

Forestview Falcon Review February Edition 2013

January was busy month at Forestview; we had 2 new Smart Boards installed, ordered and received a new set of ipads for classroom learning, practiced two lockdown safety drills, and our teachers put countless hours into reporting on each of their students' achievements and next steps for learning.

Your child/children's Report card will be sent home on Thursday, February 7th. Communication between teachers, parents/guardians and students is an important component for achieving success. We encourage all parents/guardians to discuss the Report Card with their child. You are invited to contact the teacher if you would like to schedule an opportunity to discuss your child's achievement, next steps for learning, and how you can support your child's success at home.

Looking ahead, February is shaping up to be equally as eventful. February 15th is an <u>Early</u> <u>Release Day</u> and that afternoon our teachers will be meeting to review and build upon our School Improvement Plan and collaboratively plan high-yield teaching approaches to help your children reach the next steps in their learning.

During February, we will also be hosting a St. John's Ambulance Babysitting course for students wishing to become certified, Game On – a social interaction program for grade 6 boys, and MAD Science afterschool workshops.

Lastly, we are opening our doors on <u>Thursday, February 7th from 4:00 – 6:00 PM</u> for our <u>JK/SK Open House</u>. Please encourage anyone you know with children age 4 or 5 by December 31, 2013 (who currently are not attending a DSBN school) to come out and meet our friendly and professional staff. Guests will be able to register their child/children, see the classrooms, speak to staff about the program and receive a special gift.

We thank you for your continued support and, as always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours in Education,

Mr. Bright and Mrs. Ainslie



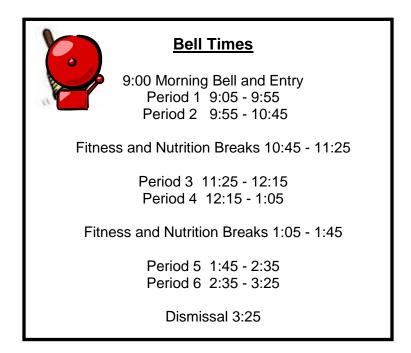
We are Counting Down to Kindergarten!

Children who will be four years of age or older by December 31, 2013 are eligible to enroll in Kindergarten starting September 2013.

Going to school for the first time is a big step for children and their parents. At the DSBN, families start that journey together at the 'Kindergarten Countdown' open houses. Families can visit our school, meet the kindergarten teachers, and receive a gift bag filled with fun learning resources and information that will help children develop school readiness skills.

Mark your calendar for **Thursday, February 7, 2013 from 4-6 p.m**. for our Kindergarten Countdown open house. Visit **www.dsbn.org** and click on "Kindergarten" for all the details!

Can't make the open house? No problem! Call the school at 905-354-6261 and we would be happy to set up an appointment to register your child.



Absent Students

This is just a reminder to parents/guardians that we need a phone call to let us know if your child will be absent from school. The Forestview telephone will take messages at any time. Thank you very much for your consideration.



As the cold weather and slippery driving conditions are here, we wanted to remind parents/guardians and anyone who drives children to Forestview of the need take extra care in our parking lot.

The safety of our students is our number one priority and we must all be extra vigilant. We have more staff supervision out there than we ever have but we need the help of all drivers to ensure the safety of all our children.

Please proceed slowly, do shoulder checks and use your rearview mirrors whenever you are backing up and refrain from using your phone or other distractions.

There are more students attending Forestview than ever before and we must all be aware of the need for extra caution in our school parking lot. Thank you for your help in keeping Forestview's children safe.

Supervision Hours

Parents should be advised that the school provides supervision for students in the morning at 8:45am and after school until 3:40pm. For safety, parents should refrain from dropping students off at school before adult supervision begins and be sure to arrange pick up after school while supervision is provided.



Where can I go to find out about school closures?

There may be times during the school year where inclement weather or other situations could cause transportation cancellations or school closures.

Information about transportation changes and school closures will be available on the websites, social media, radio and television stations listed below as soon as it is available. Please do not phone the school for transportation or school closure information.

Websites/Social Media:

www.dsbn.org

Television:
Cogeco Cable 10
CHCH Television
City TV

Radio: CKTB 610 am CHML 900 am EZ Rock 105.7 fm The River 105.1 fm Y-108 – 107.9 fm KLite 102.9 fm Htz 97.7 fm Wave 94.7 fm Z 101.1 fm

At times when student transportation has been cancelled and schools remain open, the decision of whether or not to have children go to school that day rests with the parent or guardian.

Should you decide not to send your child to school when transportation has been cancelled but schools remain open, or if your child is ill or late, please ensure that you call the school to inform them of your child's absence.



Job Well Done Forestview!!!! The students raised \$1014.00 for our penny campaign in just 2 months. The winning class for the contest was Mrs. Morandin's Kindergarten Class raising \$298.05. Thank you to everyone for your participation. 2013 is well underway and we are already approaching our Valentines Day School Dance. Stay tuned for more information regarding the event. Lastly, a special thank you to Lisa Maves for co-ordinating our Parent Engagement Evening with speaker Dick O'Brien. Our topic was Dealing with Difficult People and showed us that listening and not always assuming something is personal can make a world of difference in determining how to deal with a difficult person/situation at any age. Thanks Mr. O'Brien!!! Our Next Parent Council Meeting is February 12 2013, 6:30 in the library. Childcare will be provided.

