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A Few Words from the Principal

Time flies when we're having fun! April has been an unbelievably busy month filled with incredible learning opportunities, many 'disguised' as fun! The creativity and engagement of our fantastic staff fills the days at King George VI with joyful learning at every turn. I hope you enjoy these photos (next page) of just a few of the exciting learning opportunities that have taken place in April.

Please join me in congratulating Flynn who was recently awarded First Place, provincially, in the Royal Canadian Legion Remembrance Day Poster Contest. Flynn's entry will now go on to be judged at the national level. Congratulations, Flynn! Congratulations, as well, to our *Character Award* recipients for the month of April!



Flynn – 1st Place Royal Canadian Legion Remembrance Day Poster Contest



April Character Award Recipients - Empathy

Please visit <u>King George VI on Facebook</u> – you'll find it's a great way to get a sneak-peek into our terrific little school. Please call, email, or pop by if you have questions, concerns, or to just say, 'Hi!' – my door is always open. (adam.carswell@lkdsb.net)

Warmest regards,

Carswell

Dr. Adam Carswell, Principal



May 1, 2022



Egg Drop Challenge – all classes participated in this STEAM activity in the Learning Commons



Planting seeds in our front gardens



Learning Buddies



Gr. 2 letters to Trudeau



A visit from Lambton Public Libraries

Learning Buddies

Character @ King George VI

Throughout the month of May, students and staff will discuss **resilience**: what it means and why it's important to intentionally teach students how to build resilience. Angela Duckworth's book, <u>Grit: The Power of Passion</u> and Perseverance, outlines years of research suggesting that grit is a stronger predictor of high achievement



than intelligence or talent. By fostering a strong sense of belief in oneself, a growth mindset, and encouraging children to push through obstacles and persevere, they are well-positioned to learn from mistakes, overcome barriers, and reach their goals in spite of setbacks.

Outdoor Classroom & Kindergarten Playground

Our *Spring Celebration* on May 4th was an incredible community gathering for King George VI! *"Thank you!"* doesn't begin to express my appreciation for the time and energy staff, parents, and community sponsors put into planning the event itself...it was fantastic to watch everyone come together for our school. Moreso than the funds the event brought in for King George VI, I was <u>thrilled</u> to see such an amazing turnout – to see families interacting with staff and with each other...to see and hear kids and adults alike laughing and enjoying the day together.

I'm proud to announce that the event raised **\$4,601** toward our fundraising goal; we're well on our way to a new outdoor classroom and kindergarten playground. We're so appreciative of generous donations received thus far – if you haven't already done so, please consider a gift.





Spring Book Fair



Builder's Club Food & Supply Drive for Inn of the Good Shephard



Autism Awareness Day

School Council

King George VI School Council met on Wednesday, April 13, 2022. It was an incredibly productive and positive meeting; thank you to those who attended. Along with an update from the principal, we discussed grad plans, year-end trips, sidewalks along O'Dell, athletics, and fundraising – Giresi's Fundraiser (earned \$3,536 for School Council) and our Spring Celebration. Although there are no more meetings this school year, please consider joining this dynamic, positive, and productive School Council in 2022-23.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our Knight Award recipients; one each from Kindergarten, Primary, Junior, and Intermediate Divisions. We hope you display your certificates with pride!



Madden

Kaleb

Emma

Alayna

Thank you, Mrs. Colman!

We appreciate all you do each and every day for our King George VI community. You truly are a superhero!

A Few Important Reminders

If your child is absent, please call the school office and let us know or use School Messenger so we can report the absence appropriately in our system.

If you have moved or changed phone numbers or email address, please let the school know.

Dates to Remember

Monday, May 23, 2022 Friday, June 10, 2022 Wednesday, June 29, 2022 Thursday, June 30, 2022 Tuesday, September 6, 2022 First Day of School

Victoria Day – No School PA Day – No School PA Day – No School Summer Begins



Administrative Professionals Day