



Kirkcaldy Heights School

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

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February 2019



Dates to Remember:

February 4 - 8 *	I Love to Read Week
February 12 *	PAC Meeting - Library - 6:30 p.m.
February 18 *	Louis Riel Day (All Schools Closed)
February 21 *	Family Fun Bingo - 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - School Gymnasium
February 22 *	Gr. 7 and 8 Basic French students attending Festival du Voyageur - Winnipeg
February 27 *	Girls Basketball Jamboree—Location TBD
February 28 *	Boys Basketball Jamboree—Location TBD
March 5 *	Gr. 6 - 8 - Attend Brier - Westoba Place
March 6 *	Gr. 5 - 8 Ski Trip - Asessippi
March 8 *	Parent Teacher Conferences (K - 8)
March 13 *	Kirkcaldy Heights Science Fair - AM - Grades 1 - 8
March 18 *	Manitoba Theatre for Young People Performance - Time to be announced
March 19 *	Gr. 8 Farewell Photos - Commencing at 9:00 a.m.
March 25 - 29 *	Spring Break - All Schools Closed

Parents & Guests to the school please remember to remove outdoor footwear!

Kodiak Code

As Kodiaks, we have
the courage to...



Come Prepared to Learn:

- With a positive attitude
- By participating and challenging ourselves
- On time with supplies

Show Respect:

- Through honesty and kindness
- For all students, staff and guests
- For school and personal property

Take Responsibility:

- For creating a safe and welcoming environment
- For our actions and choices
- For our learning

Take Pride:

- In our school
- In our work
- In ourselves

Registration for 2019 - 2020

Kindergarten to Grade 8 Registration forms for the 2019 - 2020 school years will be sent home with the students on Tuesday, February 12th. Please read the registration carefully to ensure all information is correct and/or make any changes, i.e. phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, etc. Complete the medical health form, both sides, and sign it. Forms are due back to the school no later than Tuesday, February 19th.

Kindergarten Registration starts Tuesday, February 12th

If you have a child that turns 5 on or before December 31, 2019, please contact the school office as soon as possible to enroll your child for kindergarten. Verification of the child's birth date and address are required in order to register for kindergarten. If you know of anyone in our catchment area who has a child of kindergarten age, please have them contact Mrs. McNamee at 729-3291.

Grade 9 High School Registration

Grade 9 High School registration packages will be distributed Thursday, February 14th. Registration packages are due back to Mrs. Templeton by Wednesday, March 6th, 2019.

Student acceptance letters will be mailed out the week of March 25th - 29th. If you have any questions regarding your child's registration, please call Mrs. Templeton at 729-3289.

High School Program and Registration Presentations

Parent Presentation - High School Programs and Registration Presentation

Date: Wednesday, February 20th, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Location: Waverly Park School

Or

Date: Thursday, February 21st, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Location: George Fitton School

- **All High Schools will host an open house and students are encouraged to tour all three.**

Ecole Secondaire Neelin High School Open House

Date: Monday, February 25, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Vincent Massey High School Open House

Date: Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School Open House

Date: Wednesday, February 27, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Kirkcaldy Heights PAC Newsletter

As we are now in full swing with 2019, we encourage parents to contact us with any questions regarding anything we do for the school. We are still looking to fill our volunteer list and would encourage both students and parents contact us through our Facebook page "Kirkcaldy Heights School Parent Advisory Council" or through our email kirkcaldypac@gmail.com. We require volunteer help at all events and fundraisers and look forward to hearing from you.

Our fundraising campaign is slowly taking shape with our cookbook. We have received over 180 recipes! Thank-you to all who submitted their favourite recipes to share with us. We will send out a pre-order form for the cookbooks. Please have these returned to the school by February 8th. If there is enough interest with the pre-order forms, we are hoping to have the cookbooks available for Mother's Day.

Just a quick update for those who have not been at our last few meetings. We have passed a vote to help the school purchase a mascot uniform, help fund life guards for the options swimming program at the Sportsplex through an annual donation made from PAC to the school. We will also be organizing a spring dance so please be sure to look for that information as a date is finalized.

The school and PAC are once again doing a family bingo night in February, please be on the lookout for information on date and time. PAC will be onsite for food sales, raffles and possibly another version of Find the Joker.

Our next PAC meeting will be held on February 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Please join us as the discussion is usually upbeat, gives you a platform to have your voice heard, as well a vote on any item that may arise.

We will also have an open position on the executive for the new school year. Our events organizer, Heather, will be leaving us, therefore nominations will be accepted for the position until May and a vote if required will take place at our last PAC meeting for the year in June. Thank-you Heather for your work on Parent Council!

