

National Sweater Day!

**February
5th**



Each year, on the first Thursday of February, everyone is invited to **TURN DOWN** their heat by **TURNING UP** in a sweater to raise awareness about climate change and energy conservation.

Why is KPR taking part in National Sweater Day?

Engaging in learning and awareness about combatting Climate Change is important at KPRDSB. Our Board Action Plan speaks to a system action to strengthen environmental consciousness and explore strategies to reduce negative ecological impacts.



DID YOU KNOW

Canada's resource use is among the highest in the world! Much of Canada's carbon footprint is the result of fossil fuel use, mainly from transmissions, heating and electricity.

CAUSES OF CLIMATE CHANGE

1 Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Fossil Fuels: Carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and other greenhouse gases trap heat in the Earth's atmosphere, leading to global warming.

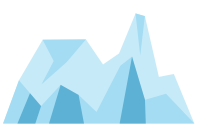
2 Deforestation: The removal of trees reduces the planet's capacity to absorb CO₂, contributing to increased atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases.



Effects of Climate Change



Rising Temperatures



Melting Ice Caps



Disruption of Ecosystems: Plants & Animal Life

Impacts on Society



Food Security



Human Health



Economic Costs

How will we participate in National Sweater Day?

At KPRDSB we have moved to a centrally monitored heating and cooling system. The system is responsive to the temperatures inside and outside of our buildings to optimize efficiencies. Due to these steps already in place, central staff will not turn down the heat in schools. However, schools are encouraged to still promote the day and challenge students and staff to wear their favourite, warmest or tackiest sweaters. Have fun building awareness!



Warm Sweaters



Tacky Sweaters



Favourite Sweaters

SOLUTIONS TO CLIMATE CHANGE

National Sweater Day gives students an opportunity to reflect on how rising global temperatures are impacting the planet and how together we can keep climate change in check by making small changes in our daily lives, including how we consume energy. By making a commitment to the planet on National Sweater Day, students and educators can collectively have a powerful impact.



How to get involved in the day and connect it to classroom learning?

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Create a free account with the **World Wildlife Fund Canada Living Planet @ School**

[Click Here](#) to create your account. Once you set up your account, there are a variety of resources available for educators including:

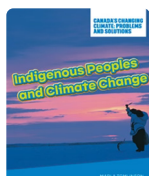
- Tip Sheet
- Learning Opportunities
- Social Media Toolkit
- Letter for Parents and Guardians
- Posters and More!

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To connect this Action to **Indigenous Peoples and Climate Change** check out these featured texts at www.goodminds.com. Click the links to learn more:



[Our Future: How Kids are Taking Action](#)



[Indigenous Peoples and Climate Change](#)



[The Right To Be Cold](#)

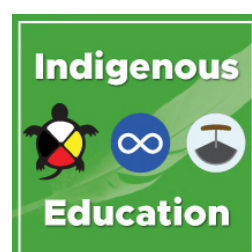
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Share Your Action!

Let us know your class participated by completing this [Google Form](#) or by scanning the QR code.



CLICK TO SHARE!



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Take Sweater Action at Home!

Students and staff can encourage families to join the fun by celebrating sweater day at home. It is an easy and comfy way to stay warm, to support climate action, and make some family memories along the way!

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