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The Alexandra Public School Newsletter

MARCH, 2011

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Congratulations to Mrs. Shauf! Mrs. Shauf has been promoted to an administrative position as Vice Principal at Archie Stouffer Public School in Minden commencing May 1, 2011! I know you join me in congratulating Mrs. Shauf on this important achievement in her career. We are very proud of Mrs. Shauf and very happy for her. She will be greatly missed as a teacher and a leader at Alexandra Public School.

The winter season and March Break are behind us but the winter weather still keeps us in hats, mitts and boots. Despite the weather, we are well into the final term of the school year. It will be great to hear the students skipping and enjoying other spring activities now that our school yard is no longer covered in snow. The appearance of bicycles is another great sign that spring is here. Here are a few tips and reminders about bicycle safety to share with your child:

- ✓ Make sure your bike is equipped for safety and working properly
- ✓ Keep both hands on the handlebars.
- ✓ Ride single file.
- ✓ Always ride one to a bike.

- ✓ Ride as close as you can to the right edge of the road.
- ✓ Ride in the same direction as other traffic
- ✓ Slow down at intersections and railroad crossings
- ✓ Avoid riding at night.

Plans for our 100th Anniversary and Reunion on May 6th and 7th are nearly finalized. Our committee members: Brian Hough (Chair), former Principal, Bob Ansell, former teacher, Cathie Caissie, former teacher, Michael McGregor, current teacher; Pippa Stephenson, School Council Chair, Meryka Currie Wyman, former student and Jane Avery, Principal have planned an interesting itinerary with something for everyone at the celebration. Our students have begun working on our Royal Revue: 100 Years of Music. A big thanks to Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Brown and Mr. McKechnie and Mrs. Stephenson for their assistance with this production. If you can help out with costumes for our performance please call the school. We would really appreciate your assistance!

We have only 12 tickets remaining for Alexandra's April Appetizer Adventure. All proceeds from this April 19th fundraiser are in support of our 100th Anniversary and Reunion. Please see information about the event at the end of the newsletter. Call the school to get your tickets!

The final term is always a busy one and this year is no exception. Please read the newsletter carefully and note the dates of upcoming events so that you do not miss out!

HEAD CHECKS:

Monday, April 4 is our next head check date – if you can volunteer please check in at the office by 9:00 a.m.

EDUCATION WEEK: MAY 3 -7, 2010

Education Week is an annual event celebrated by school boards and schools across the province. It is a time for students, teachers and parents to celebrate teaching excellence and student achievement. Our Royal activities during Education Week will be our 100th Anniversary & Reunion Celebration.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS:

The next School Council meeting is scheduled for April 12 at 6:30 pm. All parents are welcome. Child care will be available. We are looking for volunteers to help with the 100th Anniversary & Reunion! Please call the school to volunteer!

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The assessment will be conducted between May 31 and June 11 in grade 3 and grade 6 classrooms. Specific dates and further information will follow in the next newsletter.

Note from the Library at Alexandra Public School

What to do when a book gets lost or damaged?

A fee of \$5.00 is required to cover the cost of the book. Another option is to replace the book with an appropriate book from the student's personal library. In any case, please send along a note to the classroom teacher with the name of the book and the student's full name so the account can be cleared.

CHARACTER RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY – THIS MONTH'S TRAIT WAS FAIRNESS.

The Alexandra Royals began this month by focusing on the character education trait of fairness. Students recognized at our end of the month assembly included: Emma Korz, Grace Dudman, Hilary Piggott, Madyson Cooper, Austin Bullock, Ella Harford, Cameron Quibell, Selina Reeve, Noah Cunningham, Sam Pethick, Dryden Brown, Connor Broughton with a special certificate going to Alex Waldner.



The Lunch Lady has got your ticket to a hot, yummy lunch!

It is not too late to order for April! Visit www.thelunchlady.ca to order on-line or contact Lunch Lady for more options. The Lunch Lady is proud to be serving your meals in recyclable boxes, aluminum containers and paper cups, and green bin ready forks and spoons. As Earth Day approaches always remember to take all your waste home to be recycled. Visit www.thelunchlady.ca anytime for more information about our program. If you have any questions please contact Lunch Lady Cathy at cathy@thelunchlady.ca or call 905-985-2103.

Lunch Lady has been serving lunches each Monday, however **she requires more orders to keep the program running.** Please consider ordering lunches on line with the Lunch Lady program.

REMINDERS:

- Safe Arrival – please be sure to call and leave a message on the answering machine should your child be absent from school on any given day.
- Late milk/lunch orders – please be diligent in returning the monthly milk/lunch orders by their due date which appears on the calendar for your convenience. No late orders will be accepted.

- Please be reminded to update telephone numbers and address changes that occur throughout the school year so our database may be kept up-to-date should we need to reach you.
- Mud – the school yard can be very muddy at this time of year. **Rubber boots and splash pants are the clothes of choice.** Another suggestion would be to include spare clothing in your child's back pack.



Alexandra's April Appetizer Adventure

Tuesday April 19th

5:00 – 6:00 @ Pane Vino

6:00 – 7:00 @ The Olympia

7:00 – 8:00 @ Joel's

Tickets @ \$60.00 each

All proceeds support Alexandra Public School's

100th Anniversary & Reunion Celebration

For tickets call the school @ 705-324-3313

or Brian Hough, Celebration Chair @ 705-324-4491

Community Events

City of Kawartha Lakes Public Library April Events

Lindsay Library

Storytime

Wednesdays at 2 pm
Thursdays at 11 am
Age 3 – 5 years
Advance registration required.

Family Storytime
Fridays at 10:30 am
April 1, 8, 15 & 29
Everyone welcome

Read to the Dogs
Saturday, April 2 from 10 am – 12 noon.
Advance registration required.

Earth Day Activities

Saturday, April 16 at 10:30 am

Easter Craft
Saturday, April 23 at 10:30 am

Art Creations 101
Thursday, April 21 at 4 pm & 6:30 pm
Age 7 years and up
Advance registration required

Science Experiments
Tuesday, April 26 at 6:30 pm
Age 7 years and up.
Advance registration required.

For information or to register please call the Lindsay Library at 705 324-9411 ext. 1332.

Search the Library Catalogue at www.city.kawarthalakes.on.ca/library

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