

K.P. Manson Cougar News

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Principal's Message

Here we are at the beginning of March, meaning there are 4 months left of school – WOW, what a year it has been!!

March Break is fast approaching, March 14-18th. I hope you are able to spend some time with family and friends enjoying Muskoka or other places, should you have a trip planned.

With certain mandates being lifted, we are hoping to see some of the requirements within the school lifted as well. Until such time, please continue to make sure you or your children are doing the screening each morning.

Kindergarten registration is up and running. If you know any people in the community with children of kindergarten age, please encourage them to drop by the school for a registration package. Getting our new learners loaded into the system allows us to start configuring classes for the next school year.

Having recently received your child's report card, please take the time to sit with your child, review the comments and set some goals for the remainder of the year. It is important for students to reflect on their marks, comments and effort and determine where there is room for improvement and set some goals and a plan to achieve those goals. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher.

The school board has recently returned to past snow day practices, meaning on a snow day, students can now come to school. We will do our best to keep students in their own cohort, however in the event we don't have enough staff to cover each class, we may need to combine classes and will do our best to keep students separated. Reminder on snow days, students have to be picked up at the end of the day, which is 3pm, and should it be a pizza day, pizza will happen the next school day.

While we are talking about time, just a reminder our school day starts at 8:45 am and students are expected to be here by that time. Late arrivals impact not only the late child, but the office, classroom teacher and peers in their class. Please make every effort to have your child to school on time.

If you are planning to be away for an extended period, you will need to contact the school or your child's teacher for work.

Literacy and numeracy skills are essential life skills and are probably the most important contributing factors to student success now and in the future. As a staff, we continue to dig deeper into how children learn, and explore different strategies and approaches to teaching numeracy and literacy. Parents can support literacy and numeracy learning at home by showing their children how literacy and numeracy skills are essential in everyday activities.

Sincerely,

Gail Greenfield

Please continue to follow us on Facebook and Twitter for updates and the going ons at KP. For Covid related updates, school board information, parent resources, etc., check out the TLDSB website.

School Council Corner:

We are planning a School Council Meeting on Wednesday, March 23rd. Restrictions permitting, we are hoping to meet in person, but will let you know when we know! We will be discussing upcoming events and looking for fresh involvement. Everyone welcome!

Crazy Sock Day is on Monday, March 21st. Colouring pages will be distributed in class before the break. There is a draw for ten lucky winners!

Parent Reminders:

- Nut products are **NOT** allowed at the school.
- Notify the school if students are away/late/picked up early (please leave a voicemail at anytime if the office is closed or busy) as it saves us calling you to verify.
- **Students must bring their own water bottles, cutlery etc...the school does not supply these items.**
- If a child feels sick, please keep them at home.



Character Trait for March

SPORTSMANSHIP

To play fair and with respect whether you win or lose!

FREE parent/guardians workshop

Sponsored by Trillium Lakelands District School Board and in partnership with Strong Minds Strong Kids Psychology Canada

Parent and Caregiver Masterclass in Stress Management

Date: Tuesday, March 29
Time: 12:00 pm to 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Where: virtually

Parent and Caregiver Masterclass in Stress Management

March 29th at 12pm
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_d-X7nwPsRnyRBr5tLAsRWg

March 29th at 5:30pm https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QR38ZtSxSQqFseY5gxdR-w

THANK YOU!!

A big thank you to the **Rotary Club** and the **District of Muskoka** for their donation of eggs and potatoes to KP Families

We would also like to thank **Boston Pizza** for donating applesauce and crackers to our nutrition program.



Olympics Day was a huge hit! Great weather, lots of fun and fantastic prizes.

It was wonderful to see so much school spirit and have a break from our regular schedule.

SPRING BREAK!

March 14-18

Parent/Guardian
Wellness
Wednesdays



In partnership with Pine River Institute, Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) presents Wellness Wednesdays!

For TLDSB parents/guardians and staff, Wellness Wednesdays will take place once a month from

January to May and feature presentations on various mental health topics.

UPCOMING PRESENTATION:

Understanding and Managing Screen Time
Wednesday, March 23, at 7-8 p.m.

If interested in attending, go to the tldsb.on.ca website to register.

'CHANGE YOUR CLOCK

CHANGE YOUR BATTERY'



Clocks go forward one hour on **Sunday, March 13th.**

Remember to change the batteries in your smoke alarms when you change your clocks!

If for any reason you need assistance with this, please call Gravenhurst Fire at 705-687-3414



March 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1	2 	3	4 Olympics Day
7	8	9 	10	11 Time Change this weekend
14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18
21 Crazy Sock Day	22	23 Parent Council Meeting	24	25
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