



Lord Asquith School Newsletter



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TO EMPOWER A COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS

BY PURSUING SUCCESS FOR ALL

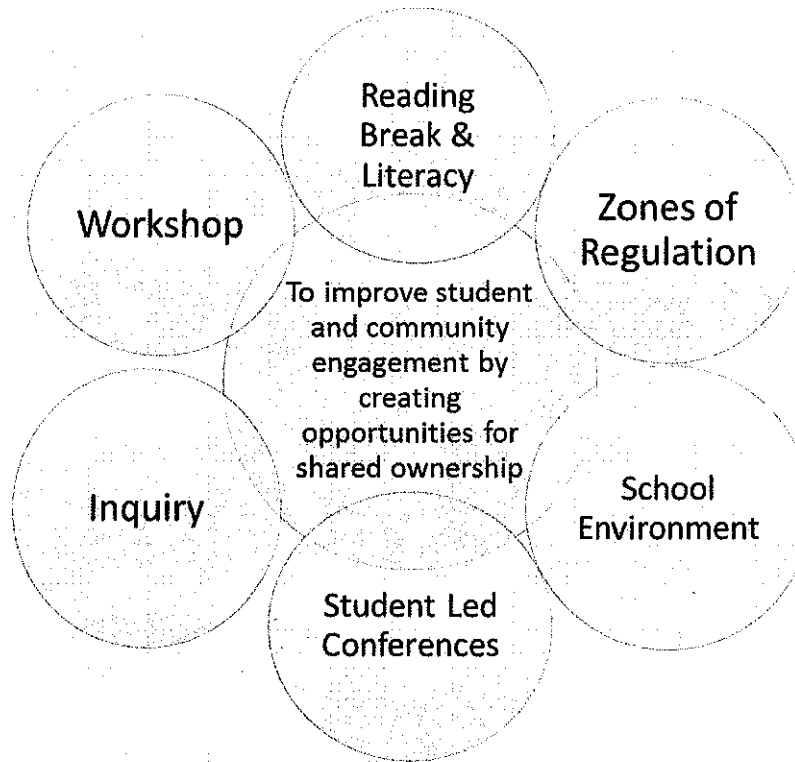
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Number 5

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Principal's Message

After all of the excitement of December, January always seems to slow down a bit, which gives us all a little breathing room, except for the high school students preparing for finals and our basketball teams that keep our gym alive with practices and games!



An important goal within our school Learning Improvement Plan is School Environment. We are focusing on school environment because we want to create a comfortable, optimal learning environment for students, staff, parents and community that provides evidence of our learning and celebrates the success of all students.

So where are we at?

Lobby - Our school has been repainted and our library is gorgeous, open and welcoming. We have updated our lobby space with couches and comfy chairs, a coffee table built by a student, and a collaborative art project in the entry way that features a piece of art from every student in our school last year.

Our next goal is to make the entry way a hub for information and sharing. We are planning to put a bench and a bookcase (built by students) in the space that will be our own "Have one- leave one. Need one- take one!" library. Once it is built you can feel free to leave gently used books you are done enjoying for someone else to enjoy! We are also planning to have all the notes that go home posted in this space as well so it will be easy for parents to find any of those missing pieces of information.

Hallways & Classrooms – Teachers have been working hard at following the Reggio philosophy to keep learning environments neutral, natural, comfortable and familiar. All classrooms should be working towards posting outcomes, big ideas, or essential questions with any work that is on display so you know what is happening in the school at any given moment. We are also working at displaying student work. Once our Work Ed student finishes putting in the anchors, we will have student work displayed above the lockers in the middle years wing.

Outdoor Learning Space & MY/HS Activity Space – This will be a place where classes can go to learn and work outside that looks beautiful, is educational and is also low maintenance. We currently have a plan and footprint drawn up for the first phase of our Outdoor Space. We are hoping to have the Semester 2 IA students break ground (literally) on the project this spring with the focus on a community garden, and sitting/working space for students.

Stay tuned for an open house in the Spring to make plans and discuss how this space can be used year round by the community! If you would like to be part of our planning team or have skills to lend, please contact me at the school!

If you have ideas on how we can work towards bettering our school environment, please contact me at the school as I would love to heart them!

Our goal is to make our school feel like our home – Home of the Asquith A's!

Leanne Gruending

A 'Special' Thank You to Agrium for their Generous donation of \$5000 for the Breakfast Program here at Lord Asquith School! WOW!!

