

We need your help to bring this vision to reality!

With the initial planning stages done, we are ready to move forward. We are looking for resources and hands on help.

Are you willing to help?

Yes, I would like to help in the following way(s):

- Fundraising
 Publicity
 Other Specify _____

Are you willing to make a monetary donation?

A tax receipt will be given for minimum amounts of \$20.00

- Yes, donate online at mof.wrdsb.ca, ensuring you specify **Moffat Creek Playground**.
 Yes, enclosed is a cheque made payable to **WEFI-Moffat Creek Playground**

Would you like to be a learning grounds sponsor with recognition?

- Yes, please have the funding coordinator contact me to provide information on this.

Please return this form with your name and contact information to the school.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

For more information, visit:
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Who is this for?

Though we are fortunate to have a beautiful school and property, it is devoid of play features and shade.

This is not just about the kids who attend our school. Our property is dissected by a lit community path, attracting families day and evening out for walks. The YMCA also hosts year-round childcare and summer camps. Our existing soccer fields will also be home to many soccer players and their families from all over the city. A natural play space integrating trails, climbing, sitting areas and shade will benefit all who use this space.

We plan to provide not only a space that connects our children with play but connects them with the environment and encourages their stewardship of it. We plan to break ground for the first phase in summer 2015.



Why a naturalized school ground?

Naturalized school grounds offer many educational, environmental, health, and social benefits. By using a variety of spaces and design elements, the best school grounds provide not only choices of play experiences, but also enhanced opportunities for formal and informal learning.



Moffat Creek Wetland Learning Grounds



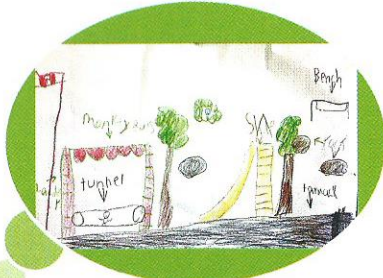
Dreaming of a playground...

Classes and staff representing all grade divisions participated in a dream session for a much needed playground for our beautiful but empty outdoor space.

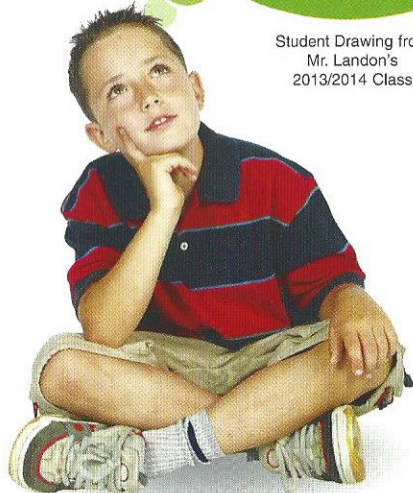
The kids came up with what they'd like: climbing, sliding, hiding, sitting in shaded areas and hanging out with friends.

Evergreen took these wish items and worked with a committee of parents and staff to develop a master plan that combines the children's visioning and melds it with the natural environment, working on the theme of the environmental protected wetlands the school sits on.

The plan lays out four unique areas themed for exploration, discovery, creation, and play. Together, they form the Moffat Creek Wetland Learning Grounds.



Student Drawing from
Mr. Landon's
2013/2014 Class



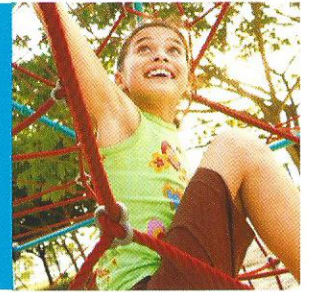
Wetland

Moffat Creek
Learning Grounds

explore. discover. create. play.

Wetland Adventure

Primary children can explore the Climber while older children can test their skills with a Rock Climbing Wall and Boulder Scramble. A dry riverbed with bridge and balance logs with wet meadow plantings will provide ample opportunity to investigate or just hang out. Throughout, bird boxes will encourage wildlife to make this habitat their home. A shaded outdoor classroom will be the perfect backdrop for discovery and discussion.



Wetland Discovery

Although our youngest children in childcare and full day kindergarten do not have the freedom to explore beyond the fenced play yard, they are just as inquisitive so we will bring elements of the Wetland to them. A water wall, fallen logs, ornamental grass hide and seek, all with a meadow planting backdrop, will provide many play and learning opportunities. Children will come together in an enlarged sand play area with stump seating under shade.

Wetland Theatre

What child doesn't want to be a star?! Children, particularly primary grade children, will have the chance to slide down the hill and run down the tree-lined path and through a willow tunnel harvested from willows we will plant onsite to their very own stage set amidst butterfly meadow plantings, the perfect inspiration for play acting and dance. Come, enjoy on our armour stone seating.



Wetland Trail

Completing the plan is a looping trail. This trail will be an intensely planted area, particularly as it backs on to Highway 8 to screen our children from the busy road and extreme winds. Science and art teaching tables and art panels will allow children to bring collected treasures - acorns, leaves, frogs, insects, pine cones, cattails, and so on - for closer study.