



West St. Paul School Community Newsletter

JUNE, 2012

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Our Beliefs: Take care of yourself. Take care of each other. Take care of this place.



Russ from McPhillips Toyota makes cheque presentation to Mrs. Horbas.

Greening the School Ground

We have been planting and creating new spaces for children to meet, play in the shade and enjoy nature in our playground. We have been fortunate to have some funding from two sources: Trees Canada and the Toyota Evergreen Foundation. A huge thanks goes to these two organizations for helping us to beautify our grounds. The rain we have been getting is really good for our new trees.

Mr. Olson and his class have been working on getting our flower and vegetable beds ready for planting. Ms Sharpe's class has already planted some perennial bulbs and we are looking forward to getting more flowers and veggies into the ground this week for harvest in the fall.



Ms Carpenter's Kindergarten class sketching new trees.



Our Volunteers are Amazing!

We are so very thankful to have wonderful volunteers help us learn and grow. Our volunteers cook pancakes, read to us, supervise field trips, go on Band outings, give us HOT LUNCH, run special events, help plant trees and fix benches, and anything else we ask them to do. We would like to thank all our volunteers for your constant support and encouragement.

On June 11 at 1:00 p.m. we will be having a small luncheon and presentation to thank all our volunteers.



FROM THE GYM...



Early Years Phys. Ed.

On May 24, our grade 4+5 Track and Field Meet took place at West Kildonan Collegiate. We had a great day of athletics (100m, 200m, Long Jump, Triple Jump) along with students, staff and parents from Riverbend School. We'd like to extend a big thank you to WKC for the use of their track. Based on the results of our school meet, some of our students will also compete in the Divisional Track and Field Meet June 5 (rain date June 7), at WKC. Our final special event will be our K-5 Tabloid Activities the morning of June 26 (rain date June 28).



R. Chin



Miss Jopka's class is studying food and nutrition in French and learning about Africa for Social Studies. We recently tried African recipes that included sambussa's from an authentic African restaurant in Winnipeg and made a baked banana dessert. We also enjoyed a fun afternoon with Laura A.'s uncle as he came to our class and we had a hands-on demonstration for making crepes. We got to try a cheese crepe, one with apple sauce and brown sugar and then Nutella and banana. They were delicious!



Seven Oaks Swimming Lessons



Every Wednesday at 12:30 Mr. Zylstra's class goes to swim at the 7oaks Pool to learn how to swim and after swimming we get to jump on the diving boards for the last ten to fifteen! A bunch of people were scared at first but now almost everyone can do it! Some of the things that we get to learn at swimming are front crawls, back crawls, treading water, etc. We're working on front crawl. We had a relay race where we had to do 10 bobs, kick on our backs to the other end, do 15 bobs, and do front crawl back! We get ten swimming classes. After the swimming classes we get a certificate and it says the level that we passed. There are four diving boards - two small ones, one medium and one really high one. Swimming is a lot of fun.

By Arlene and Drake - Room 8

Divisional Arts Camp



Grade Five students from Ms Sharpe's, Mrs. Arjoon's and Mr. Zylstra's classes attended Arts Camp at the Canadian Mennonite University. What did our students think?

- ⇒ Arts Camp was a good learning experience because we learned how to make cool art from different cultures. - Paul
- ⇒ It felt like going back in time doing Greek sculpting. - Brody
- ⇒ I loved doing Tinikling because it was very athletic and my favourite part was the performance. - Marley
- ⇒ The thing that I loved most about Arts Camp was how you got to share your creativity with everyone! - Vanessa
- ⇒ The best part of Arts Camp was the performances cause they were cultural events from around the world; it was so fun and exotic. - Seth
- ⇒ The best part of Arts Camp was that I learned how to talk to people who are deaf. - Joel



INTERNATIONAL DANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

May 11, 2012
West St. Paul School

On Friday, May 11th West St. Paul School hosted the 7Oaks School Division's 4th Annual International Dance Day Assembly. There were students from Grades 3 to 12 dancing at the assembly. There were 21 dance groups from different schools in 7 Oaks. Some dance groups performed 2 to 3 times. The schools that participated were: West St. Paul, West Kildonan Collegiate, H.C. Avery, A.E. Wright, Victory, R.F. Morrison, James Nisbet, Maples Collegiate and Margaret Park. There were tap dancers, ballet, hip hop, Punjabi folk dancing, French Canadian, lyrical, Ukrainian dancing, and Jazz. I was in the WSP tap group. We performed to Michael Jackson's *Immortal Megamix* and Glee's *Light Up The World*. It was so fun to perform in front of everyone. I have been in tap for 2 years, going on to my 3rd. I would love to be in tap again and I loved seeing all the dancers perform. It was really cool seeing all the different kinds of dancing. I loved the Dance Day Assembly and I can't wait for next year's!

