



Dear Families,

On a cool year such as this, we as Winnipeggers welcome the great harbinger of spring, the robin, with great anticipation! Like the robin, we at Brock Corydon are fastidiously engaged in preparing for success in teaching and learning. Thankfully, we also have time to celebrate the generosity, successes and achievements of our students and learning community.

Firstly, we would like to thank the many volunteers who graciously provide their expertise, patience and time helping students achieve their potential as learners. Among other things, we appreciate our volunteers for their breadth of knowledge and commitment to student growth, as well as their positive disposition and unwavering commitment to student wellbeing. We have many parents, grandparents, community members and even alumni lending their support throughout the school – we even had a family donate puzzles and games to be used in classrooms! Our volunteers make our school a better place. Thank you for helping during school celebrations, reading to us, sharing about your professions, helping with skating practices, just to mention a few! To show our gratitude to you, we are having a Volunteer Assembly on Tuesday, May 21st at 10:00 a.m. We look forward to celebrating with you and thanking you as a whole school body. Secondly, we are thankful for the generous donations of food and drink provided by the Parent Advisory Council and countless parents during Staff Appreciation week. The cards were delightful, the food was delectable and the appreciation was warmly received – thank you!

Additionally, we would like to share with you some accomplishments and outstanding student involvement:

- To begin with, April saw the students of P3 and P4 being invited for a tour of Siloam Mission. This tour was a culmination of events that began with the donation of proceeds from our “December Nights, December Lights.” Students came back from the tour with new insights on how poverty affects people, families and our community. Students learned firsthand how generosity can be part of our social responsibility, as well as how empathy and awareness of the many reasons poverty exists should be part of our growth as learners.
- Another notable accomplishment was Brock Corydon’s incredible showing at the Winnipeg School Division Science Fair! Among our numerous entrants, many accolades were garnered and the level of inquiry and original scientific thought was mentioned by judges as admirable! Please see inset for further information.
- Earth Day was celebrated school-wide with a community clean-up and presentations in some classes. The sentiment echoed by students after the day’s events were that “Every day should be Earth Day! Let’s do our part to keep our earth healthy!”

Lastly, before we sign off on the start of summer, we are excitedly getting ready for the bi-annual grade 5/6 Camp trip. This year we are heading to Camp Arnes, June 19-21. Families whose children are attending will be receiving information over the coming weeks and an information meeting will be held on May 16.

Wishing you a happy spring,

Mrs. Morris & Mr. Sigurdson

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PAC NEWS ...

Thank you to everyone who came to our April PAC meeting. Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the school's library. This is our last regular meeting as June is a planning meeting. Babysitting for school-aged children is available by emailing Shoshana at brockcorydonpac1@gmail.com.

The family dance was a big success with bringing in just under \$300. We loved seeing everyone dance and have fun and we can't wait for next year! Thanks again to Allison Gervais and her volunteers for all their hard work.

Our 2019-2020 PAC elections are happening this month. If you would like to vote on the new executives, we would love to have you.

We are gearing up for the Fun Fair which is Thursday, June 13 from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. in our field. Watch your child's bag for notes coming home with food and wristband order forms. There will be limited food available on site for non-preorders, as we have to have our numbers in to our vendors in advance. We also require many volunteers to run this event so clear your schedule and sign up for a 30 minute shift. It would be greatly appreciated.

Enjoy the spring weather!

Your PAC Executive

Shoshana, Michelle, Michael, and Jennifer

LUNCH PROGRAM ...

From the Lunch Program...

2019-2020 Registration for Lunch Program:

Lunch Program and PASCAL application forms for the 2019/2020 school year will be distributed to students in Kindergarten through Grade 5 later this month or early June. Please be sure to return them by June deadline. It is important to help plan our staffing.

Fees will remain at \$300.00 for next school year. There will be 30 PASCAL positions available in the fall - P.A.S.C.A.L. (Parents Are Supervising Children At Lunch). This program gives parents opportunity to work shifts in lieu of Lunch Program fee payment. Only parents of full time lunch students are eligible. Returning parents are encouraged, however new applicants have priority depending on date received. More details will be available on the application.

Day to Day Reminders...

