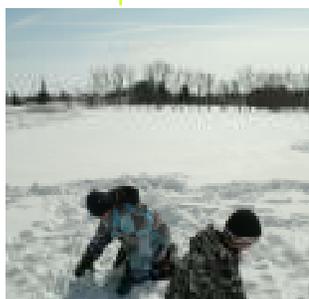


# Hamiota Schools Newsletter

## Principal's Message



## Spring???

Well I think and hope spring will soon be upon us though it is tough to tell with the snow I see out the window right now. Let me tell you about the things we have been doing at Hamiota Schools over the past while.

At the elementary school our students had their annual Valentine's Day party with the K's sledding, the 1-4's skating and snowshoeing and the 5's curling. A good time was had by all. Mrs. Dixon's grade 3 class continue their Lilac visits. I know that my daughter enjoys these visits a great deal and I think this is a fantastic program for both our seniors and students. We had a major announcement on March 13<sup>th</sup> involving our Member of Parliament the honourable Robert Sopuck. He announced that due to hard work by the PAC we had received a grant to help finish our fundraising for the playground at the elementary but build some activities outside for HCI also. This was fantastic news!

At the high school end we had spirit week in February and student council is work-

ing on a major activity and dance for the spring. The council also brought in Michelle from Winnipeg to tell about her experience with losing a friend to drinking and driving. Congratulations to Marian Juce for not only winning the Park West award for individual citizenship but winning the sectionals also. Marian went to Winnipeg for a ceremony and was one of 6 finalists for citizenship in the entire province.

In sports our hockey team wrapped in February with a playoff loss to Souris. Thanks to the boys and Coach Mr. Mollard for their hard work and sportsmanship all season. Our middle year's basketball teams have concluded also. The girls finished fourth on the A side while the boys won the B side championship. Thanks to Mr. Usick and Mrs. Proven for coaching. Mr. Lints looked after all our curling teams and they all did a great job. In basketball both boys and girls teams are went to provincials. The boys won their first before losing their next two and the girls are pro-

vincial champions for the second year in a row. Keegan Robinson and Kailan Robinson were all-stars and Shayna Mathison was the MVP.

Finally we had a meeting on March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm about opening up the parent portal for parents. This is a pilot program for the division so please have patience with us. When working perfectly this should allow parents real time access to marks and absences and any comments a teacher may add from time to time. This will start on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Also a reminder Celebration of Learning is April 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:30-7:30 and April 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 12:00. Along with this we will be having a grade 6 orientation meeting at 4:30 at HCI, and a grade 9 orientation meeting at 5:00 also on this night for future grade 6 and 9 students. Please plan to attend.

*With that until next time I hope every student enjoys their spring break and is ready for a great spring. Take care.*

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# KINDERGARTEN NEWS



Wow, the snow never seems to stop! But the Kinder kids are loving it, and have been enjoying recesses outside playing on the huge hills in the playground.

The last couple of months have been busy ones for all of our Kindergarten kids. In January we had lots of fun working on a Wintertime theme which included some cool art activities and songs, as well as lots of learning! We enjoyed the story, "The Mitten" by Jan Brett, and were able to do some sequencing and writing activities to go with it. We are continuing with Letterland, learning more letters and sounds. Students are getting much better at recognizing beginning and ending sounds in words and grouping letter sounds together to create words.

Mrs. McNabb's class enjoyed their Skype experience with Mrs. Martinussen's Kindergarten class in St. Anne. They were able to do a book exchange about friendship.

Mrs. Nowosad's class had a special visit from Joan Trott, who came to class and did some awesome activities and songs about trees. You will have to come check out the fantastic paintings the students did of trees!



In February, both classes got together for a Valentine's Party. We played sound bingo, graphed heart candies, played in the gym, did some crafts and had a wonderful play outside on the hills. The weather was beautiful and the kids really enjoyed a chance to play together. Thank you to all the families who brought in such delicious treats for our party!



Mrs. Nowosad's class was very excited to welcome a new student, Hailen Pompana, to their class. Welcome Hailen!!

The kinders have gotten full swing into their reading groups, and are doing a fantastic job!! They are working hard at using letter sounds, words they know and pictures to help them read. We have been doing lots of activities as well to help with their high frequency words.

