



CLARENVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

...Where Children Come First!

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CMS Newsletter

TIGER TRACKS

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Welcome Grade 3 Students

~ love to see parents as well! ~



TWO VILLAGES - NEPAL PROJECT

Let's help our neighbours!

Students and staff at Clarenville Middle School are excited about the arrival of grade 3 students from Clarenville Primary on Friday April 28th. Next year's grade four students will get a tour of the building, discuss school life at the middle school and be given a little snack as we host this wonderful group. This year, as suggested by Joshua Brentnall's mom, the group will also have the opportunity to see our **school's heritage fair** in order to learn about our past and know what their participation will be like next year. Any parents who wish to attend Friday's session with their child are invited to attend as well. The more parents - the better the experience. I'm sure many parents of current grade 4 students will be in attendance to help with the orientation.

DRUG AWARENESS SESSION

Our grade 7 & 8 students will be attending a Drug Awareness Day at Clarenville High School on Friday April 28th. The theme for the day is '**High on Life! Being Healthy, Being me**' and many great presenters and sessions have been planned:

- Barry Canning (Entertainer/Motivational Speaker, speaks of how drug abuse interacts with the entertainment industry.)
- Const. Greg Mitchell, School Liason Officer, Clarenville RCMP and Provincial Drug Awareness Coordinator, Sgt. Bill Dwyer .
- Addiction Services (Ms. Tammy Greening, Mr. Troy Mitchel, Eastern Health Care Board)
- Becky Scott, two time Canadian Olympian, Gold in Salt Lake City 2002, Silver at Turin, 2006. World ambassador fighting for a drug free Olympics and promoter of a drug free life style. Member elect to the International Olympic Committee, 2006.

All costs associated with this session paid for by Clarenville Middle School. Each student will receive a kit bag and t-shirt.

Clarenville Middle School will show its support of an international project started right here in our community. *Two Villages*, a local group, has approached our school to join others to raise funds to build a school in Sindhuli, Nepal. Schools will join together for the first-ever **Dal-Bhat-Tarkari** (a staple food in Nepal) **Day on Wednesday April 26th**. The main portion of this food is **Bhat** (rice). Our hot meal volunteer crew will have rice available for our students on this day so they will be able to eat the same way Nepali children do. Students may bring other foods to supplement their lunch or purchase the regular Wednesday hot meal. They are also asked to bring along a donation to support the project.

Check out the website at :

www.silverhawkpromotions.com/twovillages/

RECYCLING

We will have a recycling blitz every second Wednesday throughout the spring with **Wednesday April 26th** being the next blitz. Each full garbage bag of recyclables delivered will result in a ticket being awarded and entered in a draw for many prizes. Stay tuned for updates as we strive to help the environment.



RECENT WAY TO GO'S



The following items were published in the daily morning bulletin. The intention is to celebrate the many wonderful student actions and deeds that occur in and outside our school.

We have much to be proud of !

- ☺ Way to go to **Kylie Mercer** who received too much change from the school's vending machine. What does the average Middle School student do? Kylie returned it to the office knowing that the money was not her own. Great job Kylie !

Note : We obviously missed many of the great deeds performed by our middle school students over the past two weeks. Teachers will rally to capture our quota of 12 to 15 way-to-go's for the next newsletter.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER . . .



Wednesday, April 26th

- Band students travel to Musicfest in St. John's.
- Rice Day - 'Two Villages - Nepal Project'

Thursday, April 27th

- Deadline for magazine orders to be received at the office.

Friday, April 28th

- Heritage Fair in our gymnasium.
- Grade 7/8 students participate in Drug Awareness Program
- Good luck middle school girls at the basketball provincials

Friday, May 5th

- Deadline for yearbook pre-orders.
- Grade 4/5 Choir at Musicfest in St. John's.

Tuesday, May 16th

- **Next newsletter publication !**

Friday, May 26th

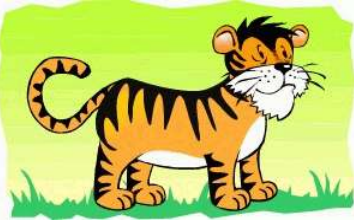
- Musical production of Aladdin. Details next newsletter.

