



# TCS TIGER TIMES

SCHOOL MOTTO: THE TEAM THAT CARES AND SHARES

ISSUE #4

FIRESIDE & MISTLETOE ISSUE

DECEMBER 2008

TANNER'S CROSSING SCHOOL

## MR. MCNABB SAYS... LET THE FESTIVE SEASON BEGIN!

We would like to thank all those parents who were able to attend parent/teacher interviews last month. Meeting with you is a very important part of your child's education. If you were unable to attend, but would still like to meet, please call the school to make arrangements to do so.

Only three weeks left until the Christmas Break. Where does the time go? We would like to extend the very best in holiday wishes to everyone as we get set for our busy Christmas season. The kindergarten to grade three classes are busy preparing the Christmas concert items for you. We have decided to continue with the Christmas musical again this year. The band is busy preparing for their annual Christmas concert as well. We hope to see many of you out to enjoy these two memorable Christmas traditions. The admission for the kindergarten to grade three Christmas concert will be a donation to the Christmas Cheer Board.

We would like to send our best wishes out to Ms. Dalton who is leaving T.C.S. to pursue other interests. We thank you for all you have done for children and adults during your time here. You truly make a difference and will be missed. Good luck to you on your future endeavours.

We also said goodbye to Mrs. Melanie Henry since our last newsletter. Mrs. Henry went on to pursue other interests with CAFAC and we wish her well in her new career. Welcome back to Mrs. Bridget Doll who is back working at T.C.S. as an educational assistant and Mrs. Rhonda Prettie who was hired to replace Mrs. Henry.

Please remind your children to dress for the colder weather. We have been spoiled with the temperatures so far, but it seems that we are in for some colder weather. Students need to dress appropriately in order to be able to handle the colder temperatures.

Our Parent Advisory Council is still looking for recipes for the cookbook so please be sure to send your favourite ones in by this Friday, December 5th.

Congratulations to all of our junior high volleyball teams who played in the divisional volleyball tournament. Our grade eight boys came in second place in the finals at Forrest. The grade eight girls teams came in first and second in the finals here at T.C.S. Well done everyone!! Thank you to the coaches for all your effort and dedication to the students.

In closing, we would like to wish you all a festive holiday season and look forward to seeing you all in 2009!

Mr. Glen McNabb, Principal

## ARTIST & FILM MAKER AT T.C.S.

Every year, Tanner's Crossing takes part in the Artist in the School program. This year, our artist will be coming for a week to work with grades 3-6. Each class gets to work with the artist daily for 40 minutes.

The artist that will be coming is Randy Guest, who is an independent film maker. His workshops will be teaching the students film making principles to help them think like film makers. Students will work on understanding the numerous ways the camera can be used, and basic principles of setting up a shot and covering a scene will be taught.

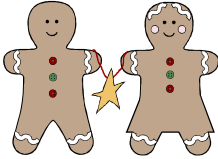
We all look forward to having Randy Guest with us from December 1st to 5th.

## MS. DALTON SAYS FAREWELL TO T.C.S. LIBRARY

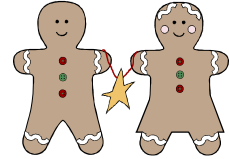
Our TCS library needs to collect all books by **Friday, December 5**. Please make sure your child has returned their books by this date. Please call the school if you have any questions and ask for Ms. Dalton at 867-2591 or email me at [jdalton@rrsd.mb.ca](mailto:jdalton@rrsd.mb.ca). The library will be closed before the Christmas break for inventory.

I will not be returning to the library following the Christmas break as I have decided to pursue other interests. My time at TCS has been very special and I have many fond memories of the students I have worked with. I am particularly impressed by the prolific readers in our school and the love of literature that is continually expressed by the students and the staff. I have been very fortunate to have had the opportunity to work at TCS.

Janice Dalton



## KINDERGARTEN FRIENDS



We have been very busy in the Kindergarten classroom during the past month. We continue to work on developing our classroom as a team that cares and shares. We are working to distinguish the difference between “telling” to get someone else in trouble (tattling) and telling to help yourself or someone else. The children are learning to ask themselves if what they want to tell is something that is dangerous or is about someone that is hurt. If what they want to tell about is not about a danger or about someone being hurt then they need to first use words to solve their problem. If their words don’t work then they can ask an adult for help.

We are working on a Lion’s Quest unit called “Hands Are For Sharing”. We have learned that it is okay to be mad but it is not okay to hurt someone because you are mad. Ask your child what positive things they can do if they are angry to make themselves feel better.

