Parkview P.S.

Better Together

Darla McQuarrie Principal Liana James, Vice-Principal

December 2016



133 Adelaide St. N. Lindsay, ON 705 324-4558 David Morrison, Trustee Jennifer Johnston, District Principal

Character Trait for December is Compassion

Compassion is being understanding and caring; showing empathy by wanting to help, listen, and say kind words.

PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Guardians.

It's hard to believe that we are into December already. The halls of Parkview have been filled with holiday singing and arts and crafts. As we approach the holiday season preparations are taking place to celebrate together. This year we will be hosting 3 separate Christmas concerts in order for all families to see their children performing while at the same time adhering to fire code regulations for the number of people in the gym. A notice regarding tickets for the grades 1-6 concert was already sent home. If you have any questions about any of the concerts please contact your child's teacher.

We had a great turn out at our School Council's Christmas Vendor's market event. Thank you to those vendors and shoppers who were able to come out and support Parkview School. A huge thank you to Nicole O'Keefe and the Parkview School Council for organizing and volunteering at the event.

The staff and students would like to wish you all a Happy Holiday season filled with time spent with family and friends. Enjoy the joy that this season brings and we look forward to seeing you in 2017.

Thank you, Darla McQuarrie & Liana James



What to do on Weather Days

If the weather dictates that the busses are cancelled, Parkview Public School will remain open unless the radio or Board website report otherwise.

Bussed Students

If your child is bussed to school and the busses have been cancelled your child will not be marked absent. We will not make our safe arrival call.

Boys & Girls Club Bus

When the busses are cancelled the Boys & Girls Club bus is also cancelled. If your child would have come to school on this bus please contact the school to let us know that your child will not be attending.

Walkers

If your child walks to school and you deem it unsafe for your child to walk or would prefer to keep them home on weather days **please contact the school** to let us know that they are staying home.

If buses are cancelled on a Wednesday pizza will be ordered the next regular school day that week.

SAFE ARRIVAL

Please call the school if your child is going to be late or absent from school. (705) 324-4558



Holiday Happenings!!!!

- The gym will be filled with Christmas Caroling Dec.19th 22nd at 9:20 am.
- Christmas concert for grades 4-6 December 13th @ 6:30 PM (tickets required)
- Christmas concert for grades 1-3
 December 14th @ 6:30 (tickets required)
- Christmas concert for kindergartens
 December 15th @ 6:30 PM (NO tickets required)
- We would like to wish all of our Parkview community a very happy and healthy holiday season!



A HUGE THANK YOU

Once again our school community is paying it forward by collecting new toys for the Kinsmen toy drive to donate to those families who may need a little assistance this Christmas season. Please send in an unwrapped toy to add to the Kinsman toy barrel if you are able.



PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Are you interested on being on this year's council? Please join us at our next meeting on Wednesday December 7th at 6:30pm in the school library.



Parkview Parent Council is pleased to announce an amazing new fundraiser for our 2016 / 17 school year. In partnership with many generous local sponsors we are excited to bring "Max & Ruby in the Nutcracker Suite" to our local community on December 16th.

"Max & Ruby in the Nutcracker Suite" brings to life a wonderful tradition this holiday season as they take to the stage for their most magical performance yet! Inspired by one of the greatest musical scores ever composed - Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite - the beloved bunny siblings star in Koba Entertainment's musical production.

"Max & Ruby in the Nutcracker Suite" will take place here in Lindsay at the Academy Theatre. There will be two showings of this new holiday family ballet. Tickets are \$30.00 / per person and can be purchased now. A major portion of each ticket sold will be donated right back to our school to help improve our outdoor space. We are actively seeking additional business sponsors for this event. Anyone interested in learning about our different sponsorship levels is urged to contact Brett Moxley - brettmoxley8@hotmail.com for additional information.

Max & Ruby's adventure, guided by the classic notes of Tchaikovsky's masterpiece, is full of delectable dance and holiday magic perfect for the whole family. Get your tickets now!!!

