

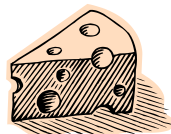


# Winnipeg Beach School

## March 2011

### Newsletter

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#### FUNDRAISING

We are excited about our upcoming BOTHWELL CHEESE fundraiser. Forms will be going home on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> with students. Orders need to be in by March 21<sup>st</sup> and delivery date is April 6<sup>th</sup>. This is the second fundraiser organized by the school this year. **All proceeds will go towards our year end field trips.** Thank you for your anticipated support.



#### THANK YOU

- To Lyndsey from Manitoba Gymnastics who worked with our Kindergarten to Grade 6 classes.
- To our I Love to Read visitors: Penny Ross (ESD), Peter Bjornson (MLA), Brian Richardson (actor/parent), and Roza Gray (ESD).
- To Peter Bjornson for his donation of books to our library.
- To Laura Korolyk for helping out with the grade 5, 6, 7 boys basketball.
- To Brenda and Bill Henderson for faithfully showing up every morning to help with the Breakfast Program.
- To the "100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Association" for their



donation of \$82.00 to our Breakfast Program.

- To our three Educational Assistant practicum students who have been working in our building over the last month: Chantel Zelenitsky, Joanne White and Michelle Hyrnyk.
  - To all the parents that helped out with this month's field trips.
  - To the Parent Council for their time and effort with fundraising/volunteering over the last few months. You really make a difference!
  - To the Parent Council for all the yummy treats during Staff Appreciation Week.
  - To February's fun lunch volunteers.
  - To Joanne Wereta for helping out on our immunization afternoon and with tidying up the paper room.
- To WBS staff that organized the "I Love to Read" events for this month.

#### SPRING BREAK

Just a reminder that Spring Break starts at 3:30 Friday, March 25. Students return to school Monday, April 4. We hope that your family is able to spend some quality time together and that the weather cooperates!

## BIG BUCKS AND GENEROSITY

A special thank you to the Parent Council for their generous donation to the school of \$2000.00. We matched those funds and were able to purchase the following:

- Learning Carpet (math tool);
- 8 person listening center;
- Yoga mats;
- Bells for the music program; and
- Kitchen supplies for student cooking projects.

## SUMMER CAMP - \$25!!!!?

That's right, you can send your child to a camp of your choice for as little as \$25.00. **The Sunshine Fund** is set up to provide financial assistance to financially challenged families to send their children to summer camp. Application forms and more information are available through the school or at [www.mbcamping.ca](http://www.mbcamping.ca).



## SCIENCE SHOWCASE

Thank you to all the families that participated in our Science Showcase Tuesday night. We had over 206 people attend (62 Families). They were able to view projects and science activities in all our classrooms.

The draw prize of a family pass to the Museum of Man and Nature/Science Gallery/Planetarium was won by **Shawn and Rachelle Anniuk's family**. Congratulations!

Some of our students will be going on to the **Divisional Science Showcase** to represent our school. They are:

Grade 4 Zachary W.

Grade 5: Matthew L.  
Jeremy M.  
Ben K.  
Georgia L.  
Jakob H.

Grade 6: Bee E.  
Alyssa N.  
Carley M.  
Alex A.  
Jack E.

Grade 7: Liam M.  
Abby H.  
Braydon W.  
Ryley K.

It will be held:

**Tuesday, March 8 - 10:30 - 2:00**

**Dr. George Johnson Middle School, Gimli**

The public is welcome to attend.



## WINTER ACTIVITY DAY

We will be having an afternoon of aboriginal and voyageur games on Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. We are in need of volunteers to walk around with groups/help with the different stations. If you can help out, please leave your name with Ms. Desimpelaere at the office (389-2176).

## STUDENT INVOLVED CONFERENCES

Just a reminder to keep your calendars open on April 13 and 14 (evenings) and on April 15 (morning) for your child's upcoming conference. Appointment sheets will go home Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. The **Scholastic Book Fair** will be here that same week.

