

Mount Pleasant Public School

November 2016

From the Principal's Desk

Hello MPS,

Another great month ends at MPS! I continue to be impressed at the hard work of our students and staff. I continue to be impressed at the involvement of our parent community. Mt. Pleasant School is a great place to spend the day!! :)

October was full of amazing learning opportunities and seasonal celebrations. Our fundraising for United Way has been an amazing event. 844 socks were collected for Socktober and Paige Rayfield won the Box of Chox for guessing 267 Rox in Sox (there were 268!) The Optimist Halloween Party was a smashing success...we are still tabulating the funds raised as last minute receipts are submitted. The committee for the Learning Commons are very excited at going shopping for year 2 of this exciting project!

There are lots of new happening coming in November. Mrs. MacPherson's class are doing their annual Coat Drive, and Mrs. Guest's class is doing a Battery drive. Bully Awareness Week will be celebrated. Progress Reports will be coming out in a few weeks and with that comes Parent Teacher Interviews. And our School Council will be focusing on mental health by offering a Zumba class on November 8th, instead of a regularly scheduled meeting!! This event is for the whole family!

As always, if you have any questions, feel free to call!



Leadership in Me Social Justice Begins with Me

November's theme: PEACE

With younger children, this theme can be simply peace - peaceful classrooms, peaceful countries, and a peaceful world. For older students, we address two kinds of peace: this first kind, as well as inner peace - what makes people peaceful within themselves. What ideas do students have about peace? This ties in well with Remembrance Day....November 11!



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Dates to Remember

Tues. Nov 8: Family Zumba Night
Fri. Nov 11: Remembrance Day Assembly
MADD assembly for gr. 7/8 students
Wed. Nov 16: Progress reports go hme
Book Fair Begins
Thur. Nov 17: book Fair continues
Parent/teacher interviews
Fri. Nov 18: PD day
Parent teacher interviews continue
Thur. Nov 24: gr. 7&8 immunizations
Nov 20-26: Bully Awareness Week
Fri. Nov 25: Mustang Rodeo Assembly
Accessibility Awareness Day
Pizza Days: Nov 4, 11, 17 & 25



We will be offering Mt. Pleasant School spirit wear for sale during the month of November....just in time for Christmas! Available items will include t-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, yoga hoodies and toques. I am just in the process of finalizing order details and arranging for samples to come to the school. Look for details over the next week!

Inclement Weather Procedures

With the month of October quickly coming to an end, STSBHN wanted to remind parents of how inclement weather impacts transportation services as well as where and when information is made available if services are delayed or cancelled.

On days of inclement weather, the staff of STSBHN and the bus companies, who provide service to our area, are actively reviewing current road conditions and future weather patterns in order to make a determination on delayed or cancelled transportation services. Information is collected from a number of sources and a decision is made and posted no later than 6:30 a.m. When transportation is delayed or cancelled, information will be posted on the websites of STSBHN as well as communicated to a number of local media sources; please see the FAQ section of STSBHN's website for a complete list of radio and television sources. Parents can also receive an email notification when a zone delay or cancellation is experienced by signing up for the free transportation subscription service; information on the service is also available at STSBHN's website under the FAQ section. STSBHN also posts area delays and cancellations on their Twitter; individuals can follow STSBHN by following @STSBHN.

As the decision to run, delay or cancel transportation is made in advance of services actually being provided, there may be some instances where variability exists in what was forecast versus what actually occurs. STSBHN and its member school boards want to provide options for the parents and students of our area and so, when it appears safe to do so, transportation services will be permitted to continue as usual.

If, on an inclement weather day you feel that your child(ren) would be better off not taking the bus and either being transported into school by yourself or staying home altogether as a result of the road conditions at or near your home, STSBHN and the boards do understand and respect that this decision ultimately rests with you.

We look forward to experiencing another safe inclement weather season for you and your child(ren).



Early Closure Procedures

I can't remember the last time we have had an early closure, but we need to be prepared just in case. In the event of an early closure, the buses will be coming to the school to pick students up early. This could happen, for example, if the winter weather conditions are worse than originally anticipated and there is a concern that getting students home at dismissal time could pose a safety hazard. Should this occur, the GEDSB will make this decision, communicate it to all schools and media, as well as post it to the board website. When this happens, the following will occur at the school level:

- The needed information will be posted to the school website
- The needed information will be sent out electronically to all email addresses in my contact list
- A telephone call-out will be initiated at the school, to ensure that all parents are informed of the change of schedule.

We need to ensure that parents are aware of the school closure before we can dismiss their students. As such, we ask that if there is a significant weather event, and there is a possibility of an early school closure, please stay close to phones and emails.



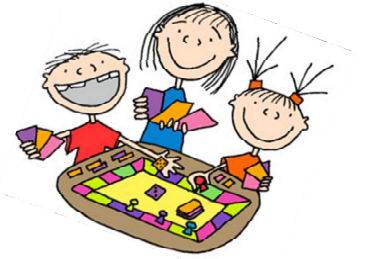
Calling all Babysitters

If you are 12 years old or older, and have your babysitting certificate, then you can be included in our babysitting list.

We are putting together a list of babysitters that parents can access if they are in need of a babysitter. How do you get on this list?

All I need is an email from a parent confirming that they approve!

If a family needs a babysitter, they simply need to come to the school and take a look at the list! It's that easy!



MT. PLEASANT SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TURKEY BINGO

667 Mt. Pleasant Rd.

Friday Dec 2, 2016

Doors Open – 6 p.m.

Start Time – 7 p.m.

**Door Prize + Raffles
Assorted Refreshments**

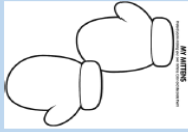
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For more information call Sandy at the school – 484-2912

Must be 19 or older to be in attendance



WARM COATS



WARM HEARTS

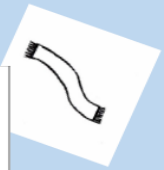


MOUNT PLEASANT SCHOOL COAT DRIVE

Collecting Until November 17th



New-Used-Kids-Adults



Coats, Snow Pants, Boots, Mitts, Hats, Scarves

Send Us Your Used Batteries!!

Mrs. Guest's class asks you to bring in your used batteries.

Did you know that there are many people in the world who are zinc deficient?

Did you know that the zinc in old batteries can be extracted and produced into pills that will save lives?

Mrs. Guest's grade 3-4 class leadership project is to collect as many batteries as possible over the month of November. Call your neighbours, ask your work colleagues, call your relatives!

There is a collection bin in the front hall!

