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Newsletter #14

Friday, March 16th 2018

Dear Parents,

As Term Two comes to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students, staff and parents for a very successful term. Your ongoing support and commitment is imperative to student success, as well as to creating an inclusive and positive learning environment.

A few special Thank Yous:

Thank you to all who attended our Lunar New Year Gala on March 1st. Judging by the number of families who attended, it was a huge success and a wonderful community building event. We know such an event cannot occur without the time and commitment of several people. A big thank you to Jessie Chen for championing this event, along with Lily Jiang, Mara Sinclair, Lauren Liu, Annie Yang. We'd also like to thank you, Mr. Rubert, Mr. Kabele, Mr. Marc, Mr. Fleming for joining the play and to all parents who helped in so many ways. A shout out to the Prince of Wales Leadership team who put in many hours that night setting up, running stations and cleaning up. We could not have done it without you and appreciate your time!



Thank you to the PAC for supporting and funding the Saleema Noon Body Science workshops for all of our students, held the week of March 5th. The feedback from staff was very positive and they have asked for Saleema to return in two years' time, as staff appreciate and value Saleema's natural yet professional way of presenting to our students.

Thank you to our community for supporting the Scholastics Book Fair held this week. This important event helps put books into our school library. A big thank you to Janice Johnson and Amanda Magee for championing this event and to all the parent helpers. We know this fair takes a lot of parent time to set up, run and take down, and for this we say a big Merci!

If you're taking some time off, enjoy a happy, safe and enjoyable Spring Break. We look forward to working with you third term.

With thanks,
Jacquie Lavoie
Principal

Happy St. Patrick's Day!



Term Two Reports

For divisions issuing Term 2 report cards, these reports will be distributed on Friday, March 16th. Please take the time to review this important document and to celebrate your child's successes.

Au Revoir Mme Sukh

Unfortunately, we must say goodbye to our Office Administrator Mme Sukh, who will be leaving us at the end of this term. Although Mme Sukh was only with us a short time, we do wish to thank her for all of her hard work in the office taking care of not only staff, students and parents, but also the school accounting, attendance, student records and registration, just to name a few tasks. Not an easy job! Her new school, Jamieson Elementary, is lucky to have her.

Welcome to our new Office Administrator, Sharmila Patel who will be joining us first day back.

Loonie/Toonie Book Sale, April 25th + 26th

Trafalgar School's annual Loonie/Toonie Book Sale will be back on April 25th + 26th from 10am to 3:30pm. As in previous years, there will be a wide range of books available to suit all tastes and reading abilities. The sale will take place in front of the Trafalgar School Gym during recess, lunch and after school on both days.

\$1 and \$2 per book. All proceeds of this event will go to the BC Children's Hospital in memory of Liam Law. Liam passed away in 2013 when he was in Grade 2. He was loved by and will always be remembered. Please bring all Book Donations to the School Library by April 24th. Thank you all for your support and remember, little things can make all the difference!



Visitors and Volunteers

A reminder to all visitors and volunteers to please sign in at the office upon arrival and to pick up your visitor's badge. Signing in will ensure we know who is in the building in case of an emergency. The visitor's badge will ensure other staff members and students know your reason for being in the building. Please remember to sign out before leaving. This practice is to ensure your safety and the safety of our students.

*****Track & Field is open to Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7 and will be starting after spring break. An information meeting will take place the first week back to school and schedules will be given then.*****

District Calendar for 2018-2019

Please find the 2018-2019 calendar attached. Please note that some district Professional Development days may be altered. The Trafalgar school calendar with confirmed Professional Development days will be distributed in May.

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LEGEND

- Statutory Holiday
- Non-Instructional Days (7 days)
- School Vacation
- School Not in Session (5 days)
- Days of Instruction

- September 04 - First Day of School
- September 21 - Non-Instructional Day (Flexible)
- October 08 - Thanksgiving Day
- October 19 - District Wide Non-Instructional Day
- November 09 - Curriculum Implementation Day
- November 12 - Remembrance Day (in lieu of Nov 11)
- December 24 - January 04 - Winter Break
- January 07 - School Reopens
- January 25 - Non-Instructional Day (Flexible)
- February 15 - District Wide Non-Instructional Day
- February 18 - Family Day
- March 18 - 22 - Spring Break
- March 25 - 29 - School Not in Session
- April 19 - Good Friday
- April 22 - Easter Monday
- April 29 - District Wide Non-Instructional Day
- May 17 - District Wide Non-Instructional Day
- May 20 - Victoria Day
- June 28 - Administrative Day

Social Media Parent Presentation at Prince of Wales

Raising Digitally Responsible Youth



Tuesday May 8, 2018
6:30 pm Auditorium
Prince of Wales Secondary,
2250 Eddington Drive, Vancouver, BC

For Parents of School-Aged Children & Youth

With society heading in a direction of being constantly connected to technology, what do we need to know as parents to protect our kids and teach them responsible and appropriate use of technology? The parameters of rules and expectations that you put in place at home will undoubtedly guide their behaviour in the years to come. Please join us for an informative presentation which will cover the following topics and more!

- **Social Media Update** – The most current apps & trends in their social media lives
- **Pick Your Battles!** – You will have to balance the yin with the yang, promote independence whilst taking a strong stance on certain subjects
- **Current Research** – Brain development & technology, violent video games
- **Digital Footprint and Reputation** – With their future approaching, recruiters and employers are taking note – what will they find?
- **Tips & Tricks to Use at Home**



PARENTS: Do not miss this free event!



.SAFER SCHOOLS TOGETHER - an organization focused on promoting a climate and culture of safety in schools through comprehensive education - www.saferchoolstogether.com

Please RSVP:
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/raising-digitally-responsible-youth-free-event-for-parents-tickets-43813224534>

Important Dates

- **Tuesday, April 3** - First Day Back
- **Friday, April 6** - Milton Randell Drumming workshop for all divisions
- **Tuesday, April 10** - PAC meeting, 7:00 pm
- **Wednesday April 18th** – U R Strong workshop
- **Wednesday & Thursday, April 25-26th** – Loonie/Toonie Book Sale
- *PLEASE NOTE THAT **FRIDAY, APRIL 27TH** IS **NOT** A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY FOR TRAFALGAR*

Have a good Spring Break!