



The Elwick Community  
School Belief Statement

## NOVEMBER 2015 NEWSLETTER

Elwick Community School  
30 Maberley Road, Winnipeg, Mb. R2P 0E2

### Sistema Students Perform at Cavalia!

Gisaya Gahungu  
Sistema Winnipeg & Fiddle Teacher

Sistema students were gifted tickets to Cavalia-Odyseo last month. The opportunity to see "the magical encounter between human and horse" was an evening the students and lucky family members will never forget. The chance to attend the show was also accompanied by a generous donation from Cavalia along with some inspirational words of support for music education and Sistema from Mayor Brian Bowman, Premier Greg Selinger, Tannis Richardson and the founder of Cavalia, Norman Latourelle. We are truly grateful for the donation and the special evening.

Our appreciation was shown in part by sharing our gift of music with the audience before the show. Last year's Beethoven group wowed the audience with a performance of Under the Sea. To quote one of our Vivaldi students on their performance she said, "THAT WAS AMAZING!" With about two thousand people in the crowd, this was the largest audience these students had played for. What an experience for all!

Thank you Cavalia!





## ♪ Notes ♪ from the Music Room

*Music class is a time for us to practice love, respect, courage, honesty, wisdom, humility, and truth. When we connect with the Seven Teachings through music, our understanding of their message grows.*

October was a ghoulish month in the music room. We sang lots of fun Hallowe'en songs and had a spooktacular assembly with a sing-along and costume parade. Here are a few events to look forward to:

### Remembrance Day Assembly: November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm

This year's assembly will centre on Indigenous perspectives. We welcome Mike Flett, an Aboriginal drummer and educator from our community. **Please join us at this year's assembly.**

### Winter Concert:

December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. This concert will showcase students from kindergarten to Grade 3 in a musical celebration!

### Carolling at the Forks:

December 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm for Grade 4/5 choir. Families are welcome to attend this fun event!



## Community Connector

By Marsha Harper.

Parent community beading is offered every Tuesday morning from 10am to 12pm here at Elwick Community School in the library with treats and coffee. Right now our project is half size mukluks. Parents come out and meet new community members or just visit while beading.

Elwick School middle years girls have the opportunity to come learn how to make beaded jewellery every Friday morning and the middle years boys also have the opportunity to come and learn how to bead key chains or beaded medallions every Wednesday morning.

If you have any questions about our beading or our upcoming projects feel free to contact me.





## 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.***

## A Spike in Confidence



This past season the grade 7/8 Girls Volleyball team has been working hard not only to improve their skills and fitness, but to work as a cohesive unit. As a coaching staff we have stressed to the girls that their success is directly related to that of their team mates.

The girls have taken this to heart, and have become not just a team, but a true Elwick family. All of the girls show up to practice regularly, and give 100% effort. The increase in confidence we have seen in these girls is truly amazing, and girls who may not have been friends can now call each other just that. Their sportsmanship has also been extended to other schools our Elwick girls have come into contact with, showing what Elwick is all about, taking care of each other. We look forward to the remainder of our season with these girls, being capped off with a divisional tournament being held at Red River College at the end of this month.

7/8 Girls Volleyball Coaches Sreen Conner Ciara Ziegler  
Reanne Cairns



Exhausted after hard work at practice.



# Can U

By Rylee Kelsch



Can U is a fun program for kids to play and interact with others. If you want to play fun stuff for fourteen weeks every Tuesday then sign up for Can U next year. It's one of the best programs I have ever seen. They provide meals and snacks. Buses leave at 4 P.M. and you get back at the school by 8 P.M. Other activities are wall climbing, art, sports and more. Can U has over 400 kids this year. The first year there were only 15 kids in Can U. Can U has evolved so much over the years and the teachers are so nice. And one of the people that started Can U is Mr. Reddy. He is a Can U hero I haven't met him yet but you can when you sign up for Can U. Some of the meals are pizza, hamburgers, hotdogs and more. Can U will not serve anything with peanuts in it. And if you are thinking, yes, we do get to make food. The best part is it's all free at the University of Manitoba with Grades 6 and 7.



