



Tamarac News

“Reading to or with your child daily will significantly improve their reading ability.”

Where Learning Comes To Life!

June, 2017

Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

I would like to extend a huge welcome to our new Vice-principal, Dayna MacDonald. Mrs. MacDonald has been a member of our staff and is a wonderful addition to the Administrative team.

The month of June is upon us and there is a feeling of excitement in the air. Although time is winding down, there is a sense of things winding up with still, academic outcomes to be touched on, reporting periods coming up, class trips and end of year events to plan. We remind students that working hard and putting their best effort forward from now until the end of June will pay off.

As already communicated in a memo, the Grade 5 & 6 students will have an end of year celebration on June 23rd. Note: There will be no Achievement Ceremonies for students in Grades 5 & 6 this year.

The Grade 7 & 8 Awards Ceremonies will take place on the afternoon of June 27th, starting at 12:45pm (a memo with details will go home Monday, June 5th). The Grade 8 End of Year Academic Achievement Awards and Social will take place on the evening of June 27th, starting at 6pm. (memo to go home

Monday, June 5th)

Preparations for September 2017 are underway at this time. I would like to remind parents/guardians and students that due to ongoing student registrations now and throughout the summer, final class lists can only be posted towards the end of August.

Fidget Toys

Student **are not permitted** to use personal fidget toys and spinners during class time. If your child benefits from a **fidget tool** at school, one will be provided by the classroom teacher through our Students Services Team. Fidget tools can help some students focus their attention. When used properly in class, fidget tools do not distract other students. Fidget tools are meant to be discretely used, (for example, in one hand, at the student's side), while the student listens to instruction or completes pencil/paper tasks. Also, lost, broken, and stolen personal items cause students a great deal of stress at school. We encourage students to leave these at home where they are safe.

The last day of classes is Tuesday, June 27th. Report Cards will be going home on Friday, June 30th. Students will be **dismissed at 10:15 a.m.** on that day. If your child will not be here on that day, you can make

arrangements to have the report card picked up by someone else by notifying the classroom teacher in writing and giving he/she permission to release the document to someone else. If you would like your child's report card mailed, you must send in a **self-addressed, stamped envelope**. Otherwise it can be picked up in September. Only report cards will be mailed, not unused school supplies, lost clothing items, or student projects and work.

Last day for regular cafeteria service is Tuesday, June 27th.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parent and community volunteers throughout the year for their time, dedication and commitment to students and for making TEC a great place of learning.
Wishing everyone a healthy, safe, fun filled summer.

Suzanne Delaney

Important Dates:

June 26- 12:30-Grade 7 & 8 Achievement Awards
June 27- Achievement Awards and Social – 6p.m.-9p.m.
June 27- Last day of Classes
June 28 & 29- Administrative Days(No Classes)
June 30- Last day of School-Dismissed at 10:15

Bus Passes

As per SRSB Policy parents are asked to ensure that your child has a note for a bus pass each day it is required. Passes will only be issued with a note containing the bus driver's name, date and the civic address of where your child is going. Busses will only stop at pre-determined bus stops. Phone pass requests are not accepted. Students are asked to

request bus passes at the office as soon as possible in the day to avoid a rush at the day's end— preferably before recess.

Track and Field

Congratulations to the TEC track team. They did fantastic at the Highland Regional meet coming home with the Regional Girl's Banner, the Regional Boy's banner, the Jaris girl's banner, The Jaris Boy's Banner and OVERALL TOP SCHOOL. We couldn't be more proud of the athletes and thank them for their dedication and determination. Great job! 23 athletes qualified for provincials in Dartmouth on June 2nd and 3rd. Coaches Nicole Campbell, Margie Pace, Kelly Ritcey, Kim Cameron

Hurdles – Regyn Mac Donald 2nd
Finn Uhlig 2nd, Emmett MacIver 3rd, Adam Rose 4th

100m - Christine Ryan 4th

Emmett MacIver 4th, Trent Williams 1st

200m- Trent Williams 2nd, Emmett MacIver 3rd

400m - Christine Ryan 3rd, Finn Uhlig 3rd

800m - Ava Mac Donald 3rd, Dylan Campbell 4th

1500m – Georgia Cummings 4th, Dylan Campbell 5th

Shot Put - Lacey Cahill 3rd, Adam Rose 3rd

Discus - Allison Pluta 3rd. Lacey Cahill 1st

Ethan Richards 3rd, Adam Rose 4th

Javelin - Danika Fraser 3rd, Liam Kennedy 4th

Long Jump - Trent Williams 1st

Triple Jump - Clare Glover 2nd, Trent Williams 2nd, Simon Bartlett 3rd

High Jump - Regyn Mac Donald 3rd

Simon Bartlett 4th

4 x 100m relay 2nd – Regyn Mac Donald, Christine Ryan, Maya McColl, Clare Glover

1st – Trent Williams, Finn Uhlig, Emmett MacIver, Shamus Beaton

4 x 400m relay – 1st – Christine Ryan, Taylor MacIssaac, Hallie MacNeil, Sierra White

1st-Finn Uhlig, Dylan Campbell, Ryan Digout, Garrison McNamara

Food4Children Thank You

Food 4 Children provides healthy snack choices and food support with its backpack program to several schools in SRSB. Our thanks to CANSO FORD for supporting us with the Test Drive 4 U R School event recently. Close to \$4,000 was raised to continue our work. Thank you to the many volunteers for helping us at the event, with special thanks to TEC volunteers Crystal K., John K., Donald R., and Tammy G.-M. Finally, thanks to each of you who took time from your busy schedule to support us. Your kindness is appreciated!

a CONCUSSION TALK 2017



Chad Fraser is Certified Athletic Trainer with 17 years of experience in the Sports Medicine field. For the past 6 years he has worked with Cirque

du Soleil as the Performance Medicine Head Therapist in the touring show division responsible for the complete medical care of the show's acrobats and artists. Prior to Cirque du Soleil, he spent 11 years working in university athletics as part of the Sports Medicine teams for three different institutions. Chad has experience providing medical care of athletes from all competitive sports.

Please join us for an informative evening presentation and discussion of the nature and rehabilitation of concussions. -7pm, June 20th at Tamarac Education Centre, Port Hawkesbury.

Bring the World into Your Home by Hosting an International Student Attention Tamarac Education Centre School Community

Imagine sharing the beauty, history and culture of Canada with a young student from abroad.

The International Student Program, in the Strait Regional School Board, continues to grow with an increased number of students coming to NS to experience what our host families and our education system has to offer.

As the program grows in our communities, so does the need for more host families. Hosting an International Student offers your family the chance to broaden their experience with other cultures, while sharing the Nova Scotian way of life with a young person.

Students from the Nova Scotia International Student Program come with health insurance and their own spending money. Host families receive a stipend to cover additional costs. You provide a room, three meals a day and the experience of a lifetime.

To learn more about the Nova Scotia International Student Program (NSISP) and this wonderful opportunity to become a host family, please visit www.nsisp.ca and contact:

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