TERM 2 SPEAK-OFF HELD

Congratulations to all presenters for an excellent job on **Friday April 7th** speak off. The quality of speeches just keeps getting better. In fact, one of the judges remarked, "don't ask me to do that again". This was not because he didn't like judging. He said it because he had such a hard time picking a winner. In the end, the senior division was won by Shawn Bennett (8C) with Emily Best (7S) receiving the runner up prize. In the junior division Christian Pearce (6A) won with Hillary Power (5F) placing second. Other participants were: Curtis Pearce (4V), Marcus Neil (4D), Nathan Baker (5F), Danika Carter (6B), Rafah Khan (6D), Kayla Skiffington (7P), Adrian Bell (8O), and Allison Button (8W). Thank-you to **Mr. Organ** for making it all happen and to the band '**Nameless**' for the wonderful musical interlude (Shawn Bennett; Nathaniel Drover; Mark Power and Ryan Mercer).

MAGAZINE CAMPAIGN

We will again make available the magazine campaign which offers hundreds of subscriptions directed at people of all ages and interests. Before you renew your current subscriptions, check out the savings offered by this program. All students have received a copy of the subscription catalogue. This package includes order forms. If you would like to order simply fill out the order form and submit it at the office. The deadline for orders is now **Thursday, April 28th**. Proceeds from this campaign go into the school's learning resource program.



TIGER TIDBITS

- Kiwanis Notes: The adjudicator questioned whether the grade 5/6 band considered adding a Tuba. Ms. Warren stated that it was the group's initial year in the band. The adjudicator thought it was an intermediate band. Great indicator of the impressive sound you guys are creating. Also, the adjudicator for the Junior choir was praising them making comparisons with groups heard all over North America. The professionalism of the group was raised when Corey Thistle responded : 'when you have been trained by the best Ms.' Kudos to Corey and we echo his comments about the very talented director - Ms. Drover!
- Healthy Moments on Atrium TV monitor. Another superb job by the very talented Mr. Parrott. If you haven't seen the pics of those captured eating healthy and thinking healthy thoughts, be sure to check out the atrium television presentation the next time you visit CMS.
- Way to go to Shannon St. Hilaire (5Fleming) who helped Ms. Sheppard with the posters in the lunchroom. Thanks for your help Shannon!!
- Congratulations to the Boy's Choir ; the 5/6 Band & The Grade 4 recorder Band who received awards, recognition and prize money (\$150.00) at the Stars of The Festival over the weekend! Again, much thanks to Ms. Drover and Ms. Warren for making all of these achievements and memories possible for our young learners!
- Welcome to Samantha Hicks, Katlyn's cousin, who returned to CMS on Monday April 24th rejoining her friends in 8Waye. Samantha's dad will be looking after the Brookfield operation here in Clarendville.
- Thank-you to Kimberlee Greening and family who contributed many Campbell soup labels for the school's rewards program.
- Badminton Offered to students Grades 5-7 on Thursday nights. Mr. Feener (Andrew & Ryan's dad) will be running a club from 7-9 p.m. for both male & female middle school students after Easter. Sign-up sheets have been posted on the gymnasium bulletin board outside canteen entrance.
- 'Smoke Free Schools' workshop. Clarendville Middle School was one of four schools selected by Eastern School District to attend a workshop on Monday April 24th . Mr. Pardy and Mr. Walsh attended along with three grade 7 students: Emily Vey , Kaely Mercer and Joshua Winter. We look forward to briefing you on the workshop and actions that will arise in the next newsletter.



CMS HERITAGE FAIR FRIDAY

Students from Grades 4-8 will participate in our annual school Historica fair this Friday, April 28th. Judging will take place from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m., with public viewing from 10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Approximately 50 projects have qualified through class presentations for this event. On Friday, 20 projects will be selected to represent CMS at our District Heritage Fair on May 6th in Trinity. We are presently soliciting judges for this event. If you would like to volunteer to judge this event, please contact Ms. Pye, Mr. Pardy or Mr. Walsh.

CMS YEARBOOKS

A reminder to all students to get your yearbook orders into the office as soon as possible. The cost of the yearbook is \$15.00 and will be a great keepsake for all students. Pictures have been included of all school groups and clubs as well as staff. Yearbooks must be pre-ordered to ensure that you get your copy. The deadline for ordering is Friday, May 5th. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mrs. Spurrell.

