April 2018 Toronto District McKee McNews Board



UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 2 Easter Monday (no school)
- Thursday, April 5 Pizza Lunch
- **ECO Plastic Bag Grab** . April 3 - 27
- **April 3 - 12 Dental Screening**
- Wednesday, April 11 **International Day of Pink**
- Wednesday, April 18 SAC Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, April 19 Pizza Lunch
- Friday, April 20 Earth Day - Community Clean Up
- **Tuesday, April 24** • Spring musical
- Wednesday, April 25 Spring musical
- Thursday, April 26 • Hot Lunch
- Friday, April 27 Bee Assembly at 12:45 p.m. Gr. 1, 3 and 5 recognized

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Thank you to our parents who took time out of their day to come and support our numerous events this month.

Effective schools have a strong home-school partnership and it is so great to see so many parents able to come out and participate whether it be supporting our Dance-a-thon, Nowruz assembly, Pizza days, Scientist in the School, Chess tournaments, Volleyball tournaments or our Bee Assembly, it is always great to have you in the building.

Students are reminded to please have a pair of outdoor shoes and a change of clothing during the wet month of April, in case of an accident.

We are continuing to experience many students who are arriving late to school in the morning. Supervision begins at 8:30 a.m. and our doors open at 8:40 a.m. At 8:45 a.m., students are marked late and need a late slip. Please help your child develop the life long skill to be punctual as it will set him/her up for success in the future. A reminder to parents that there is no parking in our bus loop at any time during the day. Cars should not be left unattended for any period time.

Staffing for 2018-2019 has begun and I shall report our school organization at the next SAC meeting Wednesday, April 18 at 6:30 p.m. in our staff room. All parents are welcome to attend.

As always if there is anything that you would like to discuss about your child's education, please don't hesitate to call our office to make an appointment.



Jeanette Lang

Principal



Mindfulness—we are very thankful to Judy Reynolds for her time over the past 8 weeks supporting our Kindergarten students and some of our Gr. 1 and 2 learners with developing language and skills around improving their self regulation. Ms. Judy worked with parents as well to help align the messages between home and school to assist students with improving their ability to be mindful and change their energy depending upon the situation. We have seen a real difference with a number of our students who have been able to self regulate during times of frustration which in turn is resulting in improved student success. Well done!



We are all very excited to have our annual school musical on April 24th and 25th. This year, our show is called **Thwacked!** The students have been practicing really hard learning their lines and rehearsing before school starts. We are looking forward to this wonderful musical spearheaded by Ms Coles, Mr Gagnon and their team.

Tuesday April 24	Wednesday April 25
Ten Pow Rm 99	Jun Rm 100
Weir Rm 101	E. Lee Rm 104
Kenedy Rm 105	Lazarus Rm 201
L-Wong Rm 102	Thai Rm 204
Coelho Rm 106	Trudel Rm 205
Mak Rm 108	Chu Rm 221
Kan Rm 103	Hwang Rm 210
Lott Rm 212	Dennis Rm 211
Chung Rm 203	Morris Rm 222
Rosenberg Rm 202	Barker Rm 209
Yu Rm 207	Gagnon P. 3
Leung Rm 208	J. Lee P. 2
Coles P. 4	Dance Team
Bitterhoff P. 1	
Dance Team	

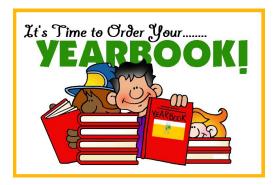
Eco-News



On March 23rd, McKee staff and students participated in Earth Hour. Our teachers turned off the lights to show that they cared about climate change. Some classes even took the challenge to turn off the lights as well as their classroom technology throughout the whole day. What a super, awesome job!

Now, we have Earth Day to look forward to. On Friday, April 20th, McKee's staff and students will take part in a community clean up. It will be a wonderful way to celebrate Earth Day. Please take the time to engage your child in conversations about the importance of respecting our community and the environment. Thank you for caring about our earth. "Greening is Believing."





We are continuing the tradition of producing a McKee P.S. Yearbook. This year, we will be filling our pages with wonderful school memories of special events taking place during the 2017-2018 school year. The yearbook will be in full colour with a glossy cover and ready to be distributed at the end of June. Be sure your child has this special keepsake to help them remember the memories, fun and friends of this school year. Last year we sold all of our copies and had some disappointed students who did not order in advance. The cost of the yearbook is \$25.00 per book. Payment can be made using our School Cash online system (https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com or by cheque to be made out to McKee P.S. Please see the email sent April 3rd with the newsletter for the order form. If you are interested, please print and complete this form and submit it to your child's teacher by April 20, 2018.



During the afternoon of Wednesday, March 22, we presented our Honesty Bee certificates to our students. We also celebrated Nowruz. Throughout the month of April, we will be focusing our attention on the character trait of Cooperation.



International Day of Pink — Wednesday, April 11, 2018

On April 11 we celebrate The International Day of Pink. A day of action, born when a youth in a high school in Cambridge, Nova Scotia was bullied because he wore a pink shirt to school. His fellow students decided to stand up to bullying; and hundreds of students came to school wearing pink to show support for diversity and stopping discrimination, gender-based bullying, homophobia and transphobia.

Our students and staff will be wearing pink in support of diversity, and will be participating in events and activities that will engage our community to challenge gender stereotypes.

The International Day of Pink is more than just a symbol of a shared belief in celebrating diversity - it's also a commitment to being open minded, to being understanding of differences and to learning to respect each other.

Elementary Summer School

Elementary summer programs increase engagement and build self-confidence in our students. This summer, from July 3 – 27, we are opening schools across the city to help build reading, writing and math skills in students from Kindergarten to Grade 8. Visit <u>www.tdsb.on.ca/summer</u> for a complete list of participating schools. @TDSB_ConEd

Collected for 2018... \$18 468 before expenses... \$919 more than last year!!!

Our goal was to raise \$18 000 this year and we did it! The McKee school spirit lives on. All the sponsors, students and family have generously contributed to make this year's fundraiser one of the best ever! We can now buy more technology for the school and start saving for our primary playground.

Although there were many classes who CLASSES WHO RAISED OVER \$500 ! brought in a lot of money, there were Clas-Congratulations to the CNTIRC Kindergarten Team!!! ses who demonstrated a wish to help in any Ms. Lowther Ms. Nmezi \$762 \$774 small way possible. That is what makes the Ms. Shantz \$627 Ms. Caira \$516 McKee community so special ... Ms. Cao \$670 Ms. Paschalidis \$647 Ms. Secord-Swann \$624 Only 1 or 2 children who did not participate Grade 1: Ms. Coelho \$618 Grade 1 Ms. Kenedy, Ms. Coelho Grade 2: Ms. Thai \$540 Ms. Ten-Pow, Ms. Mak, Ms.Kan Ms. Chu \$787 Grade 2 Ms. Thai Grade 4 Mr. Morris Grade 3: Ms. Rosenberg \$730 Grade 4: Mr. Morris \$689 100% Participation: (soccer balls) Ms. Leung \$645 Grade 1 Ms. Li-Wong Grade 2 Ms. Chu Grade 5: Ms. Bitterhoff \$866 3rd highest \$903 2nd highest Ms. Coles Grade 3 Ms. Rosenberg Mr. Gagnon \$1 139 Highest Grade 5 Ms. Bitterhoff Grade 5 Ms. Coles

DIVISIONAL PRIZES:

DONATED BY GINO'S PIZZA

Kindergarten: Bicycle ~ Yu Ming / Ms. Shantz Primary: Bicycle ~ Bryan / Ms. Coelho Junior: Bicycle ~ Cameron / Mr. Morris



PIZZA LUNCHES FOR THE CLASSES WHO RAISE THE MOST MONEY!

Kindergarten: Ms. Lowther Primary: Ms. Chu Junior: Mr. Gagnon

GRAND PRIZES

Samsung Galaxy Tab E Lite tablet ~ Ava / Ms. Coles



We would like to extend our appreciation to the many sponsors who generously supported us in our endeavour to raise money for McKee. Our students and parents certainly will enjoy and appreciate your gifts and



Sponsor	Student	Class
McMichael Family Passes	Andrew	Ms. Weir
	Maggie	Mr. J. Lee
Toronto Zoo (2 Guest passes)	Minnah	Ms. Secord- Swann
Royal Ontario Museum (1 day pass)	Adam	Ms. Caira
Battle Sports Inc. (Nerf passes for 4)	Baran	Ms. Bitterhoff
Black Creek Pioneer Village	Mars	Ms. E. Lee
Oliver's Labels	Rachel	Ms. Thai
Nouveau Wellness	Jason	Ms. Jung
Pet Smart (Gift Basket)	Layla	Ms. Leung
Whole Foods (Gift Basket)	Jason	Mr. Barker
Loblaws (\$25 Gift Card)	Edi	Ms. Secord-Swann
	Sophia	Ms. Coles
Metro (\$25 Gift Card)	Angel	Ms. Kan
Purdy's Gift Bag	Genevieve	Ms. Bitterhoff
Art Gallery of Ontario (4 General admissions)	Isabella	Mr. Gagnon
	Yamato	Ms. Yu
Reptillia (2 VIP passes)	Minuk	Ms. Kan
	Anthony	Ms. Lazarus
	Sophie	Ms. Chu
	Lucas	Ms. Mak
Jack Astor's (\$25 gift card)	Ayano	Ms. Leung
	Fariza	Ms. Rosenberg
	Naia	Ms. Li-Wong
	Michinari	Ms. Bitterhoff
Ontario Science Centre passes	Ethan	Mr. Morris
MLSE Maple Leaf Sports Raptor Products	Kamyar	Mr. Gagnon
Toronto Blue Jay J.A. Happ signed ball	Andrew G.	Mr. Lee
Jung Ko Tae Kwon Do (3 months membership)	Pang Pang	Ms. Chung
	Jun Young	Ms. Dennis
	Makael	Mr. Lott
	Amir	Ms. Hwang
	Lucia	Ms. Dennis
	Young	Ms. Jung
	Surena	Mr. Gagnon
Jung Ko Tae Kwon Do (1 month membership)	Kiara	Ms. Kenedy
	Cecilia	Ms. Trudel
	Chloe	Ms. Nmezi
	Aditya	Ms. Cao
	Max	Ms.Coelho
Kumon back packs	Nika	Ms. Li-Wong
	Eric	Ms. Thai
	Amalia	Ms. Kenedy
	Kaiden	Ms.Paschalidis
	Noah	Ms. Thai

non back packs	Surina	Ms. Lowther
	Aruna	Ms. Cao
	Kiara	Ms. Kenedy
	Paul	Ms. Paschalidis
	Jeremy	Ms. Nmezi
	Elia	Ms. Caira
	Dhara	Ms. Ten-Pow
	Wendy	Ms. Coelho
	Mizuki	Ms. Rosenberg
	Artina	Ms. Li-Wong
	Keira	Ms. Trudel

Without the numerous parents who helped photocopy, set up the sponsor forms, sort the early bird prizes and count the money, we would not have been as successful this year. Thank you parents for your dedication and help. We would also like to extend a special thank you to Mrs. Kim, and Mr.Youssefi who worked tirelessly throughout the year to obtain all the sponsors for the dance-a-thon and finally, we can't forget the teachers at McKee who work diligently behind the scenes to make everything a success.

Finally, we have to thank the parents, students and families who made this Dance-a-thon a resounding success. Your contributions will help make McKee a better place to learn.





During the month of April, our school will be celebrating Earth Month where our students will be showing how much we care for our environment and our community. Our first challenge will be to take part in a plastic shopping bag challenge. We will be keeping track of each classroom and our school as a whole to see how many plastic bags we can collect. The class that collects the most will win an Eco prize and we will also enter to compete against other schools all across Canada. Some lucky schools will win prizes that will provide environmental resources for everyday learning. Some other challenges will include: Lights out!; School Yard Clean Up!; Classroom Paper Counter!; Eco-Kid Checklists etc.

Thank you so much for being a part of McKee's 'green' community!





McKee Public School is truly committed to creating change by adjusting the way we think and the choices we make on a daily basis. This month will be recognized as **Earth Month** in connection to Earth Day which takes place on April 22nd. Staff and students will participate in community clean ups, as well as classroom and school wide projects in efforts to help stop climate change and to make a difference.

code April 12 April 26 French Toast Wedges with Turkey Sausages and side syrup \$6.00 \$6.00 1 \$5.50 \$5.50 2 Lightly Breaded Chicken Burger-Halal option available online 3 "Topsy Turvy"Pasta \$6.00 \$6.00 \$5.50 \$5.50 4 3 Chicken Nuggets, Warm Bun and Fruit-Halal option available online 5 Mini Buttery Pasta Parmesan and fruit \$5.50 \$5.50 C08 1% Milk \$1.50 \$1.50 C09 Chocolate Milk \$1.75 \$1.75 C10 Kettle Popcorn [GF] \$1.95 \$1.95 C20 100% Orange Juice \$1.50 \$1.50 \$1.50 Z01 Frozen Vanilla Yogurt \$1.50 F05 Plum Sauce Package free free F01 Ketchup Package free free Mustard Package F02 free free

Hot Lunch

April 12 and April 26



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Lunch Menu

April 12 and April 26

Hot Lunch

We are pleased to offer your School an ONLINE ONLY ordering experience order: 1) Decide on your choices and date[s] 2) Go to www.thelunchlady.ca > ORDER NOW to set up an accour

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You are now ready to go to "Schedule My Meals" and order. Pay by Credit Card MasterCard or Visa, Visa Debit Card via a secure 3rd party partner. No credit card information is stored on our site. You will receive a transaction report each time you are on our site outlining any activity.

There are cut off times so try to get your order in 2 school days in advance. (by April 10 for Apr 12 and by Apr 24 for Apr 26)

A few tips

- If you know what you wish to order, "Type and Tab" your way through the order grid no need to scroll thru the drop downs each time
- If you have more than one child, Enter and Save after each child and pay once at the end
- To avoid the 10 minute TIME OUT and lose your order, SAVE every now and then if necessary.
- Revisit the site anytime to review your order, your order history or make changes by selecting new codes or delete lunches by clicking on the red – [minus] icon beside the lunch date.
- If your child has allergies, please call me for further information.
- If your child is absent, contact your kitchen prior 8 AM BY PHONE to have the lunch credited to your account

Marlyn 905-470-2598 or marlyn@thelunchlady.ca











We took part in the "Great Big Crunch." An initiative to learn about the importance of buying local, eating healthy and acknowledging that all families and children have an equal right to affordable, high quality produce. It was definitely a DELICIOUS experience.











SPORT DAY



















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TWIN DAY





Crazy Hair and Hat Day

























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MCKEE PUBLIC SCHOOL FULL COLOUR 2017-2018 YEARBOOK IS COMING ...

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are launching our annual McKee P.S. Yearbook. This year, we will be filling our pages with wonderful school memories of special events taking place throughout the year. The yearbook will be in full colour with a glossy cover. Be sure your child has this special keepsake to help them remember the memories, fun and friends of this school year. The cost of the yearbook is only \$25.00. If possible, we are asking that you please register for the cashless option. To register for School Cash Online, please visit https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com select "Get Started Today" and complete the three registration steps. Alternatively, payment can be made by cheque only (we do not want cash). Please make your cheque payable to McKee P.S.

If you wish to purchase a copy or copies of the yearbook, please print and complete this order form and return it to your child's teacher, along with the payment by <u>APRIL 20th</u>, <u>2018.</u>

The Yearbook will be distributed the final week in June, 2018. The publisher is only printing one set of yearbooks so be sure to get your order in.

Student Name:	 Teacher:	

Room # _____ Number of Yearbooks: _____ Total enclosed: _____

Parent Signature:

Do not write below (for office use only)

Thank you for submitting your order. This bottom portion has been returned to you for your records.

in Room has paid \$25 for a 2017-18 McKee P.S.

Yearbook.

Cheque # _____ Bank _____ Cash _____

P09 Yearbook order form 2016.dg.0981



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Toronto District School Board will soon be launching School Cash Online, an easy to use, safe and convenient way for parents/guardians to pay for their children's school fees, including agendas, yearbooks and class trips. School Cash Online will be available to our school in January.

All school fees applicable to your child will be posted on School Cash Online. Once you register, you can choose to purchase the items or activities using a debit or credit card. You will be able to see when the school has a new item posted online for purchase and you will also have the option to be notified whenever your child has a new school event requiring payment.

To register for School Cash Online, please visit <u>https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com select</u> "Get Started Today" and complete the three registration steps. For more information on the registration process, please see page two of this letter. Once registered, you will receive an email notification when items become available online.

If you have questions about the registration process or using School Cash Online, please select the "Get Help" option on the top of School Cash Online web page. You can also contact the School Cash Online Parent Help Desk at 1-866-961-1803 and <u>parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com</u>. The Parent Help Desk is available to assist parents/guardians with the registration process, password recovery, accessing your account or payment issues.

Sincerely,

Ms. J. Lang Principal

SchoolCashOnline

The Toronto District School Board is launching School Cash Online, an easy to use, safe and convenient way for parents and guardians to pay for their children's school fees, including agendas, yearbooks and class trips. To register for School Cash Online, please follow these step-by-step instructions.

NOTE: If you require assistance, select the SUPPORT option in the top right hand corner of the screen.

Step 1: Register

If you have not registered, please go to the School Cash Online home page https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com/ and select the "Get Started Today" option.

Complete each of the three Registration Steps *For Security Reasons your password, requires *8 characters*, one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter and a number.

Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account. The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use the email address and password just created with your account.

Step 3: Find Student

This step will connect your children to your account. Enter the School Board Name Select the School Name Enter Your Child's First and Last Names Enter Your Child's Date of Birth Select *Confirm* On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select *Continue*

Your child has been added to your account

Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select "Add Another Student" option and repeat the steps above. Five children can be added to one parent account.

If you do not wish to add additional children, select

" View Items for Students" option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.

Stay connected! Be sure to select the option to receive email notifications when new items become available, selecting "Yes".



SchoolCashOnline.com
Hello Parent,
Please click the link below to confirm your email address.
http://cedarrapids.schoolcashonline.com/Registration/ConfirmConfirmationEmail /f1e754b3-7202-4ea9-b27e-7dceed1db411
Copy the link and paste it into your web browser, if the link doesn't work.
Contact support at 1.866.961.1803 or email parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com
Thank you,

Your School Cash Online Support Team

Add Student			
1. Type in the School Board name and select one from the list Toronto District School Board ☐ Change school board name.			
2. Select a school		v	
Select School			
3. Enter student information			
Student Number	✓ I don't have the student number.	0	
First Name			
Last Name			
Birth Date	MM/DD/YYYY Date format: mm/dd/yyyy	*	
Confirm	I don't want to add a student		

I want to receive email notifications for new fees assigned to my student and updates on school-related activities.