

ELWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL



# FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER



Room 3 having some winter fun!

## Important Dates

**February 18**—Louis Riel Day  
No School

**February 28**—Middle Years  
Band/Choir/Fiddle Concert

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## Absence Call

If your child is going to be away please call  
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**204-633-5641**

AT ELWICK SCHOOL



# Sistema News



January flew by and we are gearing up for a great February at Sistema!

January 2019 held fewer performances than in months past, which has allowed us to focus in on the fundamentals. We have been working on training our ears to recognize ascending intervals, to listen to our fellow orchestra members as we play together, and to distinguish our sounds as individual players. With a focus on repertoire that is less complex our orchestras have had the opportunity to grow together. By training our ears, listening to ourselves and each other we are able to create a more cohesive and symbiotic sound.

We are settling in to the 2-block model of programming which has permitted students more time with their sectional teachers, as well as time playing together as an orchestra. This 2-block model has allowed us to emphasize mentorship within our orchestras; mentorship is a key pillar of the Sistema model, activated in Sistema programs all across the globe. Our two new orchestras, the Carreño and Berlioz groups, held their premiere performances together at our Friends and Families Night on January 23. They played beautifully together. Another highlight was a duet performance of J.S. Bach's Minuet in G Major, given by Agampar (trombone) and Mr. Vishnevsky (pocket trumpet). It was truly lovely.



Sistema Elwick represented Sistema Winnipeg, by facilitating a String Instrument Petting Zoo preceding the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra's kids concert: How the Gimquat Found her Song. Children from across the city lined up and got to try out a violin, viola, cello, and bass. Thank you so much to those who participated, you did a fantastic job!

Selected senior members of our Carreño orchestra performed at a retirement celebration for Assistant Superintendent and champion of the Sistema program, Lydia Hedrich. We are proud to have been the only group asked to perform at her celebration. Well done players!

Some important dates to mark on your calendars:

**February 1** – Due to a Professional Development Day, there will be **no Sistema**.

**February 18** – Louis Riel Day, there will be **no Sistema**.

**February 27** – **Friends and Families Night at Sistema**, in the Mini Gym at 5:00 pm, potluck style snacks welcome.

**February 28** – Due to Elwick School's Middle Years Band and Choral Concert, there will be **no Sistema**.

Happy February everyone!



# Sistema February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Elwick PD No Sistema	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Louis Riel Day No Sistema	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Friends and Family Night 5:00pm	28 Middle Years Band and Choir Concert No Sistema		

Friends and Family Night will be held in the Mini Gym at Elwick School on Wednesday February 27 at 5:00 pm. Potluck Style Snacks are welcome.

Elwick School's Middle Years Band and Choral Concert, featuring Elwick School's Fiddle Groups, will take place in the Big Gym at Elwick Concert at 6:30 pm on February 28. There will be no Sistema that day.

There will be No Sistema on February 1 (Elwick PD Day) and February 18 (Louis Riel Day).

# Notes from the Music Room

Mark Your Calendar....

## **February 28<sup>th</sup>: Middle Years Concert at 6:30pm**

This concert will feature all middle years students in band, fiddle and choir!

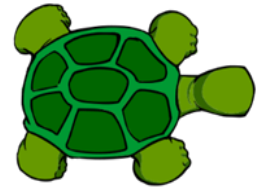
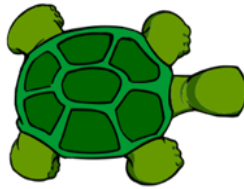
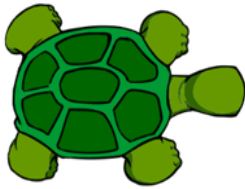
January was a fun month in the music room. Through the MusicCounts grant, we welcomed Robert Caribou of Manitoba Buckskin to Elwick as our grade 4-8 students made a brand new set of hand drums.

This was a challenging and rewarding experience for our staff and students.

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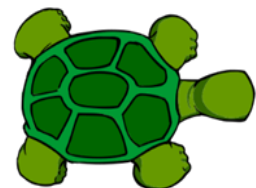
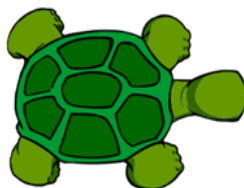
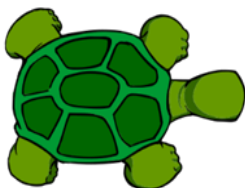
Elwick Community Room Preschool Program

February—I Love to Read Month

Our FREE Parent/Caregiver and Child (birth to 6 years) Programs will take place on Wednesdays, from 1:00-3:00pm and Thursdays, from 9:00-10:30am in the Community Room. We will have play, special activities, Story Time, snack and coffee.

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| Wednesday, February 6  | - Make and Take a Book                  |
| Thursday, February 7   | - Make and Take a Book                  |
| Wednesday, February 13 | - Heart Shaped Pizzas                   |
| Thursday, February 14  | - Happy Valentine's Day                 |
| Wednesday, February 20 | - Visit Elwick's Library- Book Giveaway |
| Thursday, February 21  | - Rock and Read                         |
| Wednesday, February 27 | - Painting fun                          |
| Thursday, February 28  | - <b>PROGRAM CANCELLED TODAY</b>        |

**Kindergarten Registration for children born in 2014 begins on Monday, February 25, 2019.**



## Physical Education

**Middle Years:** The basketball teams have been practicing and taking part in the after school tournaments. These tournaments will continue until the end of February.

**Early Years:** The grade 5s had the opportunity to take part in the Divisional Basketball 3 on 3 Tournament held at the beautiful Sport for Life Centre on January 29th. The teams worked hard and had a great time.

Grade 4 &5 students will be starting up badminton practices in February. Please listen to announcements for practice times.



## What's Happening at Elwick?!



The middle years basketball team welcomed a grade 2 student to their practice!



More winter fun for Room 3.



## School Zone Sign

We are hoping to have the city assess Mapleglen Drive to add a school zone speed limit sign. If you are interested in advocating for a 30 km/hr school zone sign on Mapleglen Drive, please phone the office. Community member support may help our request be prioritized with Public Works .



## Crosswalk Safety

We would like to remind all families that we need to be crossing the streets located around our school in the safest manner possible. When needing to cross Mapleglen, we ask that students go to the cross walk and cross with our patrols. Keeping our little ones in the community safe is very important.

