



KIMBERLEY-BEACHES NEWS

March 2017

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Principal's message:

February has been a busy month at Kimberley and Beaches Alternative School!

Students enjoyed **SKATING** at Ted Reeve Arena. Thank you to our teachers and parent volunteers for making this happen.

Our **DANCE-A-THON** on February 14th was great fun! Our students, staff and parent volunteers showed their moves on the dance floor and raised funds to support school programs and activities such as Scientist in the School and Prologue presentations.



February has also been a month with many professional development opportunities for our teachers. We have been working with our school math

coach as we look at best practices and ways to build students' confidence in Math. We recognize that a strong partnership between home and school is a key factor in promoting student success. We invite parents to visit:

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideNumEn.pdf>

where you can find many practical and fun ideas on how to practice Math at home.



Just a reminder that March Break is from the 13th to the 17th inclusive.

Wishing you all an enjoyable break!

Lost and Found

Parents are reminded to please ensure that your child's name and room number are clearly marked on all clothing and lunch items so that they can be promptly returned to your child on the chance that they should go astray.

Thanks!

Alternative School Review **– Public Consultation Meetings**

A review of Pathways in the Alternative School System is underway at the TDSB and public consultation meetings have been scheduled to hear from parents/guardians in the TDSB community. For more information, please visit

www.tdsb.on.ca/Community/PublicConsultations/AlternativeSchoolReview

- **Thursday, March 23** from 6:30 – 8 p.m. at former Eastern Commerce CI, 16 Phin Avenue (Library)
- **Tuesday, March 28** from 6:30 – 8 p.m. at Western Technical Commercial School, 125 Evelyn Crescent (Library)

The Great Big Crunch



Since 2006, Canadians from coast to coast have participated in the Great Big Crunch, an initiative of FoodShare Toronto.

On Thursday, March 9th, Kimberley & BAS will be joining students,

teachers, parents and others who are passionate about food in a national moment of anti-silence. Kids from across the country will learn about local and healthy food and, at 2:30 p.m., celebrate the day with simultaneous apple crunch!

Kimberley School Council

Please check out the Kimberley School Council Website at www.kimberleysc.com for school and event updates

March 20, 2017; 6:30pm in the school library - School Council Meeting

March 31, 2017; 6:30pm in the school gym - Movie Night

April 8, 2017; 7:30pm at Balmy Beach Club - Parents Night Out

Dates TBA - 3 more Pizza Lunches

If you are looking for opportunities to volunteer or have any questions please contact kimberleyjpscouncil@gmail.com.

KIMBERLEY BEACHES

Café

coffee
courtesy



Come to our schools' monthly parent-run Café! Enjoy free coffee, tea, and treats in the foyer.

We're open the last Thursday of every month, from 8:45-10am.

Coffee generously provided by Grinder on Main!

Alex A. Author Visit

On Jan. 30th our amazing local children's book store Ella Minnow sponsored a visit by the author of the John Le Bon graphic novels Alex A. He met with our grade 5 and 6 students to discuss how he got started as an artist and writer.

He showed some of his early work and how it evolved into the graphic novel series. The students were amazed at his artistry as he used student input to create new characters on his computer and he even drew two student caricatures. What an engaging and fun presentation, our students had a great time. Thank you Alex A. and Ella Minnow!



African Drumming



Lisa Jones, an Orff music teacher and parent of a Beaches student, recently led African drumming workshops for the Beaches grade 3/4 and 5/6 classes. We learned about different kinds of African percussion instruments and participated in a drumming circle using djembe drums!



Dates To Remember

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| Great Big Crunch | Thursday, March 9 |
| Talent Show | Friday, March 10 |
| March Break (Holiday) | Monday, March 13 – Friday, March 17 |
| Kimberley Parent Council | Monday, March 20 |
| Prolog Performance | Monday, March 27 |
| BAS General Meeting | Thursday, March 30 |
| Movie Night | Friday March 31 |
| Good Friday (Holiday) | Friday, April 14 |
| Easter Monday (Holiday) | Monday, April 17 |
| Victoria Day (Holiday) | Monday, May 22 |
| P A Day (No School) | Friday, June 9 |
| Last Day of School | Thursday, June 29 |

***Character Development
Attribute
March: Honesty***



**KEEP
CALM
AND
PARTY
ON**

Parents' Night Out!

3rd Annual
Kimberley/Beaches Fundraiser

SATURDAY APRIL 8th, 2017

7:30 pm at
The Balmy Beach Club

360 Lake Front (foot of Beech Ave.)

MUSIC

Dancing with DJ Mike

Silent Auction

Lucky Draw ;)

Tickets \$25

**SUPPORT OUR KIDS and
HAVE SOME FUN!**

To Buy Tickets, Contact:

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All welcome but ya gotta be 19!!!

Community Centre 55 provides third party Before & After care in the school for FDK's and School Age (grade 1-6) children following the TDSB schedule.

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