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Message from the Principal

Welcome to spring, a time we have all been long waiting for. In the month of May students and staff will be promoting and talking about perseverance. Students are encouraged to continue to work diligently right to the end of the year embracing their success with celebration and accepting their shortcomings as another way of learning and persevering. Our grade three and six students have been preparing all year for the annual EQAO testing that will be administered in late May and early June. Grade three students will do the testing from May 24th to May 26th and the grade six students will follow from May 30th to June 1st. Thank you to Ms. McLeod and Mrs. Michael for running the Booster Club to help with student preparation for EQAO.

Congratulations to Ms. Atfield, Mrs. Claydon and the rest of the Eco-Team at King George for their outstanding contributions with recycling, re-using and keeping a clean healthy environment.

Thank you to all of the families who were able to join us for "Are You Smarter than a Cobra" during Education Week. Playing games as a family is one way to spend time together and take a break from all the hustle and bustle that life throws at us. Keeping a good balance of work and play is good practice for well being and mental health.

Mr. G. Rowe

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Math Moments

Myths & Facts about Learning Math

There are a lot of misconceptions about math ability floating around. Let's get those out of the way.

Myth: Math ability is a gift. Some people have the "math gene" and others just don't.

Fact: There is no such thing as a math gene. Everyone can succeed in math. In fact, more than ability, a positive attitude towards mathematics makes deep learning possible.

Myth: Mathematicians solve problems quickly and never make mistakes.

Fact: Albert Einstein, one of the world's great mathematicians, once claimed, "It's not that I'm so smart, it's just that I stay with problems longer." If that was true of Einstein, then it shouldn't surprise us when we too make mistakes and need time to solve problems.

Myth: You have to be good at memorizing to be good at math.

Fact: It is important for your child to be able to quickly recall math facts. But memorization is only one approach. When your child understands the concepts and procedures involved in number operations, and the relationships between addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division, he/she will find it much easier to remember math facts and learn new ones. Math is more about *thinking* than it is about memorizing.

Myth: People who were taught math the old way can't make sense of today's math.

Fact: You can learn alongside your child, and strengthen your own math skills in the process. Ask your child to explain and show you what the class is learning. Children are great teachers, and explaining math concepts and procedures to you will help your child to understand them better. Also, ask your child's teacher for suggestions on how to quickly learn the strategies your child is using.



Congratulations to the parent team, "SMARTIES", who were the winners of the "Are You Smarter Than a Cobra".

Thank you to all the families that were able to attend our Education Week activities at King George School. A big thanks to our school council team that put the event together.

PARENT REMINDER

- ✓ **Parent Council – June 6th**
- ✓ **Welcome to Kindergarten May 25th**
- ✓ **Grade 3/6 EQAO**



2nd Annual King George Fun Fair

- ✓ Mark this event down on your calendar
 - * School Council and King George School are inviting all families to our second annual FAMILY FUN FAIR. The event will take place on Tuesday, June 20th, from 6 to 8:00pm. Families will have the pleasure of enjoying a family night out to:
- Play games and win prizes
- BBQ (Family dinner)
- Face Painting
- Cake Walk
- Live DJ
- Auction Table – Theme Baskets
- Teacher “Pie in the Face”

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Next school council meeting is on Tuesday, June 6th, 2017 at 5:30. We look forward to your attendance. Babysitting is available.

Public Health Nurse Message

Protect Your Brain! Wear a Helmet!

Bicycle riding season is just around the corner! Remember to keep yourself and your children safe on every ride by wearing a bicycle helmet that fits properly and by following the rules of the road.

Here are some helpful tips:

- Before buying a helmet for yourself or your child, make sure it meets the correct safety standards and has a safety sticker from one of the following organizations: CPSC, Snell or ASTM
- Make sure that the helmet fits properly! Visit Parachute Canada, parachutecanada.org/resources, for instructions on properly fitting a helmet
- Helmets should be replaced every five years
- If the helmet has been in a crash or is cracked or damaged in any way, it should be replaced immediately
- Remember – different activities may need different helmets. If you are unsure whether or not the helmet is safe for the activity, check with the company that made the helmet!

You are your child's best role model. Role model safe behaviours by wearing a properly fitted helmet yourself. You only have one brain. Protect it by wearing a helmet!

For more information about bicycle helmets, safety tips and answers to frequently asked questions, visit Parachute Canada at www.parachutecanada.org

Brantford Public Library News

Homework Help Centre (Program runs fall/winter only)

Would your child benefit from some extra homework support outside of school hours? If so, Homework Help is the perfect solution! Homework Help is a drop-in program run by the **Laurier Students for Literacy (LSFL)**. Homework support is available for students in grades 3 to 8. Please note that a parent/guardian must remain in the library while their child is in the Homework Help Centre. For more information, call the Library at 519-756-2220.

The Homework Help Centre hours of operation are:

Monday - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Thursday from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Through the fall/winter only

Kids Night Out

Tuesday, May 9, 16, 23.
6:30pm - 7:15pm

Discover new ways to be creative with Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Join us for this Maker Space group focusing on collaboration, experiments and challenging puzzles

Hang out
with snakes, lizards

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