

January 2026

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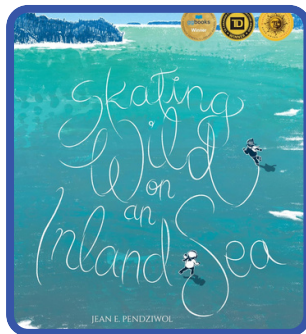
FROM MRS. ANDERSON & PANI TARASIUK:

HAPPY NEW YEAR! We hope that your family was able to recharge this holiday season and that everyone is ready to take on the challenges, learning and fun that 2026 will hold!

December saw a lot of excitement at RFM including carolling, visits from St. Nicholas & Santa Claus, Spirit Week, fun in the snow and hot lunches!

Thank you to all who donated to our hamper drive! We were able to deliver hampers to families in our community on Dec. 19!

The January Book of the Month is: **Skating Wild on an Inland Sea** by Jean Pendziwol. It is a lyrical journey across the frozen Great Lakes, weaving together personal adventure, natural history, and a deep love of winter landscapes. It captures the joy, beauty, and freedom of moving across vast ice-bound waters.



SCHOOL DROP OFF/PICK UP

A reminder that parents are prohibited from waiting or parking in the parking lot AT ANY TIME. These spots are reserved for, and paid for by school staff. Please use the stop/drop/go area directly in front of the school.

We also ask that parents wait outside for dismissal, even if temperatures become colder. This minimizes chaos at the end of the day. Thank you!

FROM THE OFFICE:



If your child is sick, please keep them at home!



Contact the office if your child is away for any reason: 204-338-7804 or email: rfmorrison@7oaks.org



Please remember to pack utensils if needed in your child's lunch



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3 НОВИМ РОКОМ!

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED
THE UKRAINIAN CHRISTMAS
TRADITIONS EVENING.

PLEASE SEE PHOTOS IN THIS
NEWSLETTER!

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME TO CONTACT CLASSROOM TEACHERS WITH ANY QUESTIONS RELATED TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/ACADEMICS. PLEASE DO NOT FEEL THAT YOU NEED TO WAIT FOR THE OFFICIAL REPORTING PERIOD OR CONFERENCES IN MARCH.



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IMPORTANT DATES:

- January 5th – First day back from Winter Break
- January 23rd – PD Day – NO SCHOOL
- February 2nd – PD Day – NO SCHOOL
- February 16th – Louis Riel Day – NO SCHOOL
- March 9th & 10th – Spring Concert (more details to come!)
- March 19th (evening) & 20th (all day) – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- March 30th–April 3rd – SPRING BREAK (no classes)



FROM PAC:

**OUR NEXT PAC MEETING WILL
TAKE PLACE:
THURS. JANUARY 15TH AT 4:30 PM**

**WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR
NEW MEMBERS, SO PLEASE
FEEL FREE TO JOIN US!**

**WE INVITE FAMILIES TO SPEAK TO
YOUR CHILD(REN) ABOUT
RESPECTFUL LANGUAGE AT
SCHOOL. AS IS 7 OAKS POLICY, WE
ARE COMMITTED TO TEACHING
ABOUT KINDNESS, EMPATHY,
ANTI-RACISM AND DIVERSITY.**

**ALTHOUGH WE SPEND A
CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF TIME
TEACHING THESE VALUES AT
SCHOOL, WE RECOGNIZE THE
IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUING THE
CONVERSATIONS AT HOME.
THANK YOU, FAMILIES FOR
WORKING WITH US IN
PARTNERSHIP OF LEARNING!**

**RECESS IS A MANDATORY PART
OF OUR SCHOOL DAY. AT RFM,
WE'VE ADOPTED THE BALANCED
SCHOOL DAY FORMAT THAT
HAS SHOWN TO PROVIDE A
BEAUTIFULLY BALANCED DAY
FOR STUDENTS, INCLUDING
TWO APPROPRIATE BREAKS
OUTDOORS. PLEASE
UNDERSTAND THAT
SUPERVISION IS OUTDOORS
DURING RECESS BREAKS
(UNLESS THE TEMPERATURES
DIP BELOW -27C AT THE FORKS
ACCORDING TO ENVIRONMENT
CANADA). STUDENTS ARE
EXPECTED TO BE OUTSIDE FOR
THESE OUTDOOR BREAKS.**



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RECESS TIME:

1. Safe and Appropriate Play:

We expect all students to choose games and activities that are respectful and safe for themselves and others. Respectful language is included in this.

2. Soccer and Other Field Games:

Soccer continues to be a popular activity, and with that popularity comes the need for clear boundaries. Students are expected to play safely, demonstrate good sportsmanship, and follow the rules of the game. Rough or overly competitive play that puts others at risk can't be permitted.

3. No Play Fighting or Imitation Fighting:

We are seeing an increase in students engaging in "play fighting" or mimicking MMA, WWE, "fight club," or similar physical behaviours. While students may intend these activities as fun, they are unsafe and not allowed at school. Even light or pretend fighting can escalate quickly or lead to misunderstanding, injury, or conflict.

4. Following Adult Direction:

Staff supervising recess work hard to keep everyone safe. We expect all students to listen respectfully and follow instructions the first time they are given.



**IT IS IMPORTANT
THAT
THESE RECESS
RULES AND
REGULATIONS
ARE
DISCUSSED
AT HOME. IF
YOUR CHILD
NEEDS
ASSISTANCE IN
MANAGING
CONFLICT,
PLEASE REACH
OUT TO YOUR
CHILD'S
TEACHER**



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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:

As a school team and in collaboration with the 7 Oaks School Division, we have recently updated our emergency preparedness procedures. Please note the following important updates:

- All doors, except for the main entrance will be locked (except for recess times when students need to access the indoors)
- Visitors must check in with the office and record their entry and exit times in a binder (located in the office).
- Visitors will be asked to wear an RFM ID badge
- Should there be an emergency that requires an evacuation, we will walk as a school to Garden City Collegiate. If the school is not available to accommodate us, we will go to Garden City Shopping Mall
- Please check the 7 Oaks School Division website on stormy days for bus cancellations or school closures: www.7oaks.org
- Students will not go outside for recess if it is colder than -27 C (including wind chill), according to the Environment Canada – Forks website

**STUDENTS
PRACTICE
LOCKDOWN DRILLS
TWICE PER YEAR
AS WELL AS FIRE
DRILLS WHICH
HAPPEN 10 TIMES
PER YEAR. UP TO
DATE FIRST AID
KITS AND HEALTH
CARE PLANS ARE
KEPT IN THE
OFFICE. PLEASE
CONTACT THE
OFFICE IF YOUR
CHILD'S HEALTH
CARE PLAN HAS
CHANGED**





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СВЯТИЙ МИКОЛАЙ VISITS RFM

ST. NICHOLAS VISITED WITH THE EUBP STUDENTS ON DECEMBER 5, 2025. HE ALSO BROUGHT CANDY CANES AND ORANGES FOR ALL STUDENTS! THESE WERE DELIVERED BY HIS HELPERS.





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EUBP
AN EVENING OF UKRAINIAN
CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS
DECEMBER 16, 2025





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Guess who paid a visit
to RFM!

