

K.P. Manson Cougar News

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Principal's Message

Welcome back and on behalf of the KP staff, I extend our very best wishes for 2017.

What a way to start the year off - snow, rain, 3 snow days – crazy.

KP's Christmas concert was a huge success and it was wonderful to see such a great turn out from KP families. The two show times and the issuing of tickets continued to work very well again this year and will most likely continue to be the practice. Thank you to Mrs. Morgan for looking after the issuing of tickets. The students and staff did a terrific job preparing their songs, memorizing their lines, decorating the stage and stepping in for their absent classmates.

There is a PA Day Feb 3th and Family Day is February 20th.

Student report cards, grades 1-8 and kindergarten check-lists, will be sent home with children on February 17th.

With the significant changes in the weather, please make sure your child has proper clothing for outdoor play – as we try to get students outside every day for a little fresh air.

Thank you to all the families who participated in the Christmas Fund raiser. The poinsettias were once again a huge success.

Please pay attention to the information included in the newsletter around electives as there will be changes this year.

I continue to urge close communication between parents, teachers and school, as research clearly indicates a strong link between home and school is a determining factor and acts as an encouraging role in achieving student success. Please contact the school if you have suggestions, concerns or questions.

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Gail Greenfield

Kindergarten Registration 2017 – 2018

Trillium Lakelands DSB offers both Junior and Senior Kindergarten programs, where our youngest students discover how to learn co-operatively with others. At this age, play is an important way of learning. As children play, they are learning about the world and how it works, about other people, and about themselves.

Is your child turning FOUR in 2017? If so, it is time to register for Kindergarten!

Registration is now open. To register please bring the following to the school office:

- Proof of age
- Name and phone number for family doctor
- Ontario Health Card number (optional)
- Child's immunization record
- Residence road name and 911 address

Character Trait for January

Fairness

Is treating all people the same,
no matter how different they
are from you

Electives

This year we will be changing the elective program.

We will offer a variety of activities to students, varying in cost from “\$0” to minimal cost. All activities will be held at the school, in an attempt to keep costs to a minimum.

It is the expectation all students, grades 1 to 8 will participate.

Electives will run Friday afternoons from 1:30-3:00, February 17, 24 and March 3rd.

Some activities will have a limit to the number of students who can participate and possible grade restrictions. Students will be placed on a first come, first served basis. Students will be able to list their top three choices and once their placement has been confirmed a note will be sent home and fees will be due to the school in order to cover the cost of any supplies.

As always, parents can arrange a payment plan if necessary. Forms and information will be sent home shortly with each student.

The school is still planning to offer one or two skiing days, but these will operate outside of the elective program. Skiing will have a limited number of spaces and both signed permission forms and payment will be needed to confirm a spot.

Around the World

This month we will be celebrating Iceland with Parent Council as our country of the month. Stay tuned for information on an Iceland activity!!

Book Fair

Our next book fair will run on February 22nd to 24th. Classrooms will have an opportunity to visit the book fair during the day. Parents may come during these times: 22nd from 9-6, 23rd from 9-6 and 24th 9-noon.

Electronics

Many students have received new cell phones and electronic gizmos and gadgets over the holidays. Please remember the school is not responsible if these items go missing. Due to the elaborate cost of such devices, we always advise these items are best left at home. As well, cell phones are not to be used during the school day for phone calls, text messages or photographs. Please help us to enforce this by not expecting your child to send or receive calls or messages during regular school hours. Contact regarding a student should be made through the school office. Thank you for your help and cooperation with this matter.

January 2017

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| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13  Boys & Girls Basketball |
| 16 | 17 | 18  | 19  Dental Team at school | 20 |
| 23 | 24 | 25  Sports Day | 26 | 27 |
| 30 | 31 | Jan 25th Gravenhurst High School Parent Info Night 7:00pm | | |