

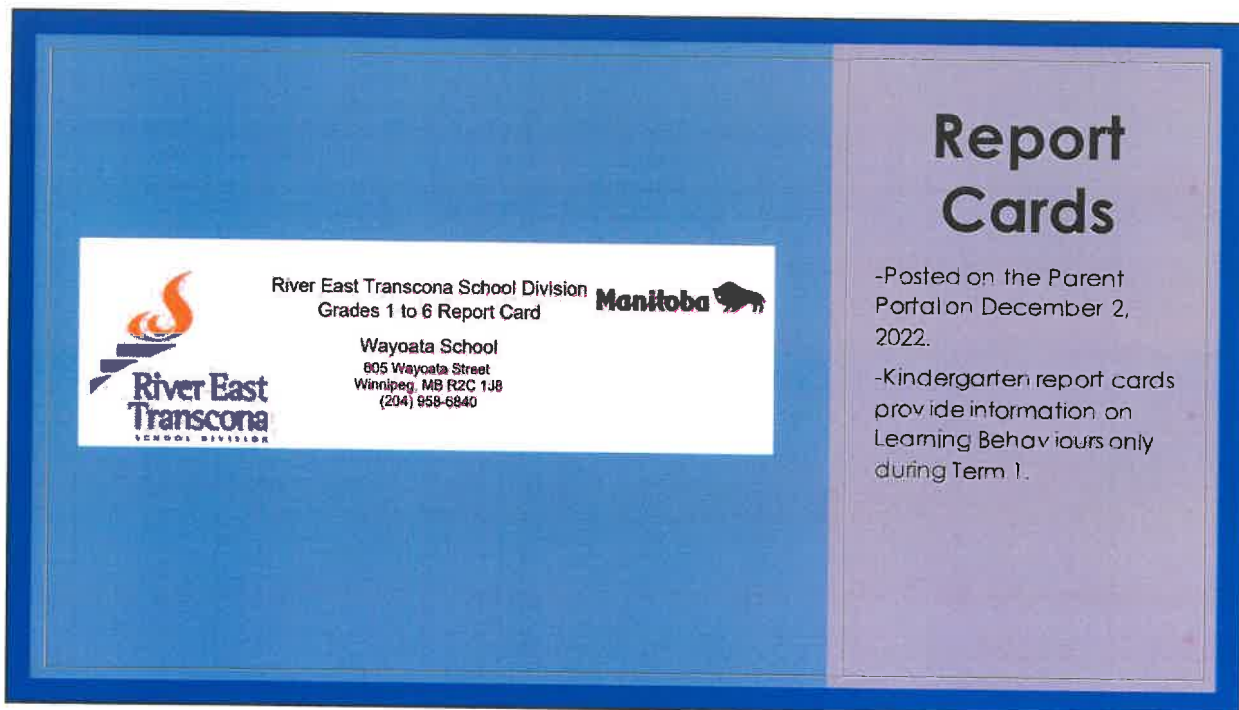


**WAYOATA SCHOOL  
COMMUNITY  
COUNCIL**

**NEXT MEETING IS AT  
6:00 PM ON MONDAY,  
JANUARY 9, 2023  
IN-PERSON**



Welcome to the December 5<sup>th</sup> Wayoata School  
Community Council.



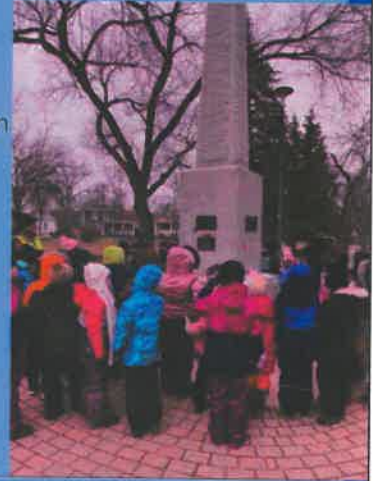
- Posted on the Parent Portal on December 2, 2022.
- Kindergarten report cards provide information on Learning Behaviours only during Term 1. For Terms 2 and 3 the Kindergarten report cards will take on the same format as the Grades 1 – 5 report cards. Student assessment is based on triangulation of observations, conversations, and products and are the foundation for helping us to understand where students are currently performing and provides us key information for planning the next steps of their learning pathway.

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## Grade 1/2s Peace and Remembrance



In honour of Remembrance Day... For social studies this year we were fortunate to have the most wonderful veteran Peter Martin come in and talk to all the grade one and two students about war, peace and remembrance. He also talked about the importance of a poppy and why we wear it. We took a peaceful walk to the cenotaph at Circle Park and the students wrote poems about peace.

