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Vincent Massey Public School

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Administrator Message

Happy New Year, VMPS Families!

Welcome to 2026! We hope you had a restful and joyful winter break. As we settle back into routine, we're excited about the learning, growth, and opportunities the new year will bring for our students.

With the colder weather here, please remember to send your child with warm outdoor clothing each day. Students spend time outdoors daily, and proper winter gear helps them stay comfortable and enjoy the outdoors.

Report cards will be sent home on **January 29**, providing you with an update on your child's progress so far this year. The following day, **January 30**, is a **PLC Day** for staff, and there will be *no school* for students.

We also have a couple of fun Spirit Days coming up!

- **January 9:** *Mixed-Up Day*
- **January 22:** *Toque Day*

Please encourage your child to join in and show their school spirit. We love seeing the

creativity and excitement these days bring!

Please remember that regular attendance helps students build strong learning habits, stay connected, and make steady progress throughout the year. **Success starts with showing up, presence is power!**

Thank you for your ongoing support. We're looking forward to a wonderful start to the year together!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Tomporowski and Ms. Fernie



Our Schedule for the Month

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 Back to School  | 6 | 7 Clan Shirt Day  | 8 | 9 Mixed Up Day  ----- M/W Kindergarten Day | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 Clan Shirt Day  | 15 | 16 T/Th Kindergarten Day | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 Clan Shirt Day  | 22 Toque Day (Wear your favorite Toque)  | 23 Pre-K Family Engagement at Alfred Jenkins—Turf time (1-2:00pm) ----- M/W Kindergarten Day | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 Clan Shirt Day  | 29 Report Card | 30 PLC Day No Classes | 31 |
| Family Literacy Week—January 26 to 31 | | | | | | |

CHECK THIS OUT 🤔

Winter is here!!

In the winter, we use -30°C as our cutoff to remain indoors. If the temperature and/or wind chill, combined, exceed -30°C , then all students are permitted to stay inside both in the morning and during break times. **We do expect all students to be dressed appropriately for the weather, as there are many cold days when students are expected to be outdoors.**



!Please make sure all outdoor clothing and boots are clearly labelled with your child's name!



Grade 1-9 Grading Scale

When you log into Edsby and look at your child's "My Work" you will see IG, IE, BE, AP, ME, or EX.

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| EX - Exemplary | Evidence indicates in-depth understanding, demonstration, or application of the strand |
| ME - Meeting | Evidence indicates understanding, demonstration, or application of the strand |
| AP - Approaching | Evidence indicates progression towards understanding, demonstration, or application of the strand |
| BE - Beginning | Evidence indicates initial understanding, demonstration, or application of the strand |
| IE - Insufficient Evidence | The student has not yet demonstrated enough evidence for reporting purposes. |
| IG - Individualized Goals | The student demonstrates understanding of outcomes that are adjusted in number and complexity as discussed with parents/ guardians prior to this report. |



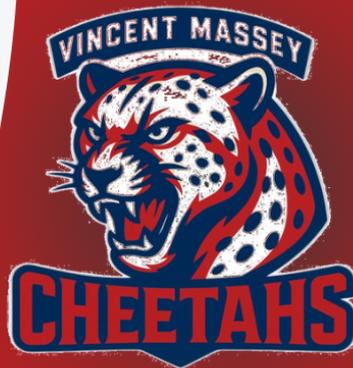
Keep Our Kids Safe This Winter



Avoid dangerous U-turns at uncontrolled intersections. it's illegal and puts children at risk.