Both Kinder classes have become "Bucket Fillers". They are paying special attention to things they can do or say to help others "fill their buckets". We read a story called, "**Have You Filled A Bucket Today? (A Guide to Daily Happiness For Kids)**". The main idea of the book is the idea that we all carry an invisible bucket that contains our feelings. When our bucket is full, we feel great. When our bucket is empty, we feel sad. A bucket filler is someone who says or does nice things for other people. By doing this, they are filling other people's buckets and filling their own bucket at the same time. On the other hand, a bucket dipper says or does things to cause other people to feel bad. A bucket dipper empties their bucket when they say and do mean things.

In March, the students were excited to perform again for festival. Each class sang two songs. They did a wonderful performance, and were very happy to see special people in the audience watching them.

A few more days and Spring Break will be here! Have a wonderful week with your families, and Happy Easter!!



## GRADE ONE NEWS

In Grade 1, we've been busy with lots of fun learning and special activities! Guests from the Heritage Arts Center did a special activity with us—we learned how to draw zebras! Our works of art will be on display at the Arts Center! We also participated in the festival as a part of the Grades 1-3 choir and did a great job singing.



In math, we continue to learn about problem solving and numbers. Our class is working hard on skip counting, forwards and backwards counting and addition and subtraction. We are doing Daily 5 math choices like math practice, math with a partner and math with technology to keep getting better at math.

We also read and write every day to become better readers and writers. One special type of text we're learning about is explanatory text. Explanatory texts give an explanation, so we've learned a lot by reading them and we've even done research to write our own explanatory texts.

Our class is planning some exciting events for this spring. We're having a garage sale in April to raise money for helping others. We're also planning a special Earth Day Celebration to learn more about animals, nature and the earth.



### Camp Bridges



"Love builds bridges where there are none."

At Camp Wannakumbac, Clear Lake

Friday, May 31, 2013 (6:15 pm drop off) to  
Sunday, June 2, 2013 (1:00 pm pickup)

This camp is open to any child in Manitoba, aged 7 - 17 years,  
who is grieving the death of someone significant in their lives.

Archery    Counseling    Recreational Activities    Hiking    Campfire

*Camp Bridges will provide a safe environment where the campers have opportunities to interact and share their feelings with other children in similar circumstances. They may learn to understand their grief, recognize that they are not alone, and that their feelings are normal. The camp is not designed to provide grief therapy, but we will acknowledge the loss and grief, honor memories, and have some fun, too.*

Camper registrations must be received by May 3, 2013

There is no cost for the camp.

M. Tostuar	B. Paolucci	M. Donnelly	F. Gosses
Marie Tostuar	Bob Paolucci	Melissa Donnelly	Paulette Gosses
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	Pinkie Mountain Health		Southern Health - Sarah Stad
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Camp Bridges 2013

## Celebration of Learning

April 18<sup>th</sup>

4:30-7:30 p.m.

April 19<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Please plan to attend.



## GRADE TWO NEWS

With the arrival of spring, we are all certainly looking forward to warmer weather and the snow starting to melt. The past month has been very busy learning new skills and enjoying some special activities.

In math we have been working on ordering numbers. We have learned about place value and have been working on some calendar activities. We have started to work on subtraction and are learning different strategies to help remember the facts.



In language arts we continue to work on our reading and writing skills. A couple of our guided reading groups enjoyed reading a brochure and others always look forward to reading books with plays that they can act out. We have also been doing lots of word sorts. We have written letters to an imaginary pen pal and written about a leprechaun.

In science we have been working on a unit on the properties of liquids, solids and gases. We have had fun sorting pictures into the different categories and doing experiments about floating and sinking. Our favourite activity was the boat building challenge. We built boats out of modeling clay and tested them to see if they would float. We also found out how many pennies they would hold until they sank. We then designed and built a boat out of materials we brought from home. We had some very interesting looking boats! They all floated and many of them were able to hold the maximum number of pennies.



We had a great time participating in many special events during February. Mrs. Smith planned some fun activities during I Love to Read Month. We enjoyed trying to guess the teacher behind the books. Buddy reading on pajama day was also lots of fun. We really liked the story our guest reader, Mr. Mendel read to us.



