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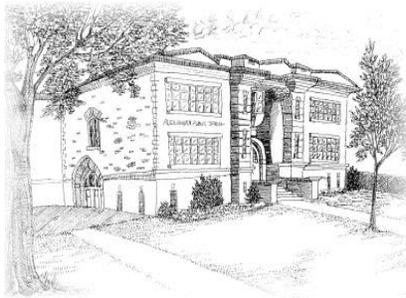
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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Feb. 3/4 - Gr. 6 at Yearly

Feb. 10 - Lazy/Crazy Day

Feb. 11 - Royal Recognition Assembly at 2:20

Feb. 12 - Wear Red or Pink for Valentines' Day

Feb. 15 - Family Day

Feb. 19 - Report Cards Home (JK- 6)

Feb. 23 - Pancake Fundraiser (pre-orders only)

Feb. 24 - Pink Shirt Day

Mar. 11 - PD Day

March Break - Mar. 14-17

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Our students have been enjoying the fun that a snow hill brings as the snow plow created a great place for lots of sliding!

We have so much wonderful learning happening inside the classrooms. Mrs. Brown's class has been focusing on "Feed All Four" and linking this to Sean Covey's work with *The Seven Habits of Happy Kids*. Mrs. Stone's class has been learning lots about local government and the students were delighted with a visit from three City of Kawartha Lakes employees who responded to a letter of concern written following a community walk. Mr. McGregor's class is excited to be heading to Yearley Outdoor Education Center. This overnight trip is a wonderful opportunity for outdoor learning and great community building! These are just some of the examples of Royals at Work!

PARENT COUNCIL PRESENTS...

On Tuesday, February 9th, at our regular parent council meeting, Mrs. MacLean and Mrs. Ferguson will be presenting some valuable information regarding our student learning at APS. Mrs. MacLean will talk about the work we have been doing around *The Zones of Regulation*. This focuses on self-awareness of emotions and self-regulation. Mrs. Ferguson will be sharing insight on how technology enhances the learning of our students. All parents are welcome to join us at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. We will be having a movie for children who come, but please call the school office to register to ensure adequate supervision.

ADDITIONAL PD DAY – MARCH 11

There will be a PA day added to this year's school calendar. The additional PA day will be Friday, March 11, 2016. This addition is part of the provincial contracts negotiated earlier this school year with our teacher unions. An additional professional activity day is to be included in each school year.

Report cards will be sent home on February 19th and parent teacher interviews will be held on Thursday, March 10, 2016 from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Information regarding the interviews will be sent home in the near future.





MAGAZINE SALES TOTAL

I am delighted to announce that our magazine campaign was a huge success with a profit of **\$1576.03!** Thank you everyone! As a result, the students earned a crazy hair day for beating last year's total and a lazy pajama day for exceeding \$1500! So...Wednesday, February 10th has been declared Lazy, Crazy Day at APS when these days are combined to make one fun day! Our next fundraiser – Elmira Chicken – is back by popular demand this month!



PANCAKE TREAT!

Mrs. Stone's Grade 5 class is very excited to be cooking pancakes on Tuesday, Feb. 23rd for all students who order them! This is a fundraiser to support their class trip. Order forms will be coming home soon.

FAMILY DAY

All schools and offices will be closed for the statutory holiday, Family Day, on Monday, Feb. 15th, 2016. We hope you enjoy this extended weekend with your family!



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten Registration is a very important time of year here at Alexandra, as we welcome our new Royals into the school. If you know of any children eligible for Kindergarten this year, please have them register now. Packages are here in the office so please encourage your friends to register their children so that we can plan our staffing for next year.

ARRIVING ON TIME

In order to maximize the instructional time in each classroom, the staff would appreciate having students arriving at school before the 8:45 bell. When students arrive late, not only is their learning impacted, but so is the learning of the other students in the room. Research shows that when a student is interrupted, it can take up to twenty minutes for some students to be able to focus back on the learning task.

SPIRIT DAY

On February 12th, students are encouraged to wear Pink and/or Red to celebrate Valentine's Day!

BOSTON PIZZA

If you eat out at the Lindsay Boston Pizza, clearly print Alexandra's name on the back of the receipt and put the receipt into the box located at the front door. The school will receive 10% of the bill at the end of the season.

Honesty:
*Honesty is
being truthful
in what you
say or do.*

LEGION WINNERS

We were very excited to learn that six of our Grade Six students did very well in the Legion Remembrance Day competitions. Congratulations to:

Junior Essay – 1st –Thea F.

Junior Poem – 1st – Emily P.; 3rd – Rory S.

Junior Black and White Poster – 1st – Bailey L.

Junior Colour Poster –1st — Cadence D. (absent in the photo); 3rd – Katie P.



MADD WINNERS

We were also pleased to learn three students were winners in the *Don't Drink and Drive Campaign!* Congratulations to Olivia M. Olivia R., and Finn L. for their great art work and message shoppers at the LCBO!

