



April 24, 2024

Dear Forest Park School Families,

April is nearly over and it has been a busy month for our students. Our *Take Your Family to School Night* was a success and if anything, we learned that kids like rice cakes with cream cheese and Wow butter! Hopefully families added a few extra games to their collection as well. We celebrated Earth Day by keeping all the lights in the school off and started our day gathered in the hallway for power-free land acknowledgement, Oh Canada and announcements. Classes spent time outdoors cleaning up our community and learning about ways they can continue to make a difference for a cleaner earth. Our teachers had Teacher Talk Time (the first since October!) to discuss the progress of students in literacy and what our priorities for our school plan will be for next school year.

In addition, we brought smiles to student's and staff each morning with our friendly competition of Masked Singer. The competition is heating up with the finals in the next couple of days. What a fun way to kick off the day and teach our children about taking risks despite being way out of our comfort zone!

If you are moving or have already moved, please let the office know asap. If your child is not returning to FP School next school year, please let the office or their teacher know.

A reminder if you have a child born in 2019 to register them for 2024-25 kindergarten.

Save the date! Our students will be performing at SOPAC on Thursday, May 23 in the evening. We are still working out the show times. If you hear your child humming a new tune, it's likely a part of the upcoming production. Stay tuned for more details.

Are you expecting a baby in the very near future? If so, please consider becoming our Roots of Empathy Family. Attached is a poster with more information.

Some of our clubs have just wrapped up and some are still thriving. Our Pow Wow Club, offered to all grades 1-5 students, is 75 students strong! Each year our school division hosts a Graduation Pow Wow, that is well attended by students, staff and honored guests from near and far. Save the date for June 6.

The month of May wraps up with Arts in the Park. Again, more information will be coming your way.

Sincerely,

Tanya Kohut



Roots of Empathy

Racines de l'empathie

We Need You and Your Baby!

Volunteer as a Roots of Empathy Family

Are you a proud parent with a new baby arriving soon? Will your baby be between two and four months old in October of this year? If so, you and your baby could be a Roots of Empathy family!

Roots of Empathy is a program for elementary school children. The program's aim is to increase empathy – the ability to understand how another person feels. We invite community families into classrooms to demonstrate the power of a secure attachment relationship between infant and parent – the first and most powerful model of empathy. Children learn to care for and respect each other, and there is less bullying and aggression.

What's Involved:

- A Roots of Empathy Family volunteers in the classroom with their baby who is two to four months old in October of the new school year. Families commit to visiting the classroom once every four weeks during the program year.
- We seek families who live in the community, so that they reflect the cultural, racial and linguistic tone of the neighbourhood. This helps create a bond between the children in the classroom and the Roots of Empathy Family, which is reinforced when the children see the parent(s) and baby in the street and rush over to ask how 'their baby' is doing.

We would love to have you and your baby as a volunteer!

For more information, please contact charlotte.uskalo@7oaks.org. You can also visit the [Manitoba - Roots of Empathy](#) link to learn more about the program.



Meningitis (Meningococcal) and Measles Vaccine Clinic

DATE: May 4, 2024

TIME: 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

LOCATION: Seven Oaks Arena-745 Kingsbury Ave.

WHO: *All* children born between January 1,
2020 and February 28, 2023

**Connect with your local Public
Health Office at 1-204-938-5607**

OR

Book online: <http://patient.petal-health.com>

Book by phone: 1-844-626-8222




Walk-ins Welcome!



Seven Oaks School Division

15th Annual Graduation POW WOW
In Honour of Our 2024 Grads



**All Nations
All Welcome**

**Thursday,
June 6th**

**Maples Collegiate Field
1330 Jefferson Ave**

Pipe Ceremony: 3:00pm
Registration: 4:00pm
Feast: 4:30pm
Grad Entry: 5:30pm

MC: Co-Co Ray Stevenson
Host Drum: Walking Wolf
For more information call
Carol at (204) 586-8061

Vendors Welcome

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3 PROGRAM CHOICES

TO CHOOSE FROM:

SUMMER CAMP

MULTI-SPORT ACTIVITY BASED PROGRAM

JULY & AUGUST

HOURS: 8:00-5:00PM / AGES: 6-12 YEARS

AT THE GARDEN CITY COMMUNITY CENTRE

ACTIVE BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CHILDCARE PROGRAM

HOURS: 7:00-9:00AM & 3:00-5:45PM

AGES: 6-12 YEARS

AT THE GARDEN CITY COMMUNITY CENTRE

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ACTIVE LEARNING CHILDCARE CENTRE

HOURS: 7:30AM-5:30PM

AGES: 2-5 YEARS

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