We continue to explore the letters and sounds of the alphabet. We practice with all of the letters and sounds of the alphabet but to this point have especially focused on the letters... Aa, Bb, Ff, Gg, Hh, Mm, Pp, Ss, and Tt. Ask your child to find objects around the house that start with the sound of the letter on the puppets that they bring home. The Monkey Class would like to thank one of our students and her mom for bringing their pet ferret for a visit. He was a hit for the letter Ff!

The numbers to 10 will have been introduced by Christmas. After Christmas we will study these numbers in greater depth. I attended an excellent Kindergarten numeracy workshop in Winnipeg last Friday and am excited about using some new ideas for math activities with your children. We learn lots of math concepts by using activities and manipulatives for example, play dough, number frames, counters, etc. On nights that your child does not bring home any paper work we are still doing lots of practice in class learning all the skills needed to be successful in Kindergarten.

The Christmas concert will be held on the evening of Wednesday, December 17 here at T.C.S. I am looking forward to seeing everyone that night. As always, I am appreciative of all the support that I receive from my students’ families. I hope that everyone has a very safe and relaxing Christmas season!

Mrs. Emerson-Proven



**Ff is for Ferret**

# Rolling River School Division



## Information Brochure

2008 - 2009



November 2008

### Operating Budget

#### Revenue & Expense - 2008/2009

Revenue	Amount	%
Prov. School Funding Program	\$ 9,537,184.	48.7
Prov. Education Property Tax Credit	1,442,281.	7.4
Tax Incentive Grant	162,425.	0.8
Prov. Gov.'t Other	349,500.	1.8
Federal Gov.'t	58,500.	0.3
Municipal Gov.'t	6,722,590.	34.3
First Nations	1,169,500.	6.0
Other Revenue	157,900.	0.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,599,880.</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Expenses	Amount	%
Instruction	\$ 11,302,605.	57.7
Exceptional	2,657,245.	13.6
Community Ed.	20,155.	0.1
Administration	771,950.	3.9
Pupil Support	571,825.	2.9
Transportation	1,428,665.	7.3
Maintenance	2,217,435.	11.3
Fiscal & Capital	630,000.	3.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 19,599,880.</b>	<b>100.0</b>

#### Division Employees

(Full-time equivalent - as of Sept. 30, 2008)

Executive, Management, Supervisory	14.46
Instructional - Teaching	129.97
Instructional - Others	83.25
Technical Services	66.88
Secretarial, Clerical	14.31
Clinicians	2.00
Information Technology	3.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>314.27</b>

Trustees 10.00

#### Board of Trustees

Trustees	Schools in Ward	Ward	Phone No.
Shelley Livingstone	Douglas Elem./Forrest Elem. & Elton Coll.	1	571-6138
Dan Mazier	Forrest Elem./Rapid City Elem. & Elton Coll.	2	763-4646
Carole Black	Oak River Elem./Rivers Elem. & Rivers Coll.	3	566-2281
Lawrence McFarlane, (V. Chair)	Oak River Elem./Rivers Elem. & Rivers Coll.	3	328-7194
Ken Cameron, (Chair)	Tanner's Crossing & Minnedosa Coll.	4	867-5569
Lori McMillan	Tanner's Crossing & Minnedosa Coll.	4	867-2067
Loreen Jackson	Tanner's Crossing & Minnedosa Coll.	4	874-2144
Walter Yanchycki	Erickson Elem. & Erickson Coll.	5	636-2309
Crystal Erickson	Onanole Elem./Erickson Elem. & Erickson Coll.	6	848-7725
Claude Shannacappo	Erickson Elem. & Erickson Coll.	RRFN	636-7863

#### Administrative Staff

School Division Administrative Board Office  
154 Main Street South  
P.O. Box 1170  
Minnedosa, MB. R0J 1E0  
Phone No. 867-2754 Fax No. 867-2037  
E-Mail: rrsd@rrsd.mb.ca  
Web Site: <http://www.rrsd.mb.ca>

Superintendent	Reg Klassen
Assistant Superintendent	Marg Janssen
Secretary Treasurer	Kathlyn McNabb
Accounts / Payroll Supervisor	Laura Good
Transportation Supervisor	Daryl Tesarowski
Maintenance Supervisor	Len Dobreen

#### Support Staff

Information Technology Coordinator	Grant Butler
Student Services Coordinator	Debbie Parrott
Speech/Language Pathologist	Andrea Player
Social Worker/Behavioural Specialist	Rebecca Gray
Social Worker/Guidance Counsellor	Dana Hanson