BAR SALE TO SUPPORT BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Today interested students will be given a box of bars to sell. Money raised goes to support the breakfast program at CMS, which is free of charge to all. We have 30-35 boxes remaining and instead of sending them back we will try to maximize the returns for our program. Thank-you to Doreen Seaward (Jeff's mom) & Adrian Goodman (Matthew's mom) who have boxes at their workplace. Our goal is to include yogurt and fresh fruit to our breakfast program regularly!

HOST AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT?

CMS is exploring the possibility of hosting international students in the upcoming school year. This will be a unique opportunity for our students and communities to learn more about different cultures around the world and open our doors to students from other countries. In order for this to be successful we must have some members of our community who are willing to host these students. If you are interested in learning more about this unique opportunity please contact Mr. Pardy or Mr. Walsh. We hope there will be enough interest to make this venture possible.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ☞ Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.
- ☞ Coca-Cola was originally green.
- ☞ The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven: \$6,400

☞ Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:

- ♠: King David
- ♥: Charlemagne
- ♣: Alexander the Great
- ♦: Julius Caesar



☞ If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would need the letter "A"?

Answer: One thousand (Wow! Who would have thought!)

MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS IN MUSICFEST & ROTARY FESTIVAL

As is the tradition, the Intermediate Band and the Junior Band will be travelling to St. John's to participate in the Rotary Musicfest on Wednesday April 26th. The Intermediate band will be leaving our school around 2:30 p.m. to perform in the evening concert while the Junior Band will leave the school at 12:30 p.m. for a clinic at Memorial's School of Music later in the afternoon. Both groups are performing in the evening concert at Cochrane Street United Church. Ms. Warren sent a letter to all parents on Thursday April 13th providing much more detail about the trip. Parents are asked to complete the form attached to the letter and return it to the school.

Our Grade 4/5 choir will be attending the Rotary Music Festival in St. John's on Friday May 5th with a scheduled performance at 11:55 a.m. at Memorial's School of Music. This schedule allows the group time to leave on Friday morning and return after the performance.

In the Next TIGER TRACKS Newsletter ➡ Tuesday May 16th

📖 Kiwanis Accolades 📖 Flying Blades carnival highlights 📖 Minor Hockey success at Easter tournaments.

LEGION CONTEST WINNERS

Winners! Winners! To compete with several schools and have so many winners from Clarendville Middle School speaks to the talented students we have in the grade 5 classes ! Congratulations to all students who placed in the Regional Legion Poster & Essay contest:

Junior Poster (Color)

2nd : Hannah Tilley, 3rd : Jenine Sheppard

Junior Essay

1st : Kylie Mercer, 2nd : Jenine Sheppard

3rd : Hannah Tilley

Black and White Poster

1st : Branden Randell, 2nd : Natasha Anderson

3rd : Victoria Brannan

Big thank-you to **Ms. Pye and Ms. Fleming** for making these achievements possible!

GRANDPARENTS DAY HELD AT CMS

Big thank-you to grade 5 students and teachers for being such great hosts for the grandparents on April 10th. Also, the staff and students wish to thank the many grandparents and parents who attended making for a wonderful afternoon of education and friendship. The food, entertainment and displays were wonderful and were greatly appreciated by our guests. Mr. Parady had a great conversation with Hannah Tilley's great grandmother, Mrs. Millie Sweetland, who celebrated her 93rd birthday recently. Mrs. Sweetland's hometown was Port Union. She enjoyed her afternoon. Much thanks to Ms. Pye and Ms. Fleming for making this tremendous learning experience possible. Check out the pics of this event on our school's homepage at www.k12.nf.ca/cms

GRADE 8 PROVINCIAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPS!

Grade 8 Provincial Volleyball Champs - **CMS**. A wonderfully skilled group of boys captured the provincial banner again for our school in a convincing manner on April 8th getting by Mount Pearl in the championship game. How strong were they? The whole tournament never saw this squad play a 3rd set - always winning the first two mandatory sets to advance. Congrats to all members: Taylor Pittman, Zach Caines, Kenneth Neil, Andrew Smith, Dylan Upshaw; Alex Baggs, Brett LeDrew, Jordan Vokey, Ryan Mercer, Nathaniel Drover, Jalen Blackmore, Chad Baker; and Shawn Bennett. **BIG THANKS** to Mr. Randell for making it all happen and Mr. Blackmore for his support over the weekend and season. A tremendous display of skill, sportsmanship & attitude! And let's not forget the grade 7's who won the provincial banner a couple of weeks ago.