## Remembrance Day Designs

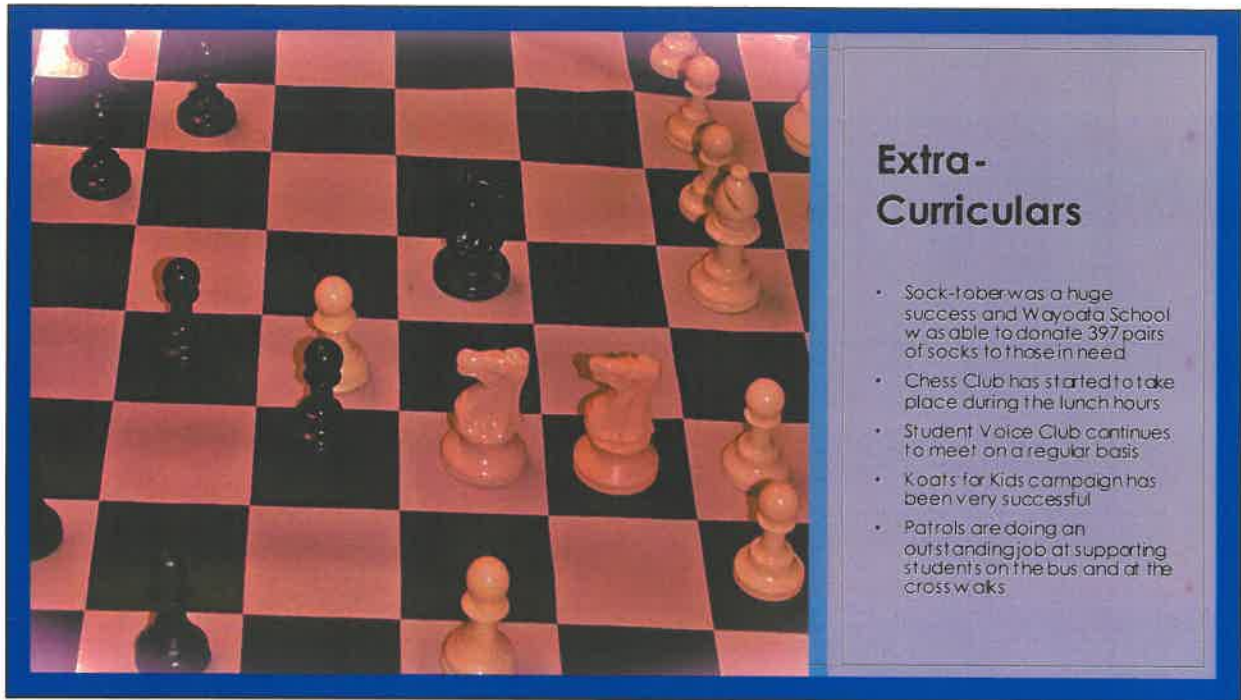


We used design process to design/create and build poppies out of loose parts.

More designs created with  
"loose parts"...