#### Enrollment by School September 30, 2008

Schools	Grade	Enrol.	Principal
Cool Spring Colony	K - 12	26	Ron Shewchuk
Deerboine Colony	K - 12	19	Lloyd Small
Douglas Elem.	K - 8	85	Jason Cline
Erickson Elem.	K - 6	121	Kathleen Slashinsky
Forrest Elem.	K - 8	179	Leah Jago
Hillside Colony	K - 12	7	Kathleen Treger
Oak River Colony	K - 12	15	Catherine Wurtz
Oak River Elem.	K - 8	27	Anita Knight
Onanole Elem.	K - 8	62	Laurie Bachewich
Rapid City Elem.	K - 8	78	Mike Keith
Rivers Elem.	K - 6	163	Ron Taylor
Tanner's Crossing Elem.	K - 8	363	Glen McNabb
Elton Collegiate	9 - 12	187	Barry Lee
Erickson Collegiate	7 - 12	142	Graham Edwards
Minnedosa Collegiate	9 - 12	215	Martin Ingenmey
Rivers Collegiate	7 - 12	200	James Sheppard

#### Enrollment by Grade

K - 127	4 - 118	8 - 169	12 - 155
1 - 126	5 - 134	9 - 161	
2 - 130	6 - 148	10 - 172	
3 - 131	7 - 145	11 - 173	

#### 1998 - 2008 (September 30 Enrollment)

	K	1-8	9-12	Total
2008-09	127	1101	661	1889
2007-08	118	1128	709	1955
2006-07	122	1161	717	2000
2005-06	131	1206	705	2042
2004-05	109	1265	719	2093
2003-04	129	1342	690	2161
2002-03	140	1348	706	2194
2001-02	136	1354	725	2215
2000-01	154	1406	784	2344
1999-00	138	1438	770	2346
1998-99	176	1455	752	2383
1998-2008	-49	-354	-91	-494
1998-2008	-28%	-24%	-12%	-21%

Please come to the T.C.S. office if you wish to have a physical copy of this brochure.

# Head Lice Treatment Information

The following information was received by Mr. McNabb and it is for your information only as we don't have any personal tested results.

As an educator-owned, Simcoe County (Ontario) based company, we realize the stigma that is often attached to HEAD LICE in the school situation.

At EnviroBody, we carry a full line of HEAD LICE TREATMENT products including what we believe is the BEST NIT and LICE COMB ever, the NIT-FREE TERMINATOR COMB. Additionally, we carry NIT-FREE Mousse kits, NIT-FREE Mint Repellant sprays, and NEON NITS (which, when sprayed on the hair, leave a fluorescent colouring on any nits in the hair, and make for easier removal).

We would be pleased if you would be able to include our website in information which you share with any affected families in your School Board. All of our products are eco-friendly, and can be delivered quickly to your school's families, or picked up at our Simcoe County distribution centre.

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact us at [www.envirobody.com](http://www.envirobody.com).



Winter has come, Christmas will soon be here, and festival season is just around the corner! Although the 2009 Rolling River Festival of the Arts is slightly later than last year, plans are well underway. RRFA will be held in Rivers April 13-17 and 20-23, 2009. Entries must be postmarked by January 9, 2009. Addendum and syllabi are available at Minnedosa Pharmacy, Minnedosa Regional Library, and the school.

The festival is a valuable experience for young performers to build confidence, gain skills, and celebrate the arts. Participants can perform in vocal, choral, instrumental, dance, or speech disciplines. If you have any questions regarding entries or the festival itself, please contact Anita Krahn at 328-7016 or Allison Hamm at 328-5304. We hope to see you at the festival!

Manitoba  
Physical Education  
Teachers Association Inc.



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Education Physique Inc.

The Manitoba Physical Education Teachers Association (MPETA) would like to inform you that Tanner's Crossing School has been selected as the recipient of the 2007-2008 Golden Apple Award! Tanner's Crossing School is being recognized for its commitment to Healthy School Programming.

**CONGRATULATIONS TANNER'S  
CROSSING SCHOOL!**  
Mrs. Nylén attended the MPETA's  
Annual Awards Ceremony on  
November 27th to receive this award  
on behalf of our school.



## HEALTHY BREAKFAST = ALERT AND HEALTHY MINDS

T.C.S. Breakfast club is up and running again this year.

The program will run through the canteen between 8:30 a.m. and 8:50 a.m. It is open to any student (kindergarten to grade eight) who needs breakfast.

A huge thank you to the **Minnedosa Credit Union Jeans Day Fund** for your generous donation towards this program.