By: Chloe O.



TAP CLUB VISITS MAPLES ON BEAT!



Maples on Beat "cleaning" their dance

Ms. Greening and Ms. Burrigge took the students in Tap Club to the Dance Studio at Maples Collegiate to watch their dance group, known as **Maples on Beat**, during one of their 2 hour rehearsals. We had the chance to watch their warm up, their rehearsal and how they clean up and perfect their dances. We even had a chance to perform our 2 tap dances in the studio for them! Their warm up looked like a dance itself, it was so **COOL!** Everyone was dancing at the same time. They all listened to the teacher. They didn't complain when she said "again". They all remembered all their dance moves!

~ Eric R. ~

We went to Maples Collegiate to watch the dancers called *Maples on Beat*. Isabella and I were so excited and we wanted to say hi to one of the dancers from Maples, but we were scared. When we sat down to watch our other tap dancers perform "Light Up The World", this girl with red hair from Maples asked, "How do you like tap?" We said, "Tap is great!" Then we looked at each other and then looked at her and then look at each other again and I said to Isabella, "She talked to us, oh my gosh" and Isabella said back "I know". It was such a fun day and I hope to go back and see them again next year!

~ Payton P. ~



WSP Tap Club with Maples on Beat!



Our group performing for Maples in their Studio!

Middle Years Information Evening (for Grade 5 Students going to Grade 6)

June 5, 2012
5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Information will be available for:

Band Instrument Selection
Seven Oaks Hockey Skills Academy
Middle Years Camp

More information to follow.

Grade Eight Fundraising

SHOW & SAVE
DISCOUNT CARD & COUPON BOOK

The 2012-2013 Grade 8 class will be raising money this September by selling the Show & Save Card and Coupon Book.

The Coupon Book has over \$10,000 in money-saving offers including coupons for purchases at various grocery stores, restaurants and businesses throughout the city. For only \$15 you can experience endless savings with the Re-usable Card and Coupon Book.

By purchasing your Show & Save from us, you will be supporting our group while at the same time saving your family a lot of money.

Cartown

Our Morning Kindergartens and Preschoolers got a chance to get a driver's license! There were four cars for them to practice their driving skills, learn to stop at stop signs, learn what a yield sign is and how to look out for pedestrians.

They had a lot of fun learning their car rules.



ERIC WALTERS



A Visit with Eric Walters

On May 22, 2012, award-winning Canadian author Eric Walters visited West St. Paul School. Thanks to Mr. Rempel, who organized this visit, Grade 3-8 students were able to sit down with Mr. Walters for a discussion around some of his more than 80 published novels.

"He's such a funny guy", said Brent I. When asked why, students replied that his excitement draws you in; he has lots of energy and a great sense of humour. Mr. Walters began his career as a teacher. Due to his students' disinterest in literature, he began writing stories using *them* as the characters. During the four presentations made throughout the day, WSP students were able to see just how this happens. Picking two random students from the audience, Mr. Walters described their characteristics to a tee! He brought them to life through his vivid descriptions which enable the reader to feel as if they know them just as well. When asked why they like his books, reasons included the ability to connect emotionally, wonderful descriptions of settings, and interesting plot lines.

When preparing to write a new story, Mr. Walters delves into the world of his characters. Whether climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro, working with tigers, or being on safari in Africa, Mr. Walters puts himself in situations in which his characters find themselves, or, will research the setting, plot, characters, etc. as much as possible through interviews, articles, or photos. As well as sharing his love of literature with students, Mr. Walters also shared with us his passion for global citizenship. He talked about transparency and accountability in helping others as he does through his organization, The Creation of Hope in the Mbooni District of Kenya, Africa. Did you know that for the 37 children residing in the Rolling Hills Residence, \$50 will provide food, clothing, school fees, school supplies, medical care, electricity, water, sanitation and salary for the matron, tutor and night watchman for one day? \$350 will provide this for one entire week.

