

# FORESTVIEW FALCON REVIEW March 2019

# KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



A reminder that Kindergarten registration is available online: <a href="https://dsbn.org/earlylearners/kickstart">https://dsbn.org/earlylearners/kickstart</a>. If you have a child that was born in 2015, they are eligible to register for Kindergarten in September 2019. Please complete and print the online registration forms and bring them to the school with their Birth Certificate, Immunization Record, and proof of address. Registration forms are also available in the office.

# PLEASE COMPLETE OUR CLIMATE SURVEY



The DSBN School Climate Survey is an opportunity for students in Grades 4-12 and parents to provide information about their experiences of well-being, acceptance, inclusion and school safety. It is a web-based survey that is designed to be anonymous. A summary report will be available for schools to use for goal-setting and planning purposes.

A supportive, accepting, inclusive and safe school creates an environment for students to do their best in the classroom and beyond. Hearing the student and parent 'voice' is key to the development and implementation of school and board level improvement plans.

The DSBN will be surveying all parents from **February 8**<sup>th</sup> **to March 8**<sup>th</sup>, **2019.** The parent survey will be available via a "**School Climate Survey**" link on the school's website. **You will be notified by email when the survey is 'live' on the Forestview website.** Students will be surveyed in school.

If you have any questions, please contact the school.

# FORESTVIEW'S FEBRUARY NEWS...READ ALL ABOUT IT!

# THE LIBRARY GETS A MAKE-OVER!

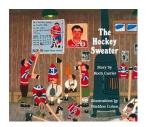
Thanks to Mr. D. Elia's vision and hard work, the Library has undergone a transformation! The new space has flexible seating, a technology hub, and new shelving for the hundreds of books we have purchased, this year! Please feel free to come by the school and take a look!

# INTERMEDIATE GIRLS BASKETBALL!

Forestview's Intermediate Girls Basketball team was very successful this season. They won four of five regular season games, placed first in the Consolation finals and won two out of four games at the District School Board of Niagara's basketball tournament at Brock University, last month. The members of the team always displayed a high level of respect, sportsmanship, and perseverance during practices and games. Congratulations to the following members of this year's team: Kaytlan, Khushi, Caitlyn, Harang, Ameera, Gabby, Amal, Taylor, Sophie, Madellyn, Jade, and Sara. We are so proud of you! Thank you to the girls' coaches Ms. Miller, Ms. Ganski, and Ms. Ford!



# JUNIOR ARTS WEEK A HUGE SUCCESS!



The Grade 4-6 students participated in a variety of workshops in music, drama, dance and visual arts during Arts Week, in February! The Niagara Art Gallery taught students how to create 3D clay sculptures. The Travelling Stage, a professional theatre company from Toronto conducted workshops in vocal lessons, Bollywood/Hip Hop lessons, and Acting/Monologue lessons. The students found the events very informative and interactive. The amazing teaching methods and activities that were incorporated

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into each workshop engaged the students. Students also went to the Niagara Symphony Orchestra at FirstOntario Performing Arts Center in downtown St.Catharines to see GAME ON! The stories such as the Hockey Sweater, and Casey at the Bat were narrated with the help of the Niagara Symphony. Our arts week experience was enjoyed by all! Thank you, Mrs. Kiemele and Mrs. Mancuso for organizing this amazing week! Written by Lily and Madison (Grade 6 students)

# REPORTING YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE



Whether it's an illness, a medical appointment or other important event, there are times when students may need to be away from school. The District School Board of Niagara is introducing a new method for parents to report their child(ren)'s absences. Using the Safe Arrival system, parents will be able to report daily absences, and even schedule absences in one of three ways:

- Call toll-free before the bell time: 1-866-606-5567.
- Log on to the web portal by <u>clicking here</u>. Using this website, you can set up your account to report and schedule absences.
- Using your smart phone or tablet. Simply download the SchoolMessenger app. The app is compatible with both Apple and Android devices.

# PICK-UP & DROP-OFF

Our entry time is 9:05 am and dismissal is at 3:25 pm. Please ensure that you carefully navigate your way through the parking lot during drop-off and pick-up times as it can be congested during these times. Parking regulations will be strictly enforced.



Please, park only in marked / designated parking spots in the parking lot.

#### SAFETY IS OUR NUMBER ONE CONCERN.

# OFFICE INFORMATION



Mrs. Stevenson, Ms. Formica and Mrs. Wilson, our Administrative Assistants, are in the office from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm each weekday. While we do appreciate that there are sometimes unforeseeable circumstances that arise, we ask that you please make after school arrangements with your child prior to the school day to avoid phone calls to the office. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

# STOP THE SPREAD OF INFECTION

- Stay home if you are sick and return when you are well
- Wash your hands with soap and water or use a hand sanitizer
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue or in your sleeve
- Keep your distance
- Get a flu shot

For more information, talk to your school nurse or go to <u>Niagara Region</u> Public Health.



# ALLERGY ALLERT



We have a number of students at Forestview with severe, life-threatening allergies to nuts. Please read food labels carefully and refrain from sending any snacks or lunch items that contain nuts. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.



Forestview PS has purchased **DreamBox Learning's Math Program**, an online, Intelligent Adaptive Learning(tm) program that helps all students achieve better, faster math proficiency.

Your student can access DreamBox Learning from any computer, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week using this link:

#### https://play.dreambox.com/login/42cv/forestviewp

DreamBox is an online program - there's no software to download! All you need is a high-speed Internet connection and Adobe Flash. Adobe Flash is free and is included with many Internet browsers.

To access DreamBox on iPad, go to http://www.dreambox.com/ipad, or search for "DreamBox Math" in the App Store. Download DreamBox Math Green and DreamBox Math Blue to ensure your student has access to the full catalog of DreamBox Learning Math lessons.

When prompted in the app, use this School Code: 42cv/forestviewp

Review your student's academic progress with a DreamBox Parent Account.

# Please follow these steps to create your free Parent Account:

- 1. Go to https://play.dreambox.com/login/42cv/forestviewp
- 2. Have your student login to their profile just as they would at school.
- 3. Click Setup Parent Access at the bottom of the page.
- 4. Follow instructions to create a new login and password.
- 5. Read Terms of Use and Privacy Policy.
- 6. Click "Submit".

#### Log into your home account after set up:

- 1. Go to http://play.dreambox.com
- 2. Enter your email address and password.
- 3. To see student progress, click the "Family Dashboard" button.

If you have any questions, please contact DreamBox Client Care by calling them at 877-451-7845 (weekdays 5 a.m. to 5 p.m., Pacific Time), or email support@dreambox.com.

Sincerely, Forestview Public School