



École T. M. Roberts Elementary  
School

# The Twister



Weekly Newsletter

Thursday, December 17, 2015

*As the year 2015 is coming to an end, we would like to thank all students, parents and staff for their hard work and kindness that makes TM Roberts such a wonderful place to work, learn and play. We would like to thank the PAC and all parents who help in the school by volunteering their time to offer special events and support for teachers and students. We hope that everyone has a restful winter break. Please take the time to enjoy friends and family this holiday season. School resumes on January 4th. We will see you all in the New Year!*

**Pancake Breakfast:** – PAC is hosting a pancake breakfast December 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 - 9:00 am. Students will receive two tickets, one for pancakes and one for juice, which they can then enter in a draw for family movie or family swim passes. We are asking for cash donations for the Food Bank.

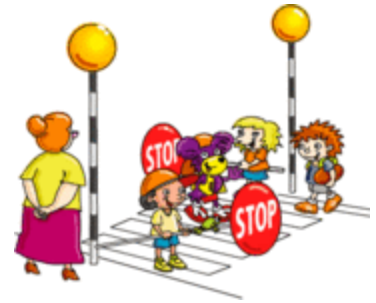
**Band Concert:** Our first band concert of the year will be Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.

**Triton Swimming** – For interested students in Grades 3, 4 or 5. Please see attached registration information and form.

**Family Literacy Day – Creative Writing Project 2016:** Wednesday January 27<sup>th</sup> students from all Cranbrook schools are invited to enter the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Creative Writing Project. It is a very flexible format. Students may enter stories, poems, scripts, graphic stories and even comics. It can be on any subject and should be no more than 2 pages in length. One entry will be chosen from each grade in each school and published in the Townsman or on their website. This project is a partnership between The Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy (CBAL), School District #5, and The Cranbrook Daily Townsman/Black Press. The authors will be named and honoured at the 2016 Family Literacy Day at the Manual Training School in the Library. Students are encouraged to ask their teacher about this project. All submissions must be in to the school by January 14<sup>th</sup>.

Schools must have their honorees work (copies only **no** originals) in to Katherine Hough (CBAL) ([cranbrookcoordinator@cbal.org](mailto:cranbrookcoordinator@cbal.org)) no later than Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Concern about student safety** – We continue to struggle with vehicles parking unsafely at our school. We are aware that parking is limited and that after school is a busy time for student pick-up however, the safety of our students is being compromised at this time. The Parent Loop is for quick pick-up and drop-off only. Vehicles are not to be parked waiting for students to arrive. We have had vehicles parking and blocking the loop as well as parking in the staff parking lot and bus areas which are prohibited. When students are trying to reach their car, they are crossing unsafely through the parked and moving vehicles. Please ensure that you are parking in a manner that allows students to be safe.



**Kindergarten Registration 2016-2017:** Registration for September 2016 will commence on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. Registration packages will be available in the office at that time. Please bring a birth certificate or passport, along with proof of B.C. residency. For English Kindergarten, we will only accept registrations for catchment area students. If you would like to attend TM Roberts, and do not live in our catchment area, you are asked to register at your neighbourhood school and complete a school transfer request. This catchment area does not apply to French Immersion registrations.

**A Note from the Leadership Committee:**

The students in the leadership group would greatly appreciate it if any families that have any too small or unused clothing that they could donate them to the school for a secret event. Christmas is a time to show gratitude and give back. Please encourage any family members to spend a few minutes looking for small or unused clothing. It can be delivered to Ms. Galvin’s room at any time.

**One – to – One:** Our One – to – One Reading Program is looking for 2 French speaking volunteers. If you are interested, please contact the school. (250) 489-4575

**Crazy Carpets Only Please!!** No foam sleds, GT racers, or other sleds please.

**Calendar Dates to Remember**



<b>December 18</b>	PAC Pancake Breakfast 8 – 9 am Band Concert – 11 am PJ Day
<b>December 21 – January 1</b>	Winter Break – school closed
<b>January 6</b>	PAC Meeting – 6 pm
<b>January 7</b>	PAC Hot Lunch -Mac and Cheese
<b>January 12</b>	TM Spirit Day – wear blue!
<b>February 16</b>	PAC Hot Lunch - Arbys/DQ
<b>March 10</b>	PAC Hot Lunch -Quiznos sub day

Remember to check the T.M. Website for regular updates.  
[www.sd5.bc.ca/school/tmres](http://www.sd5.bc.ca/school/tmres)