THE CARDINAL CONNECTION *JAN./FEB. 2014*



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Moffat Creek has been a busy place! This month the French department organized Le Caranval and the whole school spent the middle block of the day outside to celebrate the week long festivities. Students, teachers and even administration participated in a friendly game of hockey, tug of war and snowshoeing along with many other activities!

Moffat Creek P.S. — INSPIRE IMAGINE ACHIEVE homehome

Our boys and girls basketball teams have wrapped up their

regular seasons and we’d

***Important Dates***

 Friday March 7th P.D. Day

 March 10th-14th March Break

 Friday April 18th Good Friday

 Monday April 21st Easter Monday

 Monday May 19th Victoria Day

 May 26th-June 5th Gr. 3 & Gr. 6 EQAO

 Friday May 30th P.D. Day

 June 18th – June 20th Grade 8 Trip to Ottawa

 Wednesday June 25th Grade 8 Graduation

 Friday June 27th  P.D. Day

like to thank all the coaches for their time and effort in supporting our students. The School Council has provided the students and staff with many delicious lunch options over the past few months. We’ve enjoyed a turkey dinner, Oktoberfest sausage, grilled cheese, fish and chips and Mr. Subs.

We have said goodbye to Miss DeSousa and welcomed back Mrs. Potter. We also have a

 number of other staff who have recently taken leaves of absence.

**Junior and Senior Kindergarten**

**Registration for September 2014**

**If you have a child born in 2010 (JK) or**

**2009 (SK) who is not presently attending**

**Moffat Creek, please contact the school office at 519-620-1661 so that an information package can be provided to you. (If your child currently attends junior kindergarten at Moffat Creek, it is not necessary to register your child again.). If you are aware of anyone living in our Moffat Creek school area —friends, relatives or neighbours — please forward this information to them.**

 

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**School Parking Lot**

Please note that there will be no student drop off or pick up in the school parking lot from 8:00a.m. to 8:45a.m. and also from 2:30p.m. to 3:10p.m. This is being done to help ensure student and staff safety. There will also be signs indicating this at the entrance of the school. As you are likely aware, this is a very standard practice for many of our schools. We also know that we all want to do what is best for student safety and staff safety! The vehicles that will be permitted to drive in the parking lot at the specified times are school and school board staff, YMCA staff and parents, parent volunteers and student buses and taxis. If you are using the front of the school on Myers Road for dropping off your child we ask that you exercise caution. We also encourage our students that are walking students to walk to school as this will eliminate most of the school front traffic. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding on behalf of our students and staff at Moffat Creek. We also appreciate the many problem solving suggestions that we have received.

We are pleased to have Mme Becker in for Mme Clement, Mrs. Rainey in for Mrs. James, Miss Loupos in for Mrs. Batty and Miss Seupersaud in for Mrs. Zuidema. Our thoughts are with these staff members and we look forward to their return.

Our March Break is just around the corner and we hope everyone has a safe

and enjoyable time off.

We will keep our fingers crossed that the weather improves when we return!

**Mr. Allan MacKay Ms. Bobbie Chatha**

**Principal Vice-Principal** ![C:\Users\chathar\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\KYN8Y6QQ\MC900232438[1].wmf]()

**Are You Moving?**

**As we begin planning for the 2014-15 school year, we need to know who will be attending the school this fall. If you are moving, it is important to let us know so that we have an accurate count for each grade. Equally important is having our community spread the word to any new families who are moving or have moved into our area that they should contact the school as soon as possible. This often makes the difference between a smooth start-up and a possible reorganization of classes in September.**

A Note from Student Council 

It was hard to miss the excitement and holiday spirit that filled the school during the week of Dec. 9th!

Donations received from Moffat Creek friends and families produced an amazing Gift Store for our students to shop in! What a joy it was to watch all of the students shop for that perfect something to give someone special! It was an awesome sight to see the students going home at the end of the day with arms full of beautifully wrapped packages to take home. We hope your families enjoyed this gift giving and receiving! We would like to thank our Moffat families and staff who contributed to our themed classroom gift baskets for the Silent Auction held at the School Open House. We are sure you would agree that the baskets were beautiful and filled to the brim with goodies of all kinds! Congratulations to our Silent Auction winners, who were lucky enough to take one of these baskets home! The School Council Holiday Gala fundraising initiative raised just under $4000.00! This includes profits from the Holiday Gift Store and Silent Auction of Gift Baskets. Special thanks go out to the many volunteers who gave of their time and efforts during these busy holiday weeks – it could not have happened without YOU!

**STAY TUNED for the February School Council Newsletter that will bring you exciting updates and information about a playground at Moffat and our 2nd Annual Spring Fun Fair!**

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**YMCA Child Care** is committed to delivering exceptional quality early learning programs that provide children and families a safe and nurturing environment which promote growth and development of the whole child. We currently have space in the following programs:

**Toddler Care: 16 months – 2.5 years, Preschool Care: 2.5 – 5 years, Before and After School Programs: 8 – 12 years.**

For more information on YMCA Child Care contact us at (519) 622-2536 or via email at moffatcreekcc@ckwymca.ca

Did you know that 93% of children aren’t getting enough physical activity? Our ***child heroes*** from YMCA Child Care are collecting pledges for the YMCA Megathon Healthy Kids Challenge to support our Strong Kids Campaign. Pledges raised will help support children from our community to get active at the YMCA. You can be a hero too! For more information on Megathon go to [www.ymcamegathon.ca](http://www.ymcamegathon.ca)

Space is still available in our School Age Youth Development Program (children ages 8-12 years) for March Break. Please contact the centre for details.

**Absent from School?** **PLEASE CALL 519-570-8017, ext. 3557**

  Have you signed up yet?

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HAVE A WONDERFUL MARCH BREAK! WE WILL SEE YOU BACK ON MARCH 17th, 2014.

March 17th , 2014.