

K.P. Manson Cougar News

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Principal's Message

Happy December!

This month is going to be busy and exciting. Some of the events happening this month include basket-ball team games, class excursions, Battle of the Books as well as our Christmas Concerts on December 19th.

A sincere thank you is extended to our dedicated team of volunteers, staff and students for the running of our Breakfast Program. A full belly of healthy food is essential for a ready-to-learn student and this program ensures that no student needs to start their day feeling hungry.

Please know, we're always in search of volunteers to support student reading programs, nutrition programs, head-lice checking, class trips and more. All you need is a criminal record check and a little bit of time to become a valued volunteer at KP!

Thank you to those of you who attend parent teacher interviews. Staying informed and involved in your child's education has a great impact on students' success. Feel free to contact your child's teacher at any time should you have a concern. Please recognize they may not always be available immediately, but you should expect to hear back from them within 24hrs.

As well, thank you to those of you who completed the school climate survey. Your voice is always important to us. Don't forget to follow us on facebook for up and coming and current school and community events.

One of the greatest gifts we can give children is the love of literacy and numeracy. As families, you can encourage your child to write and "do math" in many ways. You can make sure they see you writing ... a grocery list, a note to someone, a journal entry, math talk – adding out loud, recognizing numbers in the community, trying to find numbers, playing games with dice, etc. You can encourage your child to read and write letters and numbers, lists, messages, postcards, thank you notes, emails, books, and so on. You are their biggest role model and they are your biggest fan. Your gift of literacy and numeracy will reap rewards throughout their entire life.

Just a reminder, should you have a bus route concern – contact the transportation department at the Board Office, a driver concern – contact Hammond's transportation and a behavior concern – the school.

Have a wonderful Christmas break! We return to school January 8th, 2018..

Gail Greenfield

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@KPMansonps

Character Trait for December

Responsibility

The quality of behaving correctly;
the duty to always do the right thing

Poinsettia

Our Poinsettia fundraiser is always a big hit! Plants will be delivered on Tuesday December 12th. Pick up will be in the gym from 1pm to 6pm. Poinsettias are extremely sensitive to cold temperatures and cannot be carried home or taken on the bus.



Safe Arrival

Please call and leave a message for safe arrival if your student will not be attending school. You can call the regular school number, 705-689-2612 at any time and leave a message in the mailbox. Safe arrival calls should be made before 8:30 on the day of the absence. You may also call and leave a message ahead of time if you know about an upcoming absence. Students who are walkers or do not have busing for other reasons should call for safe arrival on snow days.

Before and After School Care

If your child is in our after school care program please park in the school parking lot, not on the road.

Before school care still may happened after the Christmas break. If this is something your family might be interested in – please let the school or Muskoka Family Focus know. As well if you wish after care please contact Muskoka Family Focus at 705-645-3027 as there are still spaces available.

KP Christmas Concert

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our annual Christmas concert. There will be two concerts on Tuesday December 19th, one at 1:30pm and the second at 6:30pm. In the case of a snow day, the concert will be held on Wednesday December 20th. Students are asked to be dropped off at their classrooms the night of the concert no earlier than 6:15pm.

Tickets for parents/guardians only are being reserved first up until Dec 8th, after which tickets will be reserved for siblings, grandparents etc. This is to ensure parents/guardians will be able to see their students performance. All spectators, regardless of age (babies included) do require a ticket for entry.

If you are able to attend the afternoon concert please select it, as the evening performance is always high in demand.

Gravenhurst Supper Club

The supper club is a volunteer organization that provides a free meal every Thursday night. The program is open to everyone.

Every Thursday at Trinity United Church, 290 Muskoka Road North, Gravenhurst. 5:00pm social hour (coffee, juice and snacks) 6:00pm dinner. Take out is also available at 6:00pm, go to the kitchen door.

All are welcome! Kids, youth, singles, families and seniors

Volunteers are welcome. 705-641-0293

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11	12 Poinsettia pick up in the gym 1-6pm	13 	14 Ugly Sweater / Green Red Day	15 KP Hockey Night
18	19 Christmas Concert—tickets required 1:30 & 6:30	20  Christmas Concert Snow Day Date	21 	22