



KINDERLINKS Indoors



Programming for Preschoolers & Their Parents | May 2022

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KINDER LINKS INDOORS

All programs are offered at Joseph Teres School, 131 Sanford Fleming Rd.

Kinder Links programs provide young families—with children birth to age five—with the opportunity to play, learn, and connect with each other. These **FREE** parent-child programs feature fun, educational ways to explore literacy, numeracy, physical health and well-being, and creativity through art experiences, rhymes, stories, activities, and games. Kinder Links programs are an excellent way for young children to develop a lifelong passion for learning, develop their skills and self-confidence, and help prepare them for the adventure of school!

SPECIAL EVENT SESSIONS

Cool Cats & Puppy Tales

Best enjoyed by children 18 months to age 5

A PURR-fect event for pet lovers, this program features engaging rhymes/finger plays, cat-inspired stretches, and high-energy games that will leave you wagging your tail with delight! Listen to playful stories of famous furry friends like Pete the Cat and Clifford the Big Red Dog. Bring your favourite stuffed animal to this play date!

Monday, May 2

5–5:45 p.m.
6:15–7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 3

5–5:45 p.m.
6:15–7 p.m.

Thursday, May 5

5–5:45 p.m.
6:15–7 p.m.

Let It Shine

Best enjoyed by children 18 months to age 5

After a cold, snowy winter, we can hardly wait to celebrate the beauty and magic of spring! This indoor special event features interesting songs/rhymes about birds, butterflies, flowers, and frogs. We'll read stories about the great outdoors and get active with movement games and dancing. Spring-themed crafts are sure to be a highlight!

Monday, May 16

5–5:45 p.m.
6:15–7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 17

5–5:45 p.m.
6:15–7 p.m.

Thursday, May 19

5–5:45 p.m.
6:15–7 p.m.

Mother's Day heART

Best enjoyed by children 18 months to age 5

Join us for a lovely celebration of mothers, grandmothers, and those important ladies in our lives! Young participants will proudly make a craft and card that can be given as a gift to mom on her special day! This event will also feature songs and stories all about Mother's Day.

Sunday, May 1

9:30–10:30 a.m.
11 a.m.–12 p.m.
12:30–1:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 7

9:30–10:30 a.m.
11 a.m.–12 p.m.
12:30–1:30 p.m.



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Painter's Playhouse

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Create some beautiful painted masterpieces! Using fingers and feet, paintbrushes, and interesting household items to create unique art, young artists will explore different textures and rich colours in their painting projects. The program features a circle time filled with rhymes, stories, colours and shapes, and interactive games.

Monday, May 9

5–5:45 p.m.

6:15–7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 10

5–5:45 p.m.

6:15–7 p.m.

Thursday, May 12

5–5:45 p.m.

6:15–7 p.m.

Pirate, Princess & Superhero Playtime

Best enjoyed by children 18 months to age 5

Yo ho, yo ho! Join us for a royally wonderful event filled with lively songs, stories, counting games, and pirate- and princess-themed activities. Together we will play like pirates, waltz like princesses, and swing into action like brave superheroes. Participants are encouraged to dress up for this epic adventure!

Saturday, April 30

9:30–10:30 a.m.

11 a.m.–12 p.m.

12:30–1:30 p.m.

Shake, Rattle & Rhyme

Best enjoyed by children 18 months to age 5

We've got the beat! During this musically themed event, participants will play a variety of instruments, like maracas, cymbals, drums, and tambourines. Imagine how much fun we'll have singing, dancing, and getting active using colourful scarves and ribbons!

Saturday, May 14

9:30–10:30 a.m.

11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Sunday, May 15

9:30–10:30 a.m.

11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Registration for Kinder Links programming begins immediately by email at kinderlinks@retsd.mb.ca or leave a message at 204.669.4043. When registering, please provide the following information:

- Parent/caregiver name
- Names and ages of all children to attend the program
- Home address
- Home/cellphone number
- Email address where you wish to be contacted
- Program(s) you wish to register for (name of program, date, location, and time)

FREE BABY GIFT FOR NEW PARENTS

Did you just have a baby? River East Transcona School Division and the Early Childhood Matters Parent Child Coalitions in River East and Transcona would like to help you celebrate this wonderful event. We have a book, *I Love It When You*, which we'd love to give to you to keep and enjoy. To receive your **FREE** book, contact us at kmartino@retsd.mb.ca or 204.669.4043. Please leave us your mailing address, child's name, and date of birth.



KINDER LINKS ADVISORY GROUP

Are you interested in sharing your ideas to help shape Kinder Links parent-child programming? We are recruiting new members for our Kinder Links advisory group, which meets virtually to discuss and provide feedback on our free early learning programs. Contact Kinder Links at kinderlinks@retsd.mb.ca or 204.669.4043 for more information.

THE EARLY LEARNING TEAM

We are pleased to provide early learning and family support to families living in River East Transcona. Feel free to contact us should you have questions regarding our preschool initiatives.

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