



At The Beech

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year!

It looks like winter has finally arrived! January and February are always busy and exciting months at Beechgrove. Winter Electives are ready to roll, our intermediate boys and girls basketball teams are finishing up their seasons and our junior students are enjoying indoor soccer intramurals. Students have been enjoying the snow outside at recess!

This month we are welcoming Mr. Stephen who has been hired to replace Ms. Albisser who has gone off on maternity leave.

We would like to wish Ms. Coutts all the best as she finishes off covering Mrs. Ovell's maternity leave. Ms. Coutts has been a great addition to the Beechgrove staff and has done a great job filling in for Mrs. Ovell. Mrs. Ovell will be returning on January 26th.

This year we are pleased to be offering a full colour yearbook. The yearbook will capture all the exciting events and activities that are happening

at the school over the course of the year. It will also feature class pages that showcase events that individual classes have done. The yearbook will be available for all students to purchase and will cost \$20.

Winter Elective forms went home and we will be collecting payment for Electives. Some money is available for families who require assistance to cover the cost of electives. Please call me at Beechgrove if you are in need of this assistance.

Please don't hesitate to stop by the office if you have any questions or concerns.

Paul Goldring

PARENT COUNCIL

Volunteering is a great way to get to know your child's school plus share your talents and experiences! Join our community of valued Beechgrove Public School Volunteers!

Breakfast for Learning. For students who need a little extra food to get them going in the morning.

Head Lice Inspection: Helping screen students for head lice. Training provided!

Join Parent Council: If you would like to be involved in events and activities happening at Beechgrove the Parent Council is a great place to start!

Parent volunteers need to have a police check on file at the office.

Next Parent Council Meeting is January 28th at 3:30 PM.

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

January 22
Twin Day

February 3,
10,17,24
Winter Electives

February 5th
PA DAY

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WINTER ELECTIVES

February 3, 10, 17 and 24th

A big thank you to our Parent Council that provided funds and organized our winter electives.

We are so excited to learn some new activities or enjoy ones we already love!

Please be sure that your child has all their equipment needed for that day. Extra mitts and socks are always a good idea.



JANUARY IS JK/SK REGISTRATION MONTH

Please bring:

- Birth Certificate
- Immunization Record
- Health Card (Optional)

Junior Kindergarten students must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2016.

We look forward to seeing you!



CHARACTER EDUCATION THEME FOR JANUARY

Trustworthiness

Trustworthiness means that you behave in an honourable manner. You act with integrity. Your words match your actions.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO:

- Read with your child every night.
- Check and sign your child's agenda.
- Send indoor shoe and gym clothes.
- Label your child's clothing.
- Keep us informed of changes in telephone numbers and email addresses including emergency contact numbers.
- Help your child start the New Year off with a resolution to read every night—the only way to get better in reading is to read!



ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- Students are reminded that cell phones are not permitted for calls, photos, music or text messaging during the Beechgrove school day.
- Parents are asked to call the office if they need to get in contact with their child during the school day. Any electronic devices that are brought to school are done so at the students' own risk. We will not be responsible for any lost or stolen devices.



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TLAC 2016 STUDENT APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

What is TLAC? TLAC is an arts camp for Grade 7 through 12 students that will take place on May 22 to 27, 2016 at Camp Whitepine 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.

The deadline for applications is January 29, 2016.

Applications are available online or in your school office. Visit <http://tldsb.ca/experiential-opportunities-elementary/> for more information or contact Wendy Browne at 1(888) 526-5552 x22121 or wendy.browne@tldsb.on.ca. Applications are accepted on a first come, first served basis. A waiting list will be kept for any forms received over and above our maximum capacity. Applications that are not complete will be returned, so take your time and complete all sections accurately! We are very excited about the new programs in this year's schedule!



TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?

Parents and teachers never want a child to miss school without good reason; however sending an ill child to school can make a condition worse and put other children at risk. Here are some guidelines to help you make that tough morning call!

Don't keep a child for:

- Sniffles, a runny nose and a mild cough without a fever. It could be a cold or an allergic response to dust, chalk, or seasonal changes.
- Vague complaints of aches, pains or fatigue.

Keep a child home when he/she has:

- Any physical or emotional condition that would prevent him from participating comfortably in class or phys-ed.
- A fever of 100 or more, coupled with a rash, ear-ache, sore throat, lethargy or nausea, fever may signal a highly contagious infection.
- A persistent, productive cough and wheezing coupled with a thick or constant nasal discharge.
- Persistent vomiting or diarrhea during the previous night.
- An Undiagnosed rash, especially when there's a fever or behavioural change.
- Pinkeye in which there's a white or yellow discharge, often with matted eyelids after sleep, eye pain and redness.
- Strep throat/scarlet fever.
- Head Lice. Stay home until treated and all nits are removed.
- Chicken pox. Stay home 5 days after the onset of blisters, or until all pox are scabbed over and dry.

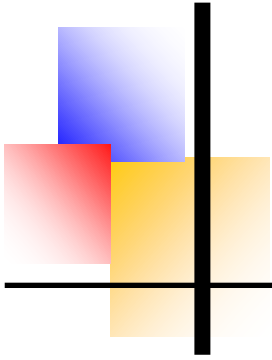
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JANUARY 2016

Character Education Theme TRUSTWORTHINESS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 	22 Twin Day	23	24
25	26	27	28 	29	30	31



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for \$1.00



Delivery days
for PIZZA



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