



General Byng School

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March 2, 2026

Hello General Byng Families,

February's I Love to Read Month was a huge success. Many guest readers joined our classes including our School Resource Officer (SRO) from the Winnipeg Police who read to our Grade 6s and Her Honourable Anita Neville, Manitoba's Lieutenant Governor, who read to our Grade 8s. We also welcomed Vincent Massey Athletes: Captains of the Girls' and Boys' hockey teams, plus athletes from the Ultimate, Golf, Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Handball, Football, and Track teams.

Mr. Palka's grade 1/2 class along with Mr. Reimer's grade 8 class led this month's student-led assembly taught our students about UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) and what it means to be a UNESCO School. The 1/2P class created a movie to teach about UNESCO and then the 8R class shared the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals and shared how General Byng is attempting to achieve the SDGs (being socially just, conserving energy and water, composting, and much more) and challenged the school for ideas of what could we do in the future.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Sincerely,

Tracey Groening
Principal

Sarah Hampton
Vice-Principal

IMPORTANT DATES:

March 9	LAST CHANCE: Order Individual School Photos
March 20	Metro Common Day NO CLASSES
March 24	Class Group Photos
March 30 – April 3	Spring Break NO SCHOOL
April 10	Metro Common Day NO CLASSES
April 15	Celebration of Learning 4:00-5:30 pm
April 15	Middle Years (Grade 6-8) Open House 6:00 pm
May 18	Victoria Day NO SCHOOL
June 12	Metro Common Day NO CLASSES
June 22	Grade 8 Farewell Awards Ceremony (for families) 2:30 pm
June 22	Grade 8 Dinner and Activities (for students) 5:00 pm
June 24-26	Grade 6-8 Activity Days <i>*K-5 dates and activities are TBD</i>
June 29	Last Day of Classes

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (Byng PAC)

The next PAC meeting is happening **TODAY** March 2, 2026 at 6:00 pm. Please consider joining the conversation.

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER: Individual School Photos

If you did not order individual school photos, Edge Photography is opening up ordering until March 9th. Students who had their photo taken and did not order, will receive a “how to order” individualized brochure by Wednesday, March 4th. Please consider ordering.

Class photos will be taken on March 24th. Each student will receive a complimentary digital copy of the class photo. If you would like a printed version ordering will be available.

TERM 2 REPORT CARDS

This term’s report cards will be available online via Edsby on Wednesday, March 24.

REGISTRATION for 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Student information updates will be sent home at the beginning of April to ensure we have all returning student information in a timely manner to plan for the 26/27 school year.

SNACKS AT SCHOOL

We are seeing an increase in sugary snacks at school. We remind you that packed snacks should be nutritious and not include the following:

- Chocolate
- Suckers
- Soda Pop
- Energy Drinks

Middle years students who leave property over the lunch hour are also returning with an abundance of junk food/drinks, often handing it out in classes and in halls to other students. We ask that you speak to your child and discuss that treats (such as the ones listed above) should not be brought into classes.

As a staff, we will be reviewing this information at our teacher staff meeting on Wednesday and will be asking students who bring these snacks to class to put them away.

REMINDER: EXTRA CLOTHES

Soon the snow will begin to melt, so please remember to pack an extra pair of clothes (including socks) in case clothes get wet at recess.