October 6, 2025

Hello General Byng Families!

September was filled with excitement and anticipation as we welcomed our community back to school. We want to thank you for joining us in our Truth and Reconciliation Walk and take a moment to express our gratitude to River Nelson an Indigenous grass dancer who came to share a traditional dance with our school community. It was beautiful to see our community come together to reflect on our path towards truth and reconciliation.

Cross-Country events have taken place, and our gymnasium was packed with students wanting to explore volleyball! Classes are spending time learning outdoors and off-school property through class-led field trips. All our K-8 classes have been building relationships and exploring the curriculum in fun and exciting ways.

October has several important dates; please note the dates below.

Important Dates:

October 13	Thanksgiving Day NO SCHOOL
October 16	Tri-Conferences 4:30-7 PM
October 21	Tri-Conferences 4:30-7 PM

October 24 Metro Common Day: MTS PD NO CLASSES

November 5 Grade 6 Immunizations

November 10 Divisional Common Day NO CLASSES
November 11 Remembrance Day NO CLASSES

November 14 *NEW* Photo RETAKES *class photos will be done in the spring

December 5 Admin Day NO CLASSES
Dec. 22 – Jan. 2 Winter Break NO SCHOOL

January 30 Divisional Common Day NO CLASSES

February 6 Mobile Vision Clinic

February 13 Metro Common Day NO CLASSES
February 16 Louis Riel Day NO SCHOOL
March 20 Metro Common Day NO CLASSES

March 30 – April 3 Spring Break NO SCHOOL

April 10 Metro Common Day NO CLASSES

May 18 Victoria Day NO SCHOOL

June 12 Metro Common Day NO CLASSES

June 29 Last Day of Classes

June 30 Admin Day NO CLASSES

TRI-CONFERENCES

Sign-up for Tri-Conferences will be sent home later this week. Please sign-up to meet with your child's homeroom teacher and one additional specialist teacher (Phys. Ed., Art, Band, French) if you wish. Tri-Conference dates: Thurs. Oct 16 or Tues. Oct. 21 from 4:30-7:00 p.m.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

The October *Scholastic Book Clubs* flyer is available for students in the library or from their classroom teacher. The website to order and pay online is **scholastic.ca/bookclubs**. Ms Pal's students can use Class Code **RC1563322**, Ms Emmons's Class Code is **RC278096**, and all other students can use **RC478444**. The deadline for library orders is <u>October 18</u>. All purchases earn books and other resources for classrooms and the library!

DROP-OFF and PICK-UP

Reminder:

- According to City of Winnipeg (signage on site), our back lane is one-way traffic between the hours of 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM and 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.
- Access to the back lane is only available between 9:30 AM and 3:30 PM.
- Only General Byng staff, Prairie Children's Daycare staff and families will be granted access to the back lane between the hours of 8:30 AM and 9:30 AM.

Students should arrive at school as close to 9:10 (entry bell) as possible. Supervision is not provided prior to 9:10 am.

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

We would like to invite you to our first PAC meeting: TONIGHT: Mon. Oct 6 at 6:00 pm.