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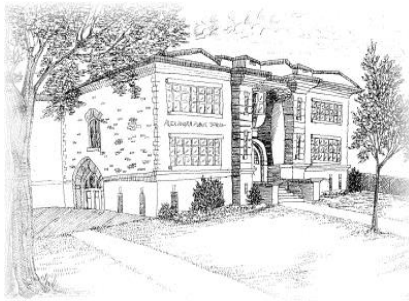
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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 4 - Skipping Competition
May 5 - ECO Summit
May 8 - Elmira Chicken Pickup 2-4
May 8/9 - Talent Show Assemblies at 11:20
May 9 - Talent Show evening performance @ 6:30
May 12 - Jump Rope for Heart Dance-a-thon
May 16 - APS Track and Field Day (Grades 2-6)
May 16-18- Book Fair
May 18 - Family Movie Night "Lego Batman"
May 19 - Royal Recognition at 2:20
May 19 - April Lunch Monitor Lunch
May 23 to June 5- EQAO testing
May 23 - Parent Council
June 2 - PA day
June 7 - County Track and Field (Junior)
June 13 - Gr. 2/3 Trip
June 14 - Primary Track and Field
June 19 - Gr. 6 visit to Central
June 20/21 - Gr. 6 Yearley Trip
June 27 - Gr. 6 Graduation
June 29- Last Day of School
June 30 - PD Day



Of Whom Much is Given, Much is Expected

N. Leeder, Principal
K. MacIver, Superintendent
D. Morrison, Trustee



Principal's Message

The green grass and budding trees are a welcome sight and it is so nice to see the spring flowers blooming in our gardens! This is certainly a reminder that the school year is quickly drawing to a close...but not before we fill the days with learning and adventures!

The next few weeks will be very busy at Alexandra! I hope that you will take the time to read through this newsletter, check us out on social media, check for school emails and listen to the phone messages we leave so that you are "in the loop" with all the events taking place!

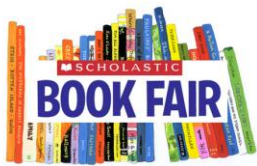
Our Grade 3 and 6 students are gearing up for EQAO which will be written May 23rd to June 5th. In order to set the students up for success, we encourage families of students in those grades to do their best to have their child here on time each day. Avoiding appointments and family trips during the assessment is greatly appreciated. We know that their teachers will have them well prepared to do their best!

Thank you to the many families who have congratulated me on my upcoming retirement! I certainly feel blessed to have the opportunity to be a part of this community for three years. I am looking forward to these last two months of time with the students, staff and family!

Mrs. Leeder
Principal

Movie Night! Here Comes Lego Batman!!!!

We are very excited to have Parent Council hosting Family Movie Night on May 18th. Ticket forms have gone home and we encourage you to return your order form as soon as possible so that we can plan for pizza and popcorn. We are delighted to have Ms. Berry's class working with the Health Unit to raise awareness of Smoke-Free Movies. The class has learned a lot about the influence of people smoking in the movies. They will be sharing this knowledge with you before the movie starts.



News from the Library

Another book fair is just around the corner!! It will take place May 16th to May 18th and will be open 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to do some summer reading shopping. Our school library benefits from all your purchases.

Jump Rope for Heart

On May 12th, students will participate in our Jump Rope for Heart Dance-a-Thon. Pledge forms were sent home last week. You may also choose to access the on-line registration. Even if your family decides to not collect pledges, we encourage each student to donate a loonie to this great cause. Students are invited to wear Royal Red on May 12th – this is also a great colour to remind us about healthy hearts! As an incentive, the top seller and the top selling family will be treated to lunch on Mrs. Leeder! If we meet our goal of \$3100 (which is only \$100 more than our total from 2016), the students will have a “Let’s Go Crazy Day!” They can wear crazy hair, crazy clothes, crazy make-up and crazy socks!



Skipping

Would you like to see some awesome skipping? You might want to drop by I.E. Weldon on May 4th to see some amazing skipping events taking place. The speed, endurance and skill of the TLDSB students at the Skipping Meet will have you in awe! We are thrilled that Mrs. MacLean, Ms. McConnell and Mrs. Coumbs have been working with our team to prepare them for the competition. Some of the team members showed off their skills at the Jump Rope For Heart Kick-Off. INCREDIBLE!



Track and Field Day

Track and Field Day will be held on Tuesday, May 16th. Our Rain Date is Wednesday, May 17th. We will also use May 17th to finish up any events that may not get completed on the 16th. This will be for students in grades 2-6. This year we will have a Junior and Primary Team advancing to County.



Grade 6 Central Sr. Visit

Our Grade 6 class will be welcoming students from Central Senior on June 6th for an art activity led by the Central students. Then on June 19th, our students will be going to Central for a visit. This will be a great opportunity for the students to find out what it is like to be at Central!

Grade 6 Grad News!!

Our graduation ceremony will be held on Tuesday June 27th starting at 7 pm. Please mark this date on your calendar as it is a very special event for our graduating students. Plans are underway to once again have a dinner for the students before the ceremony.



Gardening at APS



We are very fortunate to have some wonderful outdoor learning spaces. Over the next few weeks our staff and students will be working hard to do a spring clean-up of these areas. Over the summer months we are hoping that some of our families will be able to volunteer to maintain these areas. As well, there is space dedicated to gardens. If you are interested in planting a small vegetable garden and maintaining the weeding over the summer, you would then be able to use the vegetables that you grow. This is a great chance for you to have all the benefits of a garden and our students will be able to watch the growth cycle. Please contact the school if you are interested in planting a garden or helping over the summer.

Battle of the Books

Our Battle of the Books team represented us very well at the South Competition placing second! They headed off to the TLDSB competition in Muskoka where they once again showed off their intense knowledge of the books they read! Way to go team!



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The tree limbs being cut at the neighbours' last week made for great learning and fun! Our SK students were totally hooked on watching during their outdoor learning time!