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Elwick Community School

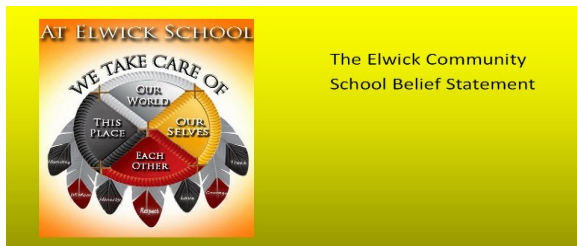
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Welcome Back to School!!

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.

October Dates to Remember...

October 3—7, 2016—Hearing Screening (K) / Bus Evacuation Week

October 10 , 2016— Thanksgiving —School Closed

October 11 , 2016—Grade 6 & 8 Immunizations

October 12, 2016—Picture Day

October 21, 2016— PD Day—No Classes

Sistema News

Gisaya Gahungu

Sistema is growing this year in more ways than one. Most excitingly, we have significantly increased the size of the program. We are going from 60 musicians in the making to 75! With the addition of 15 brand new spots, we have also expanded our instrument selection from violin, viola, cello and bass to trumpets and trombones. And who better to teach those new instruments other than Elwick's favorite band teacher, Mr. Hodgins. Mr. Hodgins will now be joining Sistema in the evenings as our third divisional teacher, along with Mrs. Risbey and Saya.

Sistema has had a busy and joyful start to the year. We had our first day on September 19th, then the very next day, the Beethoven Orchestra performed at Elwick's Community BBQ. After their performance, Sistema students hosted an instrument petting zoo throughout the afternoon, where everyone could try Sistema instruments.

We have a lot of brand new faces and families that we are happily welcoming into the Sistema family. What a great way to start the year.



Sistema's Beethoven orchestra also had the chance to make Elwick proud by playing on stage at the Centennial Concert Hall for the Divisional Professional Development Day. We got to show the entire division what talented and hard working students we have here at Elwick. The audience responded with a standing ovation! Thank you to all the Beethovens who took time out of their morning to come perform.



Notes from the Music Room

Melanie Clendenan

"I would teach children music, physics, and philosophy, but most importantly, music, for the patterns of music and all the arts are the keys of learning"
-Plato



We have such an exciting year ahead of us. Check it out!

Artist in Residence - This fall, Elwick will be hosting an Artist in Residence program. Raine (Beth) Hamilton, one of our talented Sistema teachers, will be working with our grade 4-8 students on a two-week fiddle composition workshop. We can't wait to share our creative works with you!

Bach to School- On November 24th, the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra will be visiting Elwick for a special concert.

Arts in the Park- Arts in the Park is a massive music and arts festival featuring the **entire** 7oaks School Division at Kildonan Park! This festival gives us the wonderful opportunity to share our music and listen to other musicians from across the division. Arts in the Park takes place at the end of May.

Concerts- Between our incredible middle years music program featuring band, fiddle and choir, Sistema, and our early years music program, we have lots of amazing performances coming your way!! First up will be our **Winter Concert, December 8th**.

Room 14



Juice Making

While learning about nutrition and maintaining a healthy body, room 14 has been making fresh fruit and vegetable juices!



Phys. Ed Report

Kim Schettler

Early Years

Cross -Country - Practices are underway for the grade 3,4,5's. They take place on Monday, Wednesday and Friday's during the first recess. Students must attend practices if they wish to go to the Cross-Country Meet on October 13th at Little Mountain Park. The rain date is planned to October 18th. A note will be sent home to those students participating.

Middle Years

Volleyball - Practices will be underway shortly. Please listen to announcements for when they will be taking place.

Intramurals - Intramurals takes place during the lunch hour for our grade 4-8 students. Students are invited to the gym for 12:25 on their planned day. Please listen to the announcements for your day.

RUNNERS are necessary in the gym. Please make sure that your child has their runners at school so that they are able to participate and are kept safe.

Elwick Community Room Preschool
Program



Tuesday mornings from 10:00-12:00 noon
Preschool Story time/Child-minding for the Beading Group

Our Parent/Caregiver and Child (birth to 6 years) Program will take place on Wednesdays, from 1:00-3:00pm. We will continue to have play, snack and Story time, but will also have special activities for families to do together. The coffee will be on!

October 5th – Welcome to Preschool!

October 12th – Making Sun Catchers

October 19th – Make and Take Granola bars

October 26th – Halloween Fun! Dress-up, carve pumpkins, special snacks!

Wiggle, Giggle
& Munch

A time for Parents/Caregivers and Children to have fun together through active play, games, songs and a healthy snack.

All parents and their children, age birth to 5 years, are invited to this free program.

Wiggle, Giggle & Munch is being offered at:

Location: Elwick School Community Room

Day and Time: Thursdays from 9:00-10:45AM.

Dates: October 13, 20 and 27 and November 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2016.

PLEASE NOTE: Street parking only. No parking available in the school lot

For information please contact Donna Giesbrecht at 204-633-5641 or donna.giesbrecht@7oaks.org or Veronica Thiffeault at 204-586-9716 or veronica.thiffeault@7oaks.org
Or fill out the registration below and give to the school office.

Elwick Community BBQ: Sept. 21st, 2016



Our BBQ was a lot of fun and we want to thank everyone for coming out to enjoy such a beautiful evening with us!





Community Connector

Marsha Harper

Hello Community!

First of all the Elwick staff would like to thank everyone for joining us at our back to school BBQ. We hope that everyone will have a wonderful year at Elwick.