Family Fun Bingo



Kirkcaldy Heights School
Family Fun Bingo
Thursday, February 21,
2019
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
School Gymnasium



Royal Manitoba Winter Fair



March 25th - March 30th, 2019

www.royalmanitobawinterfair.com

The Royal Manitoba Winter Fair will take place from March 25th until March 30th, 2019. If you visit the exhibition web site you will find information about what is happening at this year's fair.

Festival du Voyageur



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Grade 7 & 8 French students will be attending the annual French Cultural Festival in Winnipeg on February 22nd.

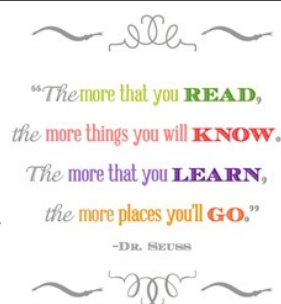
Students will be participating in a variety of workshops, such as, beading, how to make maple syrup, the history of Hudson Bay and so much more!!



I Love to Read Week

This year our school will be celebrating “I LOVE TO READ WEEK” on February 4th – 8th.

- **Monday, February 4th**
 - Kick off to “I LOVE TO READ MONTH”
 - PJ day
- **Thursday February 7th**
- Guest Readers’ will be coming to the school to read to the students. Please ask your child which community member read to their class!



We would like to thank PAC for donating \$150.00 to put towards books and other prizes for our “I love to read” week activities.

During the week, your child will take part in a variety of fun activities such as: a school “Reading Train” in the hallway, Guest Readers’ visiting the school, Buddy Reading with another class, mystery book 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 week in their own unique way. **Ask your child what fun and exciting activities they did at school.**

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

Staff Recognition

The “**Pass the Buck**” award is given to two staff members every month who have done an excellent job supporting their team. Mrs. Bridgeman (Grade 4 Teacher) and Mrs. Kutzan (Kindergarten—ECE III) will choose the next months recipients. Let us introduce you to our two recipients:

Mrs. Bridgeman mentioned that she has been at Kirkcaldy Heights for more years than she can count on her fingers and toes! She has taught within the Brandon School Division for the majority of her career but also taught for 4 years in Birtle, Manitoba.

Mrs. Bridgeman is married with 3 children - 1 daughter and 2 sons. Her daughter is a physiotherapist, one of her sons is a cattle rancher and the other is in school to become a veterinarian.

Mrs. Bridgeman LOVES to read! Other hobbies include cooking, trying different kinds of foods, going to movies, plays or musicals.



Mrs. Bridgeman (Left) and **Mrs. Kutzan** (Right) and the infamous “Pass the Buck” picture.

Mrs. Kutzan is in her 4th year at Kirkcaldy Heights and loves working here.

Before coming to Kirkcaldy, she directed a 30 space Early Learning Centre for 8 years in Grandview, Manitoba.

Mrs. Kutzan loves working with children and encouraging them to be the very best that they can be! Her passion is working with those who require additional support.

When she is not at work she is at home with hubby, Cam, and her 3 kids Noah (15), Joshua (10), and Emma-Leigh (8). They enjoy time outdoors and spending time at the YMCA. Working at Kirkcaldy has been her dream job and she hopes to here for a long time!

News from the Gym

Gymnastics club will begin in February at lunch for those students in Grades 4 - 6 who are interested. Twice a week at lunch the students will stay at school and practice their floor routines and balance beam routines under the supervision of Mr. Curtis and Mr. Birch along with some Grade 7 and 8 helpers. More information will be sent home the last week of January for those students interested.

Basketball is going strong with 4 teams participating here at Kirkcaldy Heights. There are NO weekend jamborees' scheduled this season. The jamboree dates are now February 27th for the Girls and February 28th for the Boys. Locations to be determined.

The ski trip information sheet is going home the first week of February. Wednesday, March 6th is the date we have booked to go - weather permitting. We have rented two 55 passenger buses for now. We have a 3rd bus available if the numbers call for it. Prices will be as follows: If your child has their own equipment including a CSA approved helmet then the lift ticket and transportation cost will be \$52. If your child needs to rent all the equipment, either skis or a snowboard, lift ticket and transportation, the cost will be \$75. If your child would like to just tube on the tube hill for the day, then the cost including transportation will be \$40. If your child would like to ski/snowboard for the morning and tube in the afternoon, there is an additional cost of \$9. If your child signs up to ski and wants to switch mid-day to snowboarding, there is a \$20 switching fee. Snowboarders must rent a leash for \$20 that they will get back when they return the leash. All students will be required to attend lessons in the morning. The amount of time spent in the lessons is determined by their skiing level. Tubing starts at 10:00 a.m., lifts open at 9:30 a.m. We will be leaving the school at 7:00 a.m. from the bus loop. Last run will be 3:15 p.m. Buses will be loading at 3:45 p.m. and leaving the hill at 4:00 p.m. to be back at the school by 6:00 p.m. Wednesday night. If you have further questions or would like to volunteer that day please e-mail Mr. Curtis or call him at 204-729-3296.

