



Fenelon Township P.S.



Friends Together Pursuing Success

Kerri-Lyn McFaul - Principal
Safe Arrival 705-359-1220

David Morrison - Trustee

Bruce Barrett -Superintendent
December 2017



Follow us on twitter! @ Fenelon Township P.S or visit our website@ ftps.tldsb.on.ca

Principal's Message

Hello Fenelon Township Families, it is hard to believe we are into December and the holidays are around the corner! In the upcoming weeks our hallways and classrooms continue to be abuzz with learning, creating and celebrating. We would like to invite you to join us for our holiday performances and spirit days with times and dates noted on the calendar. One of the greatest gifts we can give our children is the love of literacy. As families, you can encourage your child to write in many ways. You can make sure they see you writing ... a grocery list, a note to someone, a journal entry, etc. You can encourage your child to read and write letters, lists, messages, postcards, thank you notes, emails, books, and so on. You can help your child keep a scrapbook of family holidays and events and write captions to go with the pictures. You are their biggest role model and they are your biggest fan. Your gift of literacy will reap rewards throughout their entire life. At this time we wish you a safe

and happy December and all the best for the New Year. On behalf of the FTPS staff we would like to wish you a very Happy Holiday, Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,
Kerri-Lyn McFaul & FTPS Staff



Inclement Weather

Decisions regarding cancellation of buses due to inclement weather will be made by the school board and will be announced on BOB FM 91.9 and on the board website: tldsb.ca. Parents can also sign up on www.mybustoschool.ca for direct emails.

Food Drive

We are accepting food donations to support local families this holiday season. We are accepting donations anytime between now and the night of our concert. Please give generously and watch our halls be decorated with your donations!

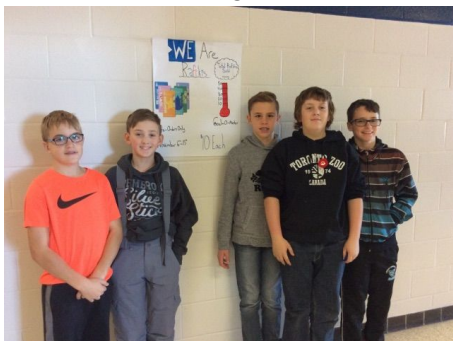


TLAC

2018 Student Registration Forms are now available online! What is TLAC? TLAC is an arts camp for Grade 7 through 12 students that will take place on May 20 to 25, 2018 at Camp White Pine in Haliburton. TLAC offers specialized instruction for Music, Drama, Musical Theatre, Dance, and Visual Art within an exciting camp experience. The arts camp is set up as a typical high school day with four periods. There are evening concerts featuring performances from major artists, a presentation from local visual artists, and an art display. This enriched arts experience is enhanced by the summer camp atmosphere. Early Bird registrations are due December 22, 2017 for a \$50 savings. The deadline for all registrations is January 19, 2018. Registrations are available online or in your school office. Visit <http://tldsb.ca/tlac>

ME to WE

Our 'Me to We' team is happy to announce that we had a successful Rafiki Sales campaign. Together we collected 79 orders. Money from these orders, will help support the mamas in Kenya who make the bracelets and our global initiatives. This year the students on our "Me to We" team have decided to raise money that will go towards Water in Haiti. Your generosity helps send kids to school, give them clean drinking water, provides health care, education and so much more. Thank you for all your help! "WE" are excited to continue the WE movement this year and many years to come. Sincerely, dedicated ME to WE members. A Huge Thank You goes to Cole, Aidan, William, Isaac and Daniel on their dedication to this wonderful campaign.



Battle of the Books

We are back battling again at FTFS!
This month we will be forming teams for Junior and Intermediate readers. The book lists will be revealed on December 7th! Stay tuned to morning announcements for more information on when we will be meeting to get the Battle of the Books started!

Ms Staples and Ms Forbes

Milk Chocolate or White

We are starting a new program for selling milk. You can buy a milk card for \$10.00 which buys a student 10 milks. They can purchase the milk on any given day. The cards are at the office for purchase and will be kept there for the student. You can still order milk on line for each month by visiting tldsbc.ca/epayments.



Trinkets and Treasure Sale

We are collecting small gently used items for our Trinkets and Treasure sale! This is an opportunity for students to purchase gifts priced under \$2 for their family members. All of the proceeds go back to supporting the students for school trips! If you have anything to donate please drop it off at the school.

The sale will be held on December 12th-13th. This year the ECO club is going "green" and eco friendly. We are strongly encouraging students to bring in their own gift bags for those family members that they are buying for. Any extra gift bag donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you!



Holidays Concert

Mark your calendars for December 19! Our annual Christmas and Holiday Concert will take place at 12:00 and 6:30p.m. Please keep an eye out for any special instructions from your student's classroom teacher.

Come out and share the joy of the season!

Poinsettia Pickup

December 5th from 2:00-6:00. Please make arrangements to pick up your order during this time.



School Council

The next meeting will take place on December 5th at 6:00 in the library. Everyone is welcome!! We will be discussing future fundraising initiatives.

Fostering Creative Writing!

Select boys in Grades 5 to 8 were selected by their classroom teachers to travel with Mr. Hiscock on Tuesday, November 28th to Jack Callaghan to participate in the Boys Writers Conference. These students had the opportunity to participate in writing workshops to help foster creative writing. The students were also able to hear world renowned authors Dan Yashinsky and Philip Roy speak about their passion for the art of writing and storytelling. The workshops the students participated in were Storytelling, Writing Tips and a Makerspace where the students created a character to code using Scratch. Thank you to Joshua Bingham-Boyd, Duncan Sandison, Sean Hayman, Daniel Roulston, Cole Coupal, Wesley Coultice, Aiden Marr and Cameron Howe for fostering your imagination and creative spirits and participating in a great learning opportunity. The boys did an excellent job representing our school and some even excitedly shared their writing in front of the other boys at the conference. Great job everyone!

Hooray for Being Active!

Mr. Hiscock is happy to announce the addition of \$5000 worth of exercise equipment to FTPS. He was able to purchase the equipment using grant money he received from the board for his Program Enhancement Application. Mr. Hiscock incorporates Fitness as a part of his Physical Education program and he wanted to ensure his students had the right equipment to participate actively, safely and also to really enjoy what they are doing. Since the beginning of the year, the Grade 7/8 class has been participating in circuits at least twice a week to promote lifelong physical activity and students' overall well-being. Students are now continuing to do so, however they have the right tools to participate in a wide variety of exercise programs and be able to learn new exercises. Students have thoroughly enjoyed the addition of the fitness equipment that they can use. The equipment varies from plyo boxes, to dumbbells and kettlebells, slam balls, agility ladders, balance boards, battling ropes and even a pull-up station. Students are not only participating in exercise but they are also measuring their own level of physical fitness using a wide variety of fitness tests.

Students will soon be planning out areas of need and developing exercise plans to try and reach their personal goals. Quality Physical Activity is crucial to a child's development and the equipment purchased is going to allow all students to participate and learn about the variety of ways to be active.



A message from



Did you know that you can obtain your PSW diploma in 9 short months? Click on the link below to find out more from the Alternate Education and Training Centre.

<http://anewstart.ca/>