# GYMNASTICS



**Neepawa Novas Gymnastic Club**  
**Registration for January Recreational**  
**Session will be held on Monday, December**  
**1st at the HMK from 5 – 6 p.m.**  
**Registration will be for the following**  
**sessions: Mondays 4 - 5 p.m.**  
**(ages 7 years and up)**  
**Wednesdays 4 - 5 p.m. (4 year olds)**

## BULLYING ON THE INTERNET IS A CRIME

### Cyberbullying

- With cyberbullying, what may begin as a case of bullying in school can become round-the-clock harassment over the Internet. If you are being bullied, don't be afraid to come forward and tell an adult you trust. It is illegal for other people – even kids – to harass you.
- If you are the person doing the bullying, you should know that bullying someone else is a crime. Under the *Criminal Code of Canada*, it is a crime to communicate repeatedly with someone if your communication causes them to fear for their own safety or the safety of others. It is also a crime to write something that is designed to insult a person or to injure a person's reputation by exposing him or her to hatred, contempt or ridicule. Even if you aren't harassing another teen, but know who is, you need to come forward and tell an adult. If you know someone is being harassed but do nothing to stop it, then you are also responsible for the pain that person suffers.

[www.internet101.ca](http://www.internet101.ca)

Media Awareness Network

[www.cyberwise.ca](http://www.cyberwise.ca)



St. John Ambulance

***"What Every  
Babysitter  
Should Know"***

### **BABYSITTING COURSE DATES:**

**Saturday, December 13th**

**Saturday, January 3rd (During Christmas Break)**

**Saturday, January 24th**

Each course runs from 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. and is held at the Training & Community Services Centre in the Brandon Shoppers Mall. The course is designed for kids aged 11 to 14, and the cost is \$35.00.

***Pre-registration is required.***

To register, or for more information, please call **727-4466**

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS



**Jr. High Volleyball  
Tournament**  
December 1st  
Boys @ Forrest  
Girls @ T.C.S.

## ARTIST IN THE SCHOOL

**Film Making Artist:**  
**Randy Guest**  
**December 1st - 5th**  
**Grades 3 - 6**

**GRADE 4  
HEP B #2 NEEDLES  
and  
GRADE 6 GIRLS  
HPV NEEDLES**

**Tuesday, December 9th, 2008**

## T.C.S. & M.C.I. BAND CONCERT

**Date:**  
**Thursday, December 11th, 2008**

**Time:**  
**7:30 p.m.**

**Place:**  
**Tanner's Crossing School PIT**

**Admission:**  
**\$4.00 [children under 5 years free]**  
**\$2.00 for students**

T.C.S. presents  
*"The Littlest Reindeer"*  
Kindergarten to Grade 3  
will present their  
Christmas Concert  
Wednesday, December 17th  
7:00 p.m.  
T.C.S. Gymnasium



*Admission: Donations to Christmas Cheer Board*

## SNOW"BALL" DANCE

*Grades 6, 7, & 8*  
Jr. High Christmas Dance  
Semi-formal dress  
Thursday, December 18th  
7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.  
Admission: \$4.00

## Junior High ALPINE SKI PROGRAM

Minnedosa Ski Valley  
Tuesday, December 16, 2008  
and  
Friday, December 19, 2008

Deadline for registrations is Friday,  
December 5th. Please send signed permission  
slips and fees with your child by this date.




















Have a great  
Christmas Break!  
See you back on  
Monday, January 5  
2009



# December 2008



## Christmas Countdown at Tanner's Crossing School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Day 4  Jr. High Volleyball Boys @ Forrest Girls @ T.C.S. 1:00 p.m.	<b>2</b> Day 5  5 & 6	<b>3</b> Day 6  7 & 8	<b>4</b> Day 1  5 & 6	<b>5</b> Day 2  7 & 8	<b>6</b>
<b>ARTIST IN THE SCHOOL</b>						
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Day 3  1 & 2	<b>9</b> Day 4  <b>Grade 4 HEP B #2 Needles</b> <b>Grade 6 Girls HPV Needles</b>  3 & 4	<b>10</b> Day 5  5 & 6	<b>11</b> Day 6 <b>Band Dress Rehearsal</b> <b>Christmas-Band Concert 7:30 p.m.</b>  7 & 8	<b>12</b> Day 1 NO INTRAMURALS	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Day 2 NO INTRAMURALS	<b>16</b> Day 3 Jr. High Ski Day 	<b>17</b> Day 4 Christmas Concert 7:00 p.m.	<b>18</b> Day 5  5 & 6	<b>19</b> Day 6 Jr. High Ski Day  <b>Hat &amp; Jeans Day</b> Last Day of Classes	
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> The night before Christmas... Christmas Eve 	<b>25</b>  Christmas Day	<b>26</b> Boxing Day	<b>27</b>
<b>Christmas Break</b>						
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		First day of classes for the new year will be Monday, January 5th, 2009 See you then!	
<b>Christmas Break</b>						

# Christmas Gift Suggestions that are Free... but worth so much!



Shovel the sidewalk for seniors

Open a door for someone

Spend time together with family

Email a friend

Greet people with a SMILE

Hugs