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Term One Reports

Report cards will be sent home on Thursday, February 15th. All grades will receive a formal report card. Be sure to go over the report card with your child, noticing their strengths and areas for improvement. Talk about the goals that you would like to set for the coming term. Spend some time looking at the Learning Skills and seeing where an improvement in this area would help in all subject areas. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your student's report card, please contact your child's teacher.

Chocolate Bar Campaign

Our annual Chocolate Bar Fundraising Campaign has been a big success! We raised roughly \$4000.00. Some of the funds raised this year, combined with previous years' profits will go towards a new audio-visual system for the gym. Part of the money will also go towards the playground fund.

School Council:

Our next parent council meeting will be held on March 26th. All parents are welcome. We hope to see everyone at our Family Dance Night on Friday, February 16th @ 6:30pm. Please see the flyer that went home last week to preorder your tickets by February 9th.

Reminder

Kindergarten Registration continues.
Please call or drop by the office to register your child for JK.

Mark Your Calendar

Feb. 5th- Candy Grams for sale
Feb. 9- Olympics begin! Wear your favourite country's colours or the colours of the Olympic Rings
Feb. 9- Winter Carnival (weather permitting)
Feb. 12 and 13- Dental Screening
Feb. 13- Pancake Tuesday
Feb. 15- Report Cards come home
Feb. 16- Family Fun Dance
Feb. 19- Happy Family Day
Feb. 28- Intermediate Boys' Basketball Tournament
Feb. 28- Pink Shirt Day

Student Leadership Recognition

At the January Awards Assembly for Compassion, the following students received awards:

Academic: Lucas H., Katelyn T., Stewart B., Jayden M., Emma H., Gideon M., Olivia M., Wes P. & Abby M.

Junior French: Logan H.

Intermediate French: Wes P.

Compassion Character Attribute: Nixen B., Jake J., Liam P., Blake M., Ivan C., Charlee W., Kailee W., Lucy D., Lorelai J. & Josh S.

Walpole North Star Student Leaders: Charlotte M., Jamison A., Mia Y., Owen B., Claire D., Alexis J., Miles C., Rachel L., Mason M., Clayton D. & Mureea M.

Lunchmate Movie Pass Winner: Alexis J.

Student Voice

During the month of February we will have 2 Spirit Days. Feb. 9th is the Opening Ceremonies for the Olympics. Dress in the colours of the Olympic rings or of your favourite country. On February 14th, dress in pink and red for Valentine's Day. There will be a Valentines Dance for grades 6-8. Candygrams will be for sale starting on Feb. 5th for 25¢ each.

Bag2School

Spring cleaning is just around the corner. It's time to start cleaning out the closets. Once again Walpole North will be doing the Bag2School fundraiser. Stay tuned for the delivery dates. Please set aside your donations until the week late March. Date to be announced. Donate your unwanted clothing, shoes, jackets, stuffies, drapes, sheets, etc.

Playground Fundraising Update

Our Fundraising account is growing! We now have over \$16000.00 set aside for our new playground. Recently, the School Council voted to approve a \$5 000 transfer of past fundraising money into the Playground Fundraiser. We have also recently received very generous donations from local businesses totaling \$2 200! These donations were a result of our letter-writing campaign in December.

Please see the attached Fundraising form. If you know of a local business, employer, or community group who may want to support us, please fill in the information and return it to the school. Thanks to all of your support we will have this playground soon!

Pancake Tuesday

All students will receive pancakes and syrup in the morning on Tuesday, February 13th. If you do not want your child to participate, please call the school. Volunteers are needed to help make pancakes.

Family Literacy Week

Thanks you to all those families who chose to complete the family literacy activities. There were 340 ballots in the draw that took place on January 26th. 25 students won literacy prizes at the Literacy Assembly. Thank you to Mrs. Mitchell for organizing Family Literacy Week!

Inclement Weather and Bus Cancellations

Walpole North is listed as a Zone 2 school. Check the Grand Erie website at 6:30am for details. Information will be posted on our Twitter page and a message will be sent on the School Messenger as soon as this information is confirmed.

Snack Program Volunteers

Thank you to our current volunteers who help prepare our snack 3 days per week. We are in need of more volunteers. Can you spare one half hour, once or twice per month? Volunteers do simple prep tasks like cutting up cheese or bagging carrots. It's easy and fun. Many hands make light work. We are also in need of a volunteer to help once a month to tally hot lunch orders. Please call the school to volunteer. Thank you.

Head Lice

Please continue to be diligent and check your child's head regularly. We will continue to work together to address this situation.

RESPECT

The Character Attribute for the month of February is Respect. Showing respect to someone means you act in a way that shows you care about their feelings and well-being.

Pink Shirt Day

Pink Shirt Day is on Feb. 28th. Please wear pink to show your support for Kindness to one another. Bullying is not kind. We will be doing activities throughout the month and on Feb. 28th to remind ourselves how important it is to not bully others. We will learn about types of bullying and how to get help. "Nice needs no filter".

Winter Carnival

Please send students dressed warmly for outdoor activities every day. We are aiming to have our Winter Carnival on Friday, Feb. 9th, weather permitting. If not, it may be on another day.

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