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GO WILDCATS !!

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The District School Board of Niagara has declared the week of May 5th to 9th, 2014 as Education Week.

There are a number of things happening at Victoria, not only during Education Week, but throughout the month of April. Our whole school will have an Anti-Bullying presentation on April 8th, at 1:40 p.m. and actors from the play will visit classrooms after the performance. **We will have a bullying hurts presenta on** April 10th in the a.m. Students are encouraged to wear pink on these days.

Our Blue Spruce and Silver Birch Reading Clubs are continuing and our Grade 5 students will participate in the Race Against Drugs event at the **OPTIMIST** on May 2nd, just to name a few activities.

GOOD NEWS ASSEMBLY

At our March Good News Assembly, the following students were recognized for their contributions to their classes and the school:

Liam McIntyre
Makenna Keays
Trayton Priestman

Alyssa Tremblay
Rebecca Sider
Iain DeLuca
Faith Pook
MacKenzie Marcil
Tyanna Sbrocchi
Eric Lambourne
Morgan Hay
Brendon Harris
Emma Penny
Ireland Rollko
Adam Abboud
Emily Creamer
Gracen Lambourne
Erik Penny
Edward Zhang

STUDENTS OF MONTH

We are very proud of the following students who have been recognized as Students of the Month for their outstanding contributions to the positive atmosphere at Victoria School.

Syla Cracknell - for making great progress in math and language

Dylan Steven— for working hard and focusing in math

Gracen Lambourne—for being helpful to

others, working very hard and being an all around great citizen of Victoria School

Dylan Fraser—for great effort and accomplishment in math problem solving

We will continue to recognize the great work and attitudes of our students at future assemblies.

Our next Good News Assembly will be on Monday, April 25th, at 9:00 a.m.

FUN IN THE SUN

On Thursday, before March Break all of the students at Victoria School danced the afternoon away in beach wear. It was our “Fun-In-The-Sun” Day! The students looked so summery in their sunglasses, short and sandals, dancing to the tunes of our guest DJ’s from A.N. Myer Secondary School. They also brought with them a fabulous light show that the Victoria students thoroughly enjoyed.

Thank you to all those families who pledged. We sincerely appreciate your support. Through your support of this event, we were able to raise \$988.24. These funds will go towards subsidizing student activities, presentations and performances.

EQAO TESTING

From May 26th, to June 6th, students in Grades 3 and 6 will write the provincial EQAO assessment. If you have children in these grades, please avoid scheduling vacations or appointments during these dates. If appointments have already been scheduled, most doctor’s offices are able to reschedule, given sufficient notice. Thanks so much for your assistance.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, May 27th at 6:30 p.m.. All parents are encouraged to come out to the meeting.

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THE DSBN ROAD RACE IS BACK

The 2014 DSBN Road Race takes place on Sunday, April 27th at the DSBN Education Centre. Funds raised support programs in the DSBN schools through the Education Foundation of Niagara and Niagara Nutrition Partners. The Road Race is a fun family activity that promotes a healthy lifestyle. **Please mark Sunday, April 27th on your calendar.**

JK/SK REGISTRATION

Please remember that you can still register your child for Junior Kindergarten. Forms are available in the office. We require a copy of the Birth Certification and Proof of Immunization. If you know of a child in your neighbourhood who is eligible, please inform them.

Please note that children must be 4 years old by December 31st, 2014 for Junior Kindergarten or 5 years old by December 31st, 2014 for Senior Kindergarten.

SCHOOL FOCUS

The teaching staff of Victoria are working on providing students with descriptive feedback based on success criteria co-created by the students along with their teacher.

SOCIAL NETWORKING SAFETY PRESENTATION FOR PARENTS

A presentation will be held on Wednesday, April 23, 2014 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., on this very important topic. If you plan to

attend, please send the tear away portion of the attached notice to Victoria and we will advise Prince Philip School of the numbers attending.

REMINDERS TO PARENTS

Parents must report to the office first before picking up their child(ren) during the day. We ask that parents do not approach students (including their own) on the playground area without first reporting to the office. Supervisors on the playground may not recognize the parent. This is for the safety of your child as well as the rest of the school population.

STUDENT SAFETY

Our teachers have spoken to all of our students about the need for safety and awareness when going to and from school. The following "Safety Rules in the Community" should be reinforced with children at home.

Don't talk to strangers.

Walk or play with others. Use the buddy system

Do not take short cuts through alleys, parks, fields, etc., even if they are well lit

Let someone know where you are and where you are going at all times.

If you suspect that someone is following you, RUN! Go to the nearest safe place.

If someone makes you feel uncomfortable or you get the "uh-oh" feeling, go to the nearest safe place

Walk confidently and be aware of your surroundings

Never, ever get into a stranger's vehicles

CELL PHONES

Parent's are reminded that students are not allowed to have cell phones at school. If it is essential that your child(ren) carry a cell phone, they must turn it in at the office on entry to the school and pick it up when they are leaving, in compliance with school rules. This will help ensure the privacy and security of all students. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.