Valleyfield JS Newsletter

February 2020

From the Principals Desk

Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers:

Here we are in February already. Time is passing so quickly! January was a fun month for our students as they were able to take part in Jr. Girls Volleyball practices with the help of Mr and Mrs. Plumiers who volunteered to work with the team; Jr. Boys Basketball; Chess Club; Cursive Writing Club; Talent Show try outs just to name a few. We also had a fun and interactive presentation by Earth Rangers. Thanks to all the parents who showed up at our Parent Council Meeting. We will meet again on March 12st at 6:30pm. Parents, please look out for a parent information session which will be held on February 19 from 2pm to 3pm. This will be put on by our Settlement worker, Bharti Lokri. The topic will be: Getting to know our School System. Treats and coffee will be provided. As well, we will have a Parent Meet for Coffee and Treats on February 20th at 8:30am. I encourage you to come out and get to know other parents at Valleyfield. Thanks again for your continued support of your children. Your participation in their education will go a long way in helping them to reach their fullest potential.

Sincerely, Barbara Dixon Principal



UPCOMING DATES: Feb 5 - Winter Walk Day at TDSB

Feb 14 - PA Day -Parent/ Teacher interviews

Feb 17 - Family Day No school

Feb 19- Parent Info Session

Feb 20 - Parent Meet and Greet for Coffee

JOB ACTION Please check www.tdsb.on.ca for on-going labor updates.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for all TDSB Kindergarten programs begins in February. We look forward to welcoming you and your child at our school in September. For registration, parents have the option of beginning the registering process on line at www.tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten. If you prefer to register in person, that option is still available. If you choose to register on line, you still need to come in to the school and bring the required documentation. Children born in 2016 are eligible to attend Junior Kindergarten in September 2020 and children born in 2015 are eligible to attend Senior Kindergarten in September 2020. Currently children in Junior Kindergarten at Valleyfield will be registered automatically in



Senior Kindergarten for next year.

In order to register please bring: proof of age (a birth certificate, birth registration or passport), two current pieces of proof of residence in this school area, your child's immunization record and their health card.

REPORT CARDS, IEP'S AND INTERVIEWS FOR TERM 1

Due to the current job action, report cards and IEP's will not be handed out to parents. Emails and letters sent home will explain the process for term one re-

port cards, IEP's and interviews. Please check the TDSB website for more labor updates at www.tdsb.on.ca.

PARENT WORKSHOP – Kids Have Stress Too!

Parents are welcome to attend a two part workshop on "Kids Have Stress Too" for free. The workshops will be held early in April. A flyer will be sent home. You don't want to miss this very informative session so please stay tuned.

BUSSING

This is a reminder that if you are not on time to pick up your child from the bus stop, they will be brought back to the school. Please ensure that you are at the bus stop on time to pick up your child(ren).

DROP-OFF AND PICK UP

A reminder that dropping off and picking up your child(ren) should be done in a safe manner at all times. Children should not be left to cross the road alone; they must be escorted to and/or from the school. You may park on Winnipeg Rd if you are dropping off your students in the morning. Parking on Benbow Rd is not permitted and you could be

fined by parking enforcement.



Please obey the stop signs and do not drive through the crosswalk. This is dangerous and could lead to a serious accident.

Please keep in mind that homeowners in the area need to be able to enter and exit their driveways safely; please do not block their driveways. At the end of the day, there is supervision until 3:15. Please pick up your children promptly.

CANCELLATION OF BUSES

Severe weather conditions may require the TDSB to cancel transportation or in extreme conditions, close the schools. The decision to close schools is made by the director of education. In the event transportation is cancelled or schools are closed, the local media will be informed before the beginning of the school day. Tune in to your radio and television stations for the latest information or visit www.tdsb.on.ca.

WINTER GEAR

Please continue to ensure that your children come to school with full winter gear for the cold weather. Especially for primary students, they should have snow pants/suits, hats, gloves/mittens, scarves and winter boots.



Library News

Scholastic order forms are in the library. The orders are due that last week of the month. Orders can be done online through Scholastic Canada. Please place orders under the name of "Mrs. McInnis". Orders can be brought to the library along with a cheque for the exact amount.

Mrs. McInnis