We are truly thankful that Eric Walters was able to share his love of literature with us. Through ongoing reading and continued writing, we look forward to seeing who may be the next Eric Walters amongst us!

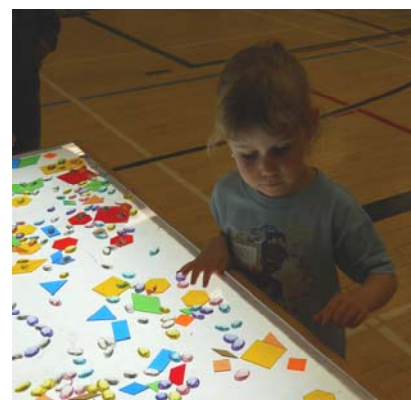
If you would like to learn more about Eric Walters, his books, or how you can become involved in The Creation of Hope, please log on to www.ericwalters.net.

River East Collegiate Wind Ensemble with Special Guest Piano Soloist - Mr. Isaak



Students at West St. Paul School were treated to an amazing musical performance on Monday, May 28th. Guest performers were the River East Collegiate Wind Ensemble under the direction of Jeff Kula. This award-winning ensemble has most recently performed in London, England at the pre-Olympics Arts Festival in April. They performed Vaughn Williams "Flourish for Wind Band" and an original composition for trombone and French horn, written and arranged by Reid Isaak, son of our very own Mr. Isaak. Students were amazed by a famous tenor aria, "Nessun Dorma", sung by University of Manitoba professor, Dr. McLaren. The concert finished with three pieces by the Collegiate's very talented Jazz Band.

The "piece de resistance" was an outstanding rendition of Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue", with piano soloist, Mr. Earl Isaak. Students were astounded by Mr. Isaak's ability to have 16 minutes of very complicated music memorized. Mr. Isaak received a standing ovation from students, staff and the River East Collegiate Wind Ensemble. It was one of the featured performances of the afternoon. We are fortunate to have such an accomplished musician teaching and leading our students and staff.



On Wednesday, May 2, our Kindergarten students for the 2012/2013 school year and their families met in the school gym to meet one another, listen to a story read aloud by their future teacher Miss Carpenter, and play at various activities spread throughout the space. Each new West St. Paul student left with a gift bag containing a picture book, play dough, and a list of activities to keep them busy throughout the summer months. We look forward to seeing all our new students again this September.

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
					1 – Day 5 3000m at WKC (9-11 a.m.)	2
3	4 – Day 6 3000m Rain Date	5 – Day 1 EY Divisional Track & Field at WKC	6 – Day 2 MY Track & Field Provincials at U of M (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)	7 – Day 3 EY Divisional Track & Field Rain Date	8 – Day 4	9
10	11 – Day 5 Gr. 6 Slo-Pitch at GCCC (9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.) Volunteer Reception	12 – Day 6 Gr. 7 Slo-Pitch at GCCC (9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.)	13 – Day 1 MY Slo-Pitch Rain Date PIZZA DAY	14 – Day 2 Gr. 8 Slo-Pitch at GCCC (9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.)	15 – Day 3 MY Slo-Pitch Rain Date	16
17	18 – Day 4	19 – Day 5	20 – Day 6	21 – Day 1	22 – Day 2 West St. Paul's Got Talent (a.m.)	23
24	25 – Day 3 ADMIN DAY NO SCHOOL	26 – Day 4 TABLOID ACTIVITIES a.m. (K-5) SUNOVA DAY (MY)	27 – Day 5 BUMP UP DAY Middle Years Activity Days	28 – Day 6 Tabloid Activities Rain Date	29 – Day 1 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Assembly 8:30 a.m. EARLY DISMISSAL 11:00 a.m.	30

IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE...

