

# Darwin School

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Dear Darwin School Families,

Darwin School continues to foster diversity and practice inclusion in our school community. Our belief is that all students and their families are valued and respected. On Wednesday, June 19, 2024, **in the morning**, our school will be embarking on our second Pride parade to demonstrate our commitment and support towards kindness, diversity, and inclusion. Students are invited to wear any solid, bright, or rainbow coloured clothing on June 19, 2024.

Darwin School develops understanding and respect among our students and staff. We value that our community and families are diverse, and that not every family looks the same. There are many kinds of families, and we teach acceptance and inclusion. This is done through the lens of celebrating what makes us unique and special as individuals. Our primary classes (K to 4) discuss community and families through the curriculum at age-appropriate levels. Our intermediate classes (5 to 8) discuss diversity in the classroom with teachers and student services staff, to highlight inclusive practices, people, and vocabulary. This creates a safe and supportive environment for students, which is our priority.

Darwin School supports LRSD Policy AC on 'Practices that Support Respect for Human Diversity'. It is a recognition of the individual worth and dignity of every person as prescribed by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Manitoba Human Rights Code. We want to provide our students a caring learning environment that nurtures their well-being and helps support their sense of belonging.

On Wednesday, June 19, 2024, we will be marching to show acceptance for all. We will be flying the Progress Pride flag for the month of June in recognition of the diversity of our school community. June is nationally recognized as Pride month in Canada, and we are taking this opportunity to recognize and demonstrate our belief that our school is a safe space for everyone.

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