

FORT RICHMOND NEWSLETTER



Out and About

"I Love to Read" Month

February was "I Love to Read Month," a celebration of literacy to promote a love of reading and being read to. One of her favourite activities, Sarah enjoyed visiting daycares and schools throughout Fort Richmond to read to young students.



Reading "Grumpy Monkey" to grade 4 students at Bairdmore School on Feb. 13.



Making animal noises while reading "Grandpa's Promise" at Univillage Daycare.



Students at Campus Childcare Centre gave Sarah a Valentine's Day card.

Dear Fort Richmond Neighbours,

Each year brings its own unique set of opportunities and challenges. 2020 is proving to follow this theme in our community as we learn how to adapt in a changing environment and world. Having grown up in this supportive corner of the city, I have seen the resilience and strength of the many families as they have worked collectively to problem solve and reach goals. That is what makes Fort Richmond a desired place to live for newcomers and what draws our youth back to their roots when they begin their own families!

Thank you for allowing me another opportunity to represent our diverse and growing corner of the province. There is no higher honour than that of serving my friends, neighbours, and all who call Fort Richmond home.

*Have a wonderful spring and safe summer,
Sarah Guillemard*

Manitoba 150 Celebrations

May 12, 2020, will mark the 150th anniversary of the Manitoba Act receiving royal assent and becoming law. As a province, we are celebrating this milestone all year long. The folks at Manitoba 150 have put together all kinds of activities and events throughout Manitoba (find out more at www.manitoba150.com). In Fort Richmond, celebrations are planned as well. This summer we are planning a community BBQ as part of our festivities. More details will follow closer to the date.



Out and About

"I Love to Read" Month Continued



Feeling welcome while reading "Grandma's Promise" at Epiphany Childcare Centre.



Sarah read to two groups at St. Avila Before and After School program on February 17 and was treated to great questions and smiles.



Students offered challenging and insightful questions at Dalhousie Elementary.



At Ryerson School, students presented thoughtful messages to Sarah.



Reading a Robert Munsch story at Richmond Montessori School on Feb. 21.

Events

Hockey Players Show True Community Spirit

On January 11, Sarah stopped by the Peavey Mart on Pembina Highway to support the South Winnipeg Peewee A2 Kings Gold and St. Vital Victorias hockey teams. The players braved the cold to collect monetary donations and bottles in support of Reese Ketler, 19, who was paralyzed during a hockey game in December. The SW Kings raised approximately \$8,000 for Reese and his family. They also submitted a YouTube video to the Chevrolet Good Deeds Cup that put them in the top 10 standings.



Victorias players at the January bottle drive.



Sarah with IDO Media CEO, Fisher Wang.

Manitoba Chinese Business Gala

In celebration of the Chinese lunar new year, local Fort Richmond business IDO Media and Print Ltd and CEO Fisher Wang hosted the annual awards gala night on January 31. Sarah was happy to attend and celebrate the awards recipients.

International Mother Language Day

Sarah participated in a program at Bairdmore School on February 21 celebrating International Mother Language Day (IMLD), promoting awareness of language and cultural diversity. Sarah attended alongside students, staff, school trustees, Waverley West City Councillor Janice Lukes, and representatives from the Manitoba Bangladesh Bhaban Corporation (MBBC). The program included musical pieces by students, an impactful reading, and a speech on the importance of mother languages by Khawja Latif of the MBBC. Sarah presented a proclamation from Minister Cox (Sport, Culture and Heritage) recognizing IMLD. The MBBC also presented plans for a plaza to be added to Kirkbridge park, a project with the city, province, and the Southeast Collegiate.



Sarah with Janice Lukes and members of the MBBC: Rowshan Jahan Shampa, Khawja Latif, and Qumrul Mithun.

Upcoming Events in Fort Richmond

April 4: Pembina Active Living (55+) Corny Rempel fundraising concert (www.pal55plus.ca)

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