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Principals' Message:

Dear Lady Mac Families:

We hope the joy from our holiday concert warmed you through the school holidays. We were privileged to have every class participate in the concert and have all our staff work so hard with our students to prepare them to shine! Congratulations to our raffle winners: Nicholas Ley, Sherry x2, Judy Eastcott, Rod Masnica, Irena Fodora, Ryder Lytle, Ron MacEachern, Peter Kik, C. Gaucher, Heather Olson, Mike W., Don Alton, E. Berry, Dixie Teel.

Thanks to your generosity, we assembled 18 family hampers, were inundated with donations for our Santa Shopping Spree and were fortunate to have several items donated. Wonderful!

Finally, as we enter the season of making New Year's Resolutions, remember the best gift we can give our



children is that of being engaged in our children's learning. Ask them what they learned at school. Ask them one thing that was an act of kindness that they witnessed or took part in. Ask them about a mistake they made and what they learned from it. You'll be amazed at what you find out!

Welcome back!
-Ana Mena & Jeremy Cadeau-Mark

School Bus Cancellations

TLDSB shares area-wide bus cancellations through the Board website (<http://tlidsb.ca>) and Twitter. If you would like to sign up to receive individual bus route delays and cancellations, please register at <https://www.mybustoschool.ca>.



Kindergarten Registration!

We are already getting ready to welcome new JK



students to our school for September 2017. If you know of any families in the Lady Mackenzie community who have a child born in the year 2013, please let them know that they can contact us to register for school. When registering, families need proof of age (ex. Birth Certificate), residence road name and 911 address, name and phone number for family doctor, Ontario Health Card number (optional) and immunization record. The earlier we register families, the less likely we will have to reshuffle classes in the fall. Please help!

Parent Council Meeting

Our next Parent Council Meeting is January 16 at 6:15 p.m. in the library. All are welcome & child care is provided.

Student of the Month

Our student of the month assembly is January 27 at 9:15. Parents are welcome to help us celebrate the



achievements of our students showing Fairness.

Fenelon Falls S.S.



Save the date! A grade 8 parents' night is scheduled at the Fenelon Falls S.S. for the evening of February 8 at 7:00 p.m.

I.E. Weldon Power Pac

Interested in taking the grade 9 Power Pac courses at I.E. Weldon? Join them for an information session January 19 from 7:00-9:00 in the cafeteria.

TLAC 2017

Student Applications Are Now Available!



What is TLAC?

TLAC is an arts camp for Grade 7 through 12 students that will take place on May 21 to 26, 2017 at Camp Whitepine in Haliburton. TLAC offers specialized instruction for Music, Drama, Musical Theatre, Dance, and Visual Art within an exciting camp experience. The arts camp is set up as a typical high school day with four periods. There are evening concerts featuring performances from major artists, a presentation from local visual artists, and an art display. This enriched arts experience is enhanced by the summer camp atmosphere.

The deadline for applications is January 13, 2017.

Applications are available online or in your school office. Visit <http://tldsbc.ca/experiential-opportunities-elementary/> or <http://tldsbc.ca/experiential-opportunities-secondary/> for more information, or contact Sandra Corry at 1(888) 526-5552 x21257 or TLAC@tldsbc.on.ca.

Applications are accepted on a first come, first served basis. A waiting list will be kept for any forms received over and above our maximum capacity. Applications that are not complete will be returned, so take your time and complete all sections accurately! We are very excited about the new programs in this year's schedule!

Book Fair

Thank you for supporting the Book Fair. We were able to get \$1000 worth of new books for our school library. Many thanks to our fantastic volunteers: Ashley Todd, Anne Rogers, Jodi Cramm, Elaine Anderson, Erin De Groot and Susan Wright.



Holiday Concert and Shopping Spree



Sometimes we are truly amazed by how wonderful our community truly is.

We had an exceptional concert evening at Lady Mac in December. Thank you to all of the staff that put extra energy and time into making every student a star. Thank you to parents and grandparents who filled the gym to over capacity. Our basket raffle raised \$1844 towards our playground!!! We are so close to getting that new playground!

Our community donations of food, money and items for the shopping spree this year helped 18 families. Through your generosity we were able to also support our neighbouring schools. Absolutely amazing!!!!

Family Skill Building Sessions

We have a special opportunity this year in partnership with Chimo Family Services. On Thursday evenings starting January 12 from 4:00-5:30 in our school library we are hosting ten Family Skills Building sessions. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend to learn the latest in Open Communication, Promoting Positive Discipline, Limit Setting and Time Out Alternatives, Self Esteem Building, Promoting Problem Solving, Creating Positive Family Rituals as well as Community Engagement and Self Advocacy. Child care is provided through the Boys' and Girls' Club after school program. Please call the office to let us know that you are interested in joining us!