Our Valentine's Party was a great success. We enjoyed skating at the rink and our snack of hot dogs and juice.

On February 13<sup>th</sup> we celebrated our 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. Almost everything we did revolved around the number 100. We made glasses to wear in the shape of 100. We all brought collections of 100 things that we could eat. We weighed them to see which was heaviest and lightest before we mixed them all together and shared the delicious mixture.



Another special event we enjoyed was learning to draw a zebra. Mrs. Lowe was a great instructor and our zebras turned out very well. We can't wait to see them displayed at the Art Centre.



In March we participated in the festival. The grade ones, twos and threes did a great job of singing their songs. We would like to thank Mrs. Penner for all her hard work in getting the choir ready to sing.



As March winds down, we are all really looking forward to spring break. We hope everyone has a great holiday! Happy Easter everyone!

Winter has worn out its welcome and we're all looking forward to some spring days! With the number of indoor recesses during the last few months, our class has kept themselves amused by setting up 'stores' in the room! We've made jewelry, purses, pillows, drawings and snowflakes, among other treasures. We've learned some good marketing lessons, such as "two for one" deals and we were able to make some donations to the playground fund, too! What a creative group!



We would like to welcome Miss Kaitlyn Lockhart to our classroom! Miss Lockhart is completing her last student teaching session and we're thrilled to have her working with us. Many of us know her through the swimming pool, day camps and the Kids' Club. We're looking forward to working with you, Miss Lockhart!



During the month of March, we are "taking a bite out of reading" for our home reading program. We're working in teams to "eat" our cookies by reading. We're hoping to savour some real cookies once we're finished the program!

As well as our regular reading, writing and spelling, we've completed some poetry activities. We've written list poems and limericks. Be sure to check out the limericks in the hallway. Mrs. Dana Routledge, Seniors' Co-ordinator is compiling a book of limericks, so ours will be part of the book! Thanks to Miss Lockhart for organizing this activity!

We've had a bit of leprechaun activity in our room lately. Our little friends played a few tricks on us, but they did take us on a treasure hunt that ended with some rainbow cupcakes. We built some leprechaun traps in our room, but those tricky elves couldn't be caught!



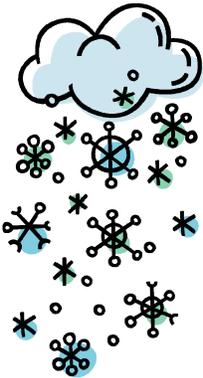
The Grade 3's have been working with magnets in Science. We enjoyed making magnetic mazes and came up with some creative designs. Many students have enjoyed stopping by to give them a try while heading down the hallway!

## Festival News

During the past few weeks, students have been taking part in the Birdtail River Fine Arts Festival. Kindergarten, Hamiota Grade 1-3, Hamiota Grade 4 & 5 and Collegiate Senior Choir participated in the vocal section. In the instrumental section Grade 4 Recorder Ensemble, Grade 5 Recorder Ensemble, Grade 7 Band, Grade 8 Band and Senior Band took part. Many student in Hamiota Elementary and Collegiate had art entries that were displayed in both schools during the Festival. In addition to these groups, many individuals took part in the vocal and instrumental sections and will be part of the piano sessions taking place at Hamiota United Church on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. **Plan to attend the Final Concert to be held on Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Hamiota United Church featuring trophy and scholarship winners.**



# GRADE FOUR NEWS



Snow, snow, snow! Are we ever going to see spring? Well, it has been a very blustery few months with school closures and no buses! Let's hope the sun comes out for the first day of spring and stays out!

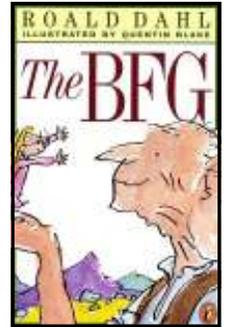
The grade 4 students have been busy as beavers practicing for festival choir and recorder. Led by our talented music teacher, Mrs. Penner, the HES choirs did a fantastic job singing their hearts out for a generous audience! How nice to see members of the community come out to support the kids. Recorder at HCI on Thursday, March.14<sup>th</sup>, was a hit! Mrs. Penner said it was their best performance to date, so WAY TO GO grade 4's!



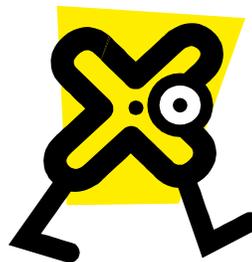
The grade 4 class had a talented community artist, Mrs. Trott, come into the classroom to do African art with the students. The students worked with acrylic paints on canvas to produce a beautiful sunset scene in the safari. A tree and an African animal were accents to the paintings. A wonderful opportunity for the students!



In ELA, the students wrote paragraph's and made collages about why they were "LUCKY". This was a tribute to St. Patrick's Day. These thoughtful paragraphs adorn our hallway. Guided Reading continues in the classroom on a daily basis. Sea turtles, the Titanic, Owls, and a mini novel called Catch That Stomach round out the reading this month! We have almost finished our class novel, THE BFG by Roald Dahl.



In math, we are currently working on multiplying 3 digit by 1 digit numbers. We are working on 3 basic strategies; base ten, expanded form, and break a number apart. Students still need to continue mastering the multiplication times table up to



9x9, as it becomes more difficult to solve larger equations when they aren't familiar with the basic facts. Games on the computer, IPAD, or flashcards are great ways to support your student at home, with mastering the times table.

In science, we have begun a new unit, HABITATS AND COMMUNITIES.



## GRADE FIVE NEWS

We have had a very productive time since the last newsletter! In math we completed our unit on measurement but we found it to be a little tricky with all of the different units and remembering the difference between perimeter and area!! We then moved on to division which we found a lot easier. We've been spending a little time reviewing some previously taught concepts and taking a look at patterns as we come up to spring break.



In language arts we have been doing research projects which actually relate to our social studies. We researched things like homes, food, clothing, transportation, ceremonies and beliefs, and roles of men and women for a particular group of First Nations people. Once our research was done, we discussed how to write a good paragraph. We will also have to make a bibliography!

We have just completed our science unit on "Properties of and Changes in Substances". We did a lot of hands on experiments, and had to make sure we followed the directions. After the break we will start on our next social studies unit!



We were supposed to go to Brandon for a peer mentor celebration on March 18th, but a snow-storm changed those plans. We'll be going April 5th instead!

Enjoy your break!

## 52nd Legion Athletic Camp



**July 14 - August 17 2013**

[www.legionathleticcamp.com](http://www.legionathleticcamp.com)

Registrations are now open for Canada's Best Summer Sports Camps located at the International Peace Garden on the Manitoba/North Dakota border.

Open to students Grade 6 - Grade 12 (younger students allowed for elementary, equestrian or gymnastics).

More than 45,000 athletes have attended (majority from Manitoba)

Five weekly sessions: July 17 - August 20, 2011

Sports offered: advanced track and field, basketball, cross country, elementary, equestrian, gymnastics, judo, soccer, volleyball, track and field and wilderness.

For more info or to register go to our website at [www.legionathleticcamp.com](http://www.legionathleticcamp.com) or by phone 1-204-831-7565 or e-mail [register@legionathleticcamp.com](mailto:register@legionathleticcamp.com).

# BAND NEWS

## BAND TRIP

The senior band made a successful trip to Winnipeg to play at the Winnipeg Optimist Band Festival on February 21<sup>st</sup>. They had the opportunity to attend Festival du Voyageur, the Winnipeg Art Gallery, the Winnipeg Symphony, the Manitoba Museum, and the Forks. In our own community, the grade 7-12 bands participated in the Birdtail River Festival on March 14<sup>th</sup> with great success! The senior choir also participated in this event on the 12<sup>th</sup>, receiving many compliments on their singing. A huge “thanks” goes out to each student, staff member, and parent who made this festival possible for our community and our school.



## HONOUR BAND



Eight students from Hamiota Collegiate took part in the Westman Honour Band Program. Grade 11 student Chris Usick, Grade 9 students Randy Kirk, Jaimie Rose, Joel Usick and Bailey Wilson, and Grade 8 students Will Chappell, Orianna Hyndman and Jessica Sparrow took part in Junior and Senior Bands. Students were provided with the music prior to the Honour Band weekend. The weekend began with a full band rehearsal followed by sectional instruction and more rehearsal. The final performance on February 12 was fantastic. Students enjoyed playing with other Westman students and working with conductors Mr. Darryl Ferguson and Mr. Kevin Doell who teach band in Winnipeg.

## WESTMAN YOUTH CHOIR

The Western Manitoba Youth Choir will consist of approximately 55 singers from the Westman region, selected by video auditions. For the first time this year, there will be no video auditions. All students must travel to Brandon early in May to audition on purpose. The choir will meet at two rehearsal camps, each one lasting three days at Riding Mountain Conference Centre in the fall. Successful applicants will be required to pay a tuition to cover the expenses of the rehearsal camps and tour, and choir sweatshirt, CD and choir pictures. Financial assistance is available to make this wonderful musical experience more accessible to all students.



Application forms will be available soon. Please listen for announcements or see Mrs. Kirkland or Mrs. Mathison for more information.

## CURLING

### High School Zone Curling

playoffs took place in Russell on January 25 & 26 with Hamiota sending a boys & girls team.



Girls: Kaylee Daniel, Jaden Hemrica, Eveline Juce, Chelsea Lawn, Morgan Strachan, Coach Allan Lawn

Boys: Derek Feschuk, Randy Kirk, Mark Lawn, Alex Lints, Jack Routledge, Coach Randy Lints

Both teams needed to win one more game to play in the finals.

Chelsea Lawn also played in the Under 18 Manitoba Provincial playoffs with the Kaitlyn Payette team out of Brandon. This team also played great losing out in the semifinals.

## STUDENT COUNCIL UPDATE

The HCI senior student council has been very busy over the last couple of months. In February we hosted Michelle Golebiowski, a public speaker from Winnipeg, who talked to us about the importance of not driving drunk or distracted. We also held a Spirit Week in February that saw many students dressing up in everything from Western gear to pink and red for Valentine's Day. Students were also excited to purchase their Matchmaker results and see who their best matches were.



We have a number of events coming up in the next couple of months. HCI will participate in the International Day of Pink on April 10<sup>th</sup>. It is a day where communities across the country, and across the world, can unite in celebrating diversity and raising awareness to stop homophobic, transphobic and all forms of bullying. Every student is encouraged to wear pink on this day and there will be some fun activities to encourage an end to bullying. We are also planning a dance for the high school students on May 30<sup>th</sup> and a fundraising initiative for the Hamiota and District Health Centre to take place in June.



## Hamiota Collegiate Drama

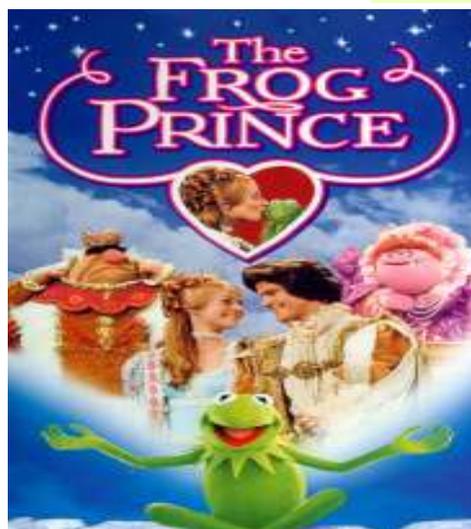
*Fairy Tale Puppet Theatre*

*For The Whole Family*

**ADVANCE TICKETS**

**AVAILABLE AFTER APR. 3<sup>RD</sup>**

**CALL 842-2803**



# MIDDLE YEARS BASKETBALL



The Middle Years Boys team ended a great season by winning the Park West Boys 'B' Championship in Hamiota. Congratulations to the team and thank you to the parents for their great support over the past year.

Back: Hassan Ashraf, Sebastian Tolton, Holden Norrie, Liam Caldwell, Mrs. Proven (Coach)

Front: Brendan Lawn, Brayden Heapy, Grady Routledge, Will Chappell, Mason Gurr, John Abdel Mesih



The Middle Years girls also had a great season, improving with every game played. The girls would like to thank their coach, Mr. Usick and Mrs. Allan for accompanying them to the Russell 'A' playoffs, as well as their parents for their support.

Back: Destiny Allan, Ashlyn Kirk, Brenna Kirk, Jessica Hunter, Chyna Lake and Mr. Usick (coach).

Front: Chantelle Chappell, Savanna Lynn, Joelle Little, Korine Alexander, Emily Usick

Front: Ashley Lints, Michelle Bell

# MIDDLE YEARS BADMINTON

Middle year's badminton is upon us. Practices began on March 19 and will continue through March and into April. Regular practices will be from 3:15 – 5:00 pm and 5:00 to 7:00 pm, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The boys and girls will try and alternate early and late practices for the most part. Mr. Crampain is coaching the grade 6-8 boys while Mr. Coulter is coaching the Grade 6-8 girls. The Park West School Division hosts a number of single, doubles and mixed tournaments through the season. Grade 6 students will practice twice weekly for the season and there will be a grade 6 singles tournament in Birtle on April 29. The grade 7 & 8 students can participate in a doubles, mixed, or singles tournament. The boy's and girl's singles tournament are on April 16 in Hamiota and Strathclair respectively. The doubles tournament is on April 23 with Hamiota hosting the boys and Strathclair hosting the girls. The mixed tournament is in Birtle on April 25.



# DAISY MARTINEZ WINS LEGION AWARD

Canadian Legion Zone Commander Hank Kyle (left), and Deputy-Zone Commander and Kenton Legion Branch #118 President, Mike Ramsden (right), were at Hamiota Collegiate this week to present Grade 6 student Daisy Martinez a cheque and certificate for placing second at Zone Level for her poster. Her poster was submitted through Kenton Legion Branch #118 as part of the Annual Literary and Poster Contest which is used to help to foster the tradition of Remembrance.



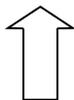
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Daisy's Award-Winning Poster



## Mask Project



Nathian Newman has been working on creating a plaster cast mask.



## NASCAR Project



Grade 8 student Quade Wood did research on NASCAR and built a replica of a track right down to the pit crew.

# SENIOR GIRLS WIN PROVINCIALS!!



Back: Mr. Zilkey (Coach), Jessica Ritchie, Jaimie Rose, Kailan Robinson, Shayna Mathison, Mikaela Jay, Jimena Montenegro, Jacquelyn Hawkins, Janice Maitland, Ashley Jay.

Front: Jill Kerr, Keegan Robinson

After winning Zone 10 the girls traveled to Treherne to the Provincials. With wins against Pinawa (63-18) and Grandview (70-51), the Huskies went to the final against host team Treherne. The team won decisively 59-38 to capture their second consecutive "A" Provincial Championship. MVP for the tournaments was Shayna Mathison and Keegan and Kailan Robinson were selected for the All-Star team. These three girls were also the individual game stars. Congratulations to the team and thanks to Coach Mr. Zilkey and the parents for their support. The team says good-bye to their graduating players, Mikaela, Jill, Janice, Jimena, Kailan and Keegan. We will miss you.



# SENIOR BOYS AT PROVINCIALS!!



Back: Miss Young (Coach) Jun Jun Taborlupa, James Hunkin, Shaun Hunter, Daniel Miranda, Christopher Usick

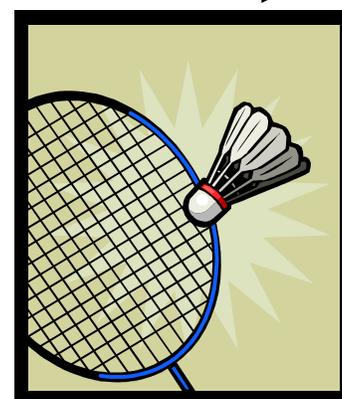
Front: Jorden Leronowich, Nico Miranda, Randy Kirk, Joel Kirk, Mark Lints, Jason Ritchie.

