



# Kirkcaldy Heights School

*"Awaken your **courage**, reach new Heights"*

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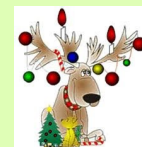
Jaime Lombaert – Principal

Nicole Koroluk – Vice-Principal

## Happy Holidays!

### Dates to Remember

Dec. 1 & 2	Season Ends Grade 7 & 8 Volleyball Jamboree
Dec. 1	Grade 7 & 8 Students - Field Trip to Landmark Movie Theatre
Dec. 7	Professional Development Day - <b>AM ONLY</b> - PM - Day 3
Dec. 12	East Side Band Winter Concert with Crocus Plains/Neelin - Grade 8 Band Students-WMCA- 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 13	BWMSB Winter Concert with Vincent Massey - Grade 8 Band Students-WMCA-7:00 p.m.
Dec. 20	Early Years Christmas Concert (K - 4) - Gymnasium 7:00 p.m.



### Student Safety Concerns ...



Parents, guardians and visitors to our school please respect the No Stopping Zones - the City of Brandon and the Brandon School Division have designated bus loading zones in front of the school.

Please note that the parking lot is not a drop off zone. Please encourage your child(ren) to walk to and from school. If you must park please use the Sportsplex parking lot.

The Staff parking lot is a busy area and with parking on either side of the lot it can be very difficult for drivers to see young children walking to / from their parents vehicles. **Do not park in the staff parking lot. All parking stalls are reserved for staff.**

Since the start of the year, there has been 9 violations of parents driving by the bus when the stop arm is out. **Violations are recorded on camera and licenses are sent to police, which could result in a fine of over \$600.**

We are also looking for parent volunteers to help supervise the Kirkcaldy Heights School Loop in the mornings. If interested please call 204-729-3291.

Thank-you for your cooperation!

### Safety Patrols

We want to take the time to let you know that patrols **will not** be assisting students at the crosswalks when the temperature reaches –26 degrees Celsius or colder (with or without the wind chill).

Please be reminded that students will be outside before school starts and during breaks. Ensure that your child(ren) are dressed appropriately for the cold weather. Winter coats snow pants, toques, mitts, scarves, and snow boots make recess much more comfortable and enjoyable for students. Please make sure your child(ren) do not arrive at school too early before school in the morning and at lunch.



## KIRKCALDY HEIGHTS SCHOOL PAC

Hi everyone, thanks to all that took part in the Kernels popcorn fundraiser. Please be on the lookout for our pick up date and time. Remember this will be parent pick up only - no orders will be sent home with students!

We are still looking to fill our volunteer list and would encourage both students and parents to contact us through our Facebook page "Kirkcaldy Heights School Parent Advisory Council" or through our email [kirkcaldypac@gmail.com](mailto:kirkcaldypac@gmail.com). We require volunteer help at all events and fundraisers and look forward to hearing from you. If you have not been to a PAC meeting, we have changed our Citizenship Award to be a Volunteer Appreciation award. We will choose 2 students that have volunteered their time throughout the year to receive this award. It is open to all students in grades 6, 7 and 8.

We will not be running any fundraisers until closer to spring break where it will be the chocolate fundraiser again. Our next event sounds like it will be a joint effort between PAC and the Quebec trip. There will be a bingo in February, more details to follow!

Our next PAC meeting will be held on January 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the library. We will hopefully have our presentation for Block Parent rescheduled for this PAC meeting. Please join us as the discussion is usually upbeat, gives you a platform to have your voice heard, as well as a vote on any items that may arise.

## VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

All visitors to the school must report to the office before proceeding into any area of the building.

Thank-you for your cooperation!

## VOLUNTEERING AT THE SCHOOL

If you are wanting to volunteer in the school for classroom activities, field trips, etc. you will need to complete a **Criminal Record Check & Child Abuse Registry Check**. Please come to the office to complete these forms. This process can take up to 6 - 8 weeks. If you have any questions, please call the office at (204) 729-3291.

## THANK-YOU PAC

- Thank-you for Parent Advisory Council for hosting a family movie night.
- Thank-you to the families who took part.
- Thank-you to everyone who helped out.
- Everyone had a fantastic time!



## Childcare - Half Day School

In preparation for the **December 7th half day (AM)** Professional Development Day, we'd like to remind you of the opportunity available for childcare provided by the YMCA at Kirkcaldy Heights School.

