



# Kirkcaldy Heights School

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

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## March 2018



### Dates to Remember:

March 02, 2018	Gr. 1 & 2 classes - 2:30 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. - Arctic Museum - Classrooms
March 07, 2018	Grade 5 - 8 Ski Trip - Asessippi Ski Area & Winter Park
March 08, 2018	No Classes - AM - Professional Development / PM - Administration Day
March 09, 2018	Grade 9 Application Due Date
March 12 - 15 & 19	Classroom Fire Presentations
March 16, 2018	Student/Teacher/Parent Conferences - No School
March 20, 2018	Gr. 8 Farewell Photos - Commencing at 9:00 a.m.
March 22, 2018	PAC Meeting - Library - 6:30 p.m.
March 23, 2018	Last Day of Classes Prior to Spring Break
March 26 to March 30	Spring Break - All Schools closed
April 2, 2018	All Classes Resume

### K - 8 REGISTRATION - 2018 - 2019

Registration forms for 2018 - 2019 have been sent out.  
***Please return these forms as soon as possible***

**NOTE:** When reviewing the registration form it is very important that we have all of your contact numbers and emergency contact numbers correctly listed.  
Please highlight or identify any missing or incorrect information.

#### **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:**

Registration forms are available in the office. If you have a child that is turning 5 years of age by December 31, 2018 he/she is eligible to attend Kindergarten. Please pass this information to parents of children that do not attend Kirkcaldy Heights right now.

*Proof of birth date and proof of where you live must accompany the registration forms.*

#### **SCHOOL OF CHOICE:**

Families interested in applying for a school of choice must complete a School of Choice application **prior to May 15, 2018.**

### Professional Development Day

On Thursday, March 8th there will be no classes due to a Professional Development/ Administration Day. Classes resume on Friday, March 9th.

### News from the Canteen

The Canteen will be serving:

#### **Cheeseburgers from McDonalds**

**Wednesdays** during the month of **March**  
**\$2.00** per order

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

## News from the Gym

Basketball is in full gear with our 4 teams working hard each week to get better. Year-end Jamboree will be the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of March. Locations will be determined for all teams except the Gr. 7 Boys as they are hosting here at KH. Scorekeepers will be needed, please see Mr. Curtis if you are able to help out that weekend.

Ski trip is fast approaching. Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> is the day. Please have your child arrive at the school by 7:00am that morning, so we can get rolling out of the city by 7:15am. Weather is looking nicer for the next 2 weeks so hopefully we will have a great day. Options for those staying back will be discussed next week.

Badminton open gyms in the mornings will start March 12<sup>th</sup> and run until spring break for Gr. 7's and 8's interested in getting more practice for the upcoming season. Teams will be made after spring break.

## News from the Brandon Community Sportsplex

Spend your Spring Break at the Sportsplex!

Visit [mycommunity.brandon.ca](http://mycommunity.brandon.ca) for a complete list of daily public swim times, public skate times, sticks n' pucks times and more!

March 26th - 30th Spring Break Camp has limited space remaining. Register online, call 204-729-2471 or visit us in person for more information or to register. \$36.25 per day or save money and register for the full week!

Did you know the Sportsplex is a great place to host your birthday party, wind-up or special occasion? Rent space in our facility, order food through the Sportsplex Canteen and we'll do the set-up and give you access to the rink or pool at a discounted rate! Call 204-729-2471 to book your next party at Brandon's Community Sportsplex! (some restrictions may apply depending on facility availability).

And if there's more room to mention it, we have various public swim, public skate & sticks n' pucks times happening throughout the month of March. Check out [mycommunity.brandon.ca](http://mycommunity.brandon.ca) for a complete schedule.



## YMCA Before & After School Program 2018 - 2019

The YMCA is pleased to be offering the Before & After School Program for the 2018-2019 school year. All children that are new to the Before and After School Program will be able to pick up registration forms at the YMCA, on **March 12<sup>th</sup> 2018**. This is allowing for you to fill out the paper work to have ready.

We will post how many spots there are available at each school on our website [www.ymcabrandon.ca](http://www.ymcabrandon.ca) by **March 27, 2018**. If there are no spaces please still register because we do have a wait list and still may get in. Registrations will be accepted on **April 2, 2018** at the Member Services desk of the YMCA for any remaining spots. Waitlists will be started that day as well. **Doors open at 5:30 am. First come first serve.** If your registration form is missing any information, it will be mailed back to you and your spot will not be held. Please ensure your registration form is accompanied with a Pre-Authorized Payment Agreement form that must include a void cheque, Visa or Master Card information, or account verification form stamped by your bank.

The monthly fees for the program will be \$80.00 for AM Care only, \$125.00 for PM Care only and \$205.00 for AM + PM care. Payments are processed on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the prior month (August 20<sup>th</sup> – May 20<sup>th</sup>). The YMCA in partnership with the United Way has subsidized this program and has tried to keep the fees affordable. If your family is unable to pay the full fee please contact the Before and After School Director to discuss our financial assistance program.

## PAC Update

Hello March! Spring is in the air! Our clocks spring forward on March 11<sup>th</sup> this year. Thanks to the student volunteers that helped set up, hand out food, and clean up at the bingo. Huge thanks to our parent volunteers Tara, Janis and Shannon for helping make the bingo a success - we were busy most of the evening.

Just a friendly reminder that the “Friends of Kirkcaldy Heights” Chocolate Fundraiser is in full motion!! Forms are required to be back on March 2<sup>nd</sup> We will once again have **parent pickup during parent teacher interviews on March 16<sup>th</sup>**. This will be our second last fundraiser for the year, with the last one coming in May. As always, we can use your help with any of our events or helping with the fundraisers. If you are interested in helping please message us on our Facebook page at “Kirkcaldy Heights School Parent Advisory Council”, or at our email [kirkcaldypac@gmail.com](mailto:kirkcaldypac@gmail.com).

Our next school event will be a Spring Dance in April. More details on this to follow as the time gets closer. At the dance we will continue our “Chase the Joker” that we started at the bingo night. Hopefully, we can fill 1 - 2 boards and award some cash the night of the dance. Please keep in mind everything we fundraise for goes to putting on events, paying for bus use for field trips, new playground equipment and a revolving donation to support different departments in the school.

Our next PAC meeting will be March 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. in the library. At our last meeting, we had an informative presentation from Block Parent. If you would like information about this program please speak to a PAC member, e-mail us, or go to [www.blockparent.ca](http://www.blockparent.ca). Please come out to hear what is going on, bring your children as we pay to have babysitters at the school. Our meetings are normally finished at 8:00 p.m. and it would be great to see some fresh faces at our meetings. There will also be open positions on PAC for the new school year that we would love to fill. More information on what positions are open will be provided in the next month or so.

We had numerous students make “Cards from the Heart” for staff appreciation on February 15th. The staff really enjoyed seeing the hand made cards from the students. PAC also spoiled the staff with treats and coffee from **Well Dressed Cakes by Brett**.

## Thank-you Student Leadership Team!



On February 8th the Student Leadership Team ran a bake sale. All proceeds (\$281.85) were donated to the Heart & Stroke Foundation in honour of Valentine's day. The Student Leadership Team would like to thank all families and students that donated and purchased baking.

Shown to the left is our Student Leadership Team presenting a cheque in the amount of \$281.25 to Amber from the Heart N' Stroke Foundation.

**Back Row:** Jay Pandya, Brianna Dean, Amari Stocks, Amber (Heart N' Stroke Foundation), Evie Mannall, Jennifer Klein.

**Front Row:** Elly Szabo, Jing Yuan Zhou.

Students missing from the photo: Alexa Case, Liz Ball and Kierra Playford.

## Western Manitoba Regional Science Fair

Exciting news for the 2018 WMSF! The WMSF is moving to the Healthy Living Centre at BU! The fair will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018.

8:00 - 9:00 AM	Set up
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Judges Orientation
9:30 - 9:45 AM	Opening remarks
9:45 - 12:00 PM	Judging and special judging
12:00 - 1:00 PM	Lunch, Entertainment
1:30 PM	Science Olympics, special judging continues
2:00 PM	School viewing starts
2:00 PM	Parents and public viewing starts
4:30 - 5:30 PM	Awards ceremony grades 1 - 4
5:30 - 6:30 PM	Supper and project take down
6:30 - 8:00 PM	Awards ceremony grades 5 - 12

## From the Office



Please make sure to let the office know if you move, change your place of employment, have a new phone number or emergency contact. It is very important that we have up to date information when trying to reach parents in case of emergency, bus cancellations, etc. Our school uses an automated call out system, so if your child(ren) are absent with no reason given, you will receive a phone call from the system. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated. Our number in the office is (204) 729-3291 or you may call our Home School Liaison at (204) 729-3290 to report an absence.