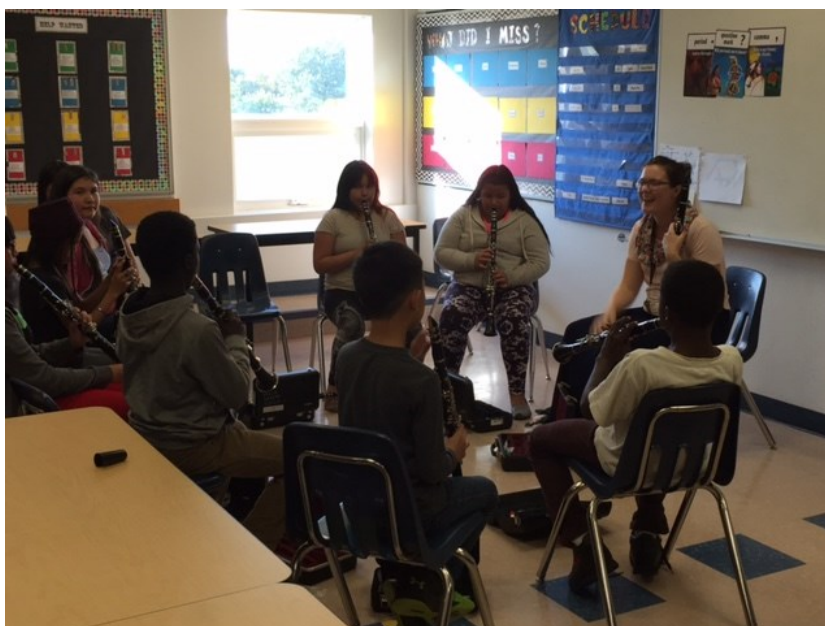
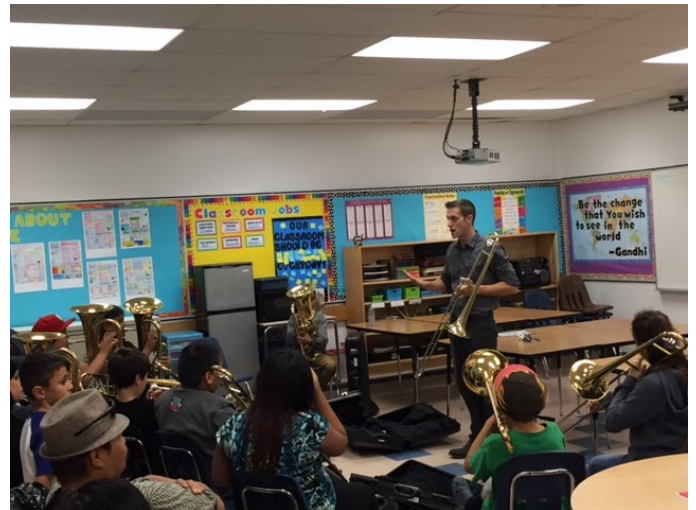
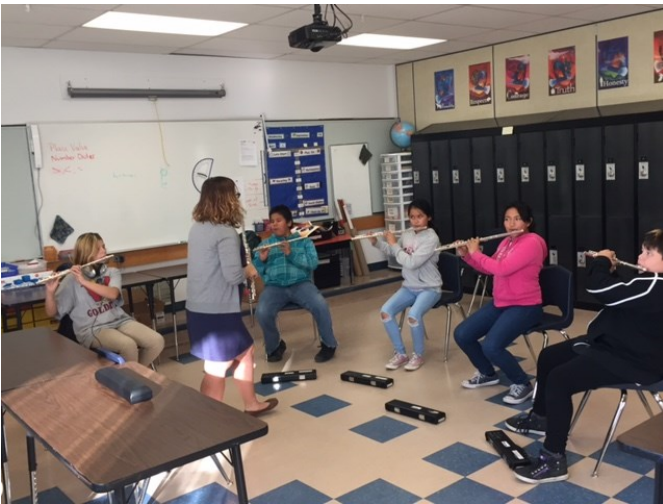
We will begin our parent group projects every Tuesday mornings at 10:00am in the community room. Our first session will be Tuesday October 4th, I am happy to announce that we will be making gauntlets for our first project for the upcoming cold weather and remember you are all welcome. Come join us for snacks and laughter . Child-minding is available.

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

Have a Safe and Happy Halloween!

First Note Night

On September 14th, our grade 6 students who are interested in participating in our Middle Years' Band program got the opportunity to learn how to play their first note on their instruments. Many family members came out to hear these first notes and we know that you will be impressed by the progress they have made when you hear them at their first performance!



B.E.E.P. 2016!

This summer, Elwick continued running its summer learning program. Some highlights from the summer included trips to Turtle Tide Water Park, Birds Hill, Assiniboine Park, Morning Sound Farms, and Kildonan Park. Elwick also welcomed a variety of presenters and guests. The Manitoba Opera Association led an interactive workshop where kids wore costumes and clapped a rhythm while a young opera singer filled the room with her huge, rich soprano voice. Design it Science facilitators challenged young scientists to design the farthest flying banana car.

Students participated in artist-led painting workshops. Boogey the beat led a hip-hop dance and Aboriginal rap workshop. A Humane Society rep with her very friendly dog gave kids tips about caring for animals and Marg the beekeeper explained the intricacies of beekeeping and honey collecting. The rest of the days were filled with dance, science experiments, math games, sports, arts & crafts, baking, scavenger hunts, trips to local splash pads and a variety of other fun-filled learning experiences.



More photos from the BEEP! Program



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



For the latest information, check out our website!

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