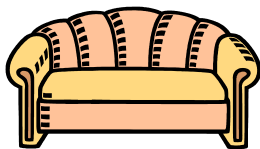


## WINNIPEG BEACH ALL-STARS

During the week of April 4 - 8 all students in Kindergarten to Grade 7 will be participating in the "Winnipeg Beach All-Stars". This week long activity is aimed at promoting self-esteem, building relationships and celebrating strengths. On Monday students will complete a survey about all the different ways they can be smart. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday they will complete "All About Me" posters/sheets. On Friday they will share these in multi-age groups and celebrate learning about each other with a small snack.

## WANTED!

Does anyone have a gently used couch or love seat to donate to the school? The couch must be in good condition, clean and suitable for school use. If you can help or if you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Berthaudin at the school 389-2176.



## CONGRATULATIONS

- To the seven Winter Weekend Poster Contest winners sponsored by Salty's (they each received a gift bag).
- To all our I Love to Read Month winners (students won posters and "book fair" bucks).
- To the classes who met the balloon reading challenge and celebrated on Wednesday.
- To all WBS students for reading over **3170 books** this month!!!
- To the **Gimli Major and Minor Atom Hockey teams** for making it

to the provincials in Roblin and Birtle this coming weekend. We wish you all the best. Winnipeg Beach School students on the Gimli Major Atom team are Ben and Cameron. Students on the Gimli Minor Atom team are Lane, Jersey, Joseph and Dalas. The last time that both Major and Minor teams were at provincials was 20 years ago!!!

## MORNING DROP OFF

With the cold temperatures continuing we want to remind all families that supervision begins at 8:35 a.m. regardless of whether it is indoor or outdoor supervision. Please ensure that your children are not dropped off prior to that time. Thank you for your assistance with this.



## WINNIPEG BEACH YOUTH CURLING

Our curling season will come to an end next week with the year-end bonspiel. Bonspiel games will take place on Wednesday, March 9, Friday, March 11 and Saturday, March 12. Complete draw information has been distributed to all curlers.

Again this year all participating curlers will receive a prize just for curling! Join us at the Curling Club on one of the curling days if you have some spare time.

## RUSSELL'S WORLD

On February 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Kindergarten to Grade 6 classes took a field trip to Manitoba Theatre for Young People. The play was called "Russell's World". Russell

and his mom have moved to a new city. Russell misses his friends, and at home he conjures up exciting encounters in outer-space and has high sea adventures with pirates. Russell's imagination runs wild as his teddy bear and coat come alive. Russell's choices help him grow and face his fear of rejection by his new friends. This play reminds us all of how much fun it is to use our imagination, be creative, and how we can overcome our fears with support and encouragement.

Everyone enjoyed this play as you could hear lots of giggles, and see lots of smiles. Everyone's curiosity was evident as our students asked many great questions after the play. What a wonderful day!



### **PROJECT LOVE**

The Grade 6 Builders' Club world service project is aptly named Project Love, and through it we're sending small kits of basic school supplies to impoverished children in Haiti and Malawi. We'd like to send as much as possible, so our appeal has gone out to all the families who may have items to contribute. Please send in any donations (items or money) before March 15<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for your support.



### **EVERGREEN FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS**

Our next Evergreen Festival of the Arts will soon be here. This year's festival will run from April 18 to May 9, 2011. Complete program information will be in our next newsletter. But we do know that this year's festival classes are as follows:

- Piano at Arborg Ardal – Geysir Lutheran Church – April 18 to 20

- Instrumental at Gimli George Johnson Middle School and Gimli Johnson Hall, Waterfront Centre – April 21
- Speech at Wpg. Beach Our Lady of the Lake Church - April 25 – 27
- Dance at Gimli Sigurbjorg Stefansson Early School - April 28
- Orff at Riverton Early / Middle School - April 29
- Vocal/Choral at Gimli Lutheran Church - May 2 – 4
- Hi-Lites Concert at Gimli High School - May 9

## **News from Around the School**



### **NEWS FROM KINDERGARTEN**

February is over and with it, a busy month in the Kindergarten room. During February we had numerous guests and presentations. The Kindergartens made paper with a special guest, tumbled and rolled during a special gymnastics presentation, threw rocks during our "Rocks and Rings" indoor curling day, and giggled while watching "Russell's World" at MTYP. We had a variety of guest readers visit our classroom for I Love To Read Month; one who told us all about Aboriginal artifacts like teepees and drums. She also told us about certain animals like eagles, bears, bison, and wolves that were very important to First Nations people. We reached our goal of filling not 5 but 6 large balloons during our reading challenge. We are looking forward to our ice cream treat on March 2<sup>nd</sup> to celebrate our success in meeting the challenge.

