

Parkview P.S.

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*The character trait for March is **Fairness**.
Fairness is solving problems so everyone wins!*

PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Let's hope March comes in like a lion which will ensure that spring is on its way.

Please accept our apologies for the delay in getting the March newsletter to you, we were experiencing some technical difficulties.

The cold has not slowed us down here at PPS. We have been getting outside as much as possible and when we have to stay inside we are busily playing math and board games with our friends, skipping, doing drum fit or our favourite...dancing!!!

Our staff has been busily working on learning new ways to teach mathematics to our students and learning about reading and how best to transition from kindergarten to grade 1. As well we have been receiving professional development that will help our staff to support the development of self-regulation skills in our students.

We were excited to offer electives this March. Many different activities were available to students. All events were held at the school. Events included things like: cooking, gardening, stained glass, hockey, picture taking, coding, science, bracelet making and dancing. The Parkview Panthers had an awesome day of fun!

March brings the excitement of the rest and re-charging during March break as well as the showcasing of talent as we begin auditions for the talent show. Stay tuned for more exciting events happening at Parkview!!

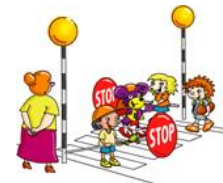
Mrs. McQuarrie & Mrs. James



Kindergarten Registration Now Open!
Parents of any new Parkview Panthers should pick up a registration package at the office.

March 10, 2017 PA Day
There will be a PA day on March 10, 2017

Traffic Solution



Drop off times in the morning are becoming more and more hectic. We would like to try and make our school zone safer for our students. We will be beginning two initiatives in an attempt to cut down on the number of vehicles dropping off in the morning and picking up in the afternoon.

Fridays will become **CAR-FREE FRIDAYS!** Every Friday we encourage you to leave the car at home and walk to school. If your distance to school is too far to

walk we encourage you to participate in **Park and Stride**. Park your car on one of the side streets a good distance away from Parkview school and then walk with your friends to school. This way we will all be a little healthier and the area around Parkview will be safer. Thank you for your help!!!



WHAT TO DO ON SNOW 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. You do not need to 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 a snow day falls on a Wednesday, Pizza Day will be on the following Friday. If a snow day falls on the Pita lunch day, Pitas will be served the following day.



Please join us in celebrating our awesome school by participating in spirit days. Parkview will be celebrating spirit days on the following days:

- March 6th Beach Day
- March 7th Rainbow Day (dress in multiple colours)
- March 8th Sports Jersey Day
- March 9th Wacky Hair day
- March 31st PJ Day

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Please join us for our next school council meeting on **Wednesday March 29th at 6:30pm** in the school library. Child care is always provided.

Dance-a-thon



Thank you for your support of School Council fundraising initiatives. Students enjoyed dancing through the cold days of February during our Valentine's dance a thon. We raised \$603.00 from the dance-a-thon.



Panther Pride



Basketball News

Both primary and junior basketball teams are busily practicing for the upcoming tournaments. *GO Panthers GO!* Thank you Mr. MacLean and Mr. Piggott for coaching.

DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP STUDENTS

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



Parkview Public Speaking Competition

On Feb 21st, speeches were held in the gymnasium. Students from grades 3 to 6 were in attendance to show their support and respect for the wonderful speakers. A total of 10 students took to the stage to perform their speech in front of friends, family, and judges. An amazing job was done by all participants. Three winners were chosen! In third place was Jack Newton with his speech on having your mom as a

teacher in your school, in second was James Rosborough-Feltham with his speech on Tim Burton and in first place and went on to represent Parkview at the Legion, was Grayson Avery with his speech on Zoe his dog. Congratulations to all participants!



Skipping Team gearing up for competition

Skipping has begun for students from Grades 1-6. Thank you Mr. MacLean and Mrs. Miller for coaching the skipping team this year. So far turn out for primary skippers has been awesome!!! Pay attention to the announcements as more practices may come available as we get closer to the May skipping competition. Skipping is a wonderful exercise that will help you improve coordination and stamina! Come on out and get jumping!!! See Mr. MacLean or Mrs. Miller for more details.



DID YOU KNOW?

The coldest temperature ever recorded in Canada was -63C on February 3, 1957 in Snag, Yukon.

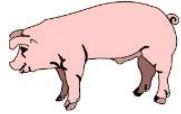
The deepest one-day snowfall ever measured is 145 centimetres at Tahtsa Lake, in BC's Coast Mountains north of Tweedsmuir Park.



Mental Wellness Fitness

"Collect" positive emotional moments - Make it a point to recall times when you have experienced pleasure, comfort, tenderness, confidence, or other positive emotions.

Math Corner



The Game of Pig

The object: to be the first to score 100 points or more.

How to play: Players take turns rolling two dice and following these rules:

1. On a turn, a player may roll the dice as many times as he or she wants, mentally keeping a running total of the sums that come up. When the player stops rolling, he or she records the total and adds it to the scores from previous rounds.
2. But, if a 1 comes up on one of the dice before the player decides to stop rolling, the player scores 0 for that round and it's the next player's turn.
3. Even worse, if a 1 comes up on both dice, not only does the turn end, but the player's entire accumulated total returns to 0.



Parkview's GOT TALENT!!!

Come show us your talent Parkview Panthers!

Beginning this month, students will be able to sign up

to audition for the 4th annual 'Parkview's GOT TALENT!' talent show. If the talent is anything like last year, then the show is destined to be a huge hit!

Auditions will be held through March and into April beginning after the March break. Students will need to be listening to morning announcements very carefully for their audition day and time. Dates and times will also be posted outside the office. After ALL auditions have been completed, a panel of judges will decide who performs in the actual show. The talent show itself will be held sometime in May, the date of which is yet to be determined.



And the nominees are in...

The nominees for Blue Spruce Level books in the Forest of Reading program have been announced. During the next while, library classes will be reading the nominated books. Then in May, the students will vote for their choice of book to win the award. The titles are "The Artist and Me", "Harry and Walter", "If I Had a Gryphon", "InvisiBill", "The Night Gardner", "Snap", "Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox", "Stanley at School", "The Wolf-Birds" and "The Good Little Book".



Primary Musical Theatre Club

Coming soon to Parkview is a primary musical theatre club being run at recesses by Mrs. Smeaton. Listen to announcements for further details.

Junior Choir

Junior choir will be starting after the march Break. Practices are Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:00. The first practice will be Tuesday, March 28th! Any grade 4-6 who loves to sing is welcome to join!

Thank you to Mrs. Smeaton and Ms. Cotton for taking on these extra-curriculars!

