



KIMBERLEY-BEACHES NEWS

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Principal's message:

It is hard to believe that Term 1 is now behind us. Report Cards will be going home on February 9th and parent-teacher interviews will take place that week. As we start Term 2, we count on parents' support to make sure our students continue to progress and acquire new learnings. We value parents' input and we encourage ongoing communication with your child's teacher.



At Beaches Alternative School we are busy getting ready to welcome new families. We had our Information Night in January. Please contact the school at (416) 393-1451 for information on our admission process.

Recess During Cold Weather

Elementary school students are kept indoors for recess and lunch times for a number of weather conditions such as rain, lightning in the area, extreme winds and extreme cold. When temperature and wind chill measure -28C or lower, students are kept indoors. Recesses and lunch hour may be shortened if the temperature and wind chill reading is between -20C and -28C.



Kindergarten Registration

February is the system-wide Kindergarten Registration month at the TDSB. If you have a child or know of a child in the Kimberley P.S. district born in 2012 they should begin kindergarten in September, 2016. To attend Junior Kindergarten in September 2016, your child must turn four by December 31, 2016. To attend Senior Kindergarten in September, children must turn five by December 31, 2016.

When registering your child, please bring the following information to Kimberley PS:

- 1. Proof of age** (a birth certificate or passport)
- 2. Proof of citizenship**
(a birth certificate, passport, or Record of Landing)
- 3. Proof of address**
(two pieces of identification that show your address, such as your telephone bill, driver's licence, bank statement, income tax form, rental or lease agreement)
- 4. Proof of immunization**
- 5. Health Card**
- 6. Legal Custody Documents** (if applicable)

Kindergarten Registration at Kimberley will take place February 1st to 5th

► **Please call 416-393-1450 to set up an appointment.**

Winter Clothing

Please label your child's clothing- Especially Boots!!



With the cold weather upon us, we have been having issues with students' clothing items going astray, particularly boots. Many students have similar looking winter boots and with hundreds of students on the same floor, sometimes a child will accidentally take the wrong boots. This ends up being a very time consuming mystery for the teachers to solve, especially when students are unable to accurately describe their items. If we are unable to find the boots, that means unnecessary expense and stress for the child whose boots were lost. Please ensure that your child's name is clearly marked on the inside of your child's boots in order to prevent this. Labels for coats, hats, mitts and scarves as well are extremely helpful when items go astray.

New P.A. Day

An additional Professional Activity Day (P.A. Day) has been added on **Friday April 15th** for all schools in the Toronto District School Board (TDSB). This additional P.A. Day has been mandated by the Ministry of Education. On this day, teachers will be taking part in professional development on provincial education priorities identified by the Minister of Education.

Most Before-and-After School Programs will offer full-day care for children currently registered in their program. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to speak to their local child care provider for further details.

As always, details on the school year calendar can be found on the TDSB website at:

www.tdsb.on.ca/AboutUs/Calendar

Student Leaders Take Charge of the Lunch Bins



Every day after everyone eats their lunch, we take up the bins. The bins are a job we do to help the school and our school mates. It all started with the original 6. Some people left and then more joined. Having this support and people wanting to do the bins helps us to continue this every day.

Each bin is labeled by class for students to put their lunch bags in which are then carried to each class by us when everyone is outside. We think this will help our school and our future. It will help the school because the bin kids in the future will have a great job to learn responsibility. Also it is a great system and will give the kids a chance to be a good role model and a hard worker.

Our team noticed some children were not closing their lunch bags properly. As a consequence food was spilling into the bins; therefore the bins were getting dirty.

Thus we came to our principal asking for new bins. After a few days the new luxury bins came, they were comfortable, shiny, new and best of all clean. Before they were like normal bins but now they have a curve on one side. The curve helps us because before the bins use to jab us in the hip and now they are more comfortable to carry.

We have had an amazing time doing this job and hope others will too.

By Noor and Marcus

Lessons From The Fire Department

We all loved the experience. For sure the presentation will save someone's life one day. Knowing how to stay close to the floor and check the door for heat before opening it. If the door is hot, that means there is fire on the other side of the door! And always stop, drop and roll if you catch fire!

By Leah and Hailey



Sophia demonstrates how to crawl below the smoke



Mrs. Abbasi tries on the Fire fighters equipment



Please take note of the REVISED information below:

Dates To Remember

Valentines Dance-a-thon	Thursday, February 11
P A Day (No School)	Friday, February 12
Family Day (No School)	Monday, February 15
BAS General Meeting	Tuesday February 23
Movie Night (Kimberley Fundraiser)	Friday, February 26 @ 6:00pm
Kimberley School Council	Monday February 29th
March Break (Holiday)	Monday, March 14 – Friday March 18
Good Friday (Holiday)	Friday, March 25
Easter Monday (Holiday)	Monday, March 28
P A Day (No School) *New*	Friday, April 15
Victoria Day (Holiday)	Monday, May 23
P A Day (No School)	Friday, June 10
Last Day of School	Wednesday, June 29

