



At The Beech

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The wet weather has been slowing down our yard activities and has made for lots of indoor recesses lately. We are hoping for sunny days ahead!

Our outdoor classroom building day is scheduled for Saturday May 13th. We will be making some improvements to our yard and building some outdoor classroom space for classes to use outside. Please contact Mrs. Ovell if you are able to volunteer some time or materials to come and help build!

Our track and field meet is scheduled for May 17th (Rain Date 18th) and students are already practicing as part of their gym classes. Plan to come out and watch. We are in need of volunteers to help with the event.

PARENT COUNCIL

May is always such a great time of year! As the weather gets warmer and everything outside turns green, we are reminded of how good it feels to head out and keep active. It is exciting to already see bicycles parked along the fence! With funds that are collected during fundraisers we are hoping to set-up some bike racks so that students can safely lock them up during the day. It would also be nice to put some money towards new outdoor equipment for students to use during recess. Encouraging activities that keep everyone moving is so important, and Parent Council is committed to supporting and helping to 'Feed All Four'.

Thank you so much for selling the Little Caesars Pizza Kits last month! We will keep you posted on how well we did. The orders will be ready for pick-up on May 17th.

We are very excited to again be holding our Grandparents Day on Friday, May 12th. The day will run from 9:00 to 11:10. Grandparents will be treated to a short assembly with some student performances and then have the opportunity to do some work in their grandchild's classroom. If they get their work done they will get to go out for recess with their grandchild. The Book Fair will also be open for Grandparents to visit.

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

Paul Goldring



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Dates to Remember:

Scholastic Book Fair
May 10th-12th

Grandfriends' Day
May 12th

Little Caesars Pick-up
May 17th 2-6pm

Gr. 4-8 Track & Field
May 17th

Welcome to Kindergarten
May 30th



WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

On Tuesday, May 30th from 5:30 to 6:30 at Beechgrove Public School, we invite new to Kindergarten children and their parents to our school. We will have a little meeting with parents to introduce staff, listen to a guest speaker address Kindergarten readiness, visit classrooms, play, and take a ride on a school bus. We hope you can join us!

MIKE DOWNIE, CO-CREATOR OF THE SECRET PATH

Trillium Lakelands District Schools board is hosting their 10th Annual Parent and Community Evening for First Nation, Metis, and Inuit Education with a special presentation by Mike Downie on **May 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

Parents and community members are invited to attend an evening with celebrated storyteller and documentary filmmaker Mike Downie. Using the story of Chanie Wenjack as a starting point, Mike helps audiences understand Canada's troubling legacy of residential schools, to explore how to reconcile with the past, and bring healing to individuals and as a nation.

This is a free event. Tickets must be reserved through the Rene M. Caisse Theatre box office at 705.645.8400.



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OUR CHARACTER TRAIT FOR THE MONTH IS

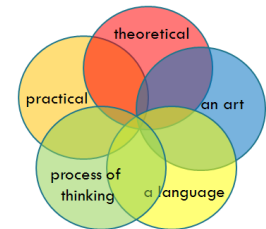
Respect

Respect is treating others with dignity and honouring the rules of our family, school and nation.

MATH OLYMPICS

On Monday April 21, Mr. Gregory took two grade 7's (Clara P. and Rowan A.) and two grade 8's (Rojina T. and Ethan C.) to the Muskoka Education Centre for a board sponsored event called the Math Olympics. The four students represented Muskoka Beechgrove well by working collaboratively on real-life mathematical questions where they needed to exchange ideas and problem solve under the pressure of competing against other schools and the clock. Although the students didn't place high enough to be recognized, they demonstrated excellent communication skills and worked well together to enjoy their challenging day. Well done girls and boys!

Mathematics is ...



“NOT IN MY TOWN”: OPIOIDS & OUR ADOLESCENTS

Have you talked to your teen about opioids?

