

Lincoln Middle School - Notes from the Office

Week of December 15th, 2023

Upcoming Early Dismissal Dates:

- Tuesday, Dec. 19th: Early dismissal day.
- Tuesday, January 9th: Early dismissal day.

Winter Holiday Break Approaching:

Know that a much-deserved break for both students and staff is fast approaching. The last day of school before the break for all SJASD students is on Friday, December 22nd. All schools will re-open on Monday, January 8th. We wish all our Lincoln families an enjoyable and safe holiday season.

Holiday Spirit Week:

Our Holiday Spirit Week as planned by our student committee is as follows. Do your best to be prepared for the upcoming theme days.

Monday, December 18th - Comfy Cozy PJ Day

Stay cozy and comfortable. Wear pyjamas, slippers, stuffies, and that makes you feel as relaxed as possible.

Tuesday, Dec. 19th - Rhyme Without Reason Day

Do your best to wear a costume that rhymes with a friend. The rhymes don't need to make sense. The more friends included on your rhyme the better!

Wednesday, Dec. 20th - Holiday Decoration Day

Ugly holiday sweaters, decorations, lights, holiday hats, holiday accessories, wear anything you can to dress as festive as possible!

Thursday, Dec. 21st - Elf vs Grinch vs Santa Day!

Grade 8's (Santas) are encouraged to wear red and/or santa hats. Grade 7's (Grinches) are encouraged to wear green clothing and anything "grinch-like". Grade

6's (Elves) are encouraged to wear red/white/green and anything "elf-like". We will be having a Lion's Mane Event Gym Blast on this afternoon!

Friday, Dec. 22nd – Happy New Years Day!

Dress as formal as possible and/or wear some Happy New Year themed items as if you're attending a New Years Eve party! Holiday themed events will be happening with all homerooms ... including a locker clean-out so we can start the new year fresh!

Lunch Supervisors Needed:

Do you want to be part of the Lincoln School community? We are looking to hire additional paid lunch supervisors to our dedicated team. Child abuse registry and criminal record checks will be required. For more information about hourly rates and terms of employment, please contact the school by email at lincoln@sjasd.ca or phone at 204-837-8397.

Parent Council News:

- Our Next Pizza Day happens on **THURSDAY (not Friday), December 21st**. Students can purchase slices for \$2.50 a slice in support of our Lincoln Parent Council. No preordering is required.
- Our next parent council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 9th at 6:00 pm in the Lincoln library. All are welcome to attend.

Winter Clothing:

- Students are expected to be outdoors everyday during lunch unless they are involved in a supervised extra-curricular club at lunch. Please ensure your child comes to school every daily with a proper jacket, outdoor footwear, toques, mitts, and more.

News from the Phys. Ed. Department

Stay informed of all Lincoln athletic team schedules and practices using the following link to our December Athletic calendar.

[Gym Calendar - December 2023.pdf](#)

Big Sand Winter Volleyball Camp

Beginning Monday, January 8th and running until the end of March.

Available to all girls 15 and under

3 practices a week: (All in the St. James area)

Monday. 7:00-8:30. Lincoln Middle School

Wednesday 7:00-8:30. Lincoln Middle School

Thursday 7:00-8:30. Lincoln Middle School

Looking at organizing some exhibition games.

Clothing package from Big Sand Clothing is included in the price.

Cost: \$600.00

(A little more cost friendly than club plus you get more practice time)

If interested, please contact Peter Roadley

proadley60@gmail.com

WINNIPEG WEST WINTER GIRLS VOLLEYBALL 2024

WHO: 2011 and 2012 girls looking to improve their volleyball skills with the intention of competing for spots on their respective school volleyball teams and future club volleyball teams.

WHAT: Club volleyball can be a large time commitment for a multisport athlete, as well as costing \$1000 - \$2000 and well beyond in many cases. We are a non-sanctioned club offering an inexpensive alternative for athletes to improve their

volleyball skills in a competitive environment. There will be a minimum of 20 hrs of on-court instruction and in-house play.

WHEN: Wednesday's beginning in early January from 6 - 8 pm. The tentative** dates would be:

Jan: 10, 17, 31 Feb: 14, 21, 28 March: TBD - hockey/basketball playoffs. Will run when it works. Will not run Wednesday of Spring Break April: 10, 17, 24, May: 1, 8* (may be out due to badminton Divisionals), 15 **tentative as often permits can be cancelled due to other events at the host school. WHERE: Bruce Middle School

WHY: Interest in competitive volleyball continues to grow. We want to offer an opportunity for athletes to develop their foundational volleyball skills in a fun but competitive environment, while also maintaining the flexibility to play other sports and be involved in other activities. We will run one night a week (most Wednesdays) to allow for more flexibility for younger athletes to stay "multisport" and be involved in other activities.

ABOUT ME: My name is John Kostiuik, and I am a Physical Education teacher at Bruce Middle School. I have been teaching and coaching volleyball (and numerous other sports) for 27 years and have coached athletes from 11-18 years of age. Most of my coaching experience has been between 10-14 years of age. I have two children of my own (ages 11 and 14) and both are multisport athletes. I want to provide an opportunity for them to be involved in as many activities as possible, as well as others in a similar situation.

COST: \$75.00

Community News:

Community Round Dance

The Winter Solstice Round Dance happens on December 21st at the RBC Convention Centre from 5-10 pm. It's a great way to bring community together and listen to the drum and songs. It's important to know that you can show up and just observe, there is no requirement to dance. Everyone is welcome to attend, observe, learn and dance. There is no fee, and you can show up any time from 5-10. There will be vendors as well which is a great way to support Indigenous businesses before the holiday season! Please see the following poster for more information:

[Winter Solstice Round Dance.jpg](#)

Persons with Disabilities Dance Night

Saturday, December 16, 2023 (Holiday Jingle)

Time: 6:30-9:00p.m.

Where: St. James Civic Centre, 2055 Ness Ave.

This program has run very successfully at Fort Rouge Leisure Centre. They are now branching out to other areas of the city to ensure access and opportunity is provided to all potential participants.

Participants can expect Top 40 music, door prizes, and a small canteen with chips and drinks for a \$1.00 each.

Admission is \$8.00 tax included and support workers do not have to pay to get in.

Dances start at 6:30 pm and run till 9:00 pm.

[Holiday Jingle.pdf](#)