Kirkcaldy Heights School



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February 2017



Dates to Remember:

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February 3, 2017	Professional Development Day—No Classes (K-8)
February 8, 2017	Gr. 8 Students - East Side Band Winter Concert -
	WMCA - 7:30 p.m.
February 9, 2017	Gr. 7 Students - Brandon West Middle School Band Conce
) -	WMCA - 7:30 p.m.
February 20, 2017 February 21, 2017	Louis Riel Day (All Schools Closed)
February 21, 2017	7/8 Ski Trip (Minnedosa)
February 22, 2017	Mrs. Lloyd—Gr. 7/8 Festival du Voyageur—Winnipeg
P February 24, 2017	Professional Development Day—No Classes (K-12)
February 27, 2017	School Wide Science Fair—Volunteer Judges Needed
February 28, 2017	5/6 Ski Trip (Minnedosa)
March 3, 2017	Administration Day—No Classes (K-8)
March 14, 2017	PAC Meeting—Library—6:30 p.m.
March 23 2017	Cr & Farewell Photos

ROYAL MANITOBA WINTER FAIR

March 27th—April 1st, 2017

www.royalmanitobawinterfair.com

The Royal Manitoba Winter Fair will take place from March 27th until April 1st, 2017. If you visit the



exhibition web site you will find information about what is happening at this year's fair. **Mrs. Lloyd's ...** Gr.7/8 Basic French students are attending



Festival du Voyageur in

Winnipeg, on February 22nd. This annual event is vital to students learning a second language, and exposing them to French culture.

PAC Update

Wow! February already. Seems like time is flying by. There are several family oriented events coming up in the next couple of months. We are in the process of planning a Winterfest with tobogganing, hot chocolate and games. Weather pending a date has not been chosen yet. Teacher Appreciation Day is coming up early February. Watch for information to be sent home with how students can show appreciation for their teachers and staff at Kirkcaldy Heights. We are working with the school to plan a BINGO night February 23, 2017 with more details to follow.

In the months to come we are looking at a dance, possibly movie night, and our year end wrap up. We are always looking for volunteers to help with these events. If you are interested in helping please let us know by email or Facebook, Kirkcaldy Heights Parent Council Page.

If anyone has a spare hour a day between 11:35 and 12:35 and is interested in earning an honorarium of \$18.38 per hour we are looking for Lunch Program Supervisors. It would be a half hour indoor supervision and the other half hour is outdoor. We have one full time opening and would like to have some casual people available as well. Please contact Ms. Desjardins at 204-729-3290. Please remember to have any warm ups placed in the bins by the office upon arriving to school and ensure cutlery is brought from home if needed.

Booster Juice has started up again since the break. Watch for order forms being sent home. It runs every second Tuesday. All smoothies are \$4.00.

Parent Council Meetings are open to everyone. If you are interested in hearing and contributing to what is going on in the school we would love to see you out. Meetings rotate through days of the week to allow more opportunity to attend. They start at 6:30 and run an hour or hour and a half. Babysitting is provided. If your child is babysitting age and would like to earn some experience and money babysitting please contact khpac@outlook.com or Kirkcaldy Heights Parent Council Page on Facebook.

Next meeting is Tuesday March 14, 2017.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!



GRADE 9 REGISTRATION

Grade 8's will begin to prepare for Grade 9 Registration throughout the month of February. More information will follow in your child's registration package but the following are some important dates:

- Registration packages will be sent home with each Grade 8 student (February 16th)
- Two Parent High School Program and Registration Presentations are scheduled, parents are encouraged to attend one.
- February 21, 2017
 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
 George Fitton School
- 2. February 22, 2017 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Linden Lanes School
- All High Schools will host an open house and students are encouraged to tour all three.
- Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School Open House Monday, February 27, 2017 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Ecole Secondaire Neelin High School Open House Tuesday, February 28, 2017
 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Vincent Massey High School Open House Wednesday, March 1, 2017
 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.



SCIENCE FAIR

Monday, February 27th
Registration Deadline Monday, February 13th

Choose an interesting topic! Have fun! Enter by yourself or with a friend!

The school wide Science Fair follows the guidelines and rules established by Rubric and the Western Manitoba Science Fair.

Check out the rules for Science Fair projects at:

Western Manitoba Science Fair: <u>www.wmsf.com</u>

I LOVE TO READ MONTH - February 2017

Dear Families.

I Love to Read will take place from January 30th-February 23rd. The majority of the activities will take place Feb 21st-Feb 23rd. Here is a timeline of what that will look like:



Monday, Jan. 30th - KICKOFF TO "I LOVE TO READ MONTH."

- -PJ day
- -In the afternoon, classes are invited to the Library for a presentation from our guest author Sigmund Brouwer.
- Students will be coming home with their <u>reading challenges</u>: <u>Early years will have a "Reading Bingo" and Middle years have a "go with the flow" chart.</u> The last day for the challenge will be Feb. 22nd and prizes will be handed out on Feb. 23rd. Once students have completed their challenge, they can bring it back to school and hand it in to our Librarian Mrs. Gorowski. Students will be entered in a grand prize draw.
- **Thursday, Feb. 23**rd will be <u>wear something you can read day.</u> Students and staff are encouraged to wear items of clothing (shirts, hats, accessories, etc.) that can be read (school appropriate.)

