

Lloyd S. King Elementary School

# **March 2019**

## Ziisbaakdaki Giizis (Sugar Moon)

#### From the office

<u>Science Proves Reading to Kids</u> <u>Really Does Change Their Brains</u>

"Parents who spend time reading to their children create nurturing relationships, which is important for a child's cognitive, language and social-emotional development", the American Academy of Pediatrics has said. Findings from MRI readings taken while children were being read to show activity in parts of the brain that are fundamental for developing literacy. This indicates that reading at home can improve language skills and foster literacy development.

In addition to fostering literacy development, reading to your child can become part of the night-time routine. Reading together creates great opportunities for parent/caregiver and child bonding and a great way to help a child calm before sleeping. We have many interesting and fun books in the LSK library, classroom libraries, and take home reading programs. We encourage students to take books home every day and we encourage parents/caregivers to read to and with their children whenever possible. Children are never too old to share a great book with an adult, so snuggle up and read together.

Miigwetch H. Danielle MacDonnell LSK Principal



Please do not drop off your children before 8:30 am

#### REMINDERS

- If you are changing your child's dismissal

   picking up early or sending on the bus, please call the school by <u>2pm</u>. After 2pm there will be <u>no chang-</u> <u>es allowed.</u>
- if you are picking up your children after school you <u>MUST</u> come into the office to get them. Please <u>DO</u> <u>NOT</u> take them out of the bus line up.

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#### School Counsellor Desk!

Greetings from the school counsellor! I am heading into March with gratitude for February – for the winter temperatures and the fluffy snow, the Historical Gathering, 'pink shirt day' to remind us all to act in

kindness and to stand strong for others, and for allowing us here at the school a day or two of winter rest as we head into the busy months of early spring. What are you grateful for this month?

We're running **'Strengthening Connections' March Break Camp** again for youth 12 -16! Through art and nature, participants will continue to connect more fully to themselves, to each other, and to the land. This year we're heading to the Art Gallery of Hamilton on Friday March 15<sup>th</sup> to experience Norval Morisseau's exhibit! Call or e-mail me at LSK to register!

Interested in talking about wellbeing options for your child at LSK? Call me here at the school, or e-mail me. I work 1:1 with students, facilitate MH assessments, am available for students on a drop-in basis, and refer students to ongoing counsellors if necessary.

In kindness, Nicola Gladwell, MSW RSW Nicola.gladwell@mncfn.ca







#### **Cultural Updates**

March 6th 9:00a.m. Big Drum opening at Community Center. FASD meeting.

Winter Teachings with Peter Schuler/Lois Thomas—1 day TBA.



#### Land Based Learning

Chickopee Tubing Trip K-8 March 22

#### **Sports**

The co-ed junior basketball team played at Six Nations on Tuesday Feb. 19th. The team came in 2nd.

Feb. 26—Jr. co-ed basketball

Feb. 27–Intermediate Boys and Girls Basketball

## March's Value of the Month is: Debwewin (TRUTH)

TRUTH is to know all of these things

- to have a genuine interest in learning
- do not deceive yourself or others
- always speak the truth
- to be loyal in our human relationships
- the state or character of being true in relation to being, knowledge or speech
- know and understand our students' growth and development as it pertains to all of the Seven Grandfather Teachings

### **Active and Nutrition Breaks**

10:45-11:05 Grade K-8 Active

- 11:05-11:25 Grade K-8 Nutrition
- 1:10 1:30 Grade K-8 Active
- 1:30 1:50 Grade K-8 Nutrition



### **Extra Curricular**

**Glee Club** ~ Wed. at 1st Activity Break.

**Music Club** ~ Tues. & Wed.at

Second Activity break

**Library Club** ~ Thurs. & Fri. Junior/Intermediate (Gr. 4-8) at 1st Active Break and Primary (K-3) at 2nd Active Break.

**Big Drum** ~ Tuesdays at 10:45.

**Girls Hand Drum** ~ Monday 1st activity break.

Nature Trail Club ~ Mondays at 10:45



We are a **PEANUT FREE** school.

Remind

Please do not send snacks or lunches that have peanuts in them.

The students will not be allowed to eat them.





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"The ones that are in the leadership role"

Mijawetch to the Kindergarten class for organizing the

Valentines Dance.

March 8—Grade 4-8 hand ball tournament organized by grade 8. 12:00-3:00p.m.

#### March Break

March Break will start on March 11 to March 15, 2019.

As March Break draws near, we reflect on the many successes and accomplishments of students and staff throughout this school year.

We are very fortunate to have a wonderful team of caring adults who are all focused on student achievement and well being. We acknowledge the continued support of our elementary school supporters and thank each of you for your dedication to our children's education.

For those of you who are taking some time off during the March break, we wish you a restful, safe and happy time spent with family and loved ones.

From all the Staff at Lloyd S. King Elementary School.

# **BUS Safety**

Your child's safety both at school and on the bus is our number one priority. It is vital that all students and

parents understand that riding the bus is a privilege, not a right.

The following guidelines are vital to the safe transportation of all our students:

- Be seated and remain in your seat • while the bus is in motion.
- Be reasonably quiet and well behaved.
- Open windows ONLY if the bus • driver grants permission.
- Do not put any objects or any body part out the window.
- Obey your bus driver and be courteous at all times.
- No eating or drinking on the bus.
- Do not antagonize or intimidate any person through word, action or gesture.

Disciplinary action may involve loss of riding privileges on an escalating scale up to removal from the bus for the school year. Your child's cooperation If a student misses 47.5 days is important to the safety of everyone on the bus. Please review the guideline with your children and if you have any concerns or questions please contact us at: 905-768-3222

# **Grad Pictures**

Grad Pictures will be taken on Wed. March 6th. At 10:00 a.m.. Please have your child here for the pictures.

# **Rocks and Rings**

#### The Rocks And Rings Curling Program! March 20-21

The Egg Farmers Rocks & Rings Curling program is coming to our schools for a full school day. They will be taking 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! On the second day the students will have a Tournament!. They will compete with their fellow students while learning curling

skills, terminology, scoring and more.

#### Why Daily Attendance Matters

per year, 1 full year is missed by the end of grade 3.

If a student misses 38 days per year, 1 full year is missed by the end of grade 4.

If a student misses 18 days per year, 1 full year is missed by the end of grade 9.

If a student only misses up to 9 days per year, the student will likely graduate from secondary school.

A single lie discovered is enough to create doubt in every truth expressed.

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	12	13	14	15	16
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	19	20 Rocks and Rings Instruction Day	21 Rocks and Rings Tournament Day	22 New Chicopee Date!	23
	26	27	28 Little Caesars	29 Gr. 2 and 3/4 Field Trip to Westfield Village	30