



Normandeau ... "Where People Grow" **NEWSLETTER**



NORMANDEAU SCHOOL

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A Note From the Principal

Spring is around the corner. Look for our tulips when they return.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to fill in the surveys for our school. They are very important to us to see what is working well, what types of changes or refinements that we can make in the short term and the creation of a vision for our future planning. We are already starting the planning process for next year to set the direction that Normandeau School is heading towards. Your input as a member of our community is vital to see what that heading will be. Your voices makes this difference.

Parent – Teacher interviews are just around the corner. They will be from 1:00 – 8:00 pm on Thursday, March 23rd. You have the ability to set your interview time online this year. Please ask your child's teacher for more information and to book with them. We look forward to having conversations with you about your kids. It allows us, as teachers, to give guidance and some strategies to help them become even more successful in their school life. Did you ever have a task that you were not able to complete on the first try? Did you keep trying? Failure is a teaching tool, as long as you learn from it, not just give up when it happens. This is a strength of many of our students - they learn from their mistakes, shake off the dust and move on. We celebrate that during Parent – Teacher interviews. I hope to see you there.

Our Spell a thon was a success again this year. We were worried in these troubling economic times that we would not do as well this year as last. We were proven wrong when we raised about \$1000 more this year. A huge shout out to our top fundraiser, Tyson Latimer, who raised \$400 by himself. The bulk of our fundraising monies goes towards our field trips. I hope Tyson's class will pick a great learning place to go to this year. A huge thank you to Mrs. McDonagh for counting all that money and organizing the event with Mrs. Peters. If you have not yet had a chance to send in your Spell a thon money, it is not too late. Any dollars we collect are gladly received at any time.

I wish you a wonderful Spring Break, which is just around the corner, and would like to remind you of our Multicultural Evening, which will be happening in April. Look for the Remind that we will send out a week prior.

Hans

Important Dates:

March 22	2 PM Assembly **NOTE: time change
March 23	* No School - 1-8 pm Parent/Teacher Conferences
March 24	* No School, District PD
March 27-March 31	* No School - Easter and Spring Break
April 13	* No School - Staff Lieu Day
April 14	* No School - Good Friday
April 17	* No School - Easter Monday

Spell-a-thon

Our Spell-a-thon was successful again this year, raising \$8826. Thank you to the students and families for your support. Our top fundraiser, Tyson 6M, who raised \$400 will be treated to a lunch with our admin team.

The winner of the gift certificate draw was Abby from 1D. The winners of the two signed Rebels Jerseys were Braden in 3B and Dylan in 1F.

Mrs. Neiszner's grade three class won the class pizza party as they had the highest per student amount raised with Mrs. Moore's class a close second.

Wow!

100%

Cheers to the following students for achieving 100% on their Spell-a-thon spelling test: Tayler 1D, Kristina 1D, Abby 1D, Mahaila 1D, Logan 1D, Levi 1F, Kean 1S, Drake 1S, Zakhar 1S, Adam 1S, Dmytro 2M, Hunter 2M, Kalli 2M, Zachary 2M, Nevaeh 2M, Rainielle 2M, Selena 2M, Dezirea 2M, Allyssa 2W, Grace 2W, Makena 2W, Tyra 2W, Shyann 2W, Abigail 2W, Jessie 2W, Jazlyn 2W, Mason 3B, Nathan 3B, Braden 3B, Keira 3n, Kellan 3N, Kevin 3N, Jayden 3N, Gabriel 4H, Tiegan 4H, Dante 4R, Kayson 4R, Nash 4R, Jade 5R, Devylah 5R, Thatcher 5R, Brian 6L, Madison 6L, Vincent 6L, Seth 6L, Ethan 6M, Angel 6M, Mai 6M, Fionna 6M, Shannon 7G, Khan 7G, Skyla 7G, James 7G, Lucas 7G, Owen 7G, Corbin 8C, Christian 8C, Jyuan 8C, Irish 8C, AJ 8K, Brook-Lee 8K, Jenna 8K, Ethan 8K, Kade 8K, Charlie 8K, and Prince 8K. The winner of the gift certificate draw from the 100% club was Fionna 6M.

Congratulations to the above students and to all of our students for their contributions.

