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Elwick Community School

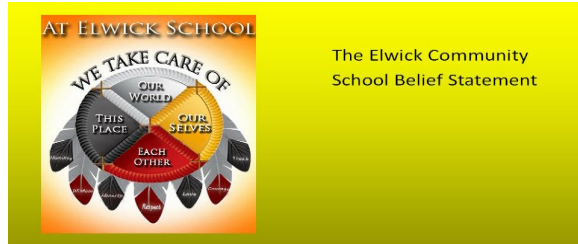
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ELWICK ATTENDANCE CALL BACK

At Elwick School we have an attendance call back system.

If your child is going to be away from school due to medical appointments, illness or any other reasons we ask that you call the school office and speak to one of the secretaries any time after 8:00 am and by 1:00pm.

204- 633- 5641

If we do not hear from you and your child is not in attendance we will give you a call to make sure they are safe.

December Dates to Remember...

December 7 __ Sistema Concert at Maples Collegiate, 6:30 pm

December 8—Winter Concert—K-3—6:30pm

December 9—Holiday Feast—Elwick Students only

December 23– January 6—Winter Break—School Closed

January 9—Classes resume

Sistema News

Gisaya Gahungu



Sistema in November

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Welcome to Mr. Q

We would like to welcome our newest Elwick Teacher, Mr. Q, who is joining us in the afternoons and as one of our Sistema Teachers. Robin Quintana is a wonderful singer and looks forward to helping Sistema further their love of music.

For those of you who haven't heard yet, Ms. Risbey had a baby boy, Milo. They are at home now and everyone is doing well.

Sistema Special Guests

Sistema was visited by the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra's Conductor in Residence, Julian Pellicano. He was impressed with how well our Beethoven orchestra is progressing. He looks forward to seeing the Mozart and Vivaldi orchestra at the concert on December 7th.

We also got a visit from the Ecco Singers. They are a local community based choir group that Sistema will be performing with on December 11th. Ecco Singers came and wowed us with a few of their songs sang in beautiful a cappella.

Elwick Family and Resource Center Food Drive

We are also happy that our Food Drive for the Elwick Family and Resource Center was a success. Sistema families generously brought food items for the EFRC's food bank! Sistema students brought all the donated food and are looking forward to doing something similar again. Thanks again for your generosity Sistema families.

Ecco Singers Visit



Food Drive Donation





Notes from the Music Room

Melanie Clendenan



Elwick Winter Concert!

December 8th at 6:30pm

Featuring Kindergarten -
Grade 3 classes

Concert will be held in the big gym
We can't wait to see you there!!





Phys. Ed Report

Kim Schettler and Eric Lister



PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

Volleyball – Elwick’s volleyball season has come to an end. The teams enjoyed playing in their weekly games. The grade eight girls ended their season with a big divisional tournament at Red River College. Thanks to Fawad for reffing our home games and to the coaches for their commitment to the girls.

Basketball – Sign ups will be taking place in December with a few practices starting before the break. Students, please listen to the announcements for details. Games will begin after Winter Break.

Intramurals – Intramurals continue during the lunch hour starting at 12:20. Please check the calendar for when your class participates.

Just a reminder that the weather is getting colder and students are wearing their boots to school. Please make sure that your child has their indoor shoes so that they can participate in the gym and also to keep the floors from becoming slippery and dangerous.



Community Connector

Marsha Harper

Hello Community!

We will continue our parent group projects every Tuesday morning at 10:00 am until noon in the community room and remember you are all welcome. Come join us for snacks and laughter.

Child-minding is available.

For more information you can contact, me, Marsha at (204) 633-5641



Elwick Community Room

ELWICK COMMUNITY ROOM/PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

**On Wednesdays there will be programs
December 7th and 14th from 1:00-3:00pm.
Programs will resume the week of January 9th 2017.**

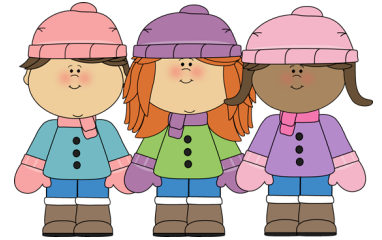
**WIGGLE, GIGGLE, MUNCH has ended on Thursday
mornings, BUT**

**We will continue to have a PARENT & CHILD
PRESCHOOL PROGRAM on Thursday mornings from
9:00-10:30 am until December 15th. There will be play-
time, activities, Storytime, and snack. The coffee will be
on too!**





Winter Coats still Available!