During the month of February, your child will take part in a variety of fun activities such as: a school "Reading Train" in the hallway, Guest Reader's visiting the school all month, Buddy Reading with another class, teachers will "trade spaces" to read to another class, mystery reader challenges in the morning, prizes to be won and the list goes on!! In addition to the school-wide activities, each classroom will be celebrating I Love to Read month in their own unique way. Ask your child what fun and exciting activities they did at school each week.

Please remember to read with your child each night at home and help them explore the fun in reading!

HAPPY READING!

"The more that you READ,
the more things you will KNOW.
The more that you LEARN,
the more places you'll GO."
-DR. SEUSS

Riding the School Bus



Important Information for Parents/Guardians/Student

It is important that you always know your child's school bus route number and the name of the operator/bus driver for the route.

You should call the Transportation Dept. at (204) 729-3975 (or send a note for the driver) if your student/child:

- 1) Is going to be absent from riding the bus;
- 2) They have made alternate plans to go with a friend to their house:
- 3) They are bringing a friend on the bus; or
- 4) Your child leaves something on the school bus.

Your child should always be dressed appropriately for the weather. From time to time, school bus vehicles may be delayed due to weather or road conditions so please ensure that your children are dressed so they can comfortably wait for their bus under all conditions.

It is also important to talk to your children about an alternate plan in the event that the bus does not arrive, or they miss their school bus.

We would like to remind parents that drawstrings on jackets, long scarves and other clothing items can pose a danger to children, as the potential exists for long drawstrings and scarves to get caught on bus and/or playground equipment. Please check your child's clothing to help ensure their safety.



Department of Transportation Brandon School Division 800 Richmond Ave. E. Brandon, MB R7A 7T8

Telephone: 204-729-3975
Fax: 204-729-3981

Email: transportation@bsd.ca

Kindergarten Registration

A child who is five years of age or older on December 31 of any calendar year has the right to attend school in the fall of that year.

When registering your child you will be asked for proof of your child's age. This can be done with a Certificate of Birth; Passport; or Landed immigrant card.

Proof of residency will also be required at the time of registration, you must provide the school with documentation that verifies this information. One of the following may be used: Custodial Parent's Driver's License; Most Recent Property Tax Statement; or Current Tenancy Agreement.

For a kindergarten student living outside of the school catchment area, a Special Request for Enrollment Form will need to be filled out. Parents will be notified by letter of a final decision. This decision is determined by the number of students enrolled in the school.

Students are requested to appear at their nearest school. Assistance with school identification is available from the Brandon School Division Transportation Office, (204) 729-3975.





PARENT INFORMATION PROGRAM



The Addictions Foundation of Manitoba is offering educational information sessions for parents seeking to learn more about adolescents and their chemical use. The Parent Information Program (PIP) was designed to meet the needs of parents struggling with their adolescent's use of alcohol and/or other drugs and to better prepare parents to cope with this issue.

February 6, 2017 February 13, 2017

7p.m. to 9p.m.

510 Frederick Street, Brandon MB Parking lot entrance – west side of building

To register contact:

Alanna Hermary 204-729-3834 ahermary@afm.mb.ca

Lorrie Norquay 204-729-3851 Inorquay@afm.mb.ca

East Side Band Fundraising Information

The East Side Band Parent Council runs a fundraiser continuously throughout the year. Each student has a "band account" that is their own for their fundraising money. Money in this account can be used towards any East Side Band fee: band uniforms, supplies, the Gr. 8 Band Camp and the Gr. 8 Moose Jaw trip.

By far the best fundraising opportunity for individual student accounts year in and year out have been Sobeys' grocery vouchers. The grocery vouchers can be used at Sobeys' or Safeway. Cards are available in \$50 denominations with 5% of each card going directly into students' band accounts. Students in the past have been able to pay for their entire Grade 8 band trips on Sobeys vouchers alone!

If you are interested in purchasing Sobeys' grocery vouchers, you can contact any of the following people:

Kerrie Gibbs – 204-573-5414 or gibbs.kerrie@bsd.ca

Jen Shymanski – 204-573-4944 or laundrygoddess4@gmail.com

If you have questions about the fundraisers, or your child's band account, please contact Ms. Dodds at dodds.erin@bsd.ca.

February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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A			Day 6	Day 1	Professional Development Day—No Classes	
5	6 Day 2	7 Day 3	8 Day 4 Gr. 8 ESB Winter Concert— WMCA—7:30 p.m.	9 Day 5 Gr. 7 BWMSB Winter Concert— WMCA—7:30 p.m.	10 Day 6	11
12	13 Day 1	14 Day 2	15 Day 3	16 Day 4	17 Day 5	18
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