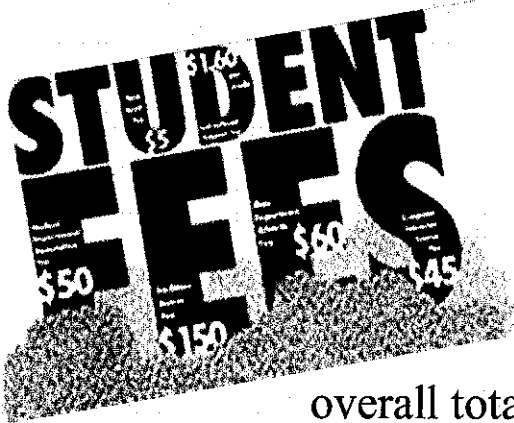
Also, another "Special" Thank You to St. Theresa Parish in Asquith for their awesome donation of \$500 to The Breakfast Club!

These donations will help the Breakfast Club make nourishing breakfasts so that our students have a healthy start to their day!



WANTED

LAS is looking for new or gently used office desk chairs. If you have one that you no longer need or it doesn't work with your décor, please contact the office at 329-4331. We may be able to take it off your hands!!!
Thanks!



As of this newsletter, we have 17 families who have yet to pay their child's school fees. The Grade 10s (93.8%) are now in the lead followed closely by the Grade 6/7s (92.3%) and the Grade 2/3s (90.91%) in the race to have ALL fees collected in each grade. Our

overall total has risen to **87.5%** of fees paid in Lord Asquith School. **THANK YOU!!!** Come on, Everyone: Let's see if we can have the remaining 12.5% received by the end of the January. Reminder letters will be send home again shortly.

LET'S GET IT DONE!!

**Registration for New
Kindergarten Students for
the Fall of 2017
Please call 329-4331**

*sign
up
now*

Academics

January 2017 Final Exam Schedule

Time	Grade	Tuesday Jan. 24 th	Wednesday Jan. 25 th	Thursday Jan. 26 th	Friday Jan. 27 th
9:00 AM	Grade 10		ELA A 10	Math AP 10	
	Grade 11	Physical science 20	Math FD 20		ELA 20
	Grade 12	ELA A 30	Math FD 30	History 30	Pre-Cal 30
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00pm	Grade 10				
	Grade 11			History 20	
	Grade 12	Math Workplace and Apprenticeship 30 Departmental			

Other News

"Deck Your Door" News

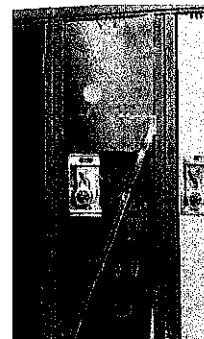
The winners of the Deck Your Door contest are as follows:

Best Elementary Door: Grade 5 Class (The Grinch Who Stole Christmas)

Best High School Door: Grade 12 Class (The Polar Express)

Best Locker Door: Rebekah Goetz. (Rudolph in the Dark/Evil Rudolph)

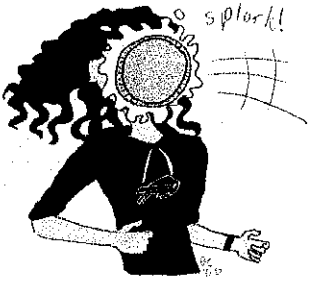
A Pizza Party was held on December 19th for all winners.
Congratulations to ALL!!!



SLC News!

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The Lord Asquith School SLC held a "Pie in the Eye" contest on December 13th. All proceeds were forwarded to "Operation Santa" to help those in our community have a wonderful Christmas. The contest raised \$67 towards this endeavour! Great job, everyone!! Fun was had by all.



The Saskatoon Blades are calling on Grades 4s and 5s from across the Prairie Spirit School Division to join them at their Team Up For Respect game Monday, January 30, against the Regina Pats. Puck-drop is at 11:30 a.m.

Since this game falls on our semester break, the Blades ask any grade 4 or 5 student from Prairie Spirit who would like to come to the game with their parent (or other caregiver) to pick up tickets in advance at the Blades office in SaskTel Centre (before the end of the day, January 23). There will be no charge.

Students will also receive a free activity book at the game, which includes lessons on the theme of the game, which aims to increase respect and decrease bullying.

This game has proven to be a huge hit, drawing thousands of students from Prairie Spirit as well as the Saskatoon Public and Saskatoon Catholic school districts. Come join the fun!