## NEWS FROM GRADE 1 - 2

On Tuesday, February 22, 2011, our class celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. Students worked through various activities that focused on the numeral 100. Some of the activities were:

- Measuring 100 pennies;
- Weighing 100 pennies;
- Finding many different ways to make \$1.00 using different coins;
- Building a 100 piece puzzle;
- Counting how many pushups can be done in 100 seconds;
- Making a 100 day crown to wear;
- Dot to dots - counting by 5's and 10's to 100;
- Building a structure 100 cm tall;
- Drawing a self portrait of what you would look like at 100 years old; and
- Making a necklace that was 100 fruit loops long.

Also in the spirit of citizenship the Grade 1-2 class will be leading our school in a fundraising event for the Rainbow Society, in the month of March. The Rainbow Society is a 100% Manitoba non-profit, charitable organization dedicated to fulfilling an once-in-a-lifetime dream for Manitoba children battling a life-threatening illness.

Everyone who donates a loonie to the Rainbow Society will receive a Wear Green for a Dream sticker and a chance to enter their name to win 1 of 3 \$100 Chapters gift cards for their school library! We hope everyone will support this worthy cause on **Monday, March 14.**



## NEWS FROM GRADE 2 - 3

Our class has been very busy celebrating "I Love to Read" month. Every day, we listened for the horn sound, because that would be the signal to stop what we were doing and read a book. We had Mrs. Gray, Ms. Ross, Mr. Bjornson and Mr. Richardson as guest readers and they shared some of their favorite stories. We partnered up with the Grade 6's for buddy reading and on February 23, we attended the play "Russell's World" at MTYP which the students thoroughly enjoyed. We wrapped up the celebration with an ice-cream party.

We also had our ArtSmarts wrap-up celebration with Heidi and Raye. The Grade 2-3 class and the Grade 5 class got together and shared their artwork and stories. After both classes presented their work, students then were treated to cake and a drink.



## NEWS FROM GRADE 4

February was an exciting month for students as it was "I Love to Read" month. Students enjoyed participating in daily activities that helped encourage them to celebrate reading. Some of the activities students participated in were reading challenges, daily special trigger sounds to stop and read, guest readers in the school, mystery readers, and buddy reading with the grade seven class. Students met their reading goal challenge, which was to fill in the balloon display in the hallway and therefore will be rewarded with an ice-cream party this week. Students also enjoyed the K-6 field trip to MTYP, to watch the play called Russell's World written by Herbie Barnes.

## **NEWS FROM GRADE 5**

The Grade 5's have been and will continue to be quite busy with different 'projects'.

We ended up fundraising \$481.22 for the Gimli Humane Society and we'll be presenting the cheque sometime in early March.

Also as part of our K-Kids program we had planned on visiting the Senior's Home around Valentine's Day, but it has been pushed back to March 9<sup>th</sup>.

Our ArtSmarts windup took place Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup> where we and the grade 2-3 class got to share what we had done as part of our ArtSmarts program, while enjoying drinks and cake afterwards.

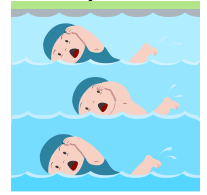
We've been doing lots of work at home to get ready for the school's Science Showcase on Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Our class has gone to Camp Arnes every Monday morning of 2011 and March 14<sup>th</sup> will be our last Monday morning as part of Evergreen School Division's swimming program.

We've recently went on field trips to the Manitoba Theatre for Young People and the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra and have two more field trips planned for March where we'll be going to the Mennonite Heritage Village (16<sup>th</sup>) and then to Fort Whyte Centre (17<sup>th</sup>).

We've also all entered an individual poem in the Festival of Arts (late April) to go along with the two class poems that we'll be doing.

