

Larkhall News



To: Parents/Guardians

March 2017

From: E. Colbourne/K. Molloy

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week



We would like to extend a very sincere thank you to our

parents/guardians for your gestures of kindness and providing special treats during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week. We are very fortunate to be working in a school with such considerate and thoughtful parents. Thank you so very much from all of us!



2nd Term Reports

Our second term report cards will be distributed to students on **Monday, March 13th**. Parent teacher interviews will take place on **Thursday, March 16th**. **Please note: Students will be dismissed 12:00 on Thursday, and lunch will take place at 11:30.**

Next School Year:

Larkhall Academy currently has 430 students and very little space to accommodate this number of students. The school district is looking at possible reconfiguration of various schools in the area to help alleviate the overpopulation at our school. To date there has been no confirmed plan. As soon as we are aware of any information pertaining to the plan for the next school year we will keep you informed.

Optis Appointment Scheduling

Optis will open on March 1st to schedule an appointment for Parent Teacher Conferences. The link is located on our website.

Roary Awards

The second assembly for our Roary Awards will be March 10th. You will be notified by the classroom teacher if your child is receiving

an award. The morning assembly (9:15 am) will be for Kg- 2 and the afternoon assembly (1:15 pm) for grades 3-6.

Professional Development

There will be no school for students on **Friday, March 17th**. Teachers will be taking part in a professional development session.

March Kinderstart

Please note that our first Kinderstart session is scheduled for March 3rd. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the school. **There will be no school for current Kindergarten students on this day.**

Outdoor Play at Lunch

Once again we remind you that we go outside to play at every opportunity for the second part of lunch. PLEASE ensure that your child is dressed appropriately so that he/she can enjoy some fresh air.

Change of Phone Number

It is very important that should you change your contact information you must notify the office immediately. Our Synvoice emergency list is dependent on current phone numbers. We ask your cooperation with this matter.

Heritage Fair

Information has been sent home regarding the Heritage Fair. Students should continue to work on their projects. Projects are due on April 3rd. This is for elementary students only.

Shave for the Brave

Once again, Larkhall Academy is proud to be taking part in Shave for the Brave on May 19th. Permission slips and information sheet will be sent home in next week. Any students or parents that are interested in taking part

can contact the office for a sponsor sheet.

D.A.R.E Graduation

The grade six D.A.R.E graduation will take place on March 14th at 1:30pm. Parents and guardians are invited to attend.

Yearbook Orders

The final date for yearbook orders is **March 15th**. Please send in orders to your classroom teacher or you can place an order by going on the website ybpay.lifetouch.com.

Wizard of Oz

On **March 30**, grade 4, 5 & 6 students will be going to see the Holy Heart of Mary production of the Wizard of Oz!! The Department of Education has paid for our buses to this event. Further information will be sent home closer to the date.

Scripts/Telegram Spelling Bee

McKenna Webb Maher and Fuad Ahmed represented Larkhall Academy this past weekend at the Scripts Telegram Spelling Bee. We are so proud of how well both students represented our community.

Green Team News

A reminder that every Thursday is Recycling Day. If everyone brought in just 10 items a week, we would collect over 16,000 a month! We are now averaging about 7000 items a month and we want this number to grow! The benefits of this program to our school are great so let's all do our best to support the school's recycling program. Congrats to Ms. Hopkins Grade 6 class for being the top recyclers for last month. Enjoy your prize. For every 10 items, a ticket goes in for a prize. **The next prize is "Let's Go to the Movies" - two \$50 Movie cards which will be drawn on Friday, March 3rd.**

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Fundraising Money

Money that was raised from our dance and fall fair has been used to purchase new Smartboards to replace broken team boards in the school. The new Smartboards cost \$6400.

Ice Caps Foundation

On Saturday Feb. 18th, Ms. Molloy accepted a cheque from the Ice Caps Foundation for \$2500. This money will be used to maintain our playground. We want to thank the Ice Caps Foundation for supporting our school!

Parking

Again we would like to remind everyone to be aware of parking regulations around the school. Due to high numbers of vehicles in the area during drop off and pick up times the city of St. John's are monitoring the situation, tickets have been issued recently.

Larkhall Academy App

We are pleased to announce that the Larkhall Academy App is now available! Please see the information sheet sent home explaining how the app will be used

and how to get it on your mobile device. This will be a great communication tool for parent and guardians!!

Moving

Just a reminder if you are moving out of the Larkhall Academy school zone you will need to register at your zoned school for September.

Fundraiser to Support the Down Syndrome Society

On **March 21st** we are having a Don't Knock Em' Just Rock Em', Patterned Socks Day fundraiser. We are asking all participants to bring in a \$2 donation to wear your funky socks.

Bethany and Morgan's Tech Tip

"Never talk to strangers on the internet. Never share your name, phone number or address with a stranger."

Volunteers

We are always in need of volunteers to help us with our many projects. If you have a few hours to spare, let us know by calling the office at 722-7012.

Dates to remember:

- March 1 - Optis opens
- March 3 - Kinderstart session
- March 10 - Roary Awards
- March 13 - Report Cards go home
- March 14 - DARE Graduation
- March 15 - Deadline for yearbook
- March 16 - Early dismissal 12:00
- March 16 - Parent Teacher Interviews
- March 17 - No school for students
- March 21 - Funky Sock Fundraiser
- March 30 - Wizard of Oz (4-6)