



# Kirkcaldy Heights School

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

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February 2018



## Dates to Remember:

February 13, 2018	Family Fun Bingo - 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - School Gymnasium
February 12 - 16	I Love to Read Week
February 14, 2018	AM - Regular Classes - Day 6 / PM - Professional Development Day - No Classes
February 19, 2018	Louis Riel Day (All Schools Closed)
February 22, 2018	Gr. 7 and 8 Basic French students attending Festival du Voyageur - Winnipeg
March 2, 2018	Gr. 1 & 2 classes - 2:30 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. - Arctic Museum - Classrooms
March 7, 2018	Gr. 5 - 8 Ski Trip - Asessippi
March 8, 2018	Administration/Professional Development Day (No Classes K - 12)
March 20, 2018	Gr. 8 Farewell Photos - Commencing at 9:00 a.m.

### Professional Development Day

On Wednesday, February 14th there will be classes in the AM only. Students will be dismissed at 11:35 a.m. There will be no classes in the afternoon as staff will be having a Professional Development afternoon.

### Family Fun Bingo



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Family Fun Bingo  
Tuesday, February 13, 2018  
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
School Gymnasium



### Festival du Voyageur

Grade 7 and 8 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.



### Royal Manitoba Winter Fair



March 26th - March 31st, 2018  
**[www.royalmanitobawinterfair.com](http://www.royalmanitobawinterfair.com)**  
The Royal Manitoba Winter Fair will take place from March 26th until March 31st, 2018. If you visit the exhibition web site you will find information about what is happening at this year's fair.

## Kirkcaldy Heights PAC Newsletter

Welcome February! Spring is around the corner, hooray! Along with the weird weather this winter, please remind children to dress in layers, cough into their arm, wash hands well to keep everyone away from the colds and flus going around this time of year.

Well, it has been a while since our last fundraiser (November was Kernels popcorn), so here is the low down on the next one. We will be doing the chocolate sales again this year. It will run from February 20th – March 2nd, 2018, with pickup potentially the day of parent teacher interviews in March. Please be on the look out for the order forms in the near future. This will be our second last fundraiser for the year, with the last one coming in April or May. As always, we can use your help with any of our events that we put on 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).

At our last PAC meeting on January 18<sup>th</sup> we had an informative presentation from Block Parent. If you would like information about this program please speak to a PAC member, email us, or go to [www.blockparent.ca](http://www.blockparent.ca). Our next PAC meeting will be March 22nd at 6:30 p.m. 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., would be great to see some fresh faces at our meetings.

We are encouraging the students to make a “card from the heart” for staff appreciation on February 15. We will have a collection box by the office. We will have these displayed for everyone to enjoy. The staff love to see the feedback from their students!

### Save the Date!

On **March 2nd** from 2:30 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. the Grade 1 and 2 classes invite you to tour the exhibits of our Arctic Museum.

Throughout our focus on Iqaluit and Arctic animals we are excited to share our knowledge of this beautiful territory with you.



### News from the Canteen

The Canteen will be serving:

**2 Chicken Fingers &**

**Mac N' Cheese**

Catered by **Safeway**

**Wednesdays** during the month of **February**. **There will be no hot lunch on Feb. 14 due to PD Day.**

\$5.00 per order

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

## Registration for 2018 - 2019

Registration forms for the 2018 - 2019 school years will be sent home with the students on Tuesday, February 13th. 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 Wednesday, February 21.

### Kindergarten Registration starts Tuesday, February 13th

If you have a child that turns 5 on or before December 31, 2018, 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 going home soon. Registration packages are due back to Mrs. Templeton on March 9th, 2018.

Student acceptance letters will be mailed out following spring break. If you have any questions regarding your child's registration, please call Mrs. Templeton at 729-3289.

### High School Program and Registration Presentations

Two parent high school program and registration presentations are scheduled, parents are encouraged to attend one.

Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 p.m. Linden Lanes School (49 Silver Birch Drive)

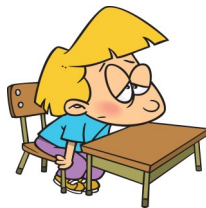
Thursday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. George Fitton School (1129 - 3rd Street)

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

1. Vincent Massy High School Open House  
Monday, February 26, 2018  
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
2. Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School Open House  
Tuesday, February 27, 2018  
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
3. Ecole Secondaire Neelin High School Open House  
Wednesday, February 28, 2018  
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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

- ◆ 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!

### To Every Parent

There are little eyes upon you,  
And they are watching night and day;  
There are little ears that quickly take  
In every word you say;  
There are little hands all eager to do  
Everything you do,  
And a little child who's dreaming of  
The day he'll be like you.



## News from the Gym

Basketball season is upon us for the Gr. 7 & 8 Boys and Girls. We have 4 teams this year. Ms. Lee is coaching the Gr. 8 Girls. Mrs. Jebb and Mr. Shakotko are coaching the Gr. 8 Boys. Mr. Curtis is coaching the Gr. 7 Girls and Gr. 7 Boys teams. Basketball waiver forms are required to be signed by a parent/guardian before student athletes are allowed to participate.