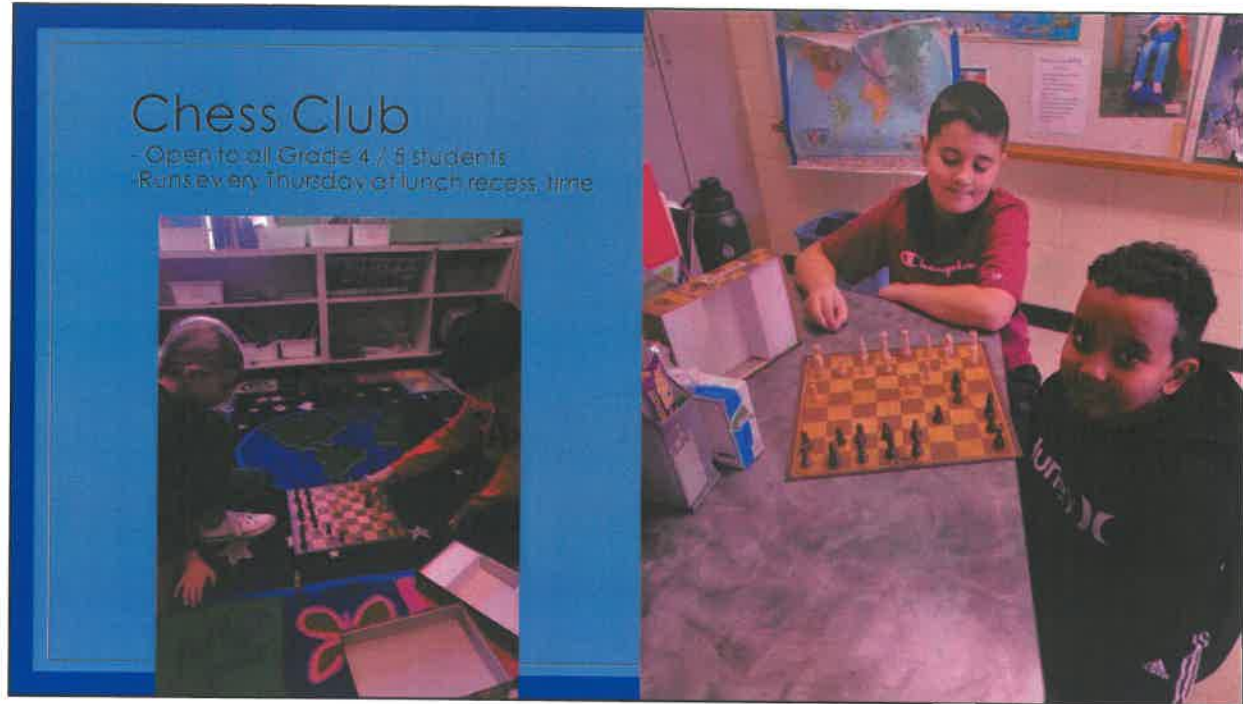


Simply put, "loose parts" play is a term used to define the **free and creative use of building materials**. This form of play is often also known as open-ended play and writing and has been found to help children practice their creativity, group social skills, and individual problem-solving skills.



- Sock-tober was a huge success and Wayoata School was able to donate 397 pairs of socks to those in need
- Chess Club has started to take place during the lunch hours
- Student Voice Club continues to meet on a regular basis
- Koats for Kids campaign has been very successful
- Patrols are doing an outstanding job at supporting students on the bus and at the crosswalks. During the 2022 – 2023 school year, all of the grade 4 and 5 students will have the opportunity to step into this leadership role





Chess Club is for grade 4/5 students. It runs every Thursday at Lunch recess.

Some students are new to the game and some have been playing for years at home with family.

28 students have tried Chess this year and 20 are regular members that come each week to play.

We are playing for fun and to learn the rules. The plan is to have a tournament in January after Winter Break and have a grade 4/5 chess champion.

## Grade 1/2 Classes Writing Letters

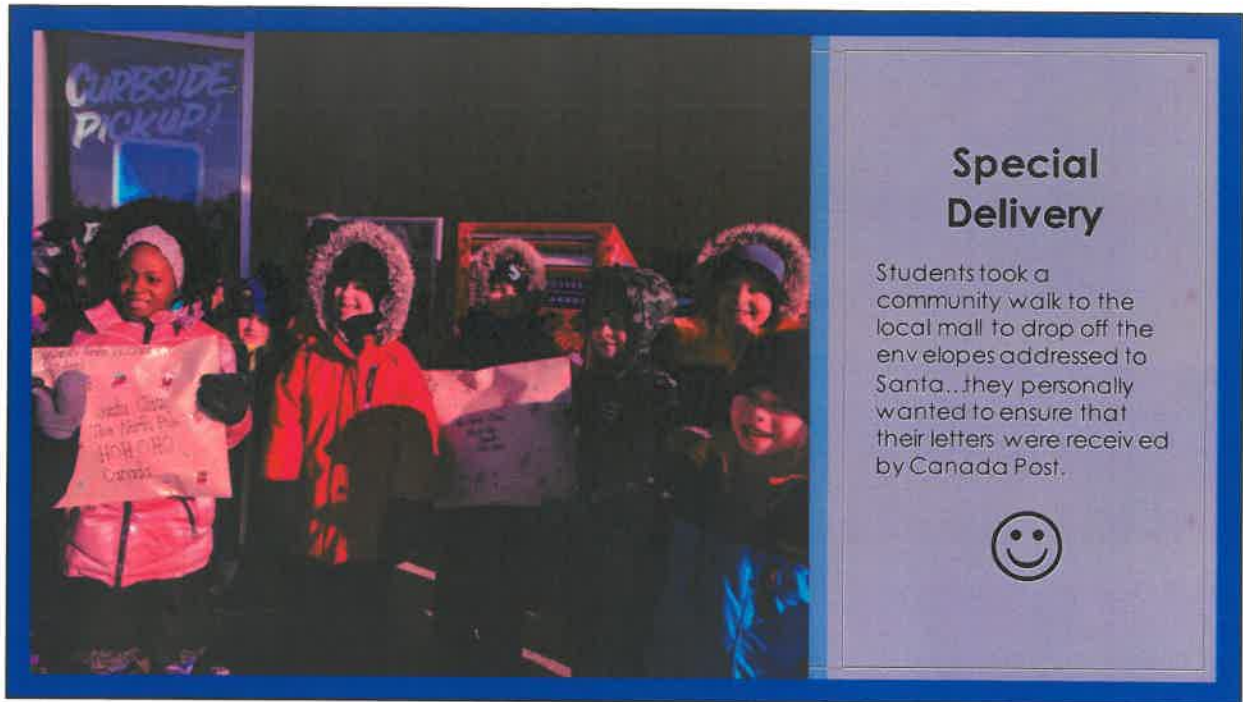


First, students the Grade 1/2 students wrote their letters to Santa.

