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Parent Newsletter, Tuesday, November 18, 2008

Student Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews

The first three months of the current school year have been extremely busy. Currently we are preparing for our first student evaluation(s). Student reports for all St. Edward's students will be distributed **Monday, December 01, 2008**. Parent Teacher Interviews will take place **Thursday, December 04, 2007** from 1:00 - 3:00 pm and from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. To facilitate parent / teacher interviews, students **in Grades 1 through Grade 6 will be dismissed at 11:35 am, Thursday, December 04.** Please note there will be no am or pm classes for kindergarten classes on this date.

Numeracy Support Teacher

This year we are fortunate to have an additional teaching allocation to support our primary and elementary teachers and students. Ms. Jill Peach will be working with Grades K-6 students and teachers to deliver Mathematical Outcomes. She will be team teaching with the regular classroom teacher as well as working with smaller groups of students both in the classroom and outside the classroom. Students are grouped randomly so that each and every child is given the opportunity to participate in smaller groups. This will allow more time for communication and hands on activities which are key elements in the mathematical program.

Healthy and Active Living - School Walk

One of our school development goals for our students this year is Healthy and Active Living. Several weeks ago we had planned a school walk. Unfortunately due to poor weather the walk was canceled. This Friday afternoon, weather permitting, students will be walking on the track commencing at 2:05. We would ask parents to sign the attached permission slip.

Fruitastic Fridays

The Healthy and Active Schools Committee has organized "***Fruitastic Fridays***" which will begin Friday, November 21st and will run every Friday for 4 consecutive weeks ending on Friday, December 12th. Commencing this Friday November 21st, all classrooms will participate in "***Fruitastic Fridays***". At recess time students will be asked to bring a piece of fruit for their snack. Each student that brings a piece of fruit will color one block of their classroom "***Sammy the Snake***". When every block on the classroom snake is colored a student from each class will go to the enormous "***Sammy the Snake***" posted on the wall across from the office where they will color one block. When the enormous ***Sammy*** has every block on its body full, the students will participate in a school wide reward.

St. Edward's Book Fair

St.Edward's Book Fair will run this year commencing **Monday, December 1st** . - **Friday, December 5th**. The book fair will be open daily from **9:00a.m to 3:00pm**. It will also be available to parents on **Thursday, December, 4th from 1:00pm -3:00pm and 7:00 pm-9:00 p.m**. Proceeds from our annual book fair enables us to provide the resource center with much needed materials to support literacy in our school. In previous years, the support has been overwhelming so we are asking parents again this year to assist us in making this year's book fair a success. Many of the items sold at the book fair make great Christmas gifts! More information to follow.

Samaritan's Purse

Parents/ Guardians are reminded that the last date for the collection of Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes is next Monday, November 24th .

Christmas Concerts

This year our school will be holding two Christmas concerts. On Tuesday, December 9th we will feature the talents of our English Kindergarten and Grade 2 students. On Thursday, December 11th our Early French Immersion Kindergarten and Grade 3 students will perform a Christmas concert. Both of our Christmas concerts will begin at 7:00 pm. Doors to the school will open at 6:30 pm. Tickets will be available at the door at a cost of \$3.00 each. Our grade one classes and our elementary students will perform in the spring.

Dates to Remember

Friday, November 21

Monday, November 24

Monday, December 01

Thursday, December 4th

School Walk

Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes due

Reports Released

Parent/Teacher Interviews

School Walk

Friday, November 21 2008, I give permission for my son/ daughter _____ to walk to school on the track under the supervision of teachers from St. Edwards School.

Parent Signature: _____