

Honey Harbour Public School

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March Newsletter

Principal's Message

Our very snowy February has finally passed us by, and we are all looking forward to some milder temperatures and safer driving conditions as we move into March and into Spring. We were fortunate, though, to be able to carry on with most of our planned winter electives. They were certainly enjoyed by all. Thanks again to School Council, our supportive community and our staff for facilitating this worthwhile outdoor learning.

I hope you all have a wonderful March Break and have an opportunity to share in some family time over the course of March 11- 15.

Rocks and Rings

This program has been re-scheduled a few times due to our inclement weather over the course of this past winter. We are happy to bring Curling Canada, and the **Egg Farmers Rocks & Rings program to our school. The date has now changed to March 18, 2019. The curling program** is designed to introduce the Olympic sport of curling to elementary school children. By bringing the curling rink to the school gym we reach children that would otherwise not have access to the roaring game. Curling is a highly social sport that can be enjoyed for a lifetime. It is a fantastic physical activity that can be enjoyed by all ages and abilities. It also promotes sportsmanship and camaraderie. They take over the gym as classes take turns visiting for 40 minutes sessions of fun and instruction. Various drills, relays and team-building activities are used to introduce students to the sport of curling. It is a highly interactive program with the emphasis on fun!

Battle of the Books

Students in the junior and intermediate divisions are currently reading the TLDSB books as they prepare for a board wide competition to be held in April. Parents, you can support their comprehension by encouraging them to retell the story to you as they prepare to answer a variety of questions on each text. The Battle of the Books program has been in operation for many years. Its primary goal is to encourage students to read, read, read! It is a competition where students, on a team of four, are responsible for reading a number of books. Often the team decides how many books, and which books, each team member will read. Students will, at the minimum, read approximately three novels each and then be the 'expert' on those texts. At the competition, students are asked a variety of questions that they answer in competition with the other teams.

Since we are such a small community, we have not had a competition at our school. We feel that it will be a great learning opportunity to send our students forward to have this opportunity.

School Council

Our next meeting for School Council will be at 4:30 p.m. on April 11, 2019. We continue to welcome all parents to attend our meeting. We will be discussing allocation of funds from our fund-raising initiatives, our upcoming Curriculum Night, and end-of-year school trip.

Thank you to our school community for your on-going support of our fund-raiser - Little Caesar's Pizza sales. Just a reminder that all orders are due in the office by Friday, March 29th, 2019.

Curriculum Night

The Honey Harbour Public School staff and the Honey Harbour School Council are offering an evening of 'Family Fun in Mathematics.' Mark May 9, 2019 on your calendar. You will have a chance to come out and have a bite of dinner (pizza) while you engage in math games that you and your child, (children), can then enjoy at home. There will also be a door prize that you may have the good luck to take home as well. We hope you will all be able to join us and have some fun learning math.

Graduation night

Although June seems to be in the distant future, it is important to share this date with our community in order that you may plan for this event, particularly if your child is graduating this year. We will be hosting our graduation ceremony at Honey Harbour Public School this year on Wednesday, June 19, 2019.

Transportation

Just a reminder that parents can Login to the BusPlannerWeb to check their child's transportation arrangements/weather related cancellations using a secure login. Visit www.mybustoschool.ca for more information. Parents require their child's OEN number (available from their report card), the child's birth date, grade and school.

Safe Arrival

Please remember to call the school, **705-756-2433**, to leave a message before 8:40 a.m. if your child is going to be late or absent.

March 2019 at a Glance

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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4 (4)	5 (5)	6 (1)	7 (2)	8 (3)
11 March Break	12 March Break	13 March Break	14 March Break	15 March Break
18 (1) Rocks and Rings	19 (2)	20 (3)	21 (4)	22 (5)
25 (4)	26 (5)	27 (1)	28 (2)	29 (3) Little Caesar Pizza Orders due

(#) indicates day in 5 day cycle