## Staff Appreciation Week

Special thanks to our students for all of the Staff Appreciation cards that were received and to our Parent Advisory Council for the Delicious treats that were served. Thank-you!

## Welcome to Kirkcaldy Heights!

Please join us in welcoming the following student teachers to our school for their spring placement March 12th - May 4th, 2018.

Ms. Haney will be joining Miss Smith's Kindergarten class  
Ms. Gramchuk will be joining Miss Baker's Grade 2 class  
Ms. Giesbrecht will be joining Miss Wizniak's Grade 3 class  
Mr. Thiele will be joining Mrs. Perkin's Grade 5 class  
Ms. Wood will be joining Mr. Lewis' Grade 6 class  
Ms. Sobry will be joining Mrs. Leforte's Grade 8 class

## PAC Donation



Thank-you Parent Advisory Council for your donation to support reading week! Your support is greatly appreciated!

## Riding the Bus

Kindly review the following good school bus passenger rules with your child:

- \* Take your seat right away and remain seated until leaving the bus.
- \* Each driver will assign seating and a seating plan in effect.
- \* Eating or drinking is not permitted on the school bus.
- \* Aisles are to be kept clear at all times. Books and parcels should be kept on your lap.
- \* Students shall refrain from loud or boisterous talking or yelling.
- \* Do not use abusive or obscene language.
- \* Never throw objects inside the school bus or out the windows.
- \* Windows should only be opened with the permission of the driver. Keep your hands, feet, arms and head inside the school bus at all times.
- \* Students shall not touch the emergency door or exits or any part of the bus equipment, unless directed to do so.
- \* Students will be responsible for any willful damage or vandalism to the school bus.
- \* Promptly obey the driver's instructions.
- \* Objects of a dangerous or objectionable nature will not be allowed on the bus.
- \* Always treat your driver and other passengers with respect and courtesy.
- \* The driver will report disciplinary problems to the principal who will determine the disciplinary measures to be taken.
- \* The principal shall be guided by a three step procedure for discipline handling: discussion, warning and finally suspension.
- \* All Divisional rules, policies and procedure that are applicable to students in school are also applicable while riding the bus.

As the Science Fair approaches please note the following:

- \* Parents are expected to provide transportation for their children when bulky or large items such as projects and sports equipment (i.e. skis) must be take to and from school.



## From the Library - I Love to Read Month

I Love to Read Month was a success with students participating in many activities throughout the month.

- \* We started the month off with a reading train where students paired up and read with other students in the school.
- \* Mystery Readers took place daily for a week and many book prizes were won!
- \* Guest Reader Day with the Wheat Kings, Bobcats, the Mayor, Former Olympian and many more!
- \* Trading Spaces Day where teachers switched classes.
- \* Wear something you can read day.
- \* A book mark contest that many students submitted amazing book marks about the value of reading.
- \* Reading minutes and reading contests with lots of winners of gift cards to Coles!

A special thanks given to Parent Council for providing the prizes!



Our students thoroughly enjoyed our Guest Reader Day ...



# March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> Day 4	<b>2</b> Day 5	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Day 6	<b>6</b> Day 1	<b>7</b> Day 2 Gr. 5 - 8 Asessippi Ski Trip	<b>8 No Classes</b> AM - Professional Development (K - 8) PM - Administration Day (K-8)	<b>9</b> Day 3 Gr. 9 Applications are due	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Day 4	<b>13</b> Day 5	<b>14</b> Day 6	<b>15</b> Day 1	<b>16</b> Administration Day - Parent Teacher Conferences	<b>17</b>
	Fire Department Presentations March 12th - 15th & March 19th					
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Day 2	<b>20</b> Day 3	<b>21</b> Day 4	<b>22</b> Day 5 PAC Meeting 6:30 p.m. - Library	<b>23</b> Day 6 Last Day of classes prior to spring	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Spring Break All Schools Closed	<b>27</b> Spring Break All Schools Closed	<b>28</b> Spring Break All Schools Closed	<b>29</b> Spring Break All Schools Closed	<b>30</b> Good Friday All Schools Closed	<b>31</b>