



## WELCOME TO APRIL

This school year is quickly slipping away. We are in April already and a number of exciting events are coming up very quickly.

### AUTHOR VISIT

On Wednesday, April 8th, Sigmund Brower, author of "Devil's Pass" and "Tin Soldiers" will be doing literacy activities with our Grades 5-8 students.

In the evening grades 5-8 students and parents/guardians are invited back to the school to a workshop

with "The Seven Sequels" authors.

Students are asked to bring a toonie to help offset the cost of the author's visit.

An information letter has gone home.

### Class Trip Toronto

On Wednesday, April 15, our grade eight students will be going to Toronto for the day. We will be visiting the Ripley's Aquarium in the morning. In the afternoon we will be going to the Queen Elizabeth

Building at the CNE to visit "Future Building 2015" sponsored by the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP). The bus and fees for the OYAP event will be covered by the Simcoe County District School Board. Students will only need to pay 12 dollars for entry into the Ripley's Aquarium.

Please return the permission slip with payment as soon as possible.



## HOUSEKEEPING DETAILS

### MUSKOKA WOODS

The grade eight class trip to Muskoka Woods is quickly approaching. We will be leaving on Monday, May 25 and returning on Wednesday, May 27.

The final payment of \$75.00 is due on April 13.

Today an individual invoice

has been sent home indicating how much is still owing.

### HATS OFF TO OUR STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Our Student Leadership Team has been very busy. Recently, we were able to make a \$200 dollar donation to the local SPCA.

Last Thursday, our Leadership Team hosted an Easter Egg Hunt for our kindergarten and junior kindergarten students.

Our next school spirit day will be on April 29th. It will be Colour and Mustache Day.

In May, we hope to host our third annual Lions Oval Public School Talent show.

## Wrestling

Once again this year, Mr. Man and Mrs. Herrington are offering wrestling as an extra-curricular activity. Students who are interested must complete a permission form and return it to the school as soon as possible.

## Schools in for Summer

**When:** 9:00am- 1:00pm,  
August 10-21

**Who Can Attend?** Students