

# École Julie-Riel Family Centre

316 Ashworth Street 204.253.2363



## February 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	4  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	5  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	6  Stay & Play 9-11:30 & 1:15-3:00  <b>Family Craft Night</b> <b>6:00 - 7:15</b> See newsletter for details	7  Stay & Play 9-11:30  <b>Moe the Mouse</b>  <b>Closed PM</b>
10  Stay & Play 9-11:30  <b>Messy Science</b>  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	11  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	12  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	13  Stay & Play 9-11:30 & 1:15-3:00  <b>Kindergarten Info</b> <b>Night 6pm</b> See newsletter for details	14  Stay & Play 9-11:30  <b>Closed PM</b> 
17   <b>Festival du Voyageur</b> <b>Louis Riel Day</b> <b>Closed</b>	18  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	19  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	20  Stay & Play 9-11:30  <b>Kids Cook</b>  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	21  Stay & Play 9-11:30  <b>Closed PM</b>
24  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	25  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play <b>1:15-2 only</b> <b>Early dismissal</b>	26  Stay & Play 9-11:30  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	27  Stay & Play 9-11:30  <b>French Exposure</b>  Stay & Play 1:15-3:00	28  Stay & Play 9-11:30  <b>Closed PM</b>



During the winter, we will continue to use the **front entrance of the school**. Please ring our doorbell which is placed beside the Family Centre sign and we will meet you there. Thank you!



A reminder that we are a **cell phone and texting free zone**. We ask that you leave your devices aside during your time at the Centre to create an immersive and interactive play experience for you and your child.



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A place for families and their children (0-5 years)  
to play, learn and grow together

Bring your children (0-5 years) for free play, songs, stories, movement, arts and crafts, a healthy snack and much more. Join us to make new connections and meet other families from the community. Take the opportunity to slow down and join in on playtime with your child. Feel free to invite your friends with young children! We look forward to welcoming you!

## February programs

### Family Craft Night

Thursday, February 6th 6-7:15

### Kids Cook

Today the children and parents will create a special recipe to be shared during snack – This month we'll be making homemade **Bannock to celebrate Festival week!**

### Messy Science

Join us for a fun sensory experiment.

### French Exposure

Today's story/song/rhyme time will be in French. Come learn some French basics with us! No French experience required.

### Moe the Mouse

Moe the Mouse is an early speech and language program that uses Indigenous toys and stories to enhance language development in children ages 3–5.

## For those with children starting Kindergarten this fall...

### 2025-2026 Kindergarten Information Evening

**Thursday February 13th at 6:00pm** in the École Julie-Riel School library  
This meeting is intended for parents/guardians who have children born in 2020 who will be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2025 and live in the École Julie-Riel catchment. To find out your school catchment visit:

<https://www.lrsd.net/page/1517/locate-a-school>

### Ready for School program

A play-based program to help your child prepare for kindergarten. This program is for children who will be starting *mater-nelle* here at École Julie-Riel in September 2025. It is a free registered program that will start mid-April 2025 and will run for 2 half days per week until mid-May. Once you've registered your child for kindergarten with the school, you may register for Ready for School with the Family Centre. Registration begins February 18th.



### Family Craft Night

**Thursday Feb 6th 6:00 - 7:15**

Join us for an evening of Valentine crafting! We've prepared a variety of basic children's crafts with

choices for all ages and skill levels. All materials are provided, and the event is free, so just bring your imagination and let the crafting magic begin! Please enter at the front of the school. We look forward to seeing you there!

\*Children must be accompanied by their parent(s) at all times. \*Exclusively for Julie-Riel School and Family Centre Families.

Please remember to bring **clean indoor shoes** for all family members attending the Centre.



Thank you for **taking a break** from the Centre when you or your child are feeling sick. We'll see you when you feel better!

# Winter Safety



Winter can be lots a of fun, but unfortunately, there are some associated potential dangers. Here are some tips to stay safe during the winter season:

- Children can easily succumb to frost bite, so during cold weather, make sure that your child's clothing, shoes, boots and gloves stay dry. If either of these items gets wet, change your child in to dry ones.
- Make sure your children do not play in snow that is piled up for clearing on the street or sidewalks.
- As the winter ice and snow melts, it may fall from a roof or side of a home or building and injure someone seriously. Make sure that your home or building is free of this hazard.
- Never leave children in a running parked car especially during the winter because the snow can block the car exhaust pipe, resulting in a carbon monoxide poisoning which can be deadly.
- Fireplaces are fun, warm and cozy, but should be used safely; Always use a screen to prevent sparks from igniting items around the fireplace such as newspapers carpets, furniture and curtains. Only use the fireplace when you're at home and awake.