The snow is coming !

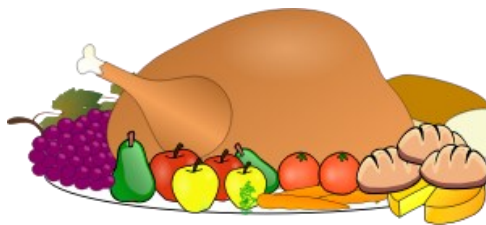
**There is new and gently used
winter outerwear available in the Elwick
Office!**

**Contact Angie at 204-633-5641 to take
advantage of this offer!**

**Elwick's Student Winter Feast
Friday, December 9 at 11:30am**

All students will eat lunch at the school on this day.

**Both A.M. and P.M. Kindergarten students will be at
school in the morning, so P.M. Kindergarten students
will not be at school in the afternoon on this day.**





Happy Holidays from Healthy Smile Happy Child

*Enjoying some treats during the holidays is great!
Just remember these tips to reduce your child's risk of cavities:*

- **Brush those sugar bugs away with a soft toothbrush for two minutes twice a day**
 - Don't forget to floss to get in between teeth where a toothbrush can't reach!
- **Having holiday treats is best right after family meal time**
 - Constant snacking increases the acidic conditions in the mouth leading to an increased risk for cavities
- **Soft bristled toothbrushes and fluoridated toothpaste make great stocking stuffers!**
 - Don't forget to replace your toothbrush every 3 months or after your child was sick.



For more information visit Healthy Smile Happy Child at:
http://www.wrha.mb.ca/healthinfo/preventill/oral_child

PROMOTING THE MENTAL HEALTH OF YOUNG CHILDREN... EVERY DAY

A Program for Families and Caregivers



The Handle with Care program is designed to help parents and caregivers promote the mental health of young children from birth to 8 years.

Mental health is part of our own and our children's overall health. It's about how:

We feel, think, behave, capable or confident we feel

We cope with the ups and downs of everyday life

We see ourselves and our future

Stress affects us

We deal with negative things that happen in our life

Secure we feel about where we belong in the world

Topics are both discussion and activity based. They are organized into four building blocks

Building trust and attachment

Building and enhancing self esteem

Expressing emotion

Relationships with others

We invite Parents to join us for the next Handle with Care program. The sessions are for parents or caregivers. Childcare will be provided.

When: 3 Friday's, Jan. 27th, Feb. 10th & 17th 2017 from 9:00 - 10:30 am (no program Feb. 3)

Where: Elwick School, 30 Maberley Road

RSVP by January 20, 2017

If you would like more information, please contact your school community co-ordinator. You may also contact Donna Giesbrecht at 204-633-5641, donna.giesbrecht@7oaks.org

Handle With Care - January/February 2017

Parent Name _____

Home School _____

Phone number _____

email _____

I require child care for:
(name, ages and allergies)



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

THANK YOU!!

In 2009, the Knights of Columbus launched the coats initiative designed to keep kids warm in harsh winter climates. With many families with young children struggling in tough economic times, there was a clear need to provide warm winter coats to children in their communities. And so, the Knights of Columbus Kids Coats program was born.

Elwick Community school graciously acknowledges the Knights of Columbus for their generous donations.

Please contact Angie in the office if your child is in need of a winter coat.



Contact Information

It is very important that we have updated contact information for your child.

If you have moved or had a change of phone number, please let the school know at 204-633-5641



Staff Parking Lot Reminder

Please **DO NOT** park in the Staff Lot for any reason, this includes drop-off and pick-up for your children.

There is parking available on Maberley Road.

Thank you!



For the latest information, check out our website!

www.7oaks.org/schools/elwick