



Programming for Preschoolers & Their Parents | September–October 2022

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KINDER LINKS OUTDOORS — Fall 2022

Kinder Links is pleased to resume Kinder Links Outdoors! These **FREE** parent-child classes are a great way for preschool families to play, learn, and connect with each other in the great outdoors. Participants are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chair for circle time activities. Remember to dress for the weather.

Baby Rhyme Time in the Park

Best enjoyed by babies birth to age 1

Introduce your baby to the joy of songs, rhymes, and finger plays! Sing along to your favourites while learning new lap songs, diapering songs, and lullabies that are sure to delight and stimulate your little one. Each session, parents will enjoy time connecting with other new parents.

Tuesdays, Sept. 13–Oct. 4

12–1 p.m.
Bunn's Creek Centennial Park
365 Mclvor Ave.

Wednesdays, Sept. 14–Oct. 5

12–1 p.m.
Maple Leaf Park
331 Whittier Ave. W.

Kinder Links in the Park

Best enjoyed by babies and children birth to age 5

Join in the fun of *Kinder Links in the Park*, where families will participate in an

interactive circle time, group stories, and interesting numeracy activities. Together, we will learn some easy stretches, play active games, and explore the park, play structure, and swings. Children are sure to enjoy watching colourful puppets as they teach new rhymes/chants and finger plays.

Mondays, Sept. 12–26

10:30–11:30 a.m.
McLeod Park
482 McLeod Ave.

Mondays, Sept. 12–26

5:30–6:30 p.m.
Bunn's Creek Centennial Park
365 Mclvor Ave.

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Maple Leaf Park
331 Whittier Ave. W.

Thursdays, Sept. 15–Oct. 6

10:30–11:30 a.m.
12:30–1:30 p.m.
Fraser's Grove Park
85 Fraser's Grove

Fridays, Sept. 16–Oct. 7

10:30–11:30 a.m.
Peter Marten Park
359 Edward Ave. E.
Class cancelled Sept. 30

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KINDER LINKS OUTDOORS— SPECIAL EVENTS

Outdoor Play Workshop—Fit Kids, Healthy Kids

Best enjoyed by children ages 18 months to 5 years

Join in the fun as the fantastic facilitators from “Fit Kids, Healthy Kids” lead preschool families in physical literacy activities and games. “Fit Kids, Healthy Kids” is a physical literacy program founded as a partnership between Doctors Manitoba and Sport Manitoba. This high-energy morning will feature active games and skills, such as running, jumping, throwing, and catching to name just a few! Learn new ways to play with balls, hoops, bean bags, and other items found around the home. Dress comfortably for this free parent-child program.

Saturday, Sept. 17

10–11 a.m.

11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Joseph Teres School

131 Sanford Fleming Rd.

Ride & Read

Best enjoyed by children ages 18 months to 5 years

Bring your bike, trike, scooter, wagon, or stroller for an active outdoor class filled with books, songs, and games. At this outdoor event, preschoolers will learn about road safety while riding in a safe, supervised environment around the school. Each class features a bike parade, art experience, and time to enjoy the play structure.

Saturday, Sept. 24

9:30–10:30 a.m.

11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Joseph Teres School

131 Sanford Fleming Rd.

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, and time)

KINDER LINKS PEN PALS

Introduce your child—ages three to five—to the joys of reading and writing through RETSD’s Kinder Links Pen Pals program. Our team of Kinder Links facilitators is looking forward to connecting with preschool families this year. As a Kinder Links Pen Pal, your child will receive a special package in the mail featuring a short letter, notes, songs/rhymes, a joke, stickers, and a seasonal activity to try.

The best part of being a pen pal is writing back! We can hardly wait to start receiving letters/drawings from your child(ren). For every letter sent to the Kinder Links office, we’ll reply with a special package filled with fun activities for your child. This is an excellent way to get your child excited about literacy while having fun practising their printing, drawing, and numeracy skills.

Submissions can be mailed to:

Kelly Martino
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Joseph Teres School
131 Sanford Fleming Rd.
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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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