

*Les Nouvelles de Leslie Frost Grandissons et apprenons ensemble Growing and learning together...*



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## *Character Trait for April is Citizenship*

*Citizenship is shown by making responsible decisions, caring about others, and contributing positively to our community.*

### **PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Spring has sprung. The snow in the yard has finally disappeared! We are ready for spring. There are however, some puddles and mud remaining. Please send your child with splash pants, rubber boots and a change of clothing if possible until our yard has dried out.

Students have been very busy at school with: choir, bell choir, band, robotics, battle of the books, dodge ball and French club. Students are also busily playing math and board games with our friends, skipping, drawing or playing basketball!!!!

Please be sure to check our online calendar for special days happening at LFPS

<https://lfp.tdsb.on.ca/lfp-events/>

Stay tuned for more exciting events happening at Leslie Frost!!

*Mrs. McQuarrie & Ms. Tompkins*



Come and play at the park! Please feel free to play on the playground once dismissal is complete (any time after 3:20). It's a great way to have fun, meet some playmates and enjoy the fresh air!



Please follow us on Twitter @LeslieFrostPS



### **SAFE ARRIVAL**

Please call the school if your child is going to be late or absent from school. (705) 324-5602

## *When visiting the school*

We welcome your visit to our wonderful school! Parents, guardians and guests are asked to sign in at the office when visiting the school and school staff will assist you.

Parents dropping off students are reminded that **only busses are permitted in the bus ramp and main driveway during entry and dismissal times.** Please ensure student safety by not walking in-between busses in the bus lane. If the pylons are up please do not drive into that area.



**Pylons out = students are on the move and entering and exiting the area.**



### **Battle of the books**

Battle of the Books teams are facing off in preparation for the area level junior battle tentatively taking place on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Keep reading!



**Picking students up early from school just before the dismissal bell is becoming very challenging!**

We are finding it extremely disruptive to the learning when parents and guardians are picking their children up before the end of the day. Once we are into the final instructional block of the day students and teachers are wrapping up the day's learning by jotting things down in agendas, handing out notices and beginning to get dressed and organized for home time. It is extremely challenging to be addressing all of these learning needs when the office is continually calling into the classroom to retrieve a student early.



**We kindly ask that once we have reached 2:30 PM that there are no further requests for children to be signed out early as it is just far too disruptive to the flow of the dismissal routines.**

Thank you for your help and cooperation with this.



**Professional Activity Days = NO school**

Friday April 5, 2019

Friday June 7, 2019

Friday June 28, 2019



Please join us in pumping up our school spirit

April 26<sup>th</sup> Sports Jersey Day

May 31<sup>st</sup> Wild hair Day

June 21<sup>st</sup> School colours Day

June 27<sup>th</sup> Canadian gear or Colour Day

### **PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

- If you have an item for parent advisory council please notify Mme McQuarrie or the co-chairs of school council- Lisa Grozelle or Beckie Kellett by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- Volunteers are always appreciated for lice head checks
- A subcommittee will be meeting on Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> to draft a letter to be shared with the board of education regarding parents' concerns around lunch time supervision.

## Upcoming School Council events

- Culture Night April 25<sup>th</sup>: activity signup sheets have been sent home!
- Spring Fling June 6<sup>th</sup> is going to become a Family Fun Night; watch for more details after the next Parent Council meeting!
- Please join us for our next school council meeting on Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the school library.

Emails for school council members can be found in our minutes of the October meeting.

## Clubs and activities currently taking place at Leslie Frost PS:

- Battle of the Books Club
- Primary and Junior Choir
- Band
- Bell Choir
- Games Club
- Me to We
- Intramural dodge ball
- French club
- Robotics
- Chess



TLDSB Chess Championships took place April 2nd, 2019 at JD Hodgson ES in Haliburton.

Congratulations to all chess club members for your dedication to practicing and preparing for the tournament.



Kindness message: Look for the good in the world; don't focus on the negative; say thank you and

be appreciative for all that you have. Always be a little kinder than necessary.

## Bumped Head Bracelets. Otherwise known as "Headbandz"



During a child's day, accidents may happen. We deal with a variety of injuries in the office on a daily basis, many of which are easily attended to with a band aid or some ice.

Of special concern are injuries to a child's head and as a result we are launching a Bumped Head Bracelet program to "silently" alert adults in the building and parents/caregivers at home that the student has bumped their head.

**We have begun the following procedure if your child reports that they have bumped their head:**

- they are sent to the office
- school staff will assess the injury
- a phone call will be made to parents to inform them of the incident
- parents may make the decision to pick the child up from school
- if the student is staying at school they will wear a yellow bracelet for the rest of the day

The yellow bracelet will "silently" alert other adults in the building to be watchful as that child has bumped their head. They will alert the office of any unusual behaviour or concussion symptoms that the student may be presenting. This will provide an added layer of monitoring to protect and support students.



**Kindergarten Registration is Now Open!**

Parents of any new Leslie Frost Lions should pick up a registration package at the office or register online.



**Robotics**

The junior robotics teams have been busy building their robots trying to earn one of 2 available spots to attend Robofair in Gravenhurst on April 18th. Thanks to parent council who purchased an additional 2 kits we have been able to equip 10 teams this year. This program has been steadily growing and continues to inspire designers and programmers alike. The internal competition will take place on April 15th at 2nd lunch and recess. Parents are welcome to attend. Please sign in at the office upon arrival.



**Basketball News**

Junior Basketball is underway. The tournament is on April 4th. Thank you Mme Osborne for coaching. A huge thank you to Peter Brohman for helping to coach our team!!!



**Dance-a-thon**

Thank you to our School Council for organizing the Dance-a-thon for Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup> \$ 1288.80 was raised and will be used for bussing for school trips.



**Mental Wellness Fitness**

"Collect" positive emotional moments - Make it a point to recall times when you have experienced pleasure, comfort, tenderness, confidence, or other positive emotions.



**Pedal for Hope**

Pedal for Hope will take place at 11:30 AM on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019. Pledge forms and further information will go home later in April. Any questions, please contact Mme Warburton.



**Year End Trips**

If you intend to volunteer for any year end trips with your child please check in with the office staff to ensure that you have an up to date police record check and signed confidentiality agreement.

Please continue to check our calendar and your child's classroom newsletter for any upcoming trips.



**Mental Wellness Fitness**

Share humour - Life often gets too serious, so when you hear or see something that makes you smile or laugh, share it with someone you know. A little humour can go a long way to keeping us mentally fit!