Ski Trip information has been sent home with students. Our trip to Asessippi is scheduled for Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. We are in need of a few parent volunteers to assist us that day. If you are available please call Mr. Curtis at 729-3296. Parents lift ticket and rentals will be covered, bus fee will still be collected. For those students unable to attend the ski trip we are planning some activities here at the school. Information on those activities will be shared later this month. Mr. Curtis has been taking students to Asessippi since it opened and is very excited to give this opportunity to our students here at KH. For those that don't want to ski or snowboard, there is a tubing hill at Asessippi which is extremely fun! Cost for tubing only including the bus fee is \$40. You can check out the tubing hill and the ski resort on YOUTUBE. Search "Asessippi tubing" for some great videos of the fun had by students and staff! If you have ANY concerns regarding the ski trip, please call Mr. Curtis and he will be happy to assist you in any way.

Open gyms are continuing most mornings at 8:00 a.m. Unless a practice is scheduled, the gym is open to students in Gr. 7 & 8. This is a time to get some extra skill practice in or just have some fun being active with your friends. On day 4 when the 7 & 8's have Industrial Arts/Home Ec, the gym will be open to the Gr. 6's.

## News from the Brandon Community Sportsplex

Register TODAY for the following 2018 programs:

RED CROSS SWIM LESSONS \$72.50 / \$80.00 per session

Winter Session - 2<sup>nd</sup> set of 5 - week lessons (mid-February – mid-March on Mondays & Wednesdays OR Tuesdays & Thursdays)

Spring Break Session - Lessons are offered twice daily from March 26th - March 30th

Spring Break Session - 5 week & 10 week lesson sessions

DAY CAMP \$36.25 (daily) / \$153.50 (weekly)

PD Day Camps Dates: Thursday, March 8th; Friday, March 16th; and Friday, June 29th

Spring Break Day Camp Dates: March 26th - 30th

RED CROSS BABYSITTER'S COURSES \$55.75

Courses will run from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Course Dates: Saturday, February 10th or Thursday, March 8th

1/2 Day PD Dates: Wednesday, April 25th - 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.; May 30th - 12:15 p.m. - 5:15 pm; and Friday, June 29th

DID YOU KNOW ... The Sportsplex has a new website! Visit us at <https://mycommunity.brandon.ca/> and thank you for your continued patience as we work through the kinks!





## I LOVE TO READ MONTH – February 2018



### February 12<sup>th</sup> – **Reading Train and Hand-out “I Love to Read” bookmarks**

The week of February 12<sup>th</sup> there will be a bookmark contest that students can participate in. The bookmarks can be decorated with the theme of “I Love to Read”. You can complete the bookmarks as a class or send them home to be completed as a home project. They are to be handed in by February 16<sup>th</sup> to the library labelled with name and classroom teacher. They will be judged and book prizes will be given to students in the following grade groups: Kindergarten/1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8.

February 13<sup>th</sup> – **Guest Reader Day** - The committee will arrange to have a number of guest readers to come to read to classes. There will be a sign-up sheet in the staff room forthcoming with a list of all of our guest readers.

February 15<sup>th</sup> - **Trading spaces day** - Teachers will arrange with another teacher to trade classrooms and share a book with that class.

February 16<sup>th</sup> – **Wear something you can read day** – Students and staff are encouraged to wear items of clothing (shirts, hats, accessories, etc.) that can be read (school appropriate).

Additionally, there will be **daily mystery readers** on the intercom who read a passage from a book. Students must figure out who the reader is and what book the passage is from. Students will be given ballots for their guesses and daily draws will take place. I will provide teachers with ballots, **we just ask that if your class is participating you donate a book for a prize.**

The **Book Creating Club** will have a schedule of times when you can sign up and they will share how they have created a book and began the publishing process.

- ♦ Mrs. Gorowski will be setting up the **scrawl wall** in the library where students will have the opportunity to doodle/share their favorite books and authors.
- ♦ Mrs. Gorowski will also be doing Musical Chairs with books and Book Cafe with library classes this week.
- ♦ We are also doing a **reading challenge**. Students will be given a **reading log** ( in your folder package) to hand-out to students. This reading log can be filled in by parents. When the sheet is completed, the student brings the reading log to the library and their minutes will be calculated and they will be entered into a draw for a prize. One prize for K-4 and one prize for 5-8. Hand- in weekly completed reading logs to Mrs. Gorowski in the library.
- ♦ The committee will be sending home a **Reading Bingo** for early years and a **Go with the flow challenge** for Middle Years. There will be a prize draw at the end of the month. One prize for 5-8 and one prize for K-4. Please hand in completed Bingo and Go with the flow charts to Mrs. Gorowski in the library.



# February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Day 3	2 Day 4	3
4	5 Day 5	6 Day 6	7 Day 1	8 Day 2	9 Day 3	10
11	12 Day 4	13 Day 5 Family Fun Bingo 6:00 - 8:30	14 AM - Day 6 PM - Professional Development Day - No Classes	15 Day 1	16 Day 2	17
18	19 <b>Louis Riel Day - No Classes</b>	20 Day 3	21 Day 4	22 Day 5 Gr.7/8 French class to Festival du Voyageur	23 Day 6	24
25	26 Day 1	27 Day 2	28 Day 3			