June 11	Volunteer Reception – 1:00 p.m. in the Gym
June 22	West St. Paul's Got Talent (a.m.)
June 25	Administration Day – NO SCHOOL
June 26	Tabloid Day – Early Years (a.m.)
June 26	Sunova Day – Middle Years
June 27 & 28	Middle Years Activity Days
June 29	Last day of Classes – Assembly at 8:30 a.m. – EARLY DISMISSAL 11 a.m.

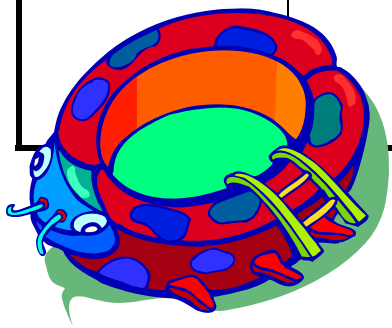
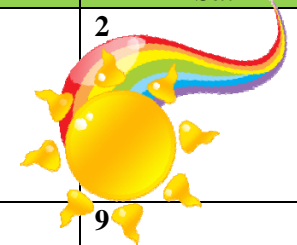
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Please note - dates and events are subject to change. Please visit our school website frequently for updates.

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WEST ST. PAUL COMMUNITY SCHOOL
Advancing Community Schools
Joey Robertson - Learning Support Teacher - Early Years
Cheryl Rajfur - Community Coordinator
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
PARENT/CHILD PROGRAMS						1	2	
3	4 Parent/Child Storytime 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. 3 – 5 years	5 Parent/Child Rhymes & More 9:15 – 10:30 a.m. 0 – 5 years	6	7	8	9		
10	11 Parent/Child Storytime 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. 3 – 5 years	12 Parent/Child Rhymes & More 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. 0 – 5 years	13	14	15	16		
17	HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!						22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30		



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West St. Paul School Website: <http://www.7oaks.org/school/weststpaul/Pages>

June 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
GS – Governor Semple RB – Riverbend ESOMS – Ecole Seven Oaks Middle School EP – Edmund Partridge FP – Forest Park					1 KYAC @ EP 6-9pm KYAC @ RB 6-9pm	2 KYAC @ ESOMS 1-5pm
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17	←	---	20 Prepping for SUMMER KYAC!!!	---	→	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> KYAC Summer Rotary Leadership Circle Interviews!! </div>						

JUNE INFO

KYAC is FREE all school year long!

Important Dates:

NO KYAC @ Riverbend on June 8th

Saturday June 16th is the last day of KYAC during the school year!!

Summer program info → July 2nd – August 10th 2012!! 9:30AM-4:30PM

We will be going around schools in June to make presentations! Watch out for us!

Summer Rotary Leadership Circle is looking for youth leaders (10-15 years old) looking to volunteer and become better people!

How would you make Winnipeg a 'greener' place??? Submit your answer and application to kyac@7oaks.org

Check out our website: <http://www.7oaks.org/Programs/KYAC/Pages/default.aspx>

Summer registration forms will be available!!

Register w/ KYAC - Email us kyac@7oaks.org for more details!**

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Subject to cancel if there are not enough participants

'Like' our page on facebook, search: KYAC

Follow us on twitter → @kyac7oaks for daily updates

For more information, contact Pierre Feng, KYAC Program Coordinator, at 586-0327 or by email at pierre.feng@7oaks.org.

KYAC SUMMER

KYAC summer drop-in information:

When: July 3rd - August 10th

Where: Ecole Seven Oaks Middle School (800 Salter)
AND Edmund Partridge (1874 Main Street)

Who: Children/Youth ages 8-17

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Drop in is free but the field trips have a small fee.

Rotary Leadership Circle is running once again and are looking for youth volunteers (ages 10-15).

Summer registration forms and RLC documents are found here:

<http://www.7oaks.org/PROGRAMS/KYAC/Pages/default.aspx>



Spend your summer at Oak Hammock Marsh!

Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre is offering week-long camps for children ages 5–13 in July and August. Camp is filled with fun indoor- and outdoor-themed activities that could include scavenger hunts, canoe adventures, outdoor cooking and nature crafts. For more information on weekly themes or to register a camper please visit:

<http://www.oakhammockmarsh.ca>

or call (204) 467-3300

Susan Auch



Speed Skating School

13, 15, 17 August 2012

Canlan Ice Sports Arena
1871 Ellice Avenue

Contact sas3@shaw.ca to register.