially re-opened as a Nursery to Grade 2 French Immersion Milieu school. For the **2017-2018** school year, École Sir William Osler will expand to **welcome French Immersion students from Nursery to Grade 3**. Other grades will be added annually.

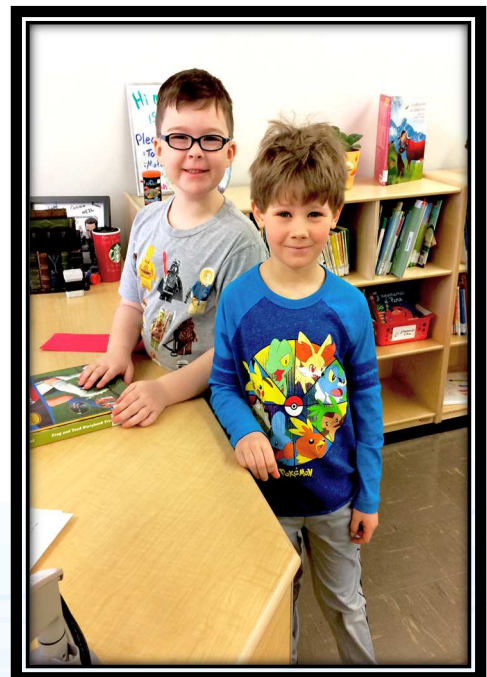
Our fall Re-opening Ceremony was very well attended by families, community members, administration and trustees from the Winnipeg School Division. Our students presented poems and sang our new school song, "*École Sir William Osler, on t'aime*," written by our very own music teacher, Mme Ossachuk. The ceremony was completed by the planting of a tree, to symbolize a new beginning and the growth of a new school.

We are looking forward to growing with our students, as a French Immersion community school!

SWO Highlights 2016-2017

À SWO, on apprend et on s'amuse en français!
At SWO, we learn and have fun in French!

- 164 French Immersion students enrolled in Nursery to Grade 2
- Development of SWO Parent Council
- 98% of families attended our *Meet the Staff evening* and *Student Conferences*
- Teacher professional development in the areas of: Reading and the New French Curriculum, Technology, Art instruction, Mindfulness and Self-regulation
- Terry Fox Run and Baby Formula Drive
- Development of school library – now full of books!
- Repainting of the interior of the school
- School-wide art project with WSD Art Consultant, Mr. Joe Halas
- Purchase of 20 iPads for class use
- Newly updated computers in all classrooms
- Hand drums and two pianos added to Music program
- Beautiful Nursery to Grade 2 Winter Concert
- Grade 1/2 Intramurals
- *Tibert le voyageur* at our Festival Activity Week
- Parent and grandparent guest readers and Troy Westwood and special activities for *J'aime Lire/ I Love To Read Month*
- Over 275 grandparents and grandfriends at our Grandparents' and Grandfriends' Tea!
- Monthly pizza fun lunches, assemblies and celebrations of birthdays
- Special events such as French play from Alliance française, Hallowe'en Parade, Remembrance Day Ceremony, School of Contemporary Dancers, Author Larry Verstraete, Day of Pink, Spirit Week, Walk-a-thon and Kids' Day
- All grade 1 & 2 students had *Dîner avec Mme Loveridge*



Our SWO Students Speak

We asked our students, *“What do you like most about École Sir William Osler?”*

“Sharing and being nice to my friends,”
Peyton, Nursery

“Learning a new game in gym!”
James, Gr. 1

“I love math because it is fun!”
Ella, Gr. 2

“We have field trips!”
Joseph, Gr. 1

“I pads & recess & my teacher!”
Sereniti, Gr. 2

“It’s a French school!”
Angelo, Gr. 1

“I made lots of friends,”
Junon, Gr. 2

“We have Makerspace!”
Rufus, Gr. 1

“Eating lunch with Mme Loveridge,”
Eudora, Gr. 1

“Mr. Walter, the caretaker,”
Gavin, Nursery

“I love playing outside”
Jesse, Kindergarten

“I like helping in the Kindergarten class,”
Hunter, Gr. 2

“When we make art... this school makes me happy,”
Miriam, Gr. 1

“I learn a lot!”
Willow, Kindergarten

“It’s a caring place & they teach us how to be kind,”
Cadel, Gr. 2

“It is an awesome school that is fun. I love this school!”
Rowyn, Gr. 2



École Sir William Osler Mission Statement

At École Sir William Osler, we are dedicated to working in partnership with our students and families to nurture an enriching French learning community, in a caring and safe environment, to ensure the success of all students. By creating a positive atmosphere and working collaboratively, we will guide and challenge all children to develop to their full academic, artistic, physical, social and emotional potential, and to inspire a passion for learning in French.

SWO Priorities for 2017-2018

To continue a high standard of French and English literacy instruction and numeracy instruction, in order to provide students with a solid academic foundation.

To continue to explore innovative practices and develop our École Sir William Osler Makerspace.

To integrate arts education and technology into all classes.

To promote safety and the healthy body – healthy mind connection through practices such as mindfulness, instruction of self-regulation, regular physical education and health classes, and the use of the *Second Step Program* and the *Kids in the Know Program*.

Parent and Community Involvement at SWO

Congratulations to our Parent Council President, Salena Buchan, for winning the Judy Aiken Award. This annual award recognizes one outstanding volunteer who demonstrates enthusiasm, teamwork, and dedication to supporting the parental voice in education in Manitoba.

Parents have supported SWO with:

- Pizza Fun lunches and our Parent Council run Lunch Program
- Organizing our Scholastic Book Fair
- Volunteering and contributing to our school library
- Volunteering to read or play learning games in classrooms, for field trips and special events
- Making pancakes for our Festival Day
- Participating generously in fundraising and charity events and much more!



History of École Sir William Osler

École Sir William Osler was constructed in 1955 as an elementary school. The first principal, from 1955-1959, was Mr. William Norval Donald. The original school contained ten classrooms and a gymnasium. In 1957, the school was expanded to include four more classrooms. Due to declining enrollment, the school closed in June 1991. The school was named for renowned Canadian physician, William Osler (1849-1919). Sir William Osler lived from July 12, 1849 to December 29, 1919. Often he is referred to as the *“Father of Modern Medicine.”* In addition to being a physician, Sir William Osler was an author, historian, bibliophile and practical joker.

“The best preparation for tomorrow is to do today’s work superbly well.”

Sir William Osler