## Canada Post Delivery to the North Pole



Then Mrs. Copeland's and Mrs. Johnson's class bundle up for the cold weather and went outside for a fresh air break.



Students took a community walk to the local mall to drop off the envelopes addressed to Santa...they personally wanted to ensure that their letters were received by Canada Post.

## Hot Lunches

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**WSSC Meat and Cheese Fundraiser**

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Please enter through the front doors of Wayoata School. For those parents/guardians who are unable to attend the evening session, Mr. McPherson will have some limited seating arrangements for those who must attend during the day. Please note that the day presentations will be a dress rehearsal which may still involve intervals of Mr. McPherson teaching and doing final preparations with the students for the evening performance. Once again, the matinee sessions would be available to those who are unable to attend the evening performance due to work or other personal commitments.



**WAYOTA WINTER WONDERLAND CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES**

	<b>Monday December 12</b>	<b>Tuesday December 13</b>	<b>Wednesday December 14</b>	<b>Thursday December 15</b>	<b>Friday December 16</b>
<b>STORY OF THE DAY</b>	<p><a href="#">"Lights of Winter: Winter Celebrations Around the World" by Heather Cox and Allison Wiley - YouTube</a> 7:13</p> 	<p><a href="#">"Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" read by Edith Patterson of WJZ News - YouTube</a> 9:56 *Christmas is celebrated Dec 25</p> 	<p><a href="#">"The Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens - YouTube</a> 5:42</p> 	<p><a href="#">"Hanukkah in Alaska read by Melvyn Chikri - YouTube</a> 7:22 *Hanukkah is celebrated Dec 18-26</p> 	<p><a href="#">"Hanukkah: The Hanukkah Oil - Kids Books Read Aloud" - YouTube</a> 6:12 *Hanukkah is celebrated Dec 18-26</p> 
<b>DRESS UP DAY</b>	<p><b>Candy Cane Day</b> Dress like a candy cane and wear red and white today!</p>	<p><b>Christmas Vacation</b> Dress for the beach-tropical shirts, sunglasses, shorts, (no bathing suits)</p>	<p><b>Wayota Wear</b> Celebrate our school community by wearing any <u>Wayota</u> clothing or wear our school colours (blue/yellow) today.</p>	<p><b>Celebrate Hanukkah!</b> Wear Blue and White today!</p>	<p><b>Fuzzy Friday</b> Wear a sweater or turtleneck today!</p>
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<p>Wayota Winter WONDERland Projects: engage in inquiry about winter or winter holidays as a class *Additional details to be provided</p>				

	Monday December 19	Tuesday December 20	Wednesday December 21
<b>STORY OF THE DAY</b>	<p><u><a href="#">Some Stories for Kwanzaa - YouTube</a></u> 9:33</p> <p>*Kwanzaa is celebrated on Dec 26</p> 	<p><u><a href="#">Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg &amp; Noel by Liam Neeson - YouTube</a></u> 16:50</p> 	<p><b>PYJAMA AND MOVIE MORNING</b>  (Supervision sign up will be posted prior to the date)  <b>MORNING- SCHOOL WIDE HOLIDAY BINGO</b>  (Jeff will set a TEAMS meeting invitation for about 12:55)</p>
<b>DRESS UP DAY</b>	<p><u><a href="#">Celebrate Kwanzaa!</a></u>  Wear red, black and green today!</p>	<p><u><a href="#">Celebrate Christmas!</a></u>  Wear red and green today!</p>	<p><u><a href="#">Pyjama and Movie Day Today!</a></u>  Wear your PJs  (No <u>stuffed</u> allowed.)</p>
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<p><u><a href="#">Bulletin Board Decoration</a></u>  Spread some holiday cheer to our community and decorate the windows of your class.</p>		

Upcoming Events:
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-December 9 – Kindergarten Caterpillars Winter Concert at 1:00 – 1:40 pm
-December 12 – Delivery of Christmas Hampers in the evening with some helping hands from students and staff
-December 14 at 6:00 pm – Grade 1/2 Winter Concert
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-December 15 – Meat and Cheese Fundraiser Pick-Up in the Library MPR Between 3:30 – 5:30 pm
-December 15 at 6:00 pm – Grade 2/3 Winter Concert
-December 15 at 6:45 pm – Grade 4/5 Winter Concert
-December 16 – Salisbury Nip Hot Lunch
-December 12 – December 21 – Winter Wonderland Days
-December 21 – Last Day Before Winter Break - Early Dismissal at 2:15 pm
-Thursday, January 5, 2023 – First Day Back from Winter Break and a Day 3
-January 9 – Next WSCC Meeting at 6:00 pm in the Library MPR

Meat and Cheese Fundraiser will be delivered in December...order forms will be sent home mid to end of November.