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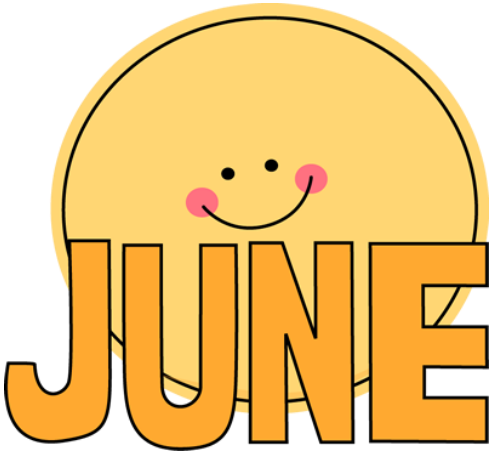


June 2019 Newsletter

It's hard to believe but the school year is just about finished. There are only a few very busy weeks left.

On **Wednesday, May 1st, Mr. Docimo** held a special meeting for students and parents that were selected to attend the Youth Fusion Meeting held in Toronto.

On **Thursday, May 2nd** the School Council held another **School Spirit Day.** The theme was "Hat Day".

On **Friday, May 3rd**, there was a Professional Development Day for all staff at the school, they participated in a variety of activities throughout the day.

On **Tuesday, May 7th Ms. Montgomery** started an after-school **Graduation Club**. Interested students in grades 7-8 were invited to join and help plan and make decorations for the upcoming Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony held in June. The Club meets every Tuesday and Thursday, after school, focusing on a different area of the ceremony each week, as well as baking cupcakes that will be served at the ceremony.

Also, on **Tuesday, May 7th, Mr. Arndt** started an after-school **Track & Field Club** for students in Grades 4-8. They meet every Tuesday and Thursday, after-school. Students who show commitment to the club will be invited to participate in a Field Trip held in Thunder Bay in June.

Also, on **Tuesday, May 7th, Mr. Docimo's Grade 7 & 8** Class was provided with a special presentation and information on their upcoming high school transition.

On **Wednesday, May 8th** , we held our **after-school activities** for our students in Gull Bay, it was great seeing everyone come out and enjoy the activities.

On **May 7th, Ms. Montgomery's Grade 1 class**, through Dilico, participated in a mini **Yoga Lesson**.

The students enjoyed trying all the different poses.

Also, on **Wednesday, May 8th** Dilico was at the school hosting **a "Mental Health Day"**. Representatives from Dilico, Ontario Provincial Police, Ambulance Services and more, provided our students with booths for information and giveaways, not to mention raffles. A great and informative time was enjoyed by all our students. Thank You. Even Smokey the bear made a special visit!

On **Thursday, May 9th, Josephine Bouchard** received our **Grade 8 Award of Excellence** at a special ceremony held in Thunder Bay. The Grade 8 Award of Excellence recognizes those individuals who have achieved high standards of academic excellence as well as demonstrating leadership within the school and community: the students truly personify the Lakehead Public School's values of integrity, acceptance, empathy, respect and responsibility. **Congratulations Josephine!**

Also, on **Thursday, May 9th, Ms. Docimo's Grade 3-4 Class** received their certificate from **the Roots of Empathy** Program, completed with their Roots of Empathy Instructor, **Cheryl Mundell**. They celebrated with activities, and a pizza.

On **Friday, May 10th, Harrison**, from **Youth Fusion**, visited **Ms. Docimo's Grade 3-4 Class** to plant some seeds that will be transplanted into our school garden.

Monday, May 20th was a holiday, we hope everyone enjoyed their long weekend.

On **Tuesday, May 21st EQAO testing** started for our students in Grades 3 and 6. Testing continued until Monday, June 3rd.

During EQAO Testing, students in **Grades 2 and 5** participated with **Ms. Bobrowska** to get our garden planted. Be sure to check it out.

On **Wednesday, May 22nd, Mr. Docimo, Harrison** and a few students, **Lucas Sinoway, Josephine Bouchard, Aston Parr, Mary Ann Kitakijick, Destiny Shapwaykeesic, Jamilyn Kwandebance and Jonatan Bron** travelled to **Toronto** to participate in a **Youth Fusion Conference**. We are very proud to report that our group won the **"Innovative Design Award"**.

Friday, May 24th was the last day to return **Grade 8** and **Senior Kindergarten Graduation proofs.** They should be returned in the next few weeks.

On **Wednesday, May 24th Ms. Kotovich and Ms. Bobrowska** hosted our **"Welcome to Kindergarten"** information night. If you have not yet registered your child, please contact the school. **Junior Kindergarten students must turn 4 years of age by December 31, 2019.**

On **Monday, May 28th, Ms. Bolt's Grade 2-3 class** completed a science unit and celebrated by making a special batch of slime.

On **Thursday, May 30th, Mr. Docimo** and his **Grade 7 & 8 Class** travelled to Thunder Bay to visit **Superior Collegiate and Vocational Institute** where they got a special tour of the school and participated in a variety of activities.

On **Monday, June 3rd**, and continuing over the next three days **(June 4-5)**, members from the **Thunder Bay Police department** will be at our school working with senior students. On Monday they will be working with Mr. Docimo's Grade 7-8 Class with Archery Skills, on Tuesday with Mr. Arndt's Grade 5-6 for a Bike Rodeo, and on Wednesday a combined group of Grades 5-8 on Archery.

On **Tuesday, June 4th, Skills Ontario** will be visiting Mr. Docimo's Grade 7-8 Class for a special presentation.

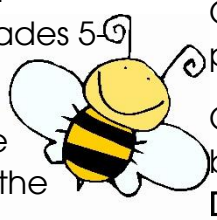
On **Thursday, June 6th**, our school will be hosting our **Annual Mini Pow Wow**. More details will be posted this week. The Powwow will run from 12:00pm to 2:45pm.

On **Friday, June 7th** from **10:40 to 10:55 Ms. Montgomery's Grade 1 students** will be **selling lemonade** in the Primary Lunch room, as a culmination on their money unit. Flavours available are Original or Strawberry. Be sure to stop by and support our Grade 1 students.

Also, on **Friday, June 7th,** we will be having a **school assembly** to celebrate our student's appreciation tickets and draw a few winning tickets.

On **Monday, June 10th Jason Simon** a former **NHL Player** and motivational speaker will be in our school making a special presentation to students.

On **Tuesday, June 11th** the **Nor'West Community Health Clinic** will be in the school providing a special presentation to students in Grades 5-8 in the afternoon.



On **Wednesday, June 12th**, the school will be participating in the annual **OPP/MNR Emergency Services Day**. All classes will be participating by going down to the **OPP/MNR** to see demonstrations.

Thursday, June 13th is the last day to sign out library books for this school year. **Students and staff are asked to have all outstanding books returned to the library by Monday, June 17th.**

Friday, June 14th is a **Professional Activity Day** at the school. There is no student attendance.

On **Tuesday, June 18th**, Mr. Arndt and our **Track & Field Team** will be travelling to Thunder Bay to compete in the Lakehead Public School's Elementary Track & Field day. Best of luck to all our dedicated participants. Go Eagles!

On **Wednesday, June 19th**, **Harrison and his student team from Youth Fusion** will be making a special presentation in the afternoon **(1:10-2:30)** on the program highlights this year and the official unveiling of their amazing projects.

On **Thursday, June 20th**, **Ms. Docimo's Grade 3-4 Class**, along with **Ms. Bolt's Grade 2-3 Class** will be going on a **Field Trip to Thunder Bay.**

On **Friday, June 21st**, students will be participating in **"Pitch-In-Day".**

On **Tuesday, June 25th**, our school will be holding our annual **"Activity Day"**. All classes will participate in various activities throughout the afternoon.

On **Wednesday, June 26th**, in the afternoon, we will be holding our **Senior Kindergarten Graduation** Ceremony at the school, in our gym **beginning at 2pm** (parents can come and dress their children at 1:30pm.) Light refreshments will be served.

Our **Senior Kindergarten Graduates** for 2019 are:

Dresyn Baxter
Faith Charlie
Conner King
Malachi Loon
Lennox Mesengeeshik-Penagin
Michaella Moss
Phoenix Neill
Harmony Netemegesic
Brianna Nowegejick
Azmariah Penagin
Ali Rickard
Ross Wabason Jr.

Our **Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony** will be held on **Thursday, June 27th** at **6:30pm** in our school gym. Tickets are $15.00 each and are **available at the school**.

Our 2019 **Grade 8 Graduates** are:

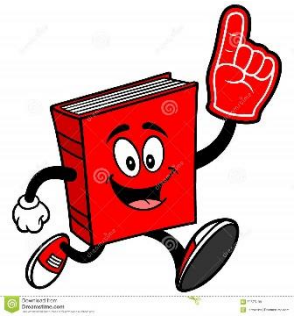
Josephine Bouchard
Teagan Bouchard
Jonatan Bron
Grace Johnston
Liza King
Mary Ann Kitakijick
Alan MacNeil-King
Darryl Nodin
River Nodin
Destiny Shapwaykeesic
Zander Shonias
Lucas Sinoway

Our **Annual Awards Assembly** will take place on **Friday, June 28th at 9:30am in the school gym**. Parents, guardians and community members are welcome to attend.

The last day of school for students is Friday, June 28th.

The 2019-2020 School Year will begin on Wednesday, September 4th.

Reminder: Teachers, student, parents and community library users are reminded to return all outstanding library books back to the library on or before **Monday, June 17th**. Any outstanding books are automatically fined to individuals. *Please help return all books!*



Have a great summer! And see you in September!!

Ms. Kotovich's final Girls Club tie-dying t-shits.

Reading Buddies Grade 3-4 and JK/SK

Youth Fusion Toronto Trip