- Please send students with their own utensils for eating.
- Hot water and microwaves are available daily, however, it is recommended that the students not use the microwave on days they are attending extra-curricular activities like field trips, rehearsals or student council, due to time restrictions.
- Heat ups need to be in microwavable containers – Ziplocs and tin foil are NOT microwavable.
- Weather: Temperature and conditions are changing. Children spend about 30 minutes outside. Please ensure your children have the correct clothing for wet, cold, hot, muddy conditions – that means hats, jackets, nylon pants and extra socks are necessary at this time of year!

Children are reminded not to take any food or drink outside during the lunch hour. It attracts bugs (wasps), creates litter and is a choking hazard.

If you have any questions or concerns about Lunch Program, please contact ...

Tammie

Lunch Program Coordinator

Brock Corydon School 204-488-4422 (between 11:45 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.)

Tammie.a@outlook.com

Music ...

We have a busy month of music making ahead this May!

All students in Rooms 1-6 have now begun to play recorders. We are focusing on correct playing technique and playing from a musical score. Students who will be graduating from Grade 6 will be able to take their recorders home at the end of the year.

Primary students have been learning about the orchestra and the way that instruments are divided into families. We have also been examining Benjamin Britten's *A Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra*.

Below are some important dates regarding music performances:

Thursday, May 2: Students in Rooms 3 and 4 sing at the Annual Public Holocaust Commemoration at the Manitoba Legislature building (12:00 p.m.).

Thursday, May 9: Students in P3 and Room 1 sing at the Rady JCC in celebration of Yom Ha'atzmaut (7:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 21: Primary and Intermediate choirs (all students in grades 1-6) will perform at the Volunteer Recognition Assembly.

Musically,

Morah Sarah



VOLUNTEERS

Brock Corydon School is thankful for caring and kind adults generously giving their time for our students. Please mark your calendars for **Tuesday May 21, 2019.** We invite all our volunteers for a special assembly at 10:00 a.m., to be followed by refreshments and mingling with staff. We so appreciate the volunteers that brighten our school daily.

If you are able to attend, please let us know! You can email Barb Lercher at the school: blercher@wsd1.org

PHYS Ed ...

Intramurals: Gr. 3/4 and Gr. 5/6 co-ed Basketball will continue as in April, please see the calendar for dates. Grade 3/4's will be at lunch recess, in the gym. Gr. 5/6's will be at lunch recess outside. If games are unable to be played outside, one group will play at lunch recess for 30 minutes and the other group will play for a 15 minute recess. The next time they cannot play outside, the opposite will happen.

Students Unable to Participate in Phys. Ed.

Classes: a note is required from home. If students are at school, they are expected to participate in all classes at school. Very briefly write down if they are sick or hurt, otherwise students may be marked as choosing not to participate. Thank you for your cooperation.

Footwear and Clothing: As the weather gets warmer, we will be outside for Phys. Ed. classes on some days. Students always need to wear runners for Phys. Ed. classes, as per Department of Education Safety Guidelines. Sandals, flip-flops or Crocs are not safe footwear. Students may want to bring a hat as well. Grades 4-6 students can wear the same leg-wear for Phys. Ed. classes as they wore to school (shorts, sweats, etc.) during May and June, as in September. A change of t-shirt and deodorant are always required.

Running Club: Continues 3 days a week, please check the calendar for exact dates, usually Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. If there is no school on a Monday, we will run Tuesday. If there is no school on a Friday, we will run Thursday. Running Club is to prepare for 2K races (see below).

Beginning **Friday, May 10**, the Manitoba Marathon 10K runners will meet at 7:30 a.m., before regular Running Club, to prepare for their event. This once a week, long run training, will be only on Fridays (you will receive a separate training schedule for your child's event - for either the Manitoba Marathon 10K or the Super Run). Super Run runners should only have to meet at 7:30 a.m. on Fridays in June. Registration for Manitoba Marathon events will be online only and you will be given information on how to register, if you or your child are interested.

