

Mustang's Newsflash

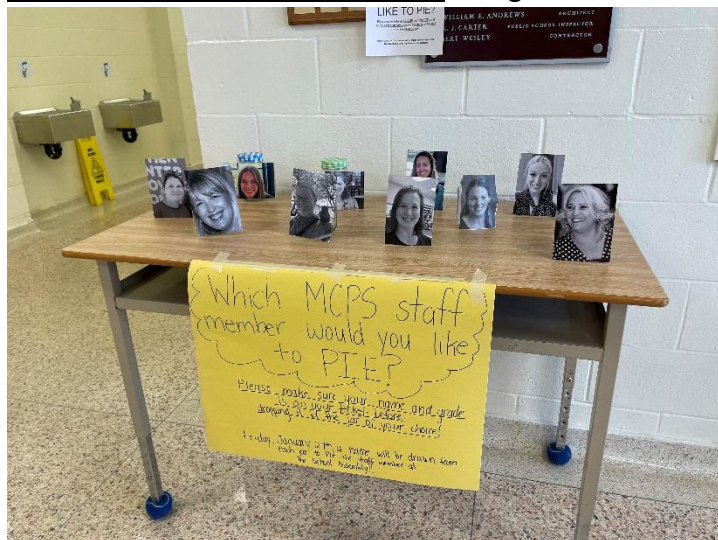
January 2023

Welcome to 2023! As we have started rolling (quickly, it feels) through the new year, we have some news to report. Firstly, we hope you enjoyed a restful and rejuvenating holiday break and are feeling the energy of the new year! It's exciting to break into a fresh beginning and in school life, this is where time really seems to start to fly! Winter is (somewhat) upon us and term one is coming to a close. The half-way point of the school year (celebrated as 100th Day in some classrooms!) will be here soon and as the winter passes along and spring starts to bloom, more exciting adventures in learning take place!



Grade 8 Trip to Muskoka Woods: The grade 8's are taking their year-end trip this year to

Muskoka Woods Camp. They are travelling for 2 nights, (3 days) on April 26-28th. They have been busy doing some fundraisers this year and this month, we have a "Pie the Teacher" event happening. Students buy tickets through school cash online and they get to p[ut their tickets in the jar, to which teacher they wish they could "pie". Then, on Friday, January 27th at about 10:30am...our assembly will take place...a ticket will be drwn from each jar and that lucky person gets to come



to the front to PIE THAT STAFF MEMBER!!! Thank you in advance to all the staff members who have volunteered to step up to take a pie in the face in the name of raising funds for our grade 8 students! We will share pictures of the event and parents are welcome to attend if they wish. Grade 8's will also be starting a J.D. Sweid Chicken fundraiser near the end of February. If you wish to purchase and don't have contact with a grade 8 student, call the office and we will take your order! (info on the products can be found here...

<https://jdsweid.com/products/>) They are very handy to have in the freezer for a quick delicious dinner option!



Candy-grams: Candy Grams will be sold leading up to Valentine's Day. Any money raised will be used to support student activities and field trips! Look for the school-cash-online notification in your email after the PD Day in February.

Sloan's Field Trip: The school-wide field trip to Sloan's in December, right before the winter break, was a HUGE hit! We were so lucky to be able to use \$1500.00 of OUTDOOR EDUCATION FUNDING given to us from the Ministry of Education to support this trip, as well as \$500.00 from the money raised from hot lunches (pizza sales) to supplement the trip (busing and entrance) and pay for the food that day. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to attend and also to all the staff for your hard work in organizing and facilitating the field trip that day!

KINDERSTART: Spread the word! Kindergarten registration is scheuled to take place on Thursday, February 2nd, 2023 (4:00pm-7:00pm) and Friday February 3rd, 2023 (9:00am-3:00pm).

- If you are coming to register a child, please bring with you:
 - a birth certificate or document of birth
 - a copy of a proof of residence (mortgage, rental or tax receipt, copy of uiltlity bill-cell phone bills not accepted)
 - your child so s/he/they can have a tour of the classroom and meet our staff!
- Please fill in a registration form online before coming (link here: <https://www.lkdsb.net/Elementary/Registration/Pages/default.aspx#/=>) Remember to select our school from the drop-down menu when starting the registration form!

February is Friendship, Antibullying and Black History Month! Student council is gathering information from each class to find out what ideas the students have to do some learning about these topics. We are seeking more student voice and hope to be able to have our student body help us build a better school and community. Stay tuned to see how this learning takes place!

A reminder that Friday, February 3rd is a PD day.

Colour House Activity Day: is taking place **Friday, January 27th in the middle block (12-1:20).** We will be focusing on wellness activities (e.g., calming by colouring, yoga moves, mindfulness activities). Please be sure your child(ren) wear their colour house colours that day!

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