



Fenelon Township Chronicle

April 2017

Friends Together Pursuing Success



Principal's Message

This year marks my fourth anniversary here at FTPS. It will also be my last year, as **I am retiring on June 30th**. I will miss the wonderful relationships that I have with the staff, the students and the parents. I am thrilled to start the next chapter in my life beginning with our daughter's wedding in September. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support and friendship over the last four years.

Winter Carnival and Pancake Day

We had an awesome Winter Carnival and Pancake Day just before the holidays. Thanks to Ms. McNab for arranging this and a special thanks to all the intermediate students who ran the event. Mr. McNab (Sarah's Dad) and Ms. Forbes are being thanked for preparing all the pancakes. We had a great start to the March Break.

New On-line Payment System

Coming Soon: New Online Payment System

Soon you will be able to pay for all your child's school fees with a click of a button. Never worry about sending cash with your child again. Keeping track of what's going on your child's school can be overwhelming – especially if you have more than one child, and they may even go to different schools! Though School Cash Online, you can manage all of the items and activities your child needs quickly, simply and securely. Please see the Quick Start Guide for Parents. FTPS will begin on April 10th.

At FTPS, Pita Sales will not be on line, Milk, Juice and Field Trips will be offered on line. Cash and cheques will always be accepted, however it is our goal to significantly reduce these payment types.

Camp Kawartha

On March 28 and 29, our students enjoyed a full day field trip of outdoor education. They explored Natural Neighbours (critters in your neighbourhood) and Lost In the Woods (survival skills in the woods)

Thank you to Ms. Dunn and the rest of the staff who applied for and received a grant to give our students this wonderful opportunity.

Appropriate Spring Clothing

We are excited to welcome spring and all the gorgeous days that will come in April. After a wet winter, we can finally see the signs of spring....mostly mud! Please make sure that your child has a change of clothes for those days when a slip and fall, turns a kid into a muddy ball!

Friends Together Pursuing Success

To promote our motto of Friends Together Pursuing Success, students have been spending their free time working, Battle of the Books, Basketball and preparation for the Talent Show and much more. I want to take this opportunity to thank the staff members who give so much of their own time to make sure that the students have lots of activities to get involved in.

School Council

The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday, April 12 at 6:30 p.m.** in the library. Everyone is welcome.

Battle of the Books

Our Junior and Intermediate students participated in Battle of the Books on March 28 and 29th. Each team collaboratively read 10 books, and battles against other schools in TLDSB. Way to go team Wild Cats and The City of Stars!

Ms Forbes and Ms Staples

Fenelon Township's Got Talent!

Planning for the talent show is in the works! Students are to sign up on the sheets posted in the hallways. We can't wait to see all of the talent our students have. We are looking for a more diverse range of talents to showcase this year- Do you know karate? Can you juggle? Please think outside the box.

Stay tuned for more information about auditions and dates.

Mme Ellis, Ms Crowther

Swim to Survive training for Grade 3 Students

The City of Kawartha Lakes is once again supporting the "Swim to Survive" program for our Grade 3 students. Our sessions have been booked for the following Tuesdays; April 19, April 26 and May 3. An information package and permissions forms will be sent home shortly.

Cops For Cancer

On May 5th, 2017 the Cops for Cancer/Pedal for Hope team will be coming to Fenelon Township Public School. Cops for Cancer was created from the idea of one man and has grown into an inspirational force engaging police officers and other emergency services and their communities in the fight against cancer. Since it began in 1994, Cops for Cancer has raised more than \$50.4 million.

On Wednesday's, during the month of April, our school will be holding fundraiser days.

Wednesday, April 5: Freezie sales \$1

Wednesday, April 12: Cupcakes for Cancer \$1

Wednesday, April 19: Hat Day (donation will give you a ticket to wear your hat)

Week of April 24-28: Teacher Bucket Competition (Students can place their change in the bucket of the teacher they would like to receive a pie in the face)

Wednesday, May 3: Freezie sale \$1

***If your child is interested in shaving their head or donating at least 8 inches of hair, on the day of the event, please contact Ms. McNab at school. We have pledge sheets that can be sent home for you.**

All are welcome on the day of the event. The time has not yet been finalized. More information to come.

BIG KID ENTERTAINMENT: Self-Esteem and Mindset

The staff and students were thrilled and entertained by Big Kid Entertainment and their performance of Rapunzel and the Baker. The main characters didn't like themselves and had low self-esteem. The witch agrees to spell Rapunzel into a tower and the Baker into Prince Charming. The spell teaches the two characters to embrace their own individuality and be proud of who they are.

ECO CLUB NEWS:



Thank you to Mrs. West who came in an organized seed planting experiments for our club. We are really excited to track the results!

- On March 22nd, we participated in Earth hour through having an hour without power. To learn more about this and its impact on climate change please check out this website: <https://www.earthhour.org>
- The Eco Club is still collecting used, undamaged batteries. Please bring them into Mrs. Dunn's room and place them in the bin inside the door
- (AAA, AA, C, D, 9-volt, Button, Cordless drill batteries).



April 22nd is Earth Day! The Eco Club will be organizing small initiatives/challenges throughout the week leading up to Earth Day and a community clean up on Friday April 21st. Stay tuned for more details coming home!

Thank you!
The Eco Club

April Dates to Remember:

- April 3: Fluoride JK/SK
- April 3: Junior Zone Basketball
- April 5: Zone Intermediate Girls/Boys Basketball
- April 10: Online Food Orders Begin (May orders)
- April 11: Magazine and Popcorn Fundraising Begins
- April 12: County Jr Basketball
- April 12: School Council Meeting at 6:30
- April 14: Good Friday
- April 17: Easter Monday
- April 18: County Int Girls Basketball and Cardboard Boat Races
- April 20: County Int Boys Basketball
- April 25: Popcorn and Magazine Fundraising Campaign Ends

Year End Trip

School Trip to Cedar Park will be held on June 22 for Grades K-6. Grades 7/8 will remain at the school for their own Rule the School Day. We will provide further details and pricing at a later date.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

With Our QSP Fundraiser!
April 11-25

We are bringing some to our spring fundraiser!

In April, our annual QSP Reading **From Farm To Table Popcorn!** Program is going to also be offering Grown right here in Ontario, this popcorn is packed full of flavour and is perfect for healthy snacks. Buy a Variety Pack and sell to family and friends or choose single flavour Packs for school snacks. Nut-free, peanut-free and gluten-free, they are grown without the use of pesticides or GMOs.

Save your magazine renewals and browse the brochures for amazing titles for all ages. Promoting reading at home has never been so easy. You can order now and save. Simply go to www.QSP.ca and enter our Group **Online ID 3724465**.

Get ready for some fun!

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With Our QSP Fundraiser!

We are raising money for our year end class trips and our games pavement painting.
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