LMST Newsletter Summary March 2017



I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our parents/guardians for your continued support over the last few months. It was a trying time for everyone involved and having the parents' kindness and support made a huge difference. **The staff** is very appreciative. I want to assure everyone that the teaching continue throughout the entire time and in fact, I saw some amazing activities and learning taking place in our classrooms.

GRADE 6 CANTEEN

The grade 6's will begin hosting a canteen each week starting Thursday, March 23rd. This will take place each Thursday at recess. All items will be \$1.00. We will endeavour to have fairly nutritious foods available. The proceeds will go to the grade 6 day-trip in June.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

We have had a lot of **issues with the parking lot**. Safety is always first and foremost on my mind when it comes to the students and staff. Our parking spots have been reduced by at least 10 spots and teachers are finding it difficult to find parking in our lot. We know that we have students from Dal and St. Mary's parking there and we are putting warnings on cars we do not recognize.

If you are doing volunteer work of any kind in the school, and if you are parked in the lot and get a warning note, simply let us know it's you and disregard the warning. We are also asking parents to not come into the parking lot to drop off children. The pulling in and backing out is causing a dangerous situation for staff and students. Please pull up at the street and let them go into the playground from there. Thank you.

(As always, please make sure to stop by the **office to sign in** if you are coming into the school for any reason, even to pick up your child. Thank you.)

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES UPDATE

At the beginning of the year, Mrs. LeBlanc and I promised the students that we would have **special activities** arranged for them to reward them for being accommodating with our small gym. Unfortunately, we have had to cancel the ski trip promised to our upper elementary students due to Work to Rule. However, we will continue with the half-day

bowling next week for all the students. We are also in the process of trying to arrange a half day swimming, for upper elementary to replace skiing, after March Break.

We will also try to arrange to have our field day at Conrose Park at the end of June, as we cannot do it here. Does anyone know how to book that park?

Please be assured that we do not feel in any way that this impedes on the student's learning, as teachers are working on outcomes normally worked on at this time of year. The curriculum is being addressed as normal and cancelling these trips would be very discouraging to our students who have been very patient with our small gym. Thank you for your support.

REPORT CARDS

Report cards go home on March 31st. Looking ahead, parent/teacher interviews are on April 5th from 6 to 8pm and April 6 from 1 to 4pm. More info to come later.

LUNCH MONITORS NEEDED - PAID

Finally, we are looking for one or two more lunch monitors. It is a paid position of a bit over \$12.00 per hour. The hour is from 12 to 1pm each day. If you know anoyone (grandparent, high school or university students for example) who may be looking to make extra money, please have them contact the school asap. They will need an up-to-date Criminal Records Check and a Child Abuse Registry. We can help with the cost of this if that is an issue. Thank you for putting feelers out there for us.

AT A GLANCE:

- March 2 SAC @ 4:30
- March 13-17 March Break. No school for students
- March 22 Assessment & Evaluation Day. No school for students.
- March 23 Home & School Meeting 6:30pm
- March 31 Report Cards go home

<u>Please note</u>: If you are looking for more detailed information, please see the school website. The Website has the most up-to-date information and it's usually posted there before it comes home via email. We recommend that you check it regularly for your information.