On **Wednesday, May 22** we will not meet at 8:00 a.m. but will be walking to a 2K Mini Fit Run race for only South End Schools (approximately 8-12 schools). It will be from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. On **Thursday, May 30** as well, we will be walking to a second Mini Fit Run at 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Similarly on the morning of **Wednesday, June 5**, we will be going to Assiniboine Park to participate in the WSD Fit Run. Our school will run on the Wednesday with half of the WSD elementary schools (25 approximately). There will be separate permission slips for each of these races and students will run against students in the same grade.

RAMAT KORAZIM...

Our teachers, Morah Paula and Morah Lilia had an amazing time visiting our sister school in Israel. They attended the Purim Carnival as well as deliver gifts of bookmarks (that our classes made) and pencils to the classes!



Rm 5 ...



Chef Eric Lee was cooking up a storm for Room 5's annual Winnipeg Inquiry. We enjoyed a Winnipeg delicacy, goldeye canapés. It was made with Gunn's bread, homemade cream cheese, goldeye, lemon, and fresh dill. Delicious!



Rm 11 ...

STUDENT COUNCIL ...

Plastic Grab Bag Challenge Update:
Student Council would like to thank Brock Corydon families for helping make the Plastic Grab Bag Challenge such a HUGE success. We collected 2272 plastic bags! It is



such a wonderful initiative to improve our environment and keep plastic bags out of landfills. The plastic will be melted into pellets and used to create new items.

Tabs for Wheelchairs Update:

Student Council would like to thank Brock Corydon friends and families for diligently saving aluminum tabs. We are helping (along with 100's of organizations) to collect enough tabs to purchase two wheelchairs this spring. Scarlett, from Brandon, will be receiving a specialized wheelchair as well as one given to the Manitoba Wheelchair Sports Association. How you can continue to help... Please remember to save your tabs throughout the summer. We will be collecting them again at Brock Corydon in the fall. Also, you can bring in any piece of scrap metal to Western Scrap (18 Sutherland Ave) and tell them you want the money to go to Tabs for Wheelchairs. They credit Tabs for Wheelchairs account.



Together we can all make a difference!

As part of our "Around the World" inquiry, Room 11 has been travelling to different places in the world! So far, we have gone to Argentina and Italy. During our trips, we have the opportunity to learn about each place. Before boarding the plane, each child goes through security, has to present their passports (which we made) and then they get stamped. Once we arrive at the destination we get to taste the foods, listen to the music, use our green screen technology to travel to historical landmarks, learn some of the language, paint the flag, and do other fun activities. It is extra special when there are children in the class who are from that place or their family is from that place. It gives students the chance to celebrate their identity and teach their classmates about their history. We've been fortunate to have Italian family members come teach us how to say things in Italian, as well as have families bake traditional foods from these places and send them in for the class to enjoy!



WSD SCIENCE FAIR ...

Congratulations to all of the participants that attended the WSD Science Fair! Here are the awards and medals that were given:

Alma Eliyahu—Gold

Hannah Schaeffer—Gold, Best in Chemistry Award, Most Outstanding in Elementary Award

Jacob Mickelthwate—Gold, U of M Science Innovator Award, Best in Social Sciences Award, Platinum Award in Elementary

Sam DiCresce—Gold

Susannah Rossen—Gold, Best in Physics & Mathematics Award

Erin Jones—Silver

Gilad & David Shwaitser—Silver

Izabel Greenshtein & Gili Krongold—Silver

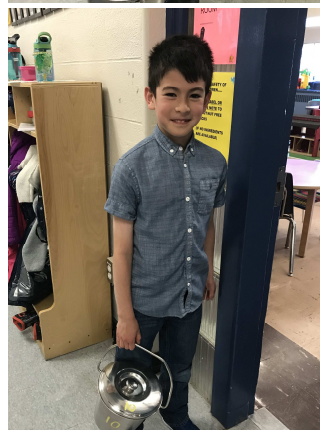


ENVIRONMENTAL ...

Our Everyone Has the Right Reps have been working hard to prepare for the school's Earth Day school ground clean-up.



We have new compost recruits! They have been learning what it takes to be part of the Compost Crew. There are now 75 members of the Compost Crew. Excitedly, the Compost Crew will now be in charge of all the green spaces at Brock Corydon. Stay tuned for updates!



PASSOVER SEDER ...



