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A Newsletter for the Community of Lambton-Kent Composite School

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From the Principal...J. Keane

In spite of being the shortest month of the year, February is an important one from an educational perspective. Semester one is behind us now, and students and teachers are underway with new classes. Grade 9 students are making the transition to four new classes for the first time, and Grade 10s are nearing the half-way point of their high school career. At the end of this month, all students intending to return next year will complete course selection using the 'myBlueprint' platform. For current Grade 11 students, this means choosing classes based on their chosen post-secondary destination. This is a great opportunity for parents and senior students to have conversations regarding life after high school, and www.myblueprint.ca is a terrific site designed to explore those opportunities. Grade 12 students can expect to see college or university offers of admissions over the next few months, while those intending to pursue apprenticeships or employment should begin making plans according to their strengths and interests. All this information and more is available in Student Services.

A new semester also brings some changes to LKCS. Mrs. Kelly Boston has moved to J.M.S.S. in a long-term occasional teaching position, and we wish her all the best. Mr. Dave Butler is taking a new position with the board, so we welcome Kari Snyder as lead custodian. And with the closure of our cafeteria, we bid farewell to Mrs. Luanne Clark, who departs LKCS after 28 years and serving thousands of lunches. Winter sports teams - Girls Volleyball, Boys Basketball, Boys Hockey, and Boys and Girls Curling – will be wrapping up their regular seasons soon and gearing up for playoffs. We are confident our student athletes will show great Cardinal Pride against their opponents.

The second semester always seems to pass more quickly than the first, and we want to make sure all our students get off to a positive start in their classes. Please feel free to contact your daughter or son's teachers if you have any questions about their academic performance. Please keep in touch with the school, and stay up to date via Twitter (@LKCSPrincipal) or our school website, <http://www.lkdsb.net/school/LKCS>. As always, you can call the school if you have any questions or concerns. Hopefully, warmer temperatures will arrive soon as we start to plan for our June 28 Graduation ceremony for the Class of 2018!

Important Dates

February

- 2 PD Day
- 5 Semester 2 classes begin
- 6-9 Graduation Photos
- 8 Provincial Report Cards
- 12 Deadline for course changes
- 19 Family Day

March

- 11 Daylight Savings Time
- 12-16 March Break
- 23 ¼ Progress Report - MarkBook®
- 28 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 30 Good Friday

April

- 2 Easter Monday
- 10 OSSLT
- 17 Term one ends
- 18 Term two begins
- 26 Provincial Report Cards
- 27 PD Day

May

- 7-11 Education Week
- 8 Full Disclosure
- 12 Alumni Golf Tournament
- 21 Victoria Day
- 25 ¾ Progress Report – MarkBook®

June

- 5 SAA Athletic Banquet
- 8 PD Day
- 5-18 EQAO Math Assessment – Grade 9
- 18 Year End Assembly
- 20 Locker Cleanout, Textbook Check, Library Book Return
- 22-28 Exams
- 28 Graduation
- 29 PD Day

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