Parent Council

Forestview Penny Drive



Teacher/ Grade		Total \$ Raised		
Mrs. Hudson	JK/SK	\$124.50		
Mrs. Morandin *winners*	JK/SK	\$298.05		
Mrs. Ford	Grade 1	\$39.05		
Mrs. Power	Grade 1	\$43.95		
Mrs. Flower	Grade 1/2	(donated their pennies)		
Mr. M. Elia	Primary/Junior	\$1.70		
Mrs. David	Grade 2	\$35.15		
Mrs. Bautista	Grade 2	\$13.80		
Mrs. Hunter-French	Grade 2/3	\$19.60		
Ms. Dekay	Grade 3	\$27.00		
Mr. Piovesana	Grade 3/4	\$32.00		
Mr. Twocock	Grade 4	\$33.95		
Mrs. Worrall	Grade 4/5	\$15.75		
Mrs. Noble	Grade 5/6	\$32.20		
Mr. Porter	Junior/Intermediate	\$9.45		
Ms. Hopkins	Grade 6	\$166.55		
Ms. Darling	Grade 7	\$58.28		
Ms. McBride	Grade 7/8	\$34.55		
Mrs. Mancuso	Grade 8	\$13.10		
Council Contribution		\$16.00		
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Forestview's Awards Assembly Organizer January 2013



Class/ Grade	Achievement	Effort	Character
JK/SK am Morandin	Logan C.	Carley L.	Sabeeka H.
JK/SK pm Morandin	Chelsea B.	Liam G.	Linkin S.
JK/SK am Burnham	Mya W.	Marian L.	Noah D.
JK/SK pm Burnham	Nemanja N.	Mason D.	Riley S.
JK/SK am Hudson	Brandon G.	Ethan C.	Connor P.
JK/SK pm Hudson	Sophie P.	Coen D.	Avery L.
Gr. 1 Power	Eshan J.	Taylor C.	Ethan M.
Gr. 1 Ford	Teo D.	Jalal A.	Madison B.
Gr. 1 / 2 Flower	Jesse Z.	Liam H.	Lola I.
Gr. 2 Bautista	Ishin T.	Simar G.	David S.
Gr. 2 David	Zoe P.	Daeja P.	Jackson M.
Gr. 2 / 3 Hunter-French	Declan A.	William F.	Cameron T.
Gr. 3 Dekay	Jack H-F.	Brady C.	James Z.
Gr. 3 / 4 Piovesana	Stefan.S	Danny M.	Griffin R.
P/J M. Elia	Christian S-M.	Liam O.	Avery J.
Gr. 4 Twocock	Shaelyn W.	Alexander J.	Goran M.
Gr 4 / 5 Worrall	Mikayla A.	Mitchell R.	Hunter L.
Gr. 5 / 6 Noble	Milo B.	Brenna A.	Tiana V.
Gr. 6 Hopkins	Jasmine B.	Tyler M.	Melanie H.
Gr. 7 Armstrong	Ainsley D.	Alex P.	Mile S.
Gr. 7 / 8 McBride	Bhakti P.	Benjamin D-B.	Caitlyn B.
Gr. 8 Mancuso	Luke M.	Roshelle M.	Carson B.
J / I Porter	Maddy M.	William W.	Carolann P.
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Mad Science, the world's leading provider of educational and entertaining science programs for children is coming to Forestview Public School. Their mission is to spark the imagination and curiosity of children everywhere by providing them with fun, entertaining and exciting activities that instil a clear understanding of what science is really all about and how it affects the world around them. They use exciting activities and spectacular demonstrations to capture the attention and imagination of children as we found out during our assembly.

Both the students and teachers will be thrilled on 06/Feb/2013 at 1:50 PM when Mad Science comes to the school to do a Spectacular Science show. The assembly will be educational, entertaining and also the kick off to the Mad Science Club. The Club is a 6-week science enrichment program offered to the students.

Students who join the science club will go on a voyage of discovery designed to support the Ontario Science and Technology curriculum. They will explore various topics in science including Watts Up, Under Pressure, Weather, Junior Reactors, Detective Science and the Glow Show. The Club will take place on Wednesday, Mar 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17, 24 from 3:25 PM - 4:25 PM.

For those of you who have been in the Mad Science Club before, this is a brand new Club with never seen before experiments, new demonstrations and amazing new take home activities.

Mad Science also performs Birthday Parties, Camps and Special Events. Give them a call at 905-937-1878 and watch out for them in Malls, at Fairs, Festivals and Scouts and Guides. www.niagara.madscience.org

TRY AT HOME ACTIVITY ZOOM BALL

Materials:

Scissors

- Two 1 litre plastic pop bottles
- Masking tape
- Coloured construction paper
- Ribbons
- Two 2.4 metre strings
- Two plastic ring six pack holders

An adult helper *Instructions:*

- 1. Ask your adult helper to cut the bottoms off of the two plastic soda bottles.
- 2. Fit the bottles together so there is a neck on either end. Tape the bottles together to form a football shape.
- 3. Cover the bottles with construction paper and ribbon if you want to decorate your zoom ball.
- 4. Thread the two strings through the bottles.
- 5. Take the six-pack holders and cut the rings apart to make four two-loop handles.
- 6. Tie a set of handles to the ends of each string.
- 7. Get at friend and you are ready to play. Each player holds onto two handles and pulls on the strings until they are tight. Slide the zoom ball to one end. When it is at your end snap your hands apart to send the zoom ball back to your friend. To catch the zoom ball, keep your hands together.

Explanation:

The pushing action of the strings sets the zoom ball in motion. When the zoom ball reaches the other end of the strings, an opposite pushing action, this is your friend snapping the strings, stops the ball for a moment and then sends it in the reverse direction.