**For the latest information, check out our website!**

**[Home - Elwick Community School](#)**



## Thank you!

### **Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids**



*We would like to thank the Knights of  
Columbus, St. Theresa Council No.9425  
For their generous donation of winter coats,  
These coats will go to good use for our students.  
If there are any parents in need of winter coats  
For their children please contact the office at  
Elwick School :204-633-5641.*

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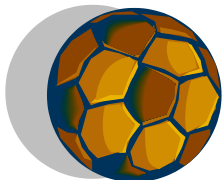
### November Dates to Remember...

November 11, 2015—REMEMBRANCE DAY—NO SCHOOL

November 13, 2015—PICTURE RE-TAKES

November 19, 2015—PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES - EVENING

November 20, 2015—PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES—NO SCHOOL



### Physical Education Report

By Eric Lister

This year students at Elwick will have many chances to join our sports team "The Flames". As fall comes to a close the middle and early years cross country season has ended. The Flames did an amazing job of representing Elwick at our scheduled meets. The Flames are now into the volleyball season practicing as a team often, and playing once a week at various schools in the division. All students please listen to announcements for the start of the basketball season coming near the end of November .



## Honour Songs

Each morning our school will be playing the following songs alongside O Canada. These songs are to honour Treaty 1 land and other First Nations that live in Manitoba. These songs are representative of the natural life cycles of Mother Earth as we will sing a song for each season and to honour the four directions. In the spring (yellow) we will sing the Short Eagle Song, in the summer (red) we will sing the Wolf Song, in the fall (black) we will sing the Bear Song and in the winter (white) we will sing the Buffalo Song. The words below are not written using the Anishinabe language, but have been written in such a way to teach the song phonetically. The translations for each song are given in English.

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### Short Eagle

way ya ha way ya  
way ya way ya

way ya ha way ya  
way ya way ya  
way ya way ya way ah hey...  
way ya way ya way ya ya ho  
way ya ya way hey yo...

Kiinewag Benesayog  
Gitchi Manitou  
way ya way ya way ah hey...

way ya way ya way ya ya ho  
way ya ya way hey yo...

I honour the eagle and all the eagles.  
I honour the Thunderbirds and Creator.

Mark Thompson  
Sagkeeng First Nation



### Wolf Song

Lead: Way ha yah way hey yah oh way yah ya way hey yah

Way ha yah way hey yah oh way yah ya way hey yah-  
Way hi yah hey hi oh, way hey hey, way yah way yah hey hi oh  
Way hi yah way hi oh way hi yah ho way yah way hey ya hey yo

Mii'ingan A'Bindigin

Wolf come in!

Mii'ingan A'Bindiga

Bring wolf in!

Way hi yah hey hi oh, way hey hey, way yah way yah hey hi oh  
Way hi yah way hi oh way hi yah ho way yah way hey ya hey yo



## Bear Song

Way ya ya ho Way ya ya ho  
Yah way ya way oh way hey ya hey oh

Way ya ya ho Way ya ya ho  
Yah way ya way oh way hey ya hey oh

Yah way ya way ya way ya way ya way oh  
way hey ya way oh

Yaway hey ya way oh

Manitou Makwa  
Ga pi na go zi way hey ya hey oh

Spirit Bear  
He is walking towards you.  
Spirit Bear  
Come honour me.

Manitou Makwa  
Bay zha way anish innam Way hey ya hey oh

Elder Phillip Paynter

h way ya way ya way ya way ya way oh



## Buffalo Calling Song

Ta Tonka Oh Yateh  
Wanne oopedo

Ta Tonka Oh Yateh 4x The buffalo people are coming.  
Wanne oopedo  
way yah way oh

wii cho suni you  
ha oppedo  
way yah way oh

Ta Tonka Oh Yateh  
Wanne heepedo

Ta Tonka Oh Yateh 3x The buffalo people are here.  
Wanne heepedowii cho suni you

ha heepedo

way yah way oh  
way yah way oh



Buffalo Calling Song given  
Dakota Sundance Chief Calvin Pompana