

# May 2024

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## A Message from the Office

With the visible signs of spring officially setting in, we look ahead to the final two months of our 2023-2024 school year. As students this helps to frame our attainment of goals set out in our first Report Card and to refocus our efforts as we apply and challenge ourselves through this last portion of the year. We very much look forward to witnessing the continued growth and achievement of our students during May and June.

### School Council Meeting

Our next school council meeting is scheduled for *Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:45pm. to 4:30pm.* All parents or guardians are welcome.

### **EQAO**

This year our Grade 3-6 students will write the provincial EQAO assessment for Reading, Writing and Mathematics between May 13<sup>th</sup> and June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please help your child to do their very best by marking these dates on your family calendar, try to avoid appointments that will cause your child to be absent or late, and maintain a positive attitude about your child's opportunity to shine. The data that EQAO generates ensures that all students are receiving the highest possible quality of education in our province. If you have any questions about this testing, please don't hesitate to ask your child's teacher.

### Track & Field

Our Track and Field Day will take place on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. It will be held here at our school. Students will practise and sign up with their teachers. The Optimist Fry Wagon will be here for students to purchase fries, hotdogs, or drinks, if they are interested. If you would like to volunteer, please inform your child's teacher. Please send your child to school dressed for the weather and with running shoes.

### Registration for Kindergarten

If you have a child who will be 4 years of age before December. 31, 2024 they are eligible to register for Junior Kindergarten.

### Online Registration:

- ✓ Find your eligible school at: Address Check
- ✓ Visit LKDSB Registration and complete the registration form online.
- ✓ Come and meet our caring staff on Wednesday, May 29, 2024, from 4:00pm 7:00pm.

#### Remember to bring:

- ✓ Birth certificate or proof of Canadian Citizenship or Residency Status (if appropriate)
- ✓ Proof of residency (e.g., utility or tax bill, lease/rental agreement, etc.)
- ✓ Your child

We're looking forward to meeting our future Bulldogs!

### School Bus Expectations

Please reinforce these bus procedures and expectations with your child:

- ✓ Wait in a safe place, away from traffic, at your pickup site.
- ✓ Stay away from the bus until it has come to a complete stop and the door opens.
- ✓ Stay in your designated seat from the beginning until the bus stops completely.
- ✓ Keep yourself and all items inside the bus.
- ✓ Be sure you are visible to the driver and the driver is visible to you when approaching the bus.
- ✓ Always obey the directions of the bus driver

<u>Please be aware that busing is a privilege that will be withdrawn if your child's</u> behaviour is unsafe, disorderly or outside the behavior that is expected.

### End of the Day Procedure & Parking Lot

We continue to work to keep our parking lot safe. We need your help! We would ask that you arrange ahead of time how students are getting home. If you are picking your child up, please ask them to stay in the school yard until you have parked your car, so that you can meet them in the yard. This ensures safety for everyone. Also, please remember that we do not want students crossing the road on King Street unless they are at the Merritt/King intersection, or the lights at Crystal and King. Parents are important role models for all students, and we hope you will work with us to instill this practice. We have a staff member on King Street to remind all students and families about this expectation. Walkers are reminded to use the path on the west side of the parking lot (the pathway closest to the field). Students should not cut through the parking lot to access King Street. All scooters and bikes should be walked while on school property. Please park in the spaces provided, and not along the fence (no parking zone).

## Pediculosis (Head Lice)

In accordance with the Board Policy, routine checks for head lice are conducted periodically throughout the year. Every effort is made to prevent the spread of head lice. Some students will need to be sent home and may be re-admitted after the appropriate treatment has been administered. Parents are encouraged to check their children's heads on a regular basis. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

### **Dress Code (R-AD-133)**

While at school, students are expected to be dressed in a tasteful, age-appropriate clothing. Clothing shall be of a style and fit appropriate for school as determined by school staff. Students are expected to wear tops that cover the abdomen, and the back and shoulders. Summer tops should be the width of three fingers across the shoulders. When the arms and hands are extended down the sides of the body, the bottom of the skirt, shorts or dresses should be at least the length of the extended fingertips. No exposure of undergarments is permitted. Tops and clothing that bear offensive language, pictures or messages promoting drugs or alcoholic beverages are not permitted.

#### In summary:

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Halter tops, tops with spaghetti shoulder straps, muscle shirts, bare back and midriff blouses/shirts, brief shorts/skirts, extremely low-waisted jeans, shirts with profanity, sexually explicit messages, and/or messages deemed offensive (such as alcohol, tobacco or drugs of any type, or those containing homophobic or racist terms) are not appropriate dress for school.

**Note:** School administration, teaching and support staff have the responsibility to request a change of clothing if the Dress Code is not being followed.

### Important Upcoming Dates

Event

<u>Date</u>	Event
May 6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup>	Education Week - "Back to Basics in Education".
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Track & Field
May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Sub Day! School Wide
May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Concert
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Victoria Day – No Classes
May 31 <sup>st</sup>	Monthly Award Ceremony (Humility)
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	School Council Meeting