As you can tell, the Grade 5's have had a lot on their plates and I'm sure the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the school year will be just as productive and busy.



## **NEWS FROM GRADE 6**

The past month has been a whirlwind of "I Love to Read" activities, trips to the MB Theatre for Young People and the Symphony. Our preparations for the WBS Science Showcase have given our classroom a look that's "out of this world", or our solar system, to be exact. With many other individual projects to complement our display, we were excited to share our creations with you on March 1<sup>st</sup>!



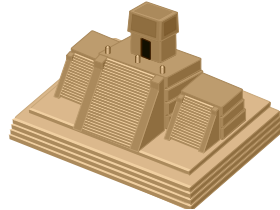
## **NEWS FROM GRADE 7**

Grade 7 students have been busy designing and constructing a frame, mass or shell structure for our Structures unit in Science. All models, along with an accompanying explanatory sheet, will be on display for our Science night on March 1<sup>st</sup>. From all appearances much care and thought has gone into the design and building of the structures!

We have just finished our Integers unit in Mathematics. Integers (positive and negative numbers) are relatively new for Grade 7 students so learning how to add and subtract, and even multiply and divide, can be a challenge. The work we do in Grade 7, though, gives students a firm foundation for the complexity of Mathematics in Grade 8 and beyond.

We recently attended a performance by the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra. And upcoming are trips to the Fort Whyte Centre on March 17<sup>th</sup> and a visit to the Manitoba Theatre for Young People to see the play Circus Incognitus on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

And of course we continue to be busy learning in the classroom!



### **NEWS FROM THE GYM**

This month I am looking forward to preparing the students for a dance piece for Festival of the Arts. This requires a lot of practice focus and team work. I will balance this with some fun aerobic games and activities. Middle years will be learning about the skills of badminton.

The students really enjoyed having Lyndsay from Gymnastics Manitoba share some fun activities from the Up, Down and All Around Gymnastics program.

K-4 students also enjoyed participating in the Rocks and Rings program. All students learned about the sport of curling and got to practice sweeping and throwing rocks. Gr. 2-4 ended their session with a mini style tournament. The students were very enthusiastic and definitely got into the spirit of the game! Thank you to the student engagement grant for sponsoring this event.

Thank you to Penny Ross for helping me organize the Aboriginal Games for our students.



### **March Lunch Gym Activities**

Monday	Boys Badminton	Gr. 6/7
Tuesday	Girls Club	Gr. 6
Wednesday	Girls Badminton	Gr. 5/6/7
Thursday	Yoga	Gr. K-4
Friday	Boys Badminton	Gr. 4/5

### **Additional Activities**

Mon-Fri Running Recess K-2  
(am recess- on indoor recess days)

Mon-Fri Basketball Gr. 2-3  
(pm recess – on indoor recess days)

### **Basketball Teams**

Girls' Practice Tuesday 3:35-5:00  
Boys' Practice Mon. & Thurs. 3:35-5:00

Divisionals will be held on March 11<sup>th</sup>. The basketball season will end after this date, so there will be no after school practices after this time.

### **NEWS FROM MUSIC**

It has been a busy time in the music room this month. The Grades 5-7 students enjoyed a trip to the Centennial Concert Hall to listen to the WSO on Feb.24. Our students were very attentive and well behaved!

We are beginning to work towards festival. All students are entered in music classes; Grades 1-5 in both choral and Orff. Band students should be practicing their two selections 20 minutes a day, five days a week in preparation for their festival competition at the end of April. The end of the year Band Concert has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at GHS.

For those who want a copy of the Christmas Concert, please send your child with a blank CD rather than a DVD.

Mrs. Janice Arnason  
Music/Band teacher



## News from Parent Council

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Parent Advisory Council  
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Tricia Witt, President  
[wbspac@gmail.com](mailto:wbspac@gmail.com)

The next PAC meeting is:

**March 15, 2011**

**at 6:30 p.m. in the school library**

All parents and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### FUNDRAISING UPDATES:

#### 1. MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

Thanks to all who attended the Peak of the Market Fundraiser on Sunday February 27. We were able to make 9428 boxes (WOW!!) and earned \$754.24 for Parent Council initiatives.