DAY OF PINK ...

The Gr 6 students in Room 4 led an inspiring assembly for Brock Corydon's Day of Pink. Here is the speech from Gilad Shwaitser:

"Like Martin Luther King Jr., our class has a dream that one day everyone, no matter their race, skin colour, gender, religion, appearance, or orientation, everyone will come together, join hands and play and work together. No soul will be hurt ever again. That's the way it should always be—and it is easy to do. "

SPRING CELEBRATION ...



SAFEARRIVAL ...

We would like to thank all of our parents & guardians for using the new SafeArrival attendance system! We appreciate your cooperation. We also understand there are still some hiccups & confusion with the new system, but we are here to help. Please contact the school's office if you are having issues signing up for SafeArrival, or have any questions about using the system.

If you haven't already done so, download the SchoolMessenger app to report your child's attendance. It is very user friendly and you can see all communications from the school in the same place!

Did you know you can report late arrivals & early departures on SafeArrival too? If you know you will be picking up your child early from school, or they will be late due to an appointment or other reason, please use the app or the toll-free number (1-855-278-4513) before **12:30 p.m.** to report their estimated arrival/departure.

Thank you for your help in ensuring the safety of our students!



May 2019



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Upcoming Dates in June:</p> <p>4 PAC Meeting</p> <p>7 Walk-a-thon</p> <p>13 PAC Fun Fair</p> <p>19—21 Gr 5/6 Camp</p> <p>26 Gr 6 Farewell</p> <p>28 Last Day of School</p>		<p>1 Day 4</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Boston Pizza Lunch</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p> <p>Crochet Club 3:30</p>	<p>2 Day 5</p> <p>Yom Ha'shoah Rm 3 & 4 at the Leg 12—1:30</p> <p>Swimming Counts—Gr 4</p>	<p>3 Day 6</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p> <p>Rm 1 & 3 at River Heights JH Musical—1:00 p.m.</p>
<p>6 Day 1</p> <p>Non-Instructional Day No Classes</p> <p>Patrols AM—2 PM—1</p>	<p>7 Day 2</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Assembly 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>PAC Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>8 Day 3</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p> <p>Crochet Club 3:30</p> <p>Welcome to Kindergarten 5:30—6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>9 Day 4</p> <p>Yom Ha'atzmaut</p> <p>Swimming Counts—Gr 4</p>	<p>10 Day 5</p> <p><u>10K Runners</u> 7:30 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p>
<p>13 Day 6</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p> <p>Patrols AM—4 PM—3</p>	<p>14 Day 1</p>	<p>15 Day 2</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Subway Lunch</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p> <p>Crochet Club 3:30</p>	<p>16 Day 3</p> <p>Swimming Counts—Gr 4</p> <p>Camp Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>17 Day 4</p> <p><u>10K Runners</u> 7:30 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Rm 4 @ Manitoba Museum (a.m.)</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p>
<p>20</p> <p>Victoria Day No School</p> <p>Patrols AM—1 PM—2</p>	<p>21 Day 5</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Volunteer Assembly 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p>	<p>22 Day 6</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p><u>Mini Fit Run @ River Heights</u> <u>Gr 4-6 (a.m.)</u></p> <p>Crochet Club 3:30</p>	<p>23 Day 1</p> <p>Lag B'omer Hebrew Program @ Assiniboine Park</p>	<p>24 Day 2</p> <p><u>10K Runners</u> 7:30 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Gr 3-6 Intramural Basketball 12:20 p.m.</p> <p>Walk-a-thon notes go home</p>
<p>27 Day 3</p> <p>Gr 4-6 Running Club 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Fun Fair notes go home</p> <p>Patrols AM—3 PM—4</p>	<p>28 Day 4</p> <p>Rooftop Photo 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>29 Day 5</p> <p>Crochet Club 3:30</p>	<p>30 Day 6</p> <p>Mini Fit Run @ River Heights Gr 4-6 (a.m.)</p> <p>Celebration of Learning 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>31 Day 1</p> <p><u>10K & Super Run Runners</u> 7:30 a.m.</p> <p><u>Gr 4-6 Running Club</u> 8:00 a.m.</p>