



The Fenelon Township Chronicle



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Friends Together Pursuing Success

Principal's Message



Happy Groundhog Month... although we really have had a much milder winter than last year, we can only hope that we will have only six weeks of winter left to deal with snow and ice.

January was a great month with lots of snow forts and sliding down icy hills in our backyard. We were really pleased with the cooperation and team work that the students engaged in. It is awesome to watch the older students working with the

younger students in such a positive way.

Please check out our website. We can now post all our activities in our power point which is the same program that runs in the main foyer at the school. I would like to thank Lesley Forbes and Wendy Dunn for their hard work helping FTPS to communicate with our parents.

February is Report Card month here at school so please remember the PA Day on February 3rd where the teachers will be here, but the students have a long weekend. Report cards will go home on February 17th.

February 20th is FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY

FTPS School Council

The next meeting of the parent council will be **Wednesday, February 8th @ 6:30 p.m.** in the library. Please, if you have thoughts about finding out about parent council, come on out. Everyone is welcome. We will be discussing further fundraising and budget allocations. Staff requests will be considered at that time. The staff and students would like to thank the parent council for their dedication and support.

Jimmy Chapman

We have lots happening in the month of February. We would like to welcome Jimmy Chapman on January 31, February 7, 28 and March 7th to teach our students break dancing. We are really excited to have Jimmy back with us. The students' love their sessions.

MADD PRESENTATION FOR GRADES 7 AND 8 ON FEBRUARY 1, 2017

FENELON FALLS S.S. VISIT FOR GRADE 8 STUDENTS ON FEBRUARY 2, 2017

The goal of this visit is to help ease student transition into high school and to provide them with an opportunity to get to know the school, the teachers, and the options that will be available to them during their high school years.

VOLLEYBALL

The Junior Mixed Volleyball County Tournament was on Wednesday, January 25. *Ms. Crowther*. The team members were as follows:

Grade 5

Isaac Redman
Ryann Parson
Chloe Nugent
Maddie Tonge
Shelby Waterbury

Grade 6

Aidan Gibson
Daniel Roulston
Cole Coupal
William Kirkpatrick
Nolan Carson
Julie Hayman
Alexus Connors

Intermediate Girls will compete on February 6 at JD Hodgson in Haliburton for County as they were undefeated winners in their Zone competition. *Mr. Cameron*. The team members are:

Hilary Baker
Shauna Boustead
Taylor Frees
Lilia Gibson
Taryn Lindquist

Chantal Soutar
Kaitlyn Thurston
Chloe Tully
Makayla VanEvery
Hayley Vigelius

The Intermediate Boys volleyball team travelled to Lady Mackenzie P.S. on January 19 to participate in their Zone Volleyball Tournament. Although they did not qualify for the County Tournament they were able to see the improvement and growth in their skills and team play. *Ms. Serracino*. The team members were:

Sam Conners
Robert Kirkpatrick
Eddie Mann
Steven Mann

Dylan Roulston
Kyle Skelhorn
Hayden Snelling
Jack Waterbury
Owen Worsley

We would like to thank our many volunteer drivers for their time and support.

SPEECHES

The grade 4-8 speeches will be held in the Library on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 9:30 am.

Winter Fun Day

On Tuesday, February 21st the students will be participating in a Winter Fun Day. Students will be heading outside for all of middle block from 12:00-2:00 pm and will be taking part in outdoor games and activities. The students will be placed in groups representing different capitals and provinces. The Grade 7/8 students will be the leaders running the stations. The grade 5/6 class will be leading the younger students around to the different activities. We look forward to having a fun filled day. **Please send your child with the appropriate attire to spend the afternoon outside** (ie. coats, snow pants, boots, hats, mittens and scarfs). We will have hot chocolate at one of the stations. *Ms. McNab*.

Pancake Lunch Fundraiser on February 21st.



On Tuesday, February 21st, 2017, the day of our Winter Fun Day, FTPS will be hosting a Pancake Lunch as a fundraiser for Cops for Cancer (that will be taking place in May). For only \$2.00, students can receive a Pancake Lunch that will include 2 pancakes and 1 glass of juice. Paperwork was sent home on Monday, January 30th. **Please send back to school by Wednesday, February 8th, 2017.**

Battle of the Books Returns

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A number of our Grade 4-8 students have gotten involved with an in-school battle of the books reading competition. Each team of students will be reading 5 books. Beginning after March break, teams will begin to be quizzed about the books they have read. The top junior and top intermediate teams will compete with other schools in the area.



Snowballs

It is that time of year again when the snow is falling. Please remember that snow must not be thrown. The first time a student is caught throwing snow; a note will go home in the student's agenda. The second time a student is caught throwing snow; a letter will go home to parents. The third time; the student will be suspended. Keeping snow on the ground is for the safety of all students. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Candy Grams



Me to We is launching its newest fundraiser by selling Candy Grams! Students can buy their friends a special Valentine treat for two dollars. The funds raised will support families in developing countries, helping empower them with the resources they need to build a better future. Me to We members will be selling candy grams every day at second lunch from February 6th to February 13th. All candy grams will be delivered to homerooms on Tuesday, February 14th.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN MARCH:

Electives:

On March 6 we will be traveling to Lindsay by bus for electives, with students having a choice of bowling, skating or gymnastics. The cost will be \$8.00 for each activity.

Snow Tubing

On March 8th, the grades 4-8 students will have the option of going tubing at the ROC as an additional elective day. The cost for that will be \$12.00. Buses are being paid for by FTPS School Council

Important Messages from the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit