

### School Newsletter - FEBRUARY 2018

#### Principal's Message

Last month, I welcomed Mlle Dubinsky to our staff, as she is filling in for Mme Samborski who is off on a maternity leave. This month, I welcome Mrs. Nateghi who is filling in for Mrs. MacDonald in Kindergarten C. We are eagerly awaiting news from Mrs. MacDonald who is expecting her baby any day now! The students are truly blessed to have Long Term Occasional teachers who have transitioned so well into our school community. Welcome ladies!

As the mid-point of the academic year approaches, staff are preparing report cards which will be sent home with students on February 15. Please review these reports with your child to reflect on accomplishments and set areas for improvement for the remainder of the year. Lakewood students strive to achieve to their individual potential each day! Lastly, I want to wish all families a phenomenal Family Day this month.

Yours truly, David Van Laecke.

#### Kindergarten Registration Still Open

Children eligible for Junior Kindergarten must be 4 years old by December 31, 2018 to enroll. February 9 at 4 pm is the deadline for French Immersion Kindergarten registration.

#### Hot Lunch & School Trips

All hot lunch and school trips are to be completed online. Hot lunch orders will now consistently **open up on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month and close on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month** for the following month's orders. If you need assistance registering to [schoolcashonline.com](http://schoolcashonline.com) or any help in navigating the online purchasing method, don't hesitate to contact School Cash Online - Parent Help Desk at 1-866-961-1803 or [parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com](mailto:parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com).

#### Batteries & Old Markers for Recycling

We have a pail in the office for accepting used batteries, and a box for used markers. Send them to the office. Let's protect our environment and recycle!



#### Inclement Weather

**Lakewood Elementary School is in ZONE 1.** Transportation delays and/or Weather-related school closures are communicated in a variety of ways by 6:30 a.m: Radio (FM 98.9, 92.1 & 101.3) and Websites ([www.granderie.ca](http://www.granderie.ca) and [www.stsbhn.ca](http://www.stsbhn.ca)).

#### Dates to Remember

- Feb 2 – Colour House Day
- Feb 9 - Sunglasses Day
  - Grade 4-8 rowing fundraiser for Association for Community Living
- Feb 14 – Red/White/Pink Day
- Feb 15 – Report Cards go home
  - March Hot lunch orders close
- Feb 19 – Family Day (no school)
- Feb 23 – Rock Star Day
- Feb 26 – Jr Basketball Tournament
- Feb 28 – Pink Shirt Day (Anti-bullying)
- March 1 – Int Girls Basketball Tournament
- March 2 – Lakewood's Got Talent at 11:30
- March 5 – Int Boys Basketball Tournament

**JK/SK Entry:** Kindergarten students will now enter the school using the same doors as the grade ones, beside the multipurpose room. Late students continue to enter the front doors to sign in at the office.

Character Focus for February is Inclusiveness

*SUCCESS* for Every Student

**Lakewood Parent Group:**

We are looking forward to our first meeting of 2018 this Monday, Feb 5th from 6-8. Because of construction we will be in the LEARNING COMMONS so please join us there!

This month we are so excited to be hosting a **FREE Family Paint night with Art With Heart on Monday, Feb. 26th from 6-8**. Thank you to all who signed up - as a reminder there will be snacks and drinks available and daycare will be provided if you've registered.

Thank you so much for the Snack Program donations you've been making on your Hot Lunch orders, they really are making a difference!"