For tickets, stop by the Blades office at SaskTel Centre and/or contact:

Luke Anderson
Ticketing Manager
Saskatoon Blades
luke@saskatoonblades.com
306 975 8844 (ext. 27)

(Must pick up tickets by end of day January 23)



FROM THE BOOTH

Our Booth's menu offers a variety of hot foods and healthy snacks for our students' grumbling tummies. Items range from \$.50-2.50.



2016/17 Lifetouch School Photo Date

Grade 12 Grad Photo Date:
Wednesday, February 8, 2017.
Please mark this date in your calendars!!



Allergy Aware



Food Allergy Canada

Allergy Information Service

The food allergy community received some excellent news with the release of guidelines for the introduction of peanut to babies. The Addendum Guidelines for the Prevention of Peanut Allergy in the U.S. (a report from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)) is a very positive step forward in preventing the development of peanut allergy.

The guidelines represent a dramatic shift from previous advice to parents and caregivers regarding the introduction of peanut in a child's diet. It is critical that health providers including allergists, pediatricians, and general practitioners share consistent information, based on the recommendations, so that parents can make an informed decision.

Here are some highlights:

- The recommendations are based on the groundbreaking LEAP study which found that early introduction of peanuts to babies (4-11 months) identified as high risk for peanut allergy (based on an existing egg allergy and/or severe eczema), helped to prevent the development of peanut allergy.

- The guidelines provide specific advice for when to introduce peanut-containing foods to babies and how. They also include advice about introducing solids first, avoiding foods that can be choking hazards (e.g. whole peanuts), and specific instructions for babies considered to be "high risk". There are three guidelines for when to introduce peanut-containing food -
 - Guideline 1: As early as 4-6 months for those at high risk (severe eczema and/or egg allergy). Evaluation with testing is **strongly recommended** to determine if peanut should be introduced and the preferred method. Parents are advised to consult with their physician.
 - Guideline 2: Around 6 months for those with mild to moderate eczema.
 - Guideline 3: When age-appropriate, introduce freely in diet with other solid foods in accordance with family preferences and cultural practices.
- You can download the guidelines and summaries for parents/caregivers and clinicians on the [NIAID website](#).

We discussed these points in media interviews last week, as did Canadian allergist Dr. Edmond Chan, a member of the NIAID expert panel. Click here for more on the [Global TV national news story](#). You can also read the [Allergic Living](#) article which provides a great overview of the guidelines.

As always, we advise parents to speak with their physician if they have any concerns.

We will be hosting a webinar on this topic soon. In the interim, please let us know what you think about these new guidelines - write to us at info@foodallergycanada.ca with your feedback.

Sincerely,



Laurie Harada, Executive Director
Food Allergy Canada



Community News

ASQUITH GARDE FENCING ACADEMY'S 490 MAIN STREET, ASQUITH



"Musketeers"

Junior Fencers Class,
For ages 4-8

Limited Spots Available!

8-week session / Begins January 23

Cost: \$90.00

6 pm – 7 pm on Mondays

Intermediate Fencing Class

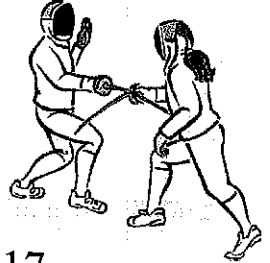
For ages 8-12

Spots Available!
12-class session

Begins Tuesday January 17

Cost: \$150.00

7 pm – 8:30 pm on Tuesdays



Contact Nadia Smith @241-5295 or jnsmith05@gmail.com
or Doug Brecht @doug_brecht@yahoo.com

Regular classes for older fencers will accept registration at any time of the year with classes running three times per week.

BABY-BACK RIB NIGHT

HELD AT THE ASQUITH HOTEL

Saturday 11 February 2016

Meal Starts at **7pm.**

\$20 per person

Includes 1 Free Drink from the Bar

Karaoke To Follow

COME OUT AND HAVE SOME FUN!!

Take the Bite Out of Winter

Public Health Services



Frostbite occurs with prolonged exposure or unprotected skin to very cold temperatures.

What to do to prevent frostbite ...

- dress appropriately before going out in cold weather

Signs of frostbite ...

- area is white or grey in colour and cold to touch
- frostbitten part will be numb
- severe frostbite causes tissue damage

What to do if frostbite occurs ...

