



VICTORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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December 2017

GO WILDCATS !!

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

December has arrived and many of us now look to the holiday season. I know that this time of year is always a busy one for people as they prepare for ways to create wonderful memories.

At Victoria, we are working on collecting for our annual food drive for Project Share. We will continue to collect food, wrapped new toys and Canadian Tire money up until Friday, December 15th. Thank you to all of the families who have supported our initiative to help others in our community.

We are also busy preparing for our Holiday Musical and look forward to enjoying the talents of our students in 2 presentations - December 18th and 20th at 2 p.m.

Our School Council is planning to hold a Holiday Bake sale on December 18th so you will have an opportunity to pick up some yummy treats for the holidays when you come to enjoy the show.

On behalf of the staff of Victoria School, I wish all of you a safe and happy holiday season and a great start to the New Year.

Mrs. E. Tulloch

GOOD NEWS ASSEMBLY

At our November Good News Assembly, the following students were recognized for their contributions to their classes.



JK/SK

Sophie E. Max R.

Grade 1/2/3

Kaylee K. Kathryn K.
Milan B. Thiago K.

Grade 3/4

Ale R. Araia R. Makenna K.
Jayce M. Kaleb D.J. Eris P.
Brandon K.

Grade 5/6

Eric L. Anndrea F.

Dreambox Leaders:

Kai D. Molly N.,
Faith A. Vanin J.

Dreambox Stars:

Tami R. Ryder N. Kaleb D.J.
Senica G. Ryan R. Faith A.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

We are very proud of the following student who has been recognized this past month as Student of the Month:



Kendra Y.—for being helpful & considerate.

Grade 1 French Immersion Information Night

Parents and Guardians of Senior Kindergarten students are invited to attend an information session about Grade 1 French Immersion at John Marshall School, 3910 St. James Ave. Niagara Falls, on Thursday, January 11 from 6 – 7 pm in the gym. Online registration begins January 8 at the DSNB website - www.dsnb.org

CAROL SING

Victoria School students will be singing Christmas carols on Friday, December 22nd at 2:30 p.m. in the gym. Students are asked to dress “festively” (red and/or green clothing, Santa hats etc.) for this day.



Parents are welcome to join us as we celebrate this holiday season in song!!

HOLIDAY MUSICAL

For the past few weeks, students (1-6) have been practicing for the school’s upcoming holiday musical “Twas The Night Before Christmas”, which will be present-

ed on Monday, December 18th and Wednesday, December 20th, at 2:00 p.m. in the school gym. Students are asked to wear pajamas for BOTH shows!! We look forward to seeing you there!

BAKE SALE

Our School Council will be holding a bake sale on December 18th during the Holiday show.

They are in need of baked goods donations of cakes, cupcakes, bars, brownies or loaves (nut free please)

If you can help, please contact Mary at (905)358-4695 or via email at corals89@hotmail.com by December 14th.

JUNIOR CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

After coming in 3rd in their league, our Junior Co-Ed Volleyball team is off to a tournament on December 15th. They have been working very hard for several weeks now and we wish them the best on this exciting day.



Team Members are:

Anthony A.	Cole B.	Keven G.
Abby H.	Morgan H.	Vanin J
Makenna K.	Kendra K.	Eric L.
Brooklyn P.	Trayton P.	Ryan R.
Nic R.	Rianna R.	Cayden R.
Jordan S.	Dillon V.	

Go Wildcats!!

SCHOOL VANDALISM

The DSBN is seeking your co-operation in reducing vandalism. Should you observe unusual activity at the school, please call in confidence either of the following emergency numbers: 905-682-8065 or 905-563-1293. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

LIBRARY NEWS

We have been able to purchase approximately \$500.00 in new library books including the books for the 2017-2018 edition of the Blue Spruce and Silver Birch reading clubs as a result of funds provided through Delta Bingo. After processing, we will look forward to having many new books on our shelves. A huge thanks to Delta Bingo! Look for our new books on display in the library and happy reading!



SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the school council is Thursday, February 8th, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. and we welcome all parents who can attend.

PARKING

For the safety of our students, parents are reminded that there is to be no parking in the area directly in front of the school nor in the entrance to the school



parking lot. The area in front of the school is only to be used for emergency vehicles, DSBN vehicles and as a bus pick up/drop off area and is not to be used by parents picking up or dropping off their children. Nor should this driveway be used as a thoroughfare. Please park in the school parking lot or in the appropriate areas of Heritage Drive when picking up or dropping off students. In support of healthy activity, we also encourage you to find buddies for your children to walk home with whenever possible.

FRENCH IMMERSION REGISTRATION

The French Immersion program offered at John Marshall Public School is open to all students in Senior Kindergarten interested in enrolling for the 2017-2018 year. If you want your child to develop a high proficiency and fluency in Canada's two official languages, French Immersion has a great deal to offer.

Features of the French Immersion program:

- Development of French language skills in speaking, listening, reading and writing from grades one to twelve;
- Designed to be a second language program for children whose first language is **NOT** French;
- Current enrolment of over 2,500 elementary students;
- Certificate of French Immersion Studies awarded upon successful completion of the elementary and secondary Immersion program;
- Promoting understanding of different cultures;
- Providing additional opportunities for employment using French as the working language;
- An increased ability to communicate and

interact with confidence in French.

Registration begins online January 8th , 2018.

Parents and Guardians of Senior Kindergarten students interested in attending French Immersion in Grade 1 next September are invited to a French Immersion Information Night about Grade 1 French Immersion at John Marshall School, 3910 St. James Ave. Niagara Falls, Ontario L2J 2R3 on Thursday, January 11 from 6 – 7 pm in the gym. Online registration begins January 8 at the DSBN website - www.dsbm.org

a gift bag filled with fun learning resources and information that will help children develop school readiness skills.

Mark your calendar for Thursday, February 1st, 2018 for our Kindergarten Countdown open house. The event will take place throughout the day (from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and families are encouraged to attend with their child for a visit at a time convenient to them. Visit www.dsbm.org and click on the “Kindergarten Registration” for all the details.! Please tell your friends, relatives and neighbours if they have children born in 2014.

SNOW/SNOWBALLS

To ensure the safety of students on our playground during the winter months, it is necessary for us to ban the throwing/kicking of snow/ice. The students are constantly reminded of this rule during in-class discussions, at assemblies and over the announcements. Should it be found that a student has violated this rule, his/her name is recorded in the office and the appropriate consequences will be given. These include suspension for repeated offenders who endanger the safety of others. **Please remind your children of these rules!**



COUNTDOWN TO KINDERGARTEN

Children who will be four years of age or older by December 31, 2018 are eligible to enroll in Kindergarten starting September 2018.

Going to school for the first time is a major 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 teacher and receive

