

CANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2019

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

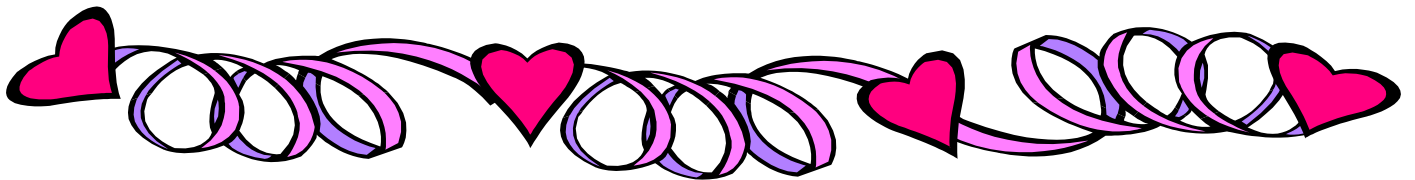
It is hard to believe we are already at the half way point of the school year. I find February a beautiful time of the year for the simple reason, I start noticing the days getting longer. I love winter, but I like the feeling that spring is not far down the road.

There is a variety of school events and activities coming up in February, read deeper into the newsletter for complete details but here are a couple things on the go. Basketball season is entering the final stretch, parent teacher interviews on February 7, badminton is getting into full swing, our young thespians are working hard for the dessert theatre in March, and chess club is going strong. I would like to thank all of the students who take part in these activities, as well as our teachers for the time they give to coach, direct and mentor.

Family day and winter break is coming up during the third week of the month. Look for opportunities to talk with your child about what they are watching and/or reading. This could be during road trips, movie nights, bedtime stories, or relaxed afternoons. Try asking open ended questions that cannot be answered with a yes or no; this can lead to some interesting conversations.

On the theme of travel, we have been talking about winter safety here at the school. We encourage students to dress for the weather (our junior students do a much better job of this than our seniors), we have also talked about having a winter survival kit in the car, and the importance of letting people know your plan when traveling during the winter months. We encourage parents to talk with your children about winter safety and what to do when the unforeseen happens such as a vehicle in the ditch, car won't start at the end of a day of ice fishing, or a snowmobile breaking down during a ride. We here at the school wish everyone a safe and enjoyable winter season.

-Mr. Brian Linn



ONGOING EVENTS

Elementary Skating -The elementary students will continue their Friday afternoon school skating program in February. We welcome all parents, caregivers, grandparents and community members to come and help tie skates and watch the children skate.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PLC - Friday, February 1. No Classes.

Report Cards - Grade 1 to Grade 12 report cards will be sent home with students on Tuesday, February 5.

Interviews - Parent teacher interviews Thursday, February 7. Interview times have been mailed out.

Co-op Cards - The students from Grade 7/8 will be offering Co-op gift cards again this year. The proceeds of the card sales will go toward the Grade 7/8 class trip to the Tunnels of Moose Jaw and the Regina Science Centre. We will be selling the cards from January 30 - February 8. If you are interested in purchasing gift cards please call the school or drop by the school office. Thank you!

-Mr. Duval and the Grade 7/8 class

February Break - Monday, February 18 to Friday, February 22. The school will be closed.

Ski Trip - On Tuesday, March 12 Canwood Public School will be in a slippery situation. The Kindergarten to Grade 6 classes will be making the trip to Timber Ridge in Big River for their ski day and the Grade 7 to Grade 12 classes will be getting up early and going to Table Mountain in North Battleford. Students will be bringing home registration forms and more information later on in February. Hopefully everything will be downhill from here.



-Mr. Grant Person

Dessert Theatre - This year's Dessert Theatre will take place on Wednesday, March 20. Details and ticket sale information will be in the March newsletter.

THANK YOU

Thank you - to Premier Scott Moe for taking time out of your busy schedule to visit Canwood Public School. Premier Moe spent the afternoon of December 21 touring the school and talking to students. He then met with staff members and discussed public education in Saskatchewan.

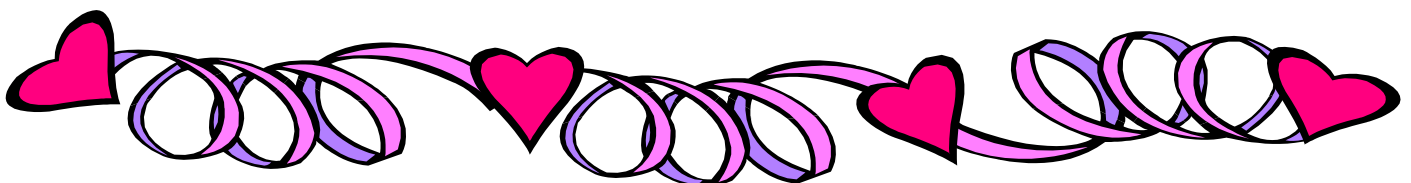
Thanks - to Lila Olson, Barb Benson, Colleen Receveur and Sandra Willner for all the yummy treats they bake with our Grade 4 students for the snack program.

EXTRAS

Yearbooks - The 2016-2017 yearbooks are in and available for purchase at the school office for \$35 each. We also have the following yearbooks for sale: 2013-2014 for \$25, 2014-2015 for \$35 and 2015-2016 for \$35.