- apply gentle but firm pressure against the frostbitten part with a warm hand
- provide a hot drink to warm the body all over
- never rub the frostbitten area (rubbing can damage skin)
- seek medical help if serious

Dates to Remember:

- January 16: Newsletter #5
Jr. Girls Basketball HOST VMS-Martensville
- January 17: Sr. Girls Basketball Game at Dalmeny, 5:00 PM
Jr. Boys Basketball HOST Venture Heights School
SCC Meeting, 6:30 PM
- January 18: Sr. Boys Basketball Game at VCA, 4:00 PM
Sr. Girls Basketball Game at VCA, 5:30 PM
Jr. Boys Basketball HOST Biggar, 4:00 PM
Jr. Girls Basketball HOST Biggar, immediately after
- January 19: Sr. Boys Basketball HOST Clavet, 5:00 PM
- January 21: Jr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Warman
- January 23: Jr. Girls Basketball HOST Clavet
- January 24: Jr. Boys Basketball Game at Rosthern
- January 24-27: High School Final Exams
- January 28: Jr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Hepburn
- January 30: Semester Turn-Around/Prep Time - NO SCHOOL
- January 31: Jr. Boys Basketball HOST Clavet



- February 1: Sr. Girls Basketball HOST Dalmeny, 5:00 PM
- February 2: Sr. Boys Basketball Game at LCBI, 5:00 PM
Sr. Girls Basketball Game at LCBI, 6:30 PM
Jr. Girls Basketball @ Hepburn
- February 3: Report Card Day (Grades 6-12)
- February 3-4: Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament at Delisle
- February 6: Jr. Girls Basketball Conferences
Sr. Girls Basketball HOST Hepburn, 5:00 PM
Sr. Boys Basketball HOST Hepburn, 6:30 PM
- February 7: Jr. Boys Basketball Conferences
SCC Meeting, 6:30 PM
- February 8: Jr. Girls Basketball Conferences

- February 8: Grade 12 Grad Photo Day, 9:00 AM
- February 9: Jr. Boys Basketball Conferences
- February 10: Deadline for Newsletter #6
- February 10-11: Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament at École Canadienne
Sr. Girls Basketball HOME Tournament
- February 11: Jr. Basketball Finals
Fencing Rib Night @ Asquith Hotel, 7 PM
- February 14: Sr. Girls Basketball Game at Delisle, 4:30 PM
- February 15: Newsletter #6
Sr. Girls Basketball Game at Langham, 5:00 PM
- February 17: Grade 6/7 Culture Fair, 12:10-1:30 PM
- February 17-18: Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament at Tisdale
- February 20: Family Day - NO SCHOOL
- February 21-24: Winter Break - NO SCHOOL
- February 28: Sr. Girls Basketball HOST VCA, 5:00 PM
Sr. Boys Basketball HOST VCA, 6:30 PM



- March 3-4: Sr. Boys and Girls Basketball HOME Round Robins
- March 10: Deadline for Newsletter #7
- March 10-11: Sr. Basketball Conferences
- March 15: Newsletter #7
- March 17-18: Sr. Basketball Regionals
- March 21: SCC Meeting, 6:30 PM
- March 24: Prep Time - NO SCHOOL
- March 24-25: Sr. Basketball Provincials "Hoopla 2017" at Regina



- April 7: Deadline for Newsletter #8
- Report Card Day (Grades K-12)
- April 12-13: Student Led Conferences, 4-7 PM
- April 13: Newsletter #8
- April 14-21: Easter Break - NO SCHOOL
- April 25: Jr. Badminton Pre-Conferences
SCC Meeting, 6:30 PM
- April 26: Sr. Badminton Conferences
- April 27: Jr. Badminton Conferences
- April 29: Jr. Badminton Districts at Martensville High
Sr. Badminton Districts at Clavet



- May 6: Sr. Badminton Regionals
- May 10: Deadline for Newsletter #9
- May 13: Sr. Badminton Provincials at Weyburn
- May 15: Newsletter #9
- May 16: SCC Meeting, 6:30 PM
- May 17: Track and Field Conference A at Griffith, Saskatoon
- May 19: Prep Time - NO SCHOOL
- May 22: Victoria Day - NO SCHOOL
- May 23: Day-in-Lieu of Student Led Conferences - NO SCHOOL
- May 26: Track and Field Districts at Griffith, Saskatoon



- June 2-3: Track and Field Provincials at Griffith, Saskatoon
- June 5: Prep Time - NO SCHOOL

June 9: Deadline for Newsletter #10
June 15: Newsletter #10
June 20: SCC Meeting, 6:30 PM
June 23-28: High School Final Exams
June 28: Last Day of School for Grades 1-12
June 29-30: Prep Time - NO SCHOOL
June 30: Report Card Day (Grades K-12)












