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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Greetings Marauder Families,

As our January newsletter is being delivered, our students and staff are back after the break completing final projects and preparing for end-of-term assessments. The remaining weeks are key to a successful first semester and a strong finish. Our Final Assessment schedule may be accessed on your Edsby homepage along with other important school announcements. Thank you to our families for the continued support of our students. We know your support at home is key to our students' overall achievement. Please continue to access your Edsby for up-to-date student progress.

As we start to plan for next school year, our 2025-26 course selection process will get underway in early February. Our plan is to hold a **Course Selection Information Night on Tuesday, February 4th at 7:00 p.m. in our student cafeteria.** Families will meet our student services team, who will highlight course choices at grade level and explain the selection process in detail. Families will also have an opportunity to ask questions and have conversations with our helpful staff. Later in the month, students will input their choices during a scheduled class period within the school day. Staff will support students while making sure they are choosing their desired course at the appropriate grade level. When planning for next year, the accuracy of course selection is of the utmost importance. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school and ask for one of our knowledgeable student services colleagues.

Lastly, please keep in mind our next School Community Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the school library and everyone is welcome to attend. The SCC is an excellent way to get involved, meet other families, and learn more about our outstanding Collegiate and exceptional staff.

Proud to be your principal,
Dave Fisher



January 2025

UPCOMING
EVENTS

Jan. 9	Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.
Jan. 13-17	Grad Photos
Jan. 14	SCC 7:00 library—all welcome!
Wed., Jan. 22	Sage Open House 1:00 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 22	Period 1 Assessment 9:00—11:00 Outcome Completion 12:00—2:00
Thurs. Jan. 23	Period 2 Assessment 9:00—11:00 Period 4 Assessment 12:30-2:30
Fri., Jan. 24	Period 3 Assessment 9:00—11:00 Outcome Completion 12:00—2:00
Mon., Jan. 27	Period 5 Assessment 9:00—11:00 Outcome Completion 12:00—2:00
Tues., Jan. 28	No School for Students (Semester Turnaround)
Wed., Jan. 29	No School for Students (Semester Turnaround)
Thurs., Jan. 30	Semester 2 begins
Jan. 30-Feb 1	MIT (Murray Invitational Tournament)
Feb. 4	Course Selection Night 7:00 cafeteria
Thurs., Feb. 13	Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.
	Open House 7:00 p.m.
Feb. 17-21	February Break (no school)
Feb. 27	Early Dismissal 1:05 p.m.

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Please access Student Services “WMC Counsellor’s Corner” in Edsby for information related to post-secondary admissions, scholarships, and transcripts. You can also find career updates from Saskatoon Industry Education Council (SIEC), career exploration tools, and general supports in the school and community. It’s open for all students and parents to join! Request an invitation through Edsby.

✳ Log into Edsby ✳ Click on the ‘groups’ icon ✳ Find group called ‘WMC Counsellor’s Corner’



Walter Murray Semester 1 Final Assessment Schedule

Grade 9 – Grade 12				
	Wednesday January 22	Thursday January 23	Friday January 24	Monday January 27
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Period 1 Assessment	Period 2 Assessment	Period 3 Assessment	Period 5 Assessment
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	LUNCH			
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Outcome Completion	Period 4 Assessment	Outcome Completion	Outcome Completion
<p>Outcome Completion is an optional opportunity for additional time in classes for students to demonstrate their learning. Since this time may look different in each class, students should contact their teachers if they need additional time to attain course outcomes.</p>				



Twenty-five of our students worked extremely hard to complete the BRIT banner this year. They did an incredible job. Thanks to everyone who contributed!

This year our Senior Boys’ Basketball team will be competing at the 55th Annual Bedford Road Invitational Tournament (BRIT). Last year our Boys’ Marauder team won this prestigious tournament.

Let’s cheer them on from Thursday, January 9 to 11, 2025. We know that they will make us proud again this year!

Keep up to date with Edsby WMC Class of ‘25 for updates on graduation timelines.

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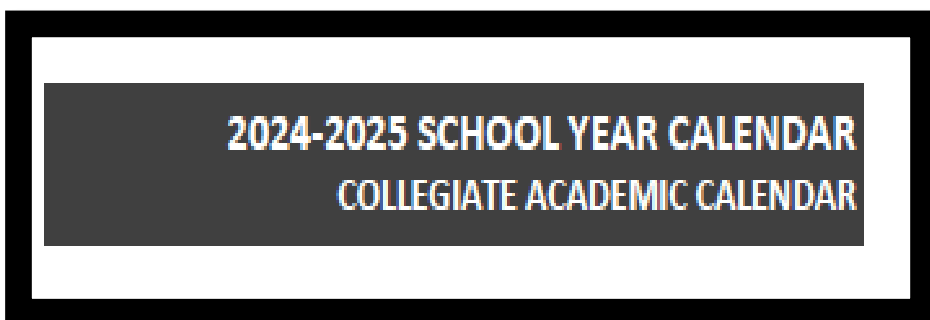
Archery Club

For the last day of archery before Christmas break, we played our annual Christmas tree decorating game! Students go into teams and fire arrows at their tree to start. For each arrow that hits the tree, a paper bauble gets hung in its place. As the rounds progress and more and more ornaments are placed, students have to be extra careful with their shots because if they hit a bauble that's already up, it breaks and comes down! At the end of the game, the team with the most baubles still hung on their tree is the winner! This year's winners had 66 ornaments hung on their tree.

This December, Grade 12 student, Lucas Le represented Team Canada Debate at the Winter Holiday Open in Zagreb, Croatia—the largest annual European high school debate tournament. Competing against over 90 teams, including national teams from the USA, Singapore, and others, Team Canada excelled through six preliminary rounds and four elimination rounds to emerge as the 1st place champion team. Individually, Lucas was ranked as the 3rd best speaker of the tournament. In July, Lucas will proudly represent Canada at the World Schools Debating Championships in Panama.



[To view our full division 2024-2025 School Calendar, please click here:](#)



January 2025						
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