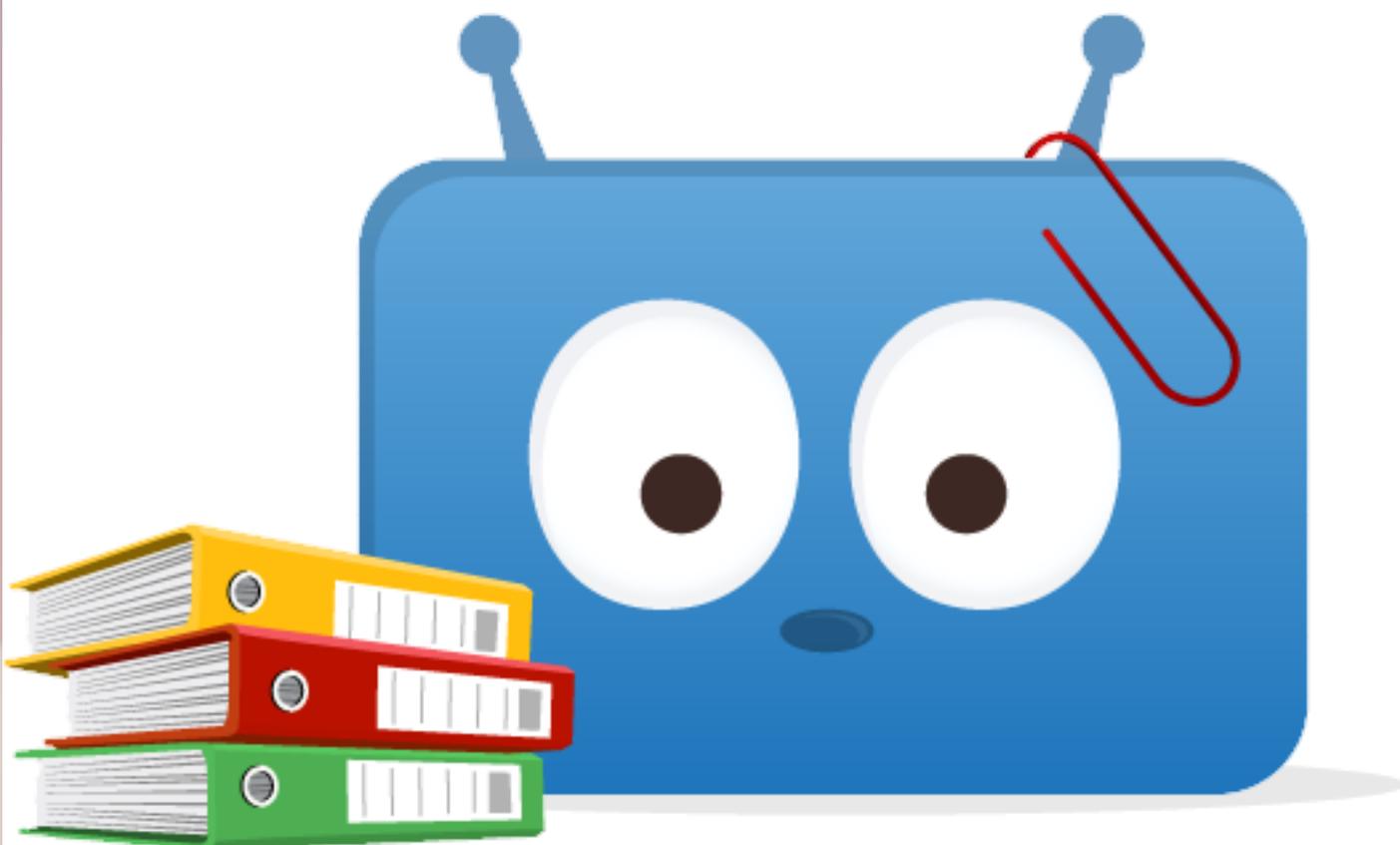
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💡 Reminders

1. ALLERGY AWARENESS- No Peanuts or Tree Nuts allowed

There are children in our school with severe life-threatening food allergies to nuts and peanuts. Although this may or may not affect your child's class directly, we ask that any foods you send to school with your child be free from nut or peanut products. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



2. PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Before school—student drop off at 8:20 am.

Drop off students at their playground (division 1, 2 or 3)

The supervisor will let them in the school when the bell goes at 8:35 am

Student's arriving prior to 8:35 am will be directed to walk to their division door (muster point).

If your child is late, arriving later than 8:35 am: Student comes in the front door. Please remind your child to make sure their name gets marked down to avoid the attendance call out

After school at 3:00 pm:

Pick up your student at 3:00 pm sharp at their division door

Pick up at designated division door/playground

ABSOLUTELY NO DROPPING OFF OR PICKING UP OF STUDENTS IN THE STAFF PARKING LOT!

We care about our students, our families, and our staff
and we don't want an accident to occur. Thank you!

3. SCHOOL BUS REMIND APP

Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division school bus notifications using Remind is the easiest and fastest way to get important information about your child's school bus.

Remind is a free service that will enable you to receive our notifications by app or by text.

School bus info would like you to join Remind for updates about Vincent Massey buses.

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1. Download the Remind app from or

2. Sign up for an account and enter the code **vmbus** to join Vincent Massey buses.



Or, sign up for text updates



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Secretary