

École T. M. Roberts Elementary
School

The Twister



Weekly Newsletter
Thursday, April 6, 2017

Canadian Parents for French: CPF meeting, Wednesday April 12th, 7-8pm

PAC Pancake Breakfast: The next pancake breakfast will be on Thursday April 13th. We are looking for volunteers to cut up oranges, serve pancakes and clean up. If you have some spare time in the morning and can help out, please contact PAC via the TM PAC Facebook page.

PAC Hot Lunches: The next hot lunch will be April 20th - Pizza. Orders must be in no later than April 13th through the Munch-a-lunch, under parents tab on the TMRES website. Parents can sign up to help deliver lunches to their children's classrooms by contacting Kari Pidskalny at: tmrspac@gmail.com.

Epi Pen Recall: Please see the information below regarding a Health Canada advisory notice for Epi Pen auto injectors that may fail to activate properly.

<http://healthycanadians.gc.ca/recall-alert-rappel-avis/hc-sc/2017/62872a-eng.php>

School Zone: You will notice that "Little Suzy" is out in front of the school again. This is a reminder to drivers that there are children present on the road and that it is a school zone, therefore the speed limit is 30 kms/hour. There is also zone on 3rd Ave. that is also a school zone where the speed limit needs to be followed and drivers need to use extreme caution. Thanks for your help in spreading awareness.

Parking Lot: Our parking lot is reserved for staff and students who require wheelchair or mobility accessibility. Please do not enter the parking lot at drop off or pick up. The loop is quick drop-off and pick up zone for students in grades 1 - 6. Students should be waiting for their parents under the covered area to be picked up by parents from the loop. There is no parking allowed in the loop. Thank you for your understanding.

Our Furry Friends: PAC provides doggie bags that are usually hung up near the playground. The dispenser was broken with all of the snow that was plowed to the fence. We will be installing a new one shortly but in the meantime, if you're here with "Rover" and you find yourself without a bag we have some in the school.

Jump Rope for Heart: The totals are in! With 9 fundraisers our school collected \$1,289.05 for the Jump Rope for Heart. Thanks to all of the students who participated and who are working on their skipping skills.

Next Year Information: If you are considering changing programs, schools, or are moving can you please contact the office. It is very important as we begin to look forward to next year. Thank you!

Twister Shout-out: Take a look at our school blog to see what's been going on in our school and who is making it happen!

<https://portal.sd5.bc.ca/public/o5sdsn24ofuwuzlcpbss4ytzofya/Blog/default.aspx#/>

Canadian Parents for French Held 'Buddy Day'

On Feb 2nd, Canadian Parents for French volunteers led 'Buddy Day' at Parkland school. Buddy day has become an annual event (for the past 5 years), where the TM Robert's grade 6 French immersion (FI) students go to Parkland and 'buddy up' with the grade 7 FI students for approx. 1 hour of outdoor 'carnival' type fun. This is to help ease the transition from elementary to middle school and thereby increase the likelihood of students staying in French immersion. Bonhomme (the mascot for 'Carnival') also attended the event and received a warm welcome from students. Buddy day ended with hot chocolate and cookies, provided at a generously reduced cost by Max's Place. It was great to see the smiles on the faces of the students that took part, despite the bitter cold!

Concours d'art Oratoire -what's that?

This is a public speaking competition held each year throughout Canada, once of the main activities organized by Canadian Parents for French throughout the country. Here at TM, we held a school level competition. Teachers have the option of having their classes participate, and have organized it themselves this year at the 'school' level, with some support from the local Canadian Parents for French Chapter.

On March 2nd, Mme Ingrid's grade 4's, Mme Catherine's grade 5's and Mme Leann/ Mme Richelle's grade 5 and 6's took part. It was a fantastic event, with all classes participating on the same day. Thank you to all of our volunteer judges: They were: Marie-Andree Ouellette, Sacha Trudel, Normand Godon, Carole Scmideder, Jean-Louis Guerin and Pascal Bernard.

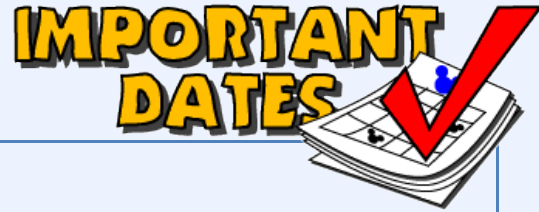
Congratulations to all of the students that participated. It takes a lot of courage to stand up and talk in front of a room full of people! The top 3 grade 6 students for each of the 2 categories which we have at this school (Early French immersion and Francophone) are encouraged to attend the regional competition in **Fernie, on Friday April 7th starting at 1:00pm**. This includes Haylee Effray (1st place Francophone), Arianna (2nd place Francophone), Tristian Anderson (1st place Early FI), Ben Humphrey (2nd place Early FI), Ronan Hong (3rd place Early FI) and Calvin Powell (3rd place Early FI). The event will be held at either the courthouse or at Fernie Secondary School (still to be determined). Please contact Katrin Powell at kapowell@telus.net if you would like more information.

The photos are from Buddy day



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Calendar Dates to Remember



April 10	Pro-D Day School not in session
April 12	CPF Meeting 7 - 8 pm
April 13	PAC Pancake Breakfast
April 14 & 17	Stat Holiday School not in session
April 20	PAC Hot Lunch - Pizza Take Me Outside Day
April 28	School Break School not in session
May 5	Pro-D Day School not in session
May 18	PAC Hot Lunch - Quiznos & Booster Juice Day
May 19	School Break School not in session
May 22	Stat Holiday School not in session
June 2	School Break School not in session
June 9	Pro-D Day School not in session

Remember to check the T.M. Website for regular updates.
www.sd5.bc.ca/school/tmres