Breakfast Club

A sincere thank you is extended to **Save-On-Foods** for **fully supporting our Breakfast Club!** Thank you also to our volunteers and to all who support our program by volunteering or with donations of food or cash. Your support has made our Breakfast Club very successful with many students benefiting.

Thank You

Garden News - Canadian Tire Money



With spring just around the corner the Green Team is looking ahead to what is needed to get our garden up and growing once the snow actually melts! We will be collecting Canadian Tire money again this year to purchase more flowering perennials, new garden hoses, rain barrels and garden ornaments for each garden box. If you would like to make a donation there will be a collection container at the office.

Late French Immersion

Central Middle School has a Late French Immersion Program for students entering Grade 6 next school year. At the present time, CMS is accepting registrations from parents who would like to have their children in our Late French Immersion program for the 2017-2018 school year. This program is geared for students who have little or no French experience and who:

- ✓ are interested in learning French;
- ✓ are looking for a challenge and are motivated to learn;
- ✓ have strong basic skills and are working at grade level.

For further information, please contact Central Middle School (403-346-4397).

Kindergarten 2017-2018

Do you know any families in the Normandeau, Kentwood and south Glendale neighbourhoods with children starting Kindergarten next year? If so, please be sure to let them know that we are currently accepting registrations for our Kindergarten program.

Parent School Council

Meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be on March 15th at 7:00 pm in the school library. An open invitation is extended for these meetings.

Assembly Change

Please note that the date and time of our next assembly has changed. We will be having our next assembly on March 22 at 2 PM. Everyone welcome.

Meeting Minutes
Normandeau School Council
February 15, 2017
7:00 P.M.

Attendees: Brenda Pesonen, Michelle Fischer, Lisa Peters, Jodi McCutcheon-Teuling, Dee Dee Fehr, Arlene Pearce, Shelia Fowler-Greene, Glenda Crawford, Hans Huizing, Julie Burke, Staci Clark

Brenda asked for minutes to be reviewed. Michelle motioned to accept the minutes. Julie seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Brenda called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with introductions. Hans introduced 2 student nurses who are doing a Mental Health Study at Normandeau.

Principal Report

- Please see attached

Treasury Report

- Please see attached

City Wide

- No meeting this month. Next meeting is at Gateway Christian School March 7th at 7:00.

Playground

- Nothing to report

Old Business

- Movie Night - Jan. 27
 - Great success
- Retirements - Terry, Mylene
 - Bonnie Penney will be moving from an Educational Assistant to our new secretary
 - Starting to plan for Mylene's retirement in June
- Surveys
- Spell-a-thon
 - Unsure on how much we raised so far. Prizes are just starting to go out. The draw for the Rebels tickets will be tomorrow.

New Business

- Casino
 - All volunteer positions have been filled
- Family Oriented Nights
 - Hans would like propose that school council sponsor a multi-cultural potluck night on April 12, 2017.

Julie motioned to sponsor the potluck. Staci seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Hans asked for council to come up with some ideas for family nights.
- Jodi suggested geocaching
- Julie suggested a kite night

Next Meeting will be on March 15th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

Brenda adjourned the meeting at 7:30 P.M.

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April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Classes Resume	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 * Gr. 8 (9) Parent Orientation HHHS	12 * Gr. 8 (9) Student Orientation LTCHS & HHHS * Gr. 8 (9) Parent Orientation LTCHS	13 No School *Lieu day	14 No School * Staff Meeting	15
16	17 No School – Easter Monday	18 * Newsletter * Kindergarten Here I Come at Parkland Mall	19 *7 pm School Council	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 * Spring Photos	28 * 11 am Assembly	29

Normandeau School's Business Partnerships:



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May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 * Education Week	2	3 * Orientation to Grade 6	4 * Gr. 5 Go Girls & Grow Boys	5	6
7	8	9 * 7 pm City-Wide School Council at WPE	10 * Kindergarten – Sunnybrook Farm	11 * 9-11 am Gr. 6 PAT, English Language Part A	12	13
14	15	16 * Newsletter	17 * 7 pm School Council Meeting	18	19 No School * Staff Meetings	20
21	22 No School Victoria Day	23 * Oral Health Program K-3	24 * Oral Health Program K-3	25 * Oral Health Program K-3	26 * 8:30 am Assembly * Bike Rodeo * Oral Health Program K-3	27
28	29	30				

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