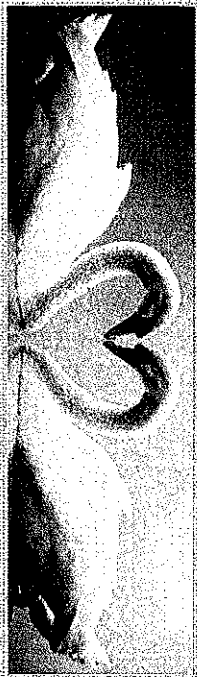
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December


February




Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day 	2 Christmas Break NO SCHOOL	3 C	4 D	5 E Sr. Girls Basketball HOST R.J.C, 5 PM Sr. Boys Basketball HOST R.J.C, 6:30 PM	6 F Sr. Girls Basketball Tournament @ Langham	7 Sr. Girls Basketball Tournament @ Langham
8	9 A 	10 B Deadline for Newsletter #5 Submissions Sr. Boys Basketball HOST École, 5 PM Sr. Girls Bball HOST Delisle, 6:30 PM	11 C Sr. Girls Bball HOST Perdue, 5 PM	12 D Jr. Boys Basketball Game @ Warman, 4 PM Jr. Girls Basketball Game @ Warman	13 E Sr. Boys Basketball HOME Tournament Sr. Girls Basketball Tournament @ Birch Hills	14 Sr. Boys Basketball HOME Tournament Sr. Girls Basketball Tournament @ Birch Hills
15 	16 F Newsletter #5 Jr. Girls Bball HOST VMS Martensville	17 A Sr. Girls Basketball Game @ Dalmeny, 5 PM SCC Meeting, 6:30 PM Jr. Boys Basketball HOST Venture Heights School	18 B Sr. Boys Basketball Game @ VCA, 4 PM Sr. Girls Basketball Game @ VCA, 5:30 PM Jr. Girls/Boys Bball HOST Biggar @ 4 pm	19 C Sr. Boys Basketball HOST Clavel, 5 PM	20 D 	21 Jr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Warman
22	23 E Jr. Girls Bball HOST Clavel	24 F High School Exams Jr. Boys Basketball Game @ Rosthern	25 A High School Exams 	26 B High School Exams	27 C High School Exams	28 Jr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Hepburn
29 	30 Semester Turn- Around/Prep Time NO SCHOOL	31 D Jr. Boys Basketball HOST Clavel				

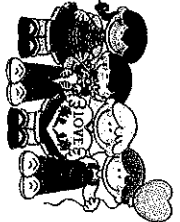

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
			1E Sr. Girls Basketball HOST Dalmerly, 5:00 PM	2F Sr. Boys BBall @ LCBI, 5 PM; Sr. Girls BBall @ LCBI, 6:30 PM Jr. Girls BBall @ Hepburn FEBRUARY	3A Report Card Day, Grades 6-12 Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Delisle	4 Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Delisle

5  Jr. Girls Basketball Conferences Sr. Girls Basketball HOST Hepburn, 5 PM Sr. Boys Basketball HOST Hepburn, 6:30 PM	6B Jr. Girls Basketball Conferences Sr. Girls Basketball HOST Hepburn, 5 PM Sr. Boys Basketball HOST Hepburn, 6:30 PM	7C Jr. Boys Basketball Conferences SCC Meeting, 6:30 PM	8D Grade 12 Grad Photos, 9:00 AM Jr. Girls Basketball Conferences	9E Jr. Boys Basketball Conferences	10F Deadline for Newsletter #6 Submissions Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ École Canadienne Sr. Girls Basketball HOME Tournament	11 Jr. Basketball Finals Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ École Canadienne Sr. Girls Basketball HOME Tournament Fencing Rib Night @ Asquith Hotel, 7 PM
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12	13A	14B Sr. Girls BBall @ Delisle, 4:30 PM Valentines Day	15C Newsletter #6 Sr. Girls BBall @ Langham, 5 PM	16D 	17E Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Tisdale Gr. 6/7 Culture Fair, 12:10 to 1:30 PM	18 Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament @ Tisdale
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19 	20 Family Day NO SCHOOL	21 Winter break NO SCHOOL	22 Winter break NO SCHOOL 	23 Winter break NO SCHOOL	24 Winter break NO SCHOOL	25 
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26	27F 	28A Sr. Girls Basketball HOST VCA, 5 PM Sr. Boys Basketball HOST VCA, 6:30 PM				
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