

North Memorial School Newsletter

Assembly
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9:00 a.m.

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Code of Conduct

1. We treat the school and everyone in it with respect.
2. We come to school every day on time prepared to listen, learn, and complete all work.
3. We are a HANDS-OFF school.
4. We work together to make everyone in our school feel safe and happy.

Dedicated to the Pursuit of Excellence

Dear Parents:

On behalf of the North Memorial School staff I would like to wish each of you a Happy New Year!

Studies have proven that a large majority of learning takes place in the second term. They have also found that well rested students who attend school on a regular basis are the most successful. Implementing rules at home that support these attributes will benefit all students.

SCHOOL NEWS

New Staff

We would like to welcome Mr. Derek Coubrough to our school. He is an Educational Assistant that will be primarily working with students in the grade 4-6 area.

Swimming Dates

Grades 1 – 3 – **January 29th and February 19th**

Grades 4 – 6 – **January 22nd and February 17th**

Division Aboriginal Awareness Teacher

Mrs. Justine Copenanu-Bell has been hired by the Portage la Prairie School Division to promote aboriginal awareness in schools. She will be visiting North Memorial School **January 21st – February 17th**.

Her program is geared towards the grade 5 & 6 classes. However, being a small school all classes will have the opportunity to work with her. She will be introducing the Ojibway language, working in the Social Studies area, and may be doing some art.

Specific activities will be finalized once Mrs. Copenanu-Bell begins work at our school.

Pre-School

Daily preschool is offered from **1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**. Kindergarten and four year olds are encouraged to attend. Additional time at school will help increase school readiness.

For further information, please contact the school at **857-4564**.

Art Program

A reminder to parents that art classes have resumed. Grade 1-3 classes are scheduled on **Tuesday from 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.** and grade 4-6 classes are scheduled on **Thursday from 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.**

Manitoba Moose Rural School Days

The Manitoba Moose hockey club are offering discounted ticket prices for rural students for **Sunday, March 21st 2:00 p.m. game**. If you are interested in this event please contact the school at **857-4564**.

Participaction Take Action Report

This report, issued in November, 2009, “underlines the key role that family and peers play in influencing children and youth activity levels. Parent role modeling, friend support and attitudes have measurable impact on kids.

One study said 88% of parents think their kids get plenty of exercise but we know that only **13% of the kids are meeting Canada’s physical activity guidelines.**”

For more information regarding this report please log on to www.participACTION.com.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Portage & District Arts Centre Classes

Ukrainian Dance Class with instructor Helene Lucko for ages 4 to 16
starting on January 18 to April 12.

Other Classes Starting the Last Week of January and Early February

Young Digital Photographers (ages 9-12)
Young Potters on the Wheel (ages 8-12)
Young Artists Mixed Media (ages 8-16)
Sticky Fingers Art and Sticky Fingers Tell me a Story (ages 2-4)
Sticky Fingers da Vinci Meets Mozart (ages 3-5)
Vocal coaching (youth to adult)
Young Yoga with Parents (ages 3-5)

For further information or to register call 239-6029