

Dr. George Johnson Middle School Newsletter

May 2010

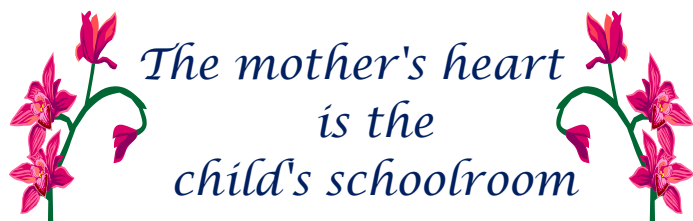
Principal: Mr. Jim Gibbs

Our school is a place where all students can achieve success.

WEBSITE: www.esd.mb.ca/schools/gjms/

Important Dates for May

- May 7-** Divisional Badminton Tournament
- May 9-** *Happy Mother's Day!!!!*
- May 11-** RCMP vs Students Floor Hockey
- May 11 –** K-Kids Fundraiser (Chili)
- May 12 –**K-Kids visit the Gimli Animal Shelter
- May 10-** Hi Lites Concert @ 7:00 p.m. at GHS
- May 14-** Deadline for School of Choice Applications
- May 17-** Early Dismissal 2:00 p.m.
- May 18 –** K-Kids visit the Gimli Animal Shelter
- May 18-** PAC Meeting @ 7:00pm
- May 24-** Victoria Day (No Classes)
- May 25 -**Kids visit the Gimli Animal Shelter
- May 25 –** Gr. 8 Drama production of Cinderella (at Gimli Theater)
- May 26 –** Culture Day
- May 27-** French is Fun Conference(Gr.7 & 8)
- May 27-** Pizza Day
- May 28-** School Planning Day (no classes)



Principal's Message

The arts are front and center at our school this month. May, is of course, the time the annual Evergreen Festival of the Arts takes place and many of our students will be taking part in that competition.

At the same time our grade eight students are busy rehearsing for the May 25th production of "A Cinderella Story". During the evenings of the productions we will also be presenting a Showcase of student work which will include student art work along with other examples of exemplary student work.

On May 26 we will share and celebrate the great diversity of cultures in the world, our country, and our community during Culture Day. There will be student made displays to view set up in the gym and a wonderful variety of entertainment in the afternoon including our local Ukrainian Dancers, as well as Hawaiian, Chinese and Latin Dancers.

The benefits of the arts are well known to both parents and educators in such areas as the development of confidence and an outlet for creativity. Some studies even link arts education with improved academic achievement. Please join for both of these amazing events.

Mr. Gibbs

News from the Library



Manitoba Day

May 12 is Manitoba Day and this year we celebrate our 140th anniversary as a province. Manitoba Day is a time for us to remember our heritage and imagine our future. Please take some time to celebrate our shared strengths and values and to appreciate our rich history.

The New Iceland Heritage Museum invites everyone to share in their Manitoba Day Celebrations.



Grade 6 Band Instrument Testing & Rental Night

On June 17th at 4:00p.m. in the library, Long & McQuade and St. John's Music will be at Dr. George Johnson Middle School. Any students taking band next year in grade 7 will have an opportunity to come to our testing and rental night. You will be contacted to set up an appointment time. If, however, you have a preferred time please call the school at 642-8581.

The Book Fair was a great success. Thanks to the support of parents and students, we were able to add new resources to the library and classrooms.

Callie Biggar won the Family Draw of \$25 for herself and \$25 of classroom resources for Mrs. Grimolfson's class.

All classes took part in the Poetry Café held in the library this month. My thanks to the teachers, students and staff for your participation. Hope you enjoyed it!

More students have been added to the 100+ Club which is related to the Accelerated Reading Program. Congratulations to those students and to all the students who are reading and taking the quizzes.

"Learning is weightless, a treasure you can always carry easily". Chinese Proverb.
Books are also an easy load.

Have a good May!

Mrs. LeBlanc

French is Fun Conference

Thursday, May 27th
Students from Grades 7 and 8.

Congratulations!!!

Sarah Dowsett and Adriana Todaro who competed in the "27th Annual Canadian Parents for French Concours d'Art Oratoire" on Saturday, May 1, 2010. Your courage and commitment is greatly admired!

Félicitations les filles!

Madamé Vermeulen

Stress Management Workshop



One hour session about Stress Management,
Facilitated by Sherry MacVicar
Anxiety Disorder Association of
Manitoba.

What is stress?

How is it good and bad?

What causes stress?

The effects of stress, and resources
that are out there.

Thursday May 6th 7pm- 9pm
Riverton Friendship Centre 53 Laura Ave

Call Melissa @ 642-8264 to register
and for more information.
The Interlake Women's Resource Centre

EARLY DISMISSAL

Please Note:

The Evergreen School Division 2010-2011 Calendar will be included with the June report card. This Calendar provides information regarding the 6 Day Cycle, Admin/PD Days, Holidays and Early Dismissal Days.

Presenting

@ Cinderella Story

and

First Annual Art Show and Silent Auction

Place: Gimli Theatre

Date: May 25th, 2010

For reserved seating call
642-8581

Ask for Mrs. Croy or Mrs. Stouffer
Two Shows

4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Concession will be open
Watch the True Story about
Cinderella
and

Make a silent auction bid on your
favorite piece of stain glass art
Made by the students of
Dr. George Johnson School

Culture Day

May 26, 2010

A fantastic display of
heritage, history, traditions
and

Entertainment

Local Ukrainian Dancers and
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