



KIMBERLEY-BEACHES NEWS

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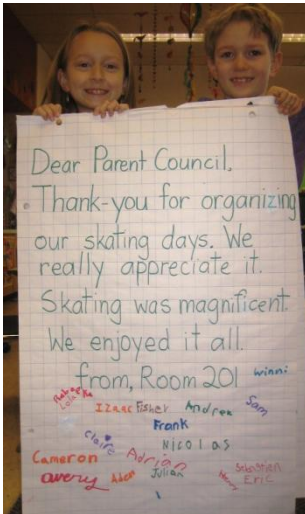
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Principal's Message:

February has been a busy month at Kimberley and Beaches Alternative School...



Students enjoyed their weekly **SKATING** at Ted Reeve Arena.

Thank you to the teachers and parent volunteers for making this happen.



A special thank you to Parent Council and The Grinder for sponsoring the skating fun at Kimberley

Our **PRIMARY LITERACY NIGHT** on February 20th was a great success. It was wonderful to



see so many of you actively participating in this meaningful initiative that directly impacts student learning. We look forward to continue working together to



Our **DANCE-A-THON** on February 14th was great fun! Our students, staff and parent volunteers showed their moves on the dance floor and raised funds to support school programs and activities such as Scientist in the School and Prologue presentations. Kimberley parents, thanks to your generous donations we surpassed our fundraising goal of \$2000.00.

support our students' learning.

Head Lice

Each year, in every school 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 their children'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



Just a reminder that March Break is from the 7th to the 16th inclusive. Wishing you all an enjoyable break.

School Climate Survey

A safe, inclusive and accepting school environment is essential for student success and wellbeing. The TDSB is conducting an anonymous school climate survey of their students, parents and school staff in order to collect data to inform the development of bullying prevention and intervention plans. Kimberley/Beaches will be participating in this online survey between Monday March 31st and Friday April 11th, 2014. During these two weeks, students, parents and staff will be asked to complete an online survey. More information will follow.

Litter-Less Lunches

Students from Kimberley and Beaches Alternative are proud to do their share! They show that they care for our planet, bringing to school litter-less lunches.



Please help by ensuring that your child brings a litter-free lunch to school each day. Avoid Ziploc bags and foil-wrapped individual packaging: Reusable containers, washable cloth napkins, refillable bottles and simple metal cutlery are healthier & cheaper over time. Save money and the planet too!



Lost and Found

Parents are reminded to please ensure that your child's name and room number are clearly marked on all clothing and lunch items so that they can be promptly returned to your child on the chance that they should go astray. Thanks!

Security on the Second Floor

From: Caring and Safe School Committee.

As most of you are already aware, in light of the current climate regarding safety in schools, Kimberley staff are taking efforts to implement the policy on the second floor that restricts adult access. Parents are kindly asked to not accompany their children upstairs when they are dropping them off for school. Should you arrive after 8:45 am, please sign your child in at the office and your child can remain there until the announcements are over at which point, the student announcers will accompany the students upstairs to their classroom. Junior students are asked to go upstairs on their own. Similarly, if you need to pick your child up during the day for an appointment, please check in at the office and your child will be sent down to meet you there.

Parents, if you are volunteering in a classroom or have a pre-scheduled appointment with your child's teacher, please sign in at the office and obtain a visitor's pass before going to the second floor during school hours. We trust that you all understand that this step of limiting adult access to the second floor is for the safety and security of all our students. We thank you for your support.

Boys' and Girls Basketball Season



Basketball has been fast and furious at Kimberley/Beaches the past several weeks with our kids showing great individual and team skill and a willingness to keep the competition friendly and fun. Boys are playing twice weekly and the girls once a week in (mostly) tight, exciting games that have kept players focused and determined and visitors to the gym on the edge of their seats. Games will wrap up during the first week back from March break.

"Kimberley Stay N' Play"



To all friends and neighbours,

Do your children need to burn off some energy, socialize and have some unplanned play time? Do you need some adult time, sit and have a coffee after a long day and have dinner ready?

I have formed a FREE drop in for parents and children (ages approx. 3-8 yrs old). This is an initiative under a permit, independent from the school programs, and offered to all community members. I have scheduled this event every other Wednesday from 6-8pm to help build the community and give parents an outlet to mingle and kids time to play with hoola hoops, balls, read books and draw/colour. All activities take place in the Kimberley gym. I have pizza available, on a first come first serve basis, at \$2/slice. There is complimentary coffee/tea from our local Grinder on Main St. I also supply juice/water for the kids as well.

If you are attending, a few simple rules....

- 1) Mandatory sign in (all info needed for permit requirement). Located at the pizza station.
- 2) Bring indoor shoes.
- 3) You are responsible to supervise your own children. Rough play is not permitted.
- 4) My permit does not allow playing in the hallway or on the stage.
- 5) Clean up your cups/plates.

Most important rule. HAVE FUN!!!!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me anytime.

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Poetry



In Room 210 we have been talking about the Olympics. The Women's Gold medal hockey game inspired us to write some poetry!

The Hockey Game

Go Canada Go!

Said everyone I know.

Hockey is the name

Getting goals is the game.

If we don't win the players will be sad,

And I'll come to school being really, really mad!

WOOHOO! YAHEE!

We won 2 to 3!!

By: Noor



HOCKEY

The Canadian women are very bold,
at the Olympics they won gold.

Next time I play hockey, it will inspire me.

It was a great game Mrs. Cerullo let us see.

By: Mimi

Valentine's Day Lunch



On February 14, 2014 the students of the Beaches Grade 5/6 class put together their annual Valentine's Day Lunch. Each student secretly selected a fellow classmate and prepared a lunch for them. Part of the fun was the making of the box that housed the lunch. Minecraft was a popular theme for the lunches as there were a huge variety of characters found from

the game.

Bruce Taylor

Grade 5/6

Beaches Alternative School



Character Development Attributes

March: Honesty



Dates To Remember

BAS Cafe	Thursday, March 6
Talent Show	Thursday, March 6, 1:00pm
No School	Friday, March 7
March Break (Holiday)	Monday, March 10 – Friday March 14
BAS Steering Meeting	Tuesday, March 18
BAS Pizza Lunch	Wednesday, March 19
Kimberley Parent Council	Monday, March 24
BAS General Meeting	Tuesday, March 25
Dental Screening	March 27, 28 & 31
Earth Hour	Friday March 28
Good Friday (Holiday)	Friday, April 18
Easter Monday (Holiday)	Monday, April 21
Victoria Day (Holiday)	Monday, May 19
P A Day (No School)	Friday, June 6
Last Day of School	Friday, June 27

