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**March 2018**

**Newsletter**



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Unbelievably, March Break is just around the corner! Lots of great things are happening at our school and here are just a few! We recently had a visit from Scientists in the School and once again had another very exciting day learning about a variety of science topics. We have also been able to take advantage of the recent snow. The grade 3 / 4, 4 /5. And 5 /6 classes recently went snowshoeing, and learned about winter survival skills at Backus Mill. Thanks to Mrs. Willson for arranging this opportunity for our students. Our intermediate student also enjoyed some winter sporting fun, skiing at Chicopee. What an awesome day it was! Thanks Mr. Smith! Mrs. Jansen had a baby girl, Adeline,

on February 23 and has left our school for her maternity leave. We welcome Miss Stephanie Sebring in our grade 4 / 5 class. Also, we are losing Miss Varga as she has secured a permanent contract at another school. Although we are sad to see her go, we congratulate her. We welcome Miss Jennifer Dockx as our new teacher in the grade 2 / 3 classroom. As we move into March break, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and hope that you find some time to enjoy your children, friends and family.

**Important Upcoming Dates:**

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| March 2 | Assembly 2:15 |
| March 6 | COPE meeting 6:30 p.m. |
| March 9 | Green Day |
| March 12-16 | March Break |
| March 20 | Hydro Presentation |
| March 23 | Twin Day |
| March 30 | Good Friday |
| April 2 | Easter Monday |

**Grade 8 Graduation**Please save the date! Grade 8
Graduation Ceremonies will be held
 on June 27, 2018.

**Courtland Clubs**
We will be starting up a primary skipping club at recesses. Thanks Mrs. Sergeant for providing this opportunity for our students!

**Dance – A – Thon**Thanks everyone for supporting our annual Dance- A-Thon. The children had a lot of fun and were dancing up a storm. Special thanks to COPE for arranging this event and to Ready Music Mix for providing the tunes. Thanks to your support we raised $750 or our school!

**Character Education – Humility**This month’s Character Education Focus will be on “Humility”. Teachers will be working with students to teach them about this important trait. Please help us by reinforcing this with your child at home. Talk to your children about putting others first.



**Kindergarten Registration**We continue to urge parents to
register their young children for
Kindergarten. If your child will be
 four or five years of age this year,
they can attend Kindergarten in September. Here at Courtland P.S., we have **Full Day Kindergarten with Junior and Senior Kindergarten students attending every day!**  We have a wonderful Kindergarten Orientation planned for **May 5, 2016** that we invite our newly registered Kindergarten students and parents to attend. Don’t miss out on this event as it assists students in their Kindergarten readiness. Please contact Mrs. Epp at the office, 519-688 2110 for registrations. We hope you will assist us in making this information known to the community at large.

**EQAO Assessments**Our grade 3 and 6 students will be writing the EQAO Assessment between May 22, 2018 and June 6 , 2018. If at all possible, please do not schedule daytime appointments for your child during this time. It is important that all of our students are here during all of the assessments.

**COPE CALENDAR**The annual COPE Calendar Fundraiser is back! COPE Council members have been busy canvassing the local community for donations for prizes for our exciting calendar draw. All the donated prizes are listed on a calendar for the month of May and winners are drawn daily for the entire month. Each student in the school will be given 10 calendars to sell for $5.00 each. A letter explaining this fundraiser in more detail will be attached to the back of the 10 calendars your child will bring home to sell. If you would like to contribute a prize to be included in this fundraiser, please drop it off at the school to Mrs. Epp in the office. Friday, March 10th is the deadline for prize donations.

**Chocolate Bar School Fundraiser**So far we have already raised just over $2000 during our Chocolate Bar Fundraiser; that’s terrific! Once you sell a box, please return the money to the office and if you wish to take another box to sell, just write a note and send it with your child. Money is due to the office by Tuesday, March 20 if you wish to receive double draw tickets, all money is due by Wednesday, March 21 to receive any draw tickets and the prize draw will be held on Thursday, March 22. Thank you so very much for supporting our school!



Your interest in Courtland Public School and your continued support is appreciated.
Please call Mrs. Stewart if you have
any follow up questions or concerns
regarding this newsletter.