The varsity boys basketball team has a lot to be proud of this basketball season. The team finished 2nd in the Neepawa tournament. The boys were also able to win the league and the zone. The boys defeated Strathclair, Russell, and then Rossburn to accomplish this task. Winning zone 10 gave the boys a birth into A provincials. Provincials were hosted in Glenboro and the boys went in ranked 8. The team won their first game beating Somerset, but were not able to win their quarter final game against the provincial champs from Sprague. The boys then faced a well rounded team from St. Laurent in the consolation semi final. The boys came up short losing a close one by 5 points. The boys accomplished many goals this year, the number one being to make it to provincials and win a game! Congratulations to all players and a huge thanks to graduating players Shaun Hunter and Daniel Miranda.

## SENIOR BADMINTON

Eighteen students have signed up for Senior Badminton this year. Students will be playing in singles, doubles, and mixed doubles.

Senior Coaches this year are Mrs. Hawkins and Mr. Smith.



# M.Y. HEALTHY SNACK INCLUDES THE 4 FOOD GROUPS

Middle Years Students enjoyed a healthier version of the famous egg McMuffin from McDonalds. It included the 4 Food Groups- a whole wheat bun, egg, cheese, turkey bacon, and it was served with strawberries. Try making one at home!



Another student favourite was fruit smoothies made



with strawberries, bananas and yogurt. Right: Quade Wood, Joseph Miller and Damon Bunn deliver smoothies.

Left: Students enjoying smoothies— Back: Sheena Johnson, Daisy Martinez, Chantelle Chappell, Bobbi Hunter, Brady Lake, Front: MacKenzie Haslen, Emily Usick

(Photographs by Danielle Schweitzer)



While the festival was taking place in the gym, P.E. students moved outdoors to make some snow "people".

**Birdtail River Fine Arts Festival Final Concert**  
**Wednesday**  
**April 3, 2013**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Hamiota United Church**

# MARIAN JUCE WINS MSBA AWARD



January, Marian Juce was selected at the Park West School Division Student Citizenship Awards as their individual submission to the Manitoba School Board Association for consideration in regional competition. Marian was then chosen as the Region 1 representative for Provincial competition. It is extremely rare for both the Individual and Group nominees to be selected from the same school division, but this year the Regional group winner was the “Hawks for Change Group” from Strathclair School, a group of five students who have worked against social injustice, locally and globally. The MSBA Banquet was held in March and Marian and the Strathclair group received their awards. Marian was also one of the six nominees for the prestigious George Harbottle

Marian Juce is a grade 12 student at Hamiota Collegiate in the Park West School Division. Although she is not a member of her school’s student council, she is an active and willing volunteer, helping out at the council-sponsored school barbeque and running the after-school canteen at school sporting events. Marian was an integral part of the school’s We Scare Hunger Campaign, and served as a liaison between the school and the local food bank, where she works as a volunteer. Marian is also a volunteer math tutor for a grade five student, and is a member of the school’s golf team.

In addition to her work at the local food bank, Marian is also involved with the Seniors Council. She spends four to five hours a week, organizing events such as handi-transit tours and movie nights, or just taking time to share conversation over a cup of tea, go for a walk, or play cards. She also describes herself as a regular fixture at several arenas, where she helps with multiple skating programs, sharing her passion for skating with younger youth and helping them discover the same joy in the sport that she feels.

Marian’s school sponsor spoke of her vast knowledge base and intelligence, her strength of character that allows her to stand up for what she believes in, and her high level of commitment to her community. Her letter of support from the Hamiota Seniors Council spoke of her extremely large heart, her willingness to go above and beyond the call of duty, and her natural ability to brighten the day for those that needed it most.

Marian herself defines a good citizen as someone who makes a positive difference. In her words, “it’s all about the joy they share and willingness they have to help, always with a smile on their face, never asking for anything in the return.”

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*Marian is the daughter of Karen and David Juce. Congratulations Marian!!!*



Despite having to miss one day at the slopes due to bad weather, students enjoyed being at Asessippi on Tuesday, March 19 for skiing and snowboarding.

Back: Miss Young, Blaine Lee, Mr. Obach, Shane Hunter, Julie Campbell, Kimberlee Gray, Jackie Hunter, Shayna Mathison, Chris Usick, Braden Dereniwski, Kyle Kostaskey, Brodie Hunter, Cole Waddell, Keegan Robinson, Jill Kerr

Front: Meghan Drake, Shaun Hunter, Tess Stevenson

**Grade 11/12 Ski Trip**