School Website - On the Canwood Public School website <https://cw.srsd119.ca/> you will find bus updates, contact information, newsletters, calendars, staff lists, the school handbook and more. Add the Canwood School website to your favorites or to your home screen to quickly check the calendar, announcements for upcoming events and noon meals.

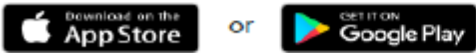
Attendance - Winter weather, the snow and cold temperatures, can present challenges to getting children to school. So can colds, fevers and earaches that seem to increase during the winter months. There's not much we can do about the weather, but we can remind our children that hand washing is important in helping them stay healthy and we can have a back-up plan to get our children to school if, for instance, our vehicles won't start. Let's continue to build the habit of good attendance during the winter months as we look forward to Spring!



Remind notifications for SRPSD buses are available. Follow these simple steps to receive important information about your school bus, sent right to your phone! We ask that along with your specific school(s) you also subscribe to "All SRPSD buses". Important division wide information may be sent only to "All SRPSD buses" in some circumstances. For instance, in the case of buses being cancelled because of weather thresh holds, notice will be sent out on the "All SRPSD buses" channel.

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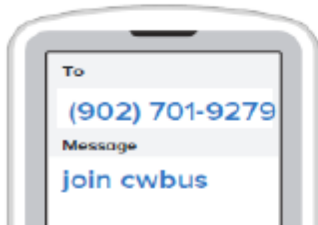
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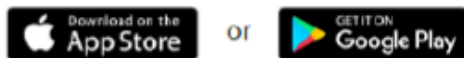
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Text (902) 701-9279 with the words "join cwbus" to get updates from School bus info via text message.

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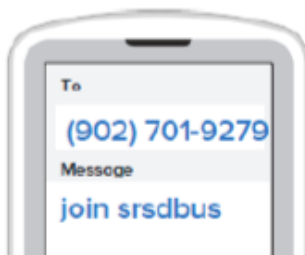
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Learn to Curl - All youth aged 9 years old and up are welcome to attend Learn to Curl at the Debden Curling Rink on Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.. A helmet and clean shoes are required. For more information call or text Richard DeBruijn at 306-747-1326.



CANWOOD LEGION BRANCH #132

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STEPHANIE ROSE

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019 at the CANWOOD LEGION HALL

ADVANCE TICKETS

ADULTS \$15.00 CHILDREN under 12 free

DOORS open at 1.00 p.m. MUSIC starts at 2.00 p.m.

INCLUDES DESSERT AND COFFEE/TEA


SILENT AND CHINESE AUCTIONS AND 50/50 DRAWS WILL BE HELD THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON

For more info and /or tickets contact: Bob at 306-468-7942 Margie at 306-468-7021 OR
Penny at 306-468-7127

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SUPPORT CANWOOD LEGION BRANCH #132



February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
<p>Mrs. Kaley Spigott, Social Worker, will be at Canwood School on February 5, 12, & 26</p>					1 PLC No Classes	2	
3	4	5 Grade 1-12 Report Cards	6 Lasagna \$3.50 K-4 \$2.50	7 Parent-Teacher Interviews 3:30-8:30 p.m.	8 Chicken Noodle Soup \$2.00 & Cheese Biscuit \$1.00 Pre-K Family Day	9 Elementary Skating	
10	11	12	13 Meatballs in Mushroom Sauce, Rice & Peas \$3.50 K-4 \$2.50	14 Happy Valentine's Day	15 Beef Stew \$2.00 & Focaccia Bread \$1.00 ← Elementary Skating	16	
	Day 5 Pre-K	Day 6 K	Day 1 Pre-K	Day 2 K	Day 3 Pre-K		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
	Day 4 K	Day 5 Pre-K	Day 6 K	Day 1 Pre-K	Day 2 K		
	Family Day No Classes	FEBRUARY BREAK - SCHOOL CLOSED					
24	25	26	27 Baked Pasta in Tomato Sauce \$3.50 K-4 \$2.50	28			
	Day 3 Pre-K	Day 4 K	Day 5 Pre-K	Day 6 K			
							
							



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Mr. Brian Linn, Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

At Canwood Public School, one of our greatest priorities is ensuring that all our students arrive safely at school each and every day.

To enhance our existing absence-checking procedure, we are introducing *a new, more efficient* student absence reporting system called *SafeArrival*. This new system will reduce the time it takes to verify student attendance, make it easy for you to report your child's absence and easy for staff to respond to unexplained student absences.

With *SafeArrival*, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the *SchoolMessenger* app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>). The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
2. Use the *SafeArrival* website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
3. Call the toll-free number 1-833-309-1241 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

In addition, we will use the *SchoolMessenger Communicate* automated notification system to contact parents whose child is absent when the absence was not reported in advance. The automated notification system will attempt to contact parents at multiple contact points until a reason is submitted for the absence. If our system is unable to reach the designated contacts, office staff will follow up.

If you report your child's absence in advance using the *SafeArrival* toll-free number, website or mobile app, you will NOT receive these notifications.

Starting Monday, October 15, please report absences in advance using *SafeArrival* instead of sending notes or calling/emailing the school.

Starting October 15, staff will begin using the *SafeArrival* notifications to let you know if your student is absent (when you haven't reported the absence in advance).

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we implement this new system.

Mr. Brian Linn
Principal