Youth Revolution Presentation



Youth Revolution group treated our students to an engaging song all about respect, during our January assembly. Our school wide focus for this month is respect and responsibility. Please check out our Kodiak Den when you visit our school, located on the bulletin board outside the Library.

News from the Drama Club



Deck the Library

The grade seven drama club recently performed a skit called "Deck the Library" for some of the early years and middle years classes, in hopes to spread Christmas cheer. The drama club is led by both grade seven teachers (Miss. Lee and Mrs. Gorowski) who aided us to put on three successful shows on Dec. 20. We hope you can come and watch the drama club in the future.
BY: Amari and Alexis from the drama club

News from the Canteen

The Canteen will be serving:

**Hot Dogs on Mondays for
\$1.25 each
&**

**Cheeseburgers from McDonalds on Wednesdays
for \$2.00 per order**

From the Desks of Mrs. Lloyd and Mrs. Leforte

February 5th - 7th grade 8 students will be writing mid-term exams in four major subjects. English, Math, Social Studies and Science. Content is on material covered since September.



February 13th & 14th Grade 8 students will begin preparations for High school enrolment. Along with Mrs. Templeton, all grade 8's will be given presentations covering information regarding the registration process.

Ag Days



Mrs. Lloyd's and Mrs. Leforte's Grade 8 students took advantage of Ag Days at Westoba Place, participating in a variety of global and local activities.

Proper Outdoor Attire for Weather Conditions

Please be sure that your child(ren) are dressed appropriately for the weather. Unless the temperature is minus 27 degrees or colder students will be going outside for recess. When students stay for lunch they are required to go outside for part of the hour. Please check to make sure they have proper coats, ski pants, footwear, hats and mitts when they leave home in the morning. Thank-you!

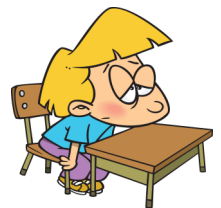


We love to read!



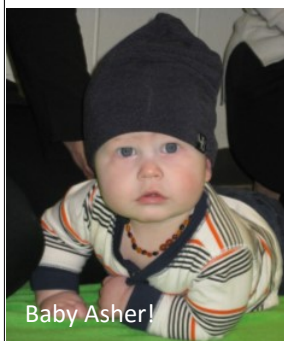
Remember to please keep your child at home if ...

- ◆ They are unable to go outside for recess
- ◆ They are vomiting
- ◆ They have a fever
- ◆ They have diarrhea
- ◆ They have a sore throat
- ◆ They have an eye infection
- ◆ They have a rash, lice or nits
- ◆ They are just not feeling very well



When your child is sick, do not expose them to others!

Roots of Empathy



Baby Asher!

Meet Baby Asher and Baby Alex! Ms. Rannie's and Miss Hale's classrooms are very excited to have the opportunity to participate in the Roots of Empathy program this year! This program fosters the development of empathy through discussion and activities in subjects including literature, math, music, art and science.



Baby Alex!

The Grade 1's are able to watch their growth and development and predict what they will be able to do each visit. We measure, weigh and observe many developmental milestones such as reaching for a toy, rolling over, sitting up, and crawling.

Our classrooms are very excited to have Asher and Alex join our Grade 1 classrooms and we look forward to seeing them grow each month.

Science Fair Time!

The Kirkcaldy Heights Science Fair will be held in the morning of Wednesday, March 13. Interested students are encouraged to enter a project from grades 1 - 8. Projects that meet the criteria will be sent to the Western Manitoba Science Fair on April 9th at the Healthy Living Center of the University.

Projects can be in three different categories of Experiment, Innovation or Study and can be done as an individual or a group of two. Students will complete their projects at home or at the discretion of their teacher at school.

More information will be sent home with students who are interested in participating. In the meantime, visit the Western Manitoba Science Fair website for excellent information on how to get started.

<https://www.wmsf.com/resources>

If you or someone you know is interested in being a judge for our science fair contact Mrs. McLachlan at the school.



Kirkcaldy Heights Lunch Program

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

1. Ensure you are sending the proper cutlery and plate/bowl with your child in their lunch if they are required.
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.

FEBRUARY 2019

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	I Love to Read Week					
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