



Kidston Elementary School News

February 2018



Growing Together ...

Caring, Capable Citizens in a
Changing World

January in Review

The month of January has flown by with the later start this month. The Lion King Production rehearsals are under way. Please look for emails from Mrs. Jacobs asking for parents help with costumes, props and other items for the show. We have reached mid-season for our basketball teams and every team is playing hard and representing Kidston well. January saw staff and students participating in wacky hair and sunglass day. To end the month teachers were attending workshops to learn more about the new BC Curriculum. Check out the new curriculum on line at <http://curriculum.gov.bc> .

Registration/Transfer Dates

January 15-February 15, 2017. If you have a Kindergarten child please come into the school and register. This is also the time to put in a transfer for September 2017.

PAC Happenings...

Hot lunch information: kidston.hotlunches.net

If you have not registered this year: go to kidston.hotlunches.net

1. Click on "Click Here to Register" and enter **Access Code KHL**

There is extra cookie dough for sale. Have you run out of cookie dough? We still have flavors left: 4 shortbread, 15 chocolate chip, 1 double chocolate, 17 oatmeal raisin, 4 ginger molasses, 12 white chunk macadamia nut. Please call or text Avalon at 250-306-0444 if you would like to restock your freezer!

PAC Basket and Movie/Pizza night is happening Friday, February 16 @ 5:00pm. A newsletter about the event and what theme basket your child's class is doing was sent home last week. Items for the basket need to be in by February 8th. Tickets for the baskets will be sold at movie night as well as a pre-sale of tickets for those who cannot make it to movie night.

NEXT PAC MEETING February 19

The next PAC meeting will be held on Monday, February 19th at 6:30-7:30 in the library. Also, there are a few vacant positions still on the PAC executive and anyone interested can email Chere' Lane (PAC President) at clane@obgc.ca

Student Led Conferences

On February 8 (and some on the 9th) teachers will be coordinating the Student Led Conferences. Times that the classroom will be available for the Student Led Conferences will be communicated to you by your child's teacher. Dismissal on both days is at 12:25. There is no pizza lunch on Thursday Feb. 8

Grade 7 Fundraising @ Chasers Bottle Depot

The Grade 7 group is raising money for their trip to Eagle Bay in June and for the year end Grade 7 celebration by collecting bottles/cans. Parents have two options: Bring your bottles to Chasers bottle depot, sort them and when you go to receive your cash tell them it's for **Kidston Grade 7 fundraising** and they will add it to a running tally in our account or drop your bottles off and they will sort them for you but they will take a cut. Thanks for your support on this ongoing fundraiser.

Upcoming Events:

Feb. 5 NO LUNCH MOMS
Feb. 8 & 9 Student -led conferences Dismissal on both days at 12:25
Feb. 12 Family Day - No School
Feb. 14 Spirit Day - Valentines/Cartoon Day
Feb. 16 - Kidston PAC Movie Night
February 19 PAC Meeting 6:30
February 23 Pro- D Day No school for students
March 15 Report Cards released
March 16 - Spirit Day- Favorite Emoji
March 17- April 2 Spring Break
April 3 - School reopens

Kidston Garden News

Ways to stay updated on garden news:

<http://www.kidstongarden.com/>



**The Giving Tree donations total:
\$1000.50**

If you have not made a donation yet please consider making one. Every bit counts.

Two of the garden beds have been purchased and named too!! One garden bed name was purchased by a Kidston School neighbourhood. They are challenging other Kidston School neighbourhoods to come together and do the same!

Farm Bound Produce Delivery service is continuing to offer to us their great referral program. During their Thursday warehouse sale 12-7 mention you are from Kidston and your purchase totals will be added to the Kidston punch card. For every \$500 in sales, \$25 in free groceries is given back to us; the best ingredients for our healthy smoothies and hot lunch offerings!

Visit their website for info on their home delivery service at www.farmbound.ca. Also visit them on Facebook for updates on Thursday sale items and specials.

KIDSTON DISCOVERY GARDENS...Growing Together

We have some really fun things happening this year and we are so thrilled to share.

As a PAC and Garden Committee, we believe that children learn in a variety of ways and environments. Offering an outdoor space where students can explore with their senses and cultivate confidence through growing gardens and discovery has been a long dream at Kidston Elementary. That dream came to life in 2015, with the implementation of 10 raised garden beds. In 2016, PAC and the Kidston School Garden Committee decided to join hands as the request for more garden space had grown from classes and more gardens were needed for our amazing Grandma D's garden to plate hot lunch program. That combined with a desire to develop an area to meet the wishes of Kidston students lead us to this...a plan to build a space consisting of biodiverse and veggie gardens, an outdoor classroom and an adventure forest...a true outdoor learning legacy!

Last year we got the ball rolling and we ended the school year by choosing a name for these gardens from the excellent classroom suggestions.

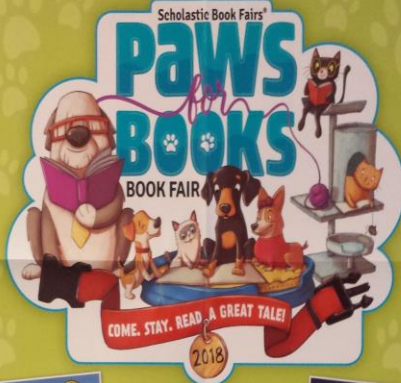
Garden grounds will start breaking Spring 2018 and our goal is work together this year to raise the funds, collect in-kind donations, volunteer time and get this project completed!

Thank you kindly for all your interest and support with this important project for Kidston students, teachers and our community.

For any additional questions please contact us at kidstongarden@gmail.com or check out www.kidstongardens.com

Kidston PAC & Garden Committee

LIBRARY



Dates | Times | Place
Kidston Library Feb. 6th-8th
Tues. + Wed. 8:30-1:00 Thurs. 12:25-5:30
All purchases benefit our school!

Paws to read every day!



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