

THE MUSKOKA FALLS WAY!!



# Muskoka Falls Public School

January 2015

Principal: Shannon Coles

Secretary: Kim Checkley

Trustee: Steve Binstock

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Happy New Year!

Welcome back! I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday with family and friends. I wanted to thank the staff, students and parents of Muskoka Falls for making this first week a lot of fun and welcoming me into the school.

This month our grade 5/6 class will be going to Yearley and all of the students from K-8 will be going to Arrowhead for a day. We will be sending home more information about that soon!

School Council will be meeting on Tuesday January 13, 2015 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend.

This season has brought an assortment of weather conditions. Please make sure that your child(ren) come to school dress for the

weather (ie: coat/hats/mitts/snowpants/boots). Sometimes we have indoor recesses but we will go outside as long as the temperature and windchill cooperate.

At Muskoka Falls we are always working on **building character and this month's** character trait is Trustworthiness. We encourage our students to tell the truth, keep their promises and do the right thing.

I am looking forward to meeting more parents **this month and please don't hesitate** to stop by the office if you have any questions or concerns

Shannon Coles

## Parent council

Hey everyone welcome back I hope you all had a relaxing holiday break!

Parent council would like to welcome our new principal Shannon Coles, we are happy to have her in our Muskoka Falls community and are looking forward to working with her.

Our hot lunch this month is CHILI !!! We will be offering a regular and a vegetarian choice and it will be in Tuesday Jan. 20.

Please have all forms and money into the office by Friday Jan. 16.

Hope everyone has a "jocund" month of January !

Amy Trinka

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### Dates to Remember:

- 13—Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30pm
- 22-23—Grade 5/6 at Yearley
- 28—K-8 students going to Arrowhead
- 30—PA Day
- February 9—Immunizations for Grade 7/8 girls
- February 20th Report Cards go home.

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## Snow Day Routines

When busses are cancelled, the school is still open for students who regularly walk. Parents of bus students who can safely transport their children to and from school are welcome to do so. Please be aware that this is still a meaningful day and that students will be doing some reading, writing and math activities although there may not be regular lessons. Students should commit to being at school for the entire day and should not be using the phone to go home early.

### HOCKEY STICKS

This is a reminder that mini sticks brought to school should be "mini" in size. We do not allow regular sized hockey sticks to be used in our recess hockey games.



## Battle of the Books

The Junior books this year are: Belle of Batoche, Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH, The One and Only Ivan, Because of Mr. Terupt, The Lemonade War, The Nine Lives of Travis Keating, Ultra, The Fire Within, Rules, and Holes.

The Intermediate books are: Counting By 7's, From Anna, Touching Spirit Bear, Freakling, I Am Malala, Shannen and the Dream for a School, The Finisher, Words in the Dust, Fablehaven, and A Year in the Life of a Total and Complete Genius.

Students have been reading enthusiastically for a couple of weeks already. The classroom battles will begin the week of February 17th. Our school finals will be before March break. The Area finals for the winning team from each school are in Bracebridge on March 31 for Junior and on April 1 for Intermediate.



## JK/SK Registrations For September 2015

Registration week for the Junior and Senior Kindergarten will take place between January 26th to February 6th 2015 from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

To register your child, please bring with you:

Proof of age for each child (Birth Certificate)

Name of family doctor

Doctor's telephone number

Ontario Health Card number

Child's immunization record

Road name and 911 address



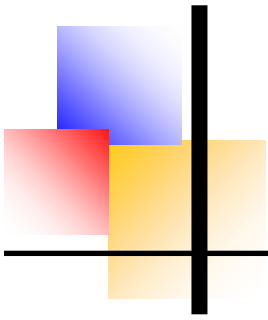
Junior Kindergarten students must be 4 years of age by December 31st, 2015. Senior Kindergarten students must be 5 years of age by December 31st, 2015 .

## NEW COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR SCHOOL FLYERS LAUNCHES JAN. 21

Our school is getting ready to launch a new electronic flyer communication tool called "Peachjar." To view school-approved eflyers, simply click the Peachjar button on the school's website homepage.

Also, you have the option to have these eflyers delivered right to your inbox! **Please visit [Peachjar.com](http://Peachjar.com) to register.** This system is used exclusively for distribution of school-approved flyers. Your email address will never be shared or used for any other purpose. This "green" initiative will provide parents with better access to information about school programs, activities, and events. Thank you for your support!











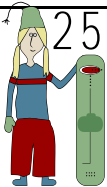





# JANUARY 2015



## Character Education Theme TRUSTWORTHINESS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				 1	 2	3
 4	5 First Day Back!	6	 7	8	9	10
11	12	13 School Council Meeting @ 6:30pm	 14	15	16	17
 18	19	20	 21	22 Grade 5/6 Yearley	23 Grade 5/6 Yearley	24
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