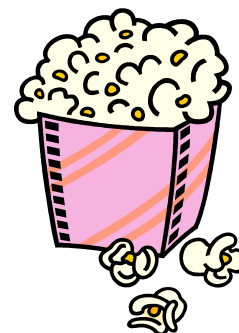
Thank you to the following people for helping out with this fundraiser:

- Cheryl & Danika Zelenitsky
- Florence McIntyre
- Kristine & Josh Maisey
- Christina Ambrose
- Chris & Brady Sage
- Lindsey Ambrose
- Tracey Sanderson
- Lori Friesen
- Avery Welby
- Alicia Strylytski
- Pat Sanderson
- Dana & Jayda LaRocque
- Nancy & Alexis Bahuaud
- Megan Sargent
- Carley Prawdzik
- Markus & Tricia Witt
- Autumn & Calista Witt



#### 2. KERNELS POPCORN FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all the families who participated in this fundraiser. We were able to bring in \$539.49!!!



### 3. PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

The Wonderful Winter Weekend Pancake Breakfast sponsored by PAC raised \$407.10.

Thank you to the following people for helping out with this fundraiser:

- Melanie & Kaitlin Weidl
- Christina Ambrose
- Joanne Wereta
- Tricia, Markus, Autumn & Calista Witt
- Megan Sargent
- Dana LaRocque
- Krista Wysocki & Braydon Wolochatiuk



### 4. VALENTINE'S DAY FAMILY DANCE

Despite alarm bells, fire trucks and cold temperatures, many families were able to come out and enjoy an evening of fun.

Thank you to the following people for helping out with this event:

- Cynthia Weidl, Teagan
- Deb & Barry Matkowski
- Corinne & Raquelle Robidoux
- Megan Sargent
- Carly Prawdzik
- Dana LaRocque
- Christina Ambrose
- Kathie Ford
- Kristine Maisey
- Melanie & Kaitlin Weidl
- Brenda Henderson
- Michelle Hrynyk
- Tricia & Markus Witt
- Mrs. Rudd
- Mrs. Berthaudin
- Keith-Caretaker
- The Winnipeg Beach Fire Department



### 5. FUN LUNCHESES

A thank you to our Fun Lunch Committee members that take turns planning, shopping and serving fun lunches:

- Tricia Witt
- Siobjaun Henry
- Laura Korolyk
- Dana LaRocque
- Christina Ambrose
- Lyndsey Ambrose
- Kristine Maisey
- Brenda Henderson
- Kathie Ford
- Tara Dubois
- Lisa Adam

## News from the Community

### PUBLIC SWIMMING

Public swimming is offered at Misty Lake Lodge on Sundays from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$5.00 per person or \$18.00 per family (4 or more). We will be holding a spring session for swimming lessons. Registration information will be available later this month. For more information call Alanna at 642-6670.



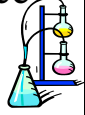







### GHS DRAMA CLUB

On March 15 and 16 the Gimli High School Drama Club will be presenting "Dracula". Show times are 1:00 and 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$2.00 for students and \$5.00 for adults.



## MARCH AT WINNIPEG BEACH SCHOOL

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 Science Showcase 	2	3	4 Song Workshop with Brian Richardson 11:20 – 11:50 
7 Anti-Bullying Activities and Discussions  Gr. 5 Swimming	8 Evergreen Divisional Science Showcase 	9	10	11 Boys and Girls Basketball Divisionals 
14 - Anti-Bullying Activities and Discussions - Wear Green for a Dream Charity Fundraiser - Gr. 5 Swimming (Last Day)	15 Aboriginal Presentation Gr. 5, 6, 7  PAC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16 Grade 5 and 6 Field Trip to the Mennonite Village  	17 Grade 5 to 7 Field Trip to Fort Whyte  St. Patrick's Day  	18 Kindergarten to Grade 4 Field Trip to Oak Hammock Marsh  
21 Anti-Bullying Activities and Discussions  Early Dismissal 1:45 p.m.	22	23  	24 Winter Activity Day (p.m. only)	25 Spring Break Starts 3:30 p.m.  