Registration for YMCA School Break Half-Day School Sites can be done either online at [www.ymcabrandon.ca](http://www.ymcabrandon.ca) or at the YMCA 231 - 8th Street. Should you have any questions with regards to the YMCA Programming, please contact :



Angela Forsythe, Before & After School Director, YMCA  
(204) 570-2565 or (204) 727-5456 ext. 115 or  
[angela.forsythe@ymanitoba.ca](mailto:angela.forsythe@ymanitoba.ca)

## FROM THE CANTEEN



The Canteen will be serving:

**8 Perogies, sour cream and a drinking box**

Catered by **Joe Beeverz**

**Wednesday's** during the month of **December**

\$5.00 per order

All orders must be submitted prior to 9:30 a.m.

## NEWS FROM THE GYM

Volleyball is winding down with our final Jamboree taking place Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. The boys are hosting here at KH and we will need scorekeepers for the Friday night and Saturday morning and afternoon. If you can help out please see Mr. Curtis ASAP! All teams have made some great strides in their skills and development. Please remember to thank your coaches and supervisors for all their efforts these past 8 weeks. There are tryouts for club volleyball teams at the U13 and U14 levels, be sure to ask Mr. Curtis or Mr. Birch if you are interested in those tryouts.

Racquetball is going strong with our 5 - 8's. Progress has been made on skills and understanding of the game. Students are starting to realize how fast the game really is played! The focus in December will be on the drive serve and lob serve.

Fitness testing has been completed with our 4 - 8's. Results have been varied depending on the exercise, with some classes doing well above the national levels! Way to go Kodiaks! Keep staying active outside of class and working on your core and upper body strength.



## KIRKCALDY HEIGHTS LUNCH PROGRAM

If your child is in the lunch program please remember the following:

1. Ensure you are sending utensils with your child for lunch.
2. Warm Ups must be **2 minutes or less**.
3. Warm Ups to be in a microwavable container with your child's name on it.
4. If your child will be absent from the lunch program, please contact the office at (204) 729-3290 and leave a message with Ms. Desjardins.
5. Students should have a main meal in their lunch - not just snacks.
6. Lunch Program fees are due the 1st of each month.

## YOUTH REVOLUTION

Youth Revolution



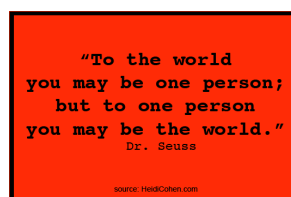
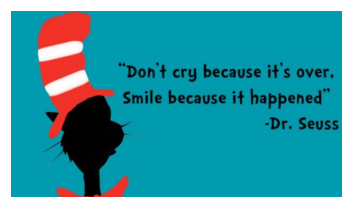
The Youth Revolution is spreading Holiday Cheer!



On November 27<sup>th</sup> and December 14<sup>th</sup>, Youth Revolution members will be assisting the Christmas Cheer Registry by helping to pack Christmas hampers. The mission of the registry is to provide dinner and gifts for children and families in the Westman area who would otherwise go without. We are looking forward to packing candy bags and oranges to help complete the hampers.

## EARLY YEARS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

You are invited to our Christmas Concert performance in the Kirkcaldy Heights School Gym on **Wednesday, December 20th at 7:00 p.m.** Our Christmas Concert will be K - 4.



## ARRANGEMENTS FOR LUNCH & AFTER SCHOOL



Please discuss with your children, before they come to school, your arrangements for appointments during the day, as well as after school rides, lunch arrangements, whether or not your child is to walk home after school, etc. While we realize emergencies do arise, we would ask that you help to reduce the number of phone calls to the office while at the same time teaching your children the responsibility of remembering arrangements. Thank-you!

# December 2017

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					1 Day 5 <b>7/8 Field Trip - Landmark Theatre</b>  <b>Gr. 7 &amp; 8 Volleyball Jamboree</b>	2
3	4 Day 6	5 Day 1	6 Day 2	7 AM Professional Development Day - <b>AM only</b>  <b>PM - Day 3</b>	8 Day 4	9
10	11 Day 5	12 Day 6  East Side Band - Winter Concert - WMCA - 7:00 p.m.	13 Day 1  BWMSB - Winter Concert - WMCA - 7:00 p.m.	14 Day 2	15 Day 3	16
17	18 Day 4	19 Day 5	20 Day 6  Early Years Christmas Concert-7:00 p.m.	21 Day 1	22 <b>Last Day Before Winter Break</b>	23
24  _____ <b>31 New Year's Eve</b>	25  <b>Christmas Day</b>	26  <b>Boxing Day</b>	27  <b>Winter Break</b>  	28  <b>Winter Break</b>  	29  <b>Winter Break</b>  	30  <b>School resumes on January 8th</b>