

#### Winter is here!

Please be sure that your student is dressed for the weather! Some days may start out warm and get colder or vice versa. We will be outside if the temperature and/or windchill is above -20C.

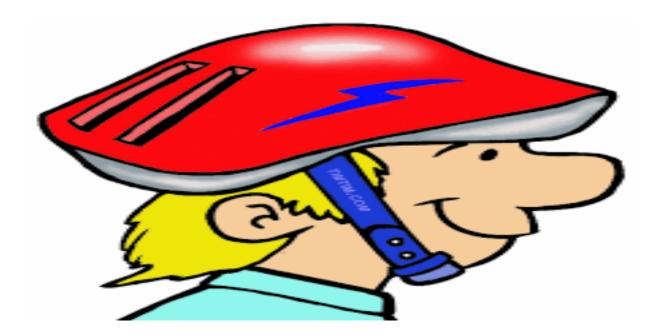


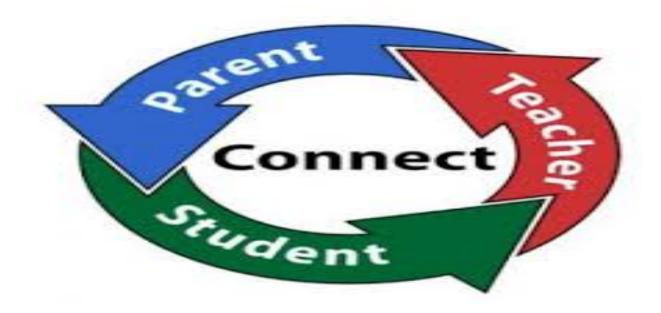
Winter Fun!

Weather permitting we will be having fun in the snow. Please be sure that your child is dressed for cold weather - warm coat, mitts, hat, scarf, snow pants.

If students are building forts - we will ask other students to leave those forts alone. If a fort is marked by an orange cone during recess and lunch, students are wanting to continue their work on it and other students need to leave it alone.

We will also have places marked for sliding down the hill with sliders. Students, who want to use **sliders**, need to bring and wear **helmets** for safety.





# Parent-Teacher Interviews/ Early Dismissal Days

**November 20th** and **21st** are Early Dismissal Days. Teachers will be sending home notes about Parent-Teacher Interviews. Please sign up for a time if possible or make alternate arrangements. Many teachers are doing Student Lead Conferences this term - Students will show their parents the assignments and projects they have been working on this term and parents will also have the opportunity to speak with the teacher.



#### **Book Fair**

This year our Book Fair will be held at the annex. Be sure to drop by and look over all the exciting books we have to offer. With Christmas time coming, they make great gifts.

Each teacher has a "wish list" of books if anyone wished to support reading in the classroom by donating some books to the class library.



**November 27th Assembly** 

On **November 27th at 1:30 p.m.** we will be having our monthly assembly. This month we have been looking for the trait of **Curiosity**. Teachers will let you know if your student is receiving an award this month.



**Christmas Concert - December 17th** 

The annual Christmas Concert will be held on **December 17th** at **7 p.m.** Students will need to be ready and present by **6:30.** We are hoping to be at Unchaga Hall, if the renovations are finished. If they are not, we will be performing at Central Middle School.



# Money for the Rainforest

Thank you to everyone who supported our bake sale for the rainforest. We raised \$190! That's awesome! The money will be donated to Rainforest Alliance to help protect the rainforest and the animals that live there.

From: Miss Fraser's Class



# Next PAC Meeting December 5th at 6:30 p.m.

Come out to the PAC Meeting! Our Parent Advisory Council is an integral part of Crescent Park Elementary. Come out and meet other parents and be part of this active and vital part of your child's education. We meet in Mrs. McInnis' room.



#### **Coach Mentor**

Aboriginal Education Coach Mentors are in each school advocating for students with Aboriginal ancestry. They connect and build relationships with each child and with their families. They create short and long term goals (grade and grad coaching) and build confidence to help with academic success.

They also work collaboratively with teachers to make sure classrooms are culturally sensitive and culturally aware and create community so that each child has a sense of belonging. Trevor Heydens, Crescent Park Coach Mentor



Louis Riel Day

**November 16th** is the day when all Metis people acknowledge a most remarkable person in Metis history. That person is Louis Riel - the iconic leader of the Metis people. He represents all those courageous Metis who fought for basic human rights, not only for the Metis but also for the First Nations and all other Canadians. The dynamic Riel was a natural-born leader, whose life greatly influenced Canadian society and politics, the founding of Manitoba and the rights of Western Canadians.

#### Volunteering!

Volunteers are the life blood of our school and we welcome parental involvement. If you are new to volunteering, please make sure that you have a Criminal Record Check filed with the school. You can get one from Mrs. Kirtzinger in the school office.

## **Home Reading Program**

Reading is an important skill for all students. Did you know that if a child reads one book each school night, in this school year they would read 181 books? If a child reads 1 book every night (including weekends and holidays), they would read 365 books! Reading regularly helps develop reading skills and also increases a child's vocabulary and knowledge of many subjects. To encourage each student to read more and encourage a love of reading, Crescent Park school has a Home Reading Program. Each student will bring home a Home Reading Form. Each day, please read with your child for 15 minutes. You can read to them, or they can read to you or to another person. Then you can initial that the book was read on the form. Once a child has completed a form, they can return it to their classroom teacher, claim a prize, and get the next Home Reading Form. Thank you for participating in the Home Reading Program to help develop your child's reading skills and a love of reading.

## Rip's Cleats Donation - Finger Printing Kits

A big thank you to Rip's Cleats for their donation of finger printing kits to Kindergarten parents. Much appreciated!

#### **Dates to Remember:**

November 16 Louis Riel Day

November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Early Dismissal Days (1:36 dismissal)

November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Parent – Teacher Interviews / Book Fair

November 27<sup>th</sup> Monthly Assembly – Curiosity

November 29<sup>th</sup> NID

December:

December 5<sup>th</sup> PAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

December 17<sup>th</sup> Christmas Concert