MITCHELL MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER



Principal's Message

Personal Devices - Reminder Grade 5s and 6s

Students are encouraged to keep their personal devices at home. If they do decide to bring one to school they are expected to keep it in their backpack, pocket and not take it out in the school during the school day.

Grade 7s and 8s

It is important that we teach kids how to use these devices as something that can help them with school and when they get to high school it's something they can have at school as a resource to support learning.

Grade 7 and 8 students can bring personal devices to school and if the classroom teacher allows, they can use them in class to help with their work. If these devices become a distraction, teachers will ask students to put the devices away or leave them with the teacher for the rest of the period/day (for the rest of the day if it's a repeated issue). Parents may be asked to come pick up devices if they become a bigger distraction. Students are NOT required to bring personal devices and must have parent permission to do so.

Some important things that we will make sure kids are aware of are:

-no personal devices used in bathrooms/change rooms

-stay off social media sites while in class (Facebook, Snapchat etc. – lots of these apps

have a minimum age of 13 so technically most of our kids shouldn't have accounts yet...) music/headphones only to be used in class with teacher permission only (not in the halls at all) -Students who use their device at school are bound by the HSD Acceptable Use Policy that parents and kids sign upon registration to our school. Logging into the school network) Wi-Fi means that online activity can be reviewed if necessary.

Students who stay at school for lunch

All students who stay at school for lunch must stay on school property at all times. If a student, who typically stays at school for lunch, must leave school property for any reason, a note from home must be given to homeroom teachers before 9 AM the day of the request.

It is important that our students are respectful and responsible when walking in the community and are positive community members.

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Change of Address:

We ask that you inform our office of a new mailing address, email address, phone number, and any

other changes <u>as soon as possible</u>. It is very important that we have up-to-date information on file.

Notes from the Music Room

We enjoyed a very busy April, with many students taking part in exciting special music events!

April 13^{\pm} and 14^{\pm} – Grade 8 Band students Vaughn, Wyatt and Taryn took part in the Eastman/Interlake Honour Band! Congratulations!

April 23rd - A wonderful concert put on by St. James-Assiniboia Jr. Honour Choir: 45 Grade 7 and 8 students from 6 different schools in St. James-Assiniboia School Division, under the direction of Mrs. Gabi Gallo.

April 25^{th} – A group of Grade 5 students took part in "Manitoba Orff - Children's Day" in Winnipeg – what a great day!

Thursday, April 26th - Our Grade 7 Band will travelled to Winnipeg and took part in the Level One Band Festival held on the CMU campus. and enjoyed a quick lunch stop at St. Vital Mall.

Coming Events:

Friday, June 1st (8:00am) to Sunday, June 3rd

Grade 7 and 8 Band trip to International Peace Gardens, south of Brandon. Students will enjoy a wonderful weekend of music-making and getting to know their future SRSS classmates who are currently in Clearspring Middle School and Stoneybrook Middle School. Our final fundraiser (selling Booster Juice coupons) has wrapped up, and we are almost ready to go!

* A parent-information night will be announced shortly for all families who are sending children on this overnight learning trip. Watch for an email with the date and time.

June 14th and June 22nd -

International Drummer Jay Stoller will be here for 2 full days offering African Drumming Workshops for our Grade 5 and 6 music students. This exciting opportunity is taking place in lieu of students attending the spring Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra Concert this vear.

Wednesday, June 20th -

Choir Exchange! Bothwell Grade 7 and 8 Choir students will be here at MMS for an afternoon of Collaboration and Fun, beginning at 2:25. Our MMS and Bothwell choirs will have a chance to perform for each other, as well as learn a new piece together. Parents are welcome to attend!

Summer Camps

To date we have received brochures from Camp Arnes, Camps With Meaning, and Roseau River Bible Camp. These can be picked up at the school office.

Parent Council

If you have any questions or concerns please contact one of the PAC members.

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Red River College - Steinbach Campus

Red Cross Babysitting Course — GENI-IOIO

This course is designed to prepare adolescents 11 years of age and older for babysitting. Participants will learn important child care skills, safety tips for children of all ages, how to cope with common problems, how to make the children's environment safe and enjoyable, some great games and what to do in case of an emergency. Students need to bring a doll or teddy bear, pencil and eraser and a lunch. Students will need to be signed in and out by an adult. ***Tuition: \$59,00**

Date: Thursday, June 28, 2018

Time: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

**Please REGISTER in person or by phone minimum 5 business days prior. <u>Phone Payment</u>: Credit Card <u>In-Person Payment</u>: Cash, Cheque, Debit or C/C

Health Walk 2018

The Ste Anne Hospital Fund's 4th annual Health Walk is Saturday, June 2nd, 10:30am at the Ste Anne Hospital. This fundraising event includes a 4km walk, followed by a FREE BBQ lunch with outdoor activities for all ages. Registration is free! There are great prizes for participants who raise the most money! Participants are invited to register online at www.fondshopitalsteanne.ca

May						2018
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		Day 2 Day Wonder	2 Day 3	3 Day 4	4 Day 5	5
		HSD Board Meeting (Public)	Sub Sandwich \$4.75	Booster Juice \$4.50	Pepperoni Cheese Pizza \$2.00	
6	7 Day 6	8 Day 1	9 Day 2	10 Day 3	11 Day 4	12
		Day Wonder	Sub Sandwich \$4.75		Ham & Pineapple Pizza \$2.00	
13	14 Day 5	15 Day 6	16 Day 1	17 Day 2	18 Day 3	19
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			Sub Sandwich \$4.75		Pepperoni & Bacon Pizza \$2.00	
20	21	22 Day 4	23 Day 5	24 Day 6	25 Day 1 Day Wonder	26
	Victoria Day				Selkirk Track Meet	
	No Classes		Sub Sandwich \$4.75		Steak & Cheese Pizza \$2.00	
27	28 Day 2	29 Day 3	30 Day 4	31 Day 5		
∠		Round 2 Immunizations 9:30 am	Sub Sandwich \$4.75	MMS Track & Field (Rain Date)		