Welcome Mr. Thibadeau!

Mr. MacLean is currently on a leave until after Christmas. Mr. Thibadeau is replacing him in the gym. Hello, my name is Mr. Thibadeau and I am covering for Mr. MacLean while he is off. I look forward to working with the students and staff here at Parkview. I have been active in the City of Kawartha Lakes sports community my entire life and look forward to bringing my athletic/physical education background into the school community's physical education program.



Thank you to all of those who supported Parkview School through our magazine fundraiser. Although the campaign is over for student selling, magazine subscriptions can always be ordered online and the funds still go towards Parkview! Simply go to www.qsp.ca, enter our Group Online ID 3824661 and browse the wonderful gift ideas! Parkview Public School will still benefit from the sales.





Parkview Public School Peaceful Place is being well used! The room focuses on our Feed All Four way of being which focuses on nourishing our body, mind, emotions and spirit. If you have any gently used games or puzzles that you would like to donate they would be greatly appreciated.

WE RELIEVE

Lock Downs and Fire Drills

At Parkview it is our goal to keep everyone as safe as possible; for that reason we practice lock downs, fire drills and classroom evacuations. In a lock down classes practice closing and locking their doors and sitting out of sight quietly. This is preventative practice should a violent intruder be in the school. Fire drills are practiced regularly to quickly and safely evacuate the school in case of fire.



Please join us in celebrating our awesome school by participating in spirit days.

Thursday December 22nd Christmas colours, glitter or sweater day



Help to Nourish Young Minds Consider giving to our school nutrition program in place of teacher gifts this year!

- Our school nutrition program is free of charge and makes healthy food available to every student 5 days a week!
- Kids come to school hungry for lots of reasons: long bus rides, early morning practices, and hurried morning routines can all be factors.
- Kids who eat breakfast are more likely to pay attention, exhibit good behavior and attend class more often.



DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP STUDENTS

Parents dropping off students are reminded that <u>only</u> <u>busses</u> are permitted in the <u>bus</u> ramp during entry <u>and dismissal times</u>. In addition, there is no entry into <u>the parking lot at the north end during dismissal and entry times</u>. Please ensure student safety by not walking in-between busses in the bus lane.

When picking up your children please make a plan to pick them up at one of the two designated pick up spots- kindergarten area for all kindergarten students and over near the portables for all students in grades 1-6.



VOLUNTEERS

Remember, if you would like to volunteer at the school, or accompany your child on a class trip, you must have a current police check on file at the school office. It is best to complete the process for police checks ahead of time, as it can take a while. If you have any questions about the police check process, or want to check the status of your latest police check, please call Ms. Masters in the school office, 705-324-4558.

Things we love to have volunteers help us out with:

Class trips

- Head checks
- Reading with our Panthers
- Various special events
- School council



Popcorn will be sold every Friday at second nutritional break for \$2.00 a bag.



Did you know?

The tradition of naughty children getting a lump of coal in their stocking comes from Italy.

Did you know that tinsel was once made of real silver? It was invented in Germany in 1610.





Mental Health Fitness

Treat yourself well - Cook yourself a good meal. Have a bubble bath. See a movie. Call a friend or relative you haven't talked to in ages. Sit on a park bench and breathe in the fresh winter air. Whatever it is, do it just for you.



3 dice & Paper and pen for scoring

How to Play

Have each player roll one die. The player with the highest number goes first.

Each player in turn rolls all three of the dice. After the first throw, remove the die with the highest number and put it aside. Roll the two remaining dice and again put the highest number aside. Roll the last die and add up the numbers on all three dice to get the player's score for that round. Record the score on a pad of paper.

Continue taking turns moving clockwise around the table until all players have had a turn. The highest score for the round wins.



The Me to We Team will be taking orders for Rafiki bracelets **December 5-9**th. For \$10.00 each you can be a friend to the world.

The Staff and Students at Parkview Public School would like to wish you all a very safe and happy holiday season!

