

DIAMOND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

March, 2018

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that Spring Break is just around the corner! The students have worked diligently and put forth a commendable effort throughout the second term. We are extremely proud of them and are looking forward to a successful final term.

Please check the calendar attached to this newsletter for special school events and dates.

2018 - 2019 Registration

We would sincerely like to thank the parents for their prompt registration response and ongoing support! It is greatly appreciated!

March Special Lunch Day

On Wednesday, March 14th, there will be a Subway lunch available for the students. An order form is attached to the newsletter.

Blue Shirt Day – Friday, March 2nd

The Grade Seven class has been conducting an extremely successful schoolwide campaign to raise money to help alleviate a water crisis in Cape Town, South Africa. Currently experiencing a severe drought, Cape Town has imposed extreme water restrictions and, as of April 12th, all taps will be shut off, and access to water for drinking, showering, animal care and other needs will no longer be available. To date, the students have raised over \$1400 and are getting close to reaching their goal of \$2000. The Grade Seven class is tracking the money brought in and the class that raises the greatest amount for this worthy cause will earn a *no dress code* day.

The Grade Seven students have also been working hard to make bracelets which they will sell at lunch on Friday, March 2nd, Blue Shirt Day. The cost of the bracelets will be \$2.00 for simple designs and \$3.00 for a more complex design. Supplies are limited, and all proceeds will go directly to the Cape Town fundraiser.

Just a reminder that we have designated Friday, March 2nd as *Blue Shirt Day* to mark the culmination of the students' fundraising efforts. On this day, students may choose to wear blue shirts instead of the regular dress code.

Dr. Seuss Day – Kindergarten to Grade Three

In honour of Dr. Seuss' birthday on March 2nd, the Kindergarten to Grade Three classes will be participating in special activities related to his books throughout the week.

Animal Adaptations Forest Lab Field Trip – Grade Two

The Grade Two students participated in a forest lab called *Animal Adaptations* at the Green Timbers Surrey Nature Centre today, Thursday, March 1st.

Urban Safari Workshops – Kindergarten to Grade Three

On Friday, March 9th, the Kindergarten and Grade Three classes will be enjoying educational workshops conducted by Urban Safari Rescue Society. Further information is attached to the newsletter.

St. Patrick's Green Day – Friday, March 16th

In celebration of St. Patrick's Day, the Kindergarten to Grade Six classes will have a 'Green Day' on Friday, March 16th. The students are encouraged to wear green clothing items on this day; otherwise they can wear the regular dress code. The Grade Two class will also be hosting a St. Patrick's Day assembly.

Spring Break

The school will be closing for Spring Break on Friday, March 16th, at the end of the school day. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 3rd.

Easter Holidays

The school will be closed for the Good Friday holiday on Friday, March 30th and on Monday, April 2nd for the Easter Monday holiday.

Term Two Progress Reports

Progress reports will be sent home during the second week of April for all students in Kindergarten through Grade Six. Once received, please sign the report cover and return it to the school as soon as possible.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences for the elementary and high schools will be held on Thursday, April 12th, beginning at 2:15 p.m. and continuing until 8:00 p.m. *Please note that we will begin booking appointments after Spring Break on Friday, April 6th.* If you wish to book an appointment for these conferences, please call the school. ***Please note that the students will be dismissed at 1:45 p.m. on this day so that the teachers will be available for the conferences.***

Open communication between home and school is very important to us, and we encourage parents who have any questions or concerns about their child's progress to contact the school at any time throughout the year.

We hope everyone has a relaxing, safe and enjoyable Spring Vacation!

Diamond School Staff