Free Community Opioid Forums

Tues. May 16th 6-8 pm at Gravenhurst High School

Thurs. May 18th 6-8pm at Huntsville High School

Wed. May 24th 6-8pm at St. Dominic C.S.S., Bracebridge

As a parent, grandparent, caregiver, teacher or coach, you can have a big impact on the youth in your life.

Let's start a conversation about prevention, education and treatment of opioid abuse.

GRANDFRIENDS' DAY

Grandfriends will be invited to join their grandchildren at school on **Friday, May 12th from 9:00 AM - 11:10 AM**. There will be an assembly starting at 9:00 AM then the Grandfriends will have the opportunity to visit the student's classroom and go out for recess. Refreshments will be served from 10:30-11:10.

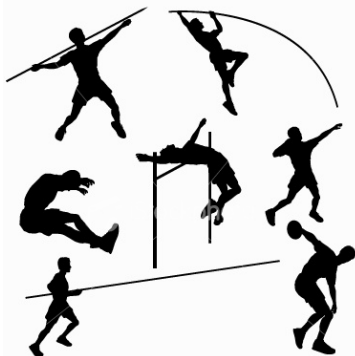


TRACK AND FIELD

Track and field season is upon us, students have been practicing and looking forward to a day outside. Our school track and field event is **Wednesday, May 17th**. Parents are welcome to come cheer us on.

Students are reminded that a change of gym clothing and proper fitting running shoes are required for safe, full participation in our school's physical education program.

Please note that flip flops are not safe on the yard or playground equipment. All students should be wearing proper footwear while at school.



3-PITCH SOFTBALL

The Grades 6's, 7's & 8's 3-Pitch Softball House League is underway. The Grade 8's are practicing for the end of the year game against the staff. Let's get practicing!



EQAO

Our Grade 3 and 6 EQAO assessment dates are **May 23rd—June 5th**.

Please help us ensure your child is able to do his/her best by having a good night sleep and a nutritious breakfast.

OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

The library is missing a lot of overdue books. These are the library days that your child's books should be returned:

Day 1: Ms. Cutting

Day 2: Mrs. Ovell, Mrs. Clubb, Mrs. Owens

Day 3: Mrs. McIntosh

Day 4: Mrs. Gardiner, Mrs. Richter, & Mr. Kamachi



BOOK FAIR

We will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair from **May 10th-12th**. Every dollar spent generates funds for book purchases in our school! The students will be viewing the fair on Wednesday, May 10th, and we will be open for purchases on Thursday and Friday (Grandfriend's Day).

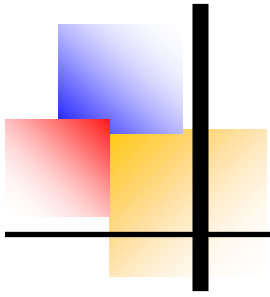
Hours::

Wed, May 10th 9AM-4PM

Thurs., May 11th 9AM-7PM

Fri., May 12th 9PM-4PM














MAY 2017



Character Education Theme RESPECT

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1/1	 2/2	3/3 Badminton Tournament	 4/4 May the 4th be with you (Superhero Day)	5/5
8/1 Massed Band at GPS for the Day	 9/2 Lula Afrique Gr. 7/8 to Toronto BOOK FAIR	10/3 Hydro Tree Planting	 11/4 Camp Day	12/5 Grandfriends' Day Robo Fair
15/1	 16/2 Bookfair Pick-up	17/3 Track & Field at MBPS Little Caesars Pick-up 2-6	 18/4 Raindate T&F Skipping All Grades Presentation	19/5 Hawaiian Day & Dance (Wear Hawaiian Attire) Rock Band At Pine Glen (all day)
22 Victoria Day NO SCHOOL	 23/1 EQAO (beginning May 23rd)	24/2	 25/3	26/4
29/5 EQAO (until June 5th)	 30/1 Welcome to Kindergarten 5:30-6:30	31/2 Hewitt's Farm JK/SK Owens		JUNE 2ND P.D. DAY



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