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PRINCIPAL'S SECTION

On behalf of all the staff at Trillium E.S., we wish you and your family a healthy and happy new year!

We are experiencing some unpredictable weather conditions which require our students to be dressed for all types of winter play. Please ensure the students have warm winter clothing and boots for cold weather play as we head into the coldest months of the year.

Due to ice and hard ground conditions the play structures are closed every winter. Please remind your children to stay off the structures after hours in order to stay safe.

VICE-PRINCIPAL'S SECTION

Our school character focus for the month of January is *Acceptance*. Our OCDSB Character Wheel offers the following message on acceptance: *I reach out to include others. I accept others for who they are. I am gentle with myself and others when mistakes are made.* This message is shared during morning announcements, discussed in classrooms and recognized at monthly divisional assemblies.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Jan 12: School Council 7:00 p.m. in the library
Jan 25: Kindergarten Information Evening
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Jan 23-27: Kindergarten Registration Period
Jan 27: Spirit Day – Crazy Hair Day
Jan 30: PA Day - No School for Students (Monday)
Feb 13: Dental Screening for JK, SK and Gr 2
*** see note re: screening for other grades**
Feb 15: Term 1 Report Cards go home
Feb 17: PA Day – no school for students
Feb 20: Family Day – school closed

For updates, visit our website:
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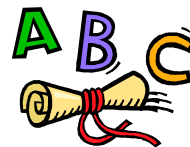
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION PERIOD

Monday, January 23 to Friday, January 27, 2017.

At the time of registration please bring the following:

- ✓ Proof of age (birth/baptismal certificate, registration of birth, passport)
- ✓ Proof of residence (current utility bill)
- ✓ Your child's Ontario Health Card
- ✓ Child's immunization record or proof of compliance with exemptions

If you are aware of families in the community who have children of JK/SK age in our attendance area, please share the information and dates for registration. We look forward to welcoming new families to Trillium Elementary School.



KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT:

Kindergarten Information Night, for the parents of Kindergarten students who will be beginning at Trillium in September of 2017, will be held in the school on Wednesday, Jan 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. This is an evening for parents to come and meet the teachers, ECEs, Principal and Vice-Principal and ask any questions applicable to next year's kindergarten program. Mark it on your calendar!

REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER PERIODS:

Middle French Immersion Registration Period:
Monday, February 13 to Friday, February 17, 2017.
Trillium Elementary School will be hosting a Middle French Immersion (MFI) evening for parents on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. You are welcome to bring your Grade 3 child to the information session. Should you have any questions about the program please do not hesitate to call Mrs. Spearman.

Elementary/Secondary Transfer Application Period
Monday, February 6 to Friday, February 17, 2017

NEW Just Dance Club

Just Dance Club in the gymnasium; on Wednesdays at 10:30 recess beginning on January 18th. Welcome to all Grade 1-2-3-4 students. Mme De Quoy and Madame Richardson.

Intermediate Boys Volleyball

The Intermediate Boys Volleyball Team consisted of the following players: Natnael B, James B, Luke D, Luke G, Matt H, Ty H, Araf H, Zohaib J, Joey K, Elhocine L, and Ryan P, with Mrs. Thaker as the coach.

Our tournament was an all day event at Summerside Public School. The boys played 8 games in total, were exhausted but persevered until the very end. Well done, boys. Thanks to team coach, Mrs. Thaker.

Intermediate Girls Volleyball

Mr. Dangerfield would like to congratulate the Intermediate Girls on a great season. The girls showed strong commitment and improved so much over the course of the season. During the games they showed excellent sportsmanship and represented Trillium very well. Team members were Laura, Monica, Aila, Hana, Katelyn, Nadia, Sarah, Katie, Marianna, Abie, Lizzie, Kyla, Natasha, Vienna and Lydia.

Great job girls!!



EARS NEWS:

Batteries: During the busy holiday season, it is apparent that we use batteries in many different items. The greatest environmental concern surrounding batteries is the impact they have at the end of their lives. It

is estimated that around 94 per cent of dead batteries end up in landfill - and this is where the most serious problems start.

Batteries are identified as a problem material in the waste stream. Batteries are made from a variety of chemicals to power their reactions. Some of these chemicals, such as nickel and cadmium, are extremely toxic and can cause damage to humans and the environment.



Compost: Our green bin program has been in effect since January 2014 and since then, the **equivalent of 8 green bins** (the 80L type that you have at home) is put out **every week!** That is an ENORMOUS amount of garbage that Trillium's students and staff have been able to keep out of the landfill. Kudos to us! In order for this program to continue being successful, we need more newspapers to make our bin liners. The large type of

newspaper such as The Citizen, The Globe & Mail, etc. is what is needed. If you receive these newspapers at home, please save them for us and drop them into the labelled box, in our school foyer...or send them with your child. This is VERY MUCH appreciated! Take care of the Earth...it's the only one we have!

The EARS club wishes to thank parents who continue to bring in newspapers to be recycled into liners for Trillium's compost bins. Your donations make a real difference!



The Trillium School Age Program is located within the school and is a non-profit program offering high quality licensed care for school aged children.

If you are interested in learning more about the program, please call Audrey at (613) 841-5497.



Dental Screening Information



Annie Sauvé, a registered dental hygienist with Ottawa Public Health, will provide a dental screening using a tongue depressor on February 13, 2017, for JK, SK and grade 2 students and other children as necessary. ****If your child's grade is not selected, but you wish for the dental hygienist to see him/her, please send a letter to the school office.*** Only children identified as having dental needs will bring home a form. Follow-up school visits by the dental hygienist for individual children may be done. **THIS DOES NOT REPLACE REGULAR DENTAL VISITS.**

THE TRILLIUM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL (TESC) SECTION:



BOSTON PIZZA NIGHT

Thank you to all the Friends and Families that joined us for the Trillium Family Night at Boston Pizza. We were able to raise \$86.98 toward TESC initiatives.

Congratulations to Ava and Julianna for winning the Gift Certificates to Boston Pizza.



We would also like to thank everyone who purchased cookie dough. Your collective efforts helped to raise \$2,225.00 towards the Kindergarten play structure and Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony.



It's never too late to order with the Trillium Hot Lunch program! We are happy to offer a 3 week rotation – pita, pizza and subs.

Find the links to order at www.TESC.ca or go to www.tesc.hotlunches.net (Trillium access code TESHSL).



Mabel's Labels are dishwasher, microwave and laundry safe personalized labels.

Please visit www.campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for "Trillium Elementary School" under the "School/Organization" drop down to place your order and support our fundraiser.



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Visit www.QSP.ca

1. Select "Parents & Students" and register your child
2. Our school code is 3727724 and begin shopping



The following is a list of upcoming TESC events. Further details will be shared with you closer to each event.

- Valentines Dinner, Dance and Basket Raffle
- Frozen Pizza Kit (NEW Fundraiser!)
- Spring Book Fair
- Family Movie Night and Dance-A-Thon