



KIMBERLEY-BEACHES NEWS

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PRINCIPAL'S NOTES:

September was a very busy month at Kimberley/BAS. Our walls are starting to show our students hard work.

It is hard to believe that we are coming to the end of our first month of school. Students quickly got involved in classroom activities, as well as extra-curricular opportunities offered by

> our staff.



Thank you to all who attended our Curriculum Night and class meetings. We value the homeschool partnership and we encourage ongoing communication. Please don't hesitate to contact your child / children's teacher or the



administration with any questions, concerns or suggestions you might have throughout the school year. It is our belief that the most effective schools are those who have active partnerships with parents in the education of their children. Be involved – volunteer, support your school council and attend school events. We hope to see you often throughout the school year.

Health and Phys. Ed. Teacher

As you might already know, our HPE Teacher, Bev Mummery, is currently on a medical leave of absence. We were fortunate to have Luke Head, Occasional Teacher, promptly available to fill in the position in an interim basis. We have now finalized the hiring of a Long Term Occasional Teacher, Pedram Eynolhagh, who will be our HPE Teacher until Ms. Mummery is ready to return.

Head Lice

Each year, in schools and daycares, we deal with the persistent problem of head lice. At Kimberley and BAS we make an effort to schedule school-wide lice checks. We also ask parents to make the effort to check your child's head on a weekly basis. If you need more information and/or alternative treatments please visit the Public Health website (below) or contact Health Connection at (416) 338 7600.

http://www.toronto.ca/health/hl_index.htm

Hallowe'en Walk Around the Block



Our annual Walk Around the Block Hallowe'en event will take place on Wednesday, October 31st at 1:00 p.m. It is a great way to show some fall excitement to our community

neighbours. It is also a fun tradition at our schools and it is usually followed by individual class parties at Kimberley and a school-wide event for BAS. With the many extra treats available, please remember to send in only nut-free items with your children.

<u>EQAO</u>



Individual EQAO results for students currently in Gr. 4 have been sent home.

Every year we analyze our EQAO results and use them to guide our instruction improvement plans. This is a whole school approach that is not limited to grades 3 and 6. It is our goal to continue striving for academic excellence.

Police Check for Parent Volunteers

We value and appreciate the time and dedication that our parent volunteers have to offer. Thank you for your contributions to our learning community!

Volunteers are required by the TDSB to complete a Police Reference Check. Police Reference Check forms are available in the school offices.

You will receive your clearance from the Toronto Police Service. We need to see your original copy in order for you to be added to the TDSB volunteer data base. Please bring it in to Ms. Logan or Tessa as soon as you receive it.

Once your reference check has been received, your name will be entered into the TDSB Volunteer Data Base. Volunteers only need to complete an annual Offence Declaration in order to keep their police check status current (it is done at the school and there is no cost). Please see Ms. Logan or Tessa in the office if you have any questions regarding the police check process.

Our website is up and running! You are able to read our monthly newsletter online, or print your own copies. We invite you to visit it at:

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It is our hope to have most of our parents elect to read it online instead of receiving the monthly paper-copy. We all know that less paper copies contribute to an environmentally friendly school.

<u>Please note:</u> starting next month paper copies of our monthly newsletter will be sent home only to families who request it. Please return the completed form attached to this newsletter if you wish to continue receiving the paper copies

There are students with severe and lifethreatening allergies to peanuts and nuts: Please do not use peanut or nut products when sending food into the school.

<u>Cross</u> Country



We have just over 80 students running in our Primary and Junior Cross Country programs. Some are running for fitness, while others are training to compete at the Area Finals at Ashbridges Bay on October 4th. Thanks to all the parents who have come out to cheer, or run with the group. We really appreciate the support. And thanks to the coaches who have worked with the students these first few weeks of September.



Please check out the Kimberley School Council Website at www.kimberleysc.com for school and event updates. On our website you'll see:

- Information on what the School Council's role is and how we can help you
- Information on fund raising efforts, what are we raising money for and how

Next meeting is Monday, October 29, 2018; 6:30PM in the school library. Free child care for school age children is available.

If you have any questions to ask; issues to raise; or you would like to volunteer for any upcoming events please email us at kimberleyjpscouncil@gmail.com (of course also feel free to come up and introduce yourself if you see us at school).



Don't forget to sign up to receive regular email notification and announcements.

Scholastic Book Fair Update

Thanks to everyone who came and supported this amazing fundraiser. With your help we had a very successful book fair! With the proceeds we are able to purchase new books for the library and provide new resources for the school.

A very special thank you to the student volunteers, your dedication and support helped the book fair run so smoothly.

I hope you are all finding time to read your new books and look forward to seeing everyone again at our next book fair in the spring.

M. GlynWilliams



WE DAY

9 of us went to We Day with Mrs. McNaught. We learned that it isn't right to bully people or be a bystander. We all need to stand up for people's rights. There are a lot of organizations that contribute to the WE organization and help fight for other people and the environment. We were very inspired and have a lot of ideas about ways to help. Now it's time to "GET DOING!"





If you are interested in joining the hot lunch program forms are in the office and additional information, forms and menus can be found on the website www.thelunchmom.com.

Dates To Remember

Cross Country Area Finals Thursday, October 4

P A Day (No School) Friday, October 5

Thanksgiving (No School) Monday, October 8

BAS General Meeting Thursday, October 25

School Council Meeting (Kimberley)Monday, October 29

BAS Halloween Party Wednesday, October 31

Halloween Parade Wednesday, October 31

Picture Day - Retakes & Siblings Friday, Nov. 2

Remembrance Day Assembly Friday, November 9

P A Day (No School) Friday, November 16

P A Day (No School) Friday, December 7

Winter Break (Holiday) Monday, December 24 - Friday, Janu

P A Day (No School) Friday, January 18

P A Day (No School) Friday, February 15

Family Day (No School) Monday, February 18

March Break (Holiday) Monday, March 11 – Friday March 15

Good Friday (Holiday) Friday, April 19

Easter Monday (Holiday) Monday, April 22

Victoria Day (Holiday) Monday, May 20

P A Day (No School) Friday, June 7

Last Day of School Thursday, June 27

Character Development Attributes

October: Responsibility



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Our monthly newsletter will be posted online at the start of each month. If you wish to continue receiving paper copies, please let us know by completing the form below and submitting it to the office.

☑We would like to continue receiving paper copies of the monthly newsletter
Student's Name:
Teacher: