# VALLEYFIELD JS NEWSLETTER

## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers:

With spring officially here, the weather should start to warm up for a longer stretch of time. We certainly had a lot of fun in March with the Junior Ski trip, Family Bingo Night, Parent Workshop on Kids Have Stress Too, Snuggle Up and Read, Staff vs. Student Basketball game and Talent Show!

As our third and final term unfolds, we look forward to continuing to work with you and your child, supporting their progress and encouraging them to be the best they can be.

We are starting to organize our classes for next year. Please let us know if you are moving before or over the summer.

Sincerely,

Barbara Dixon

## Picking Up Children

If you are picking up your child(ren) sometime during the school day for appointments etc., please send a note in the agenda or backpack for the teacher. This way, the teachers can have them ready and at the office when you arrive.

#### **Phones**

Please remind your child(ren) to drop their phones off at the office first thing in the morning rather than keep them in their lockers or in class.

#### **Important Dates:**

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Apr. 5, 26	Pizza Day
Apr. 8	Scientists in the School (Ms Vasilaros and Mme Bruce classes)
Apr. 10	International Pink Shirt Day
Apr. 17	Science Center (Ms Fiume and Mr. Alexandre)
Apr. 19	Good Friday Holiday
Apr. 22	Easter Monday Holiday
Apr. 24	Chef L'ecole
Apr. 25	* Math Night for parents * Character Assembly
Apr. 30	Dairy Presen- tation



## **Parent Workshop**

Please save Wednesday April 3rd from 6:00-7:30. We are hosting another workshop for parents on Kids Have Stress Too! Come and explore the many ways that you can support your children with coping strategies for the challenges that they face. Child-minding will be provided. Please return to form indicating that you will be attending the workshop.

## **Bussing**

Please be mindful when loading your children on the buses in the morning. Students should wait quietly in a line and enter the bus one at a time, with smaller children boarding first. We need to ensure the safety of our children at all times.



## Valleyfield Green Team

We are the Valleyfield Green Team and our job is to help the environment.

We have reminded staff and students to be eco friendly by giving an eco tip on the announcements every Tuesday. We also did a waste audit and sorted garbage. Our goal for the waste audit is to put garbage in the right spot.

We also put posters up of what we do .We have meetings every Wednesday.

We started a Twitter account. Please follow us @TeamValleyfield for the latest information!

By: Tooba and Alexis



## **Physical Education with Mme Henri**

Last month, students in grades 1-6 where focusing on improving skills and developing strategies for Target Games such as floor curling and bean bag bocce. Kindergarten students continued to enjoy moving through a variety of stations using our new wristband organization model. Our Character Education bulletin board near the office was filled with the names of students demonstrating honesty in physical education classes, including kindergarten students! Way to go everyone!

In April, junior students will be working on skills related to Track and Field in order to best prepare them for upcoming tryouts. Our first Track meet wil be May 16th, at Centennial Park. The schedule for Track tryouts will be posted on the Physical Literacy bulletin board near the library and students will be invited to an information meeting in the first week of April.

Primary kindergarten to grade 3 students will continue to work on target games and fitness activities while focusing on the character trait of cooperation.

On March 27th, the grade 6 boys participated in a lunchtime staff vs student basketball game. The weather was beautiful and students of all ages en-

joyed watching this event for which the grade 6 boys had been preparing since the holiday break. Thank you to Ms. Hamaoui for coaching the boys until the big event, giving your time multiple times a week to help them prepare. Thank you to all the staff who played and/or supported the event by helping supervise. Even Mr. Noel got in on the action with a dunk of his own!



