

# G. W. Carlson Elementary



January 2025

## Happy New Year!

Welcome back. We hope your winter break was wonderful. The coming weeks are filled with important learning opportunities, as well as some exciting events.

### Save the Date!

January 9 – Inservice for staff - no school for students

January 13 – Kindergarten Registration begins

January 20 – PAC Meeting

January 23 – Community Play – the entire school attends in the afternoon

January 24 – Hot Lunch if you ordered

January 31 – Assembly – 12:40 – Mrs. Gough's class featured

February 4 – Swim Lesson begin

February 7 – Family Dance

February 13 and 14 – Professional Development Days (no school for students)

February 17 – Family Day (no school)

February 26 – Pink Shirt Day

**Winter Conditions.** Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Children are outside at recess breaks unless the temperature is deemed at risk according to Environment Canada.

Children should bring a warm hat, winter boots, mittens and snow pants **every day**.



### Kindergarten Registration

In order for School District 81 to finalize plans for kindergarten students, for the 2025/2026 school year, it is extremely **IMPORTANT** that caregivers of children born in **2020** register their children at their neighbourhood school. Registration is open as of January 13<sup>th</sup>. You will need:

- Birth Certificate
- Care Card
- Proof of Current Address

### Swimming Lessons

We are excited for swim lessons. The School District has partnered with the Rec Centre to provide six lessons for each class. Lessons are twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays (with one exception)

February 4<sup>th</sup> to February 20<sup>th</sup>  
**EXCEPT** swim Monday Feb 10<sup>th</sup>  
and no swim on the 13<sup>th</sup>  
Mrs. Gough  
Mrs. Yeager-Lobb  
Mr. Bartlett

Send a towel and swimsuit in a separate bag on scheduled swim days. Extra snacks and/or lunch are a good idea too.

February 25<sup>th</sup> to March 13<sup>th</sup>  
Mrs. Systad  
Mrs. Power  
Ms. Leigh

## Breakfast at the Carlson

We've had a great response from both children and parents for our breakfast program. On average, nearly 40 students take advantage of the program each day. Beyond the nutritional benefits, we have seen an unexpected social benefit. The students gather in mixed groupings each day. The shared conversations are so important for building our community and sense of well-being.

Beginning next week, we'd like to get our families involved. We invite parents and siblings to join us for breakfast on the following weeks:

January 13 – 17 – Mr. Bartlett's families  
January 20 – 24 – Ms. Leigh's families  
January 27 – 31 – Mrs. Yeager-Lobb's families  
February 3 – 7 – Mrs. Gough's families  
February 24 – 28 – Mrs. Systad's families  
March 3 – 7 – Mrs. Power's families

See breakfast menu on next page



## Breakfast at GW Carlson

### January 6 - 31

Dates	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jan 6 - 9	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit	Scrambled eggs and hashbrowns	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit	No School	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit
Jan 13 – 17 <b>Mr. Bartlett's families</b>	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit	Pancakes	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit	Muffins	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit
Jan 20 – 24 <b>Ms. Leigh's families</b>	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit	Scrambled eggs and hashbrowns	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit	Bagels and Cream Cheese	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit
Jan 27 – 31 <b>Mrs. Yeager- Lobb's families</b>	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit	Pancakes	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit	Yogurt Parfait	Cereal, Toast Yogurt and Fruit

## PAC News

We encourage all parents to take an active part in PAC. Our next meeting is on Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. We'll be planning another family dance and discussing ideas for other events.

## Hot Lunch

Pricing for hot lunch will continue to remain low. We want all students to be able to take advantage of the hot lunch program. **If financial barriers are limiting you, please contact Miss Kenney.** The **next hot lunch is January 24<sup>th</sup>** from Boston Pizza. Please watch for more information regarding ordering.



Go to [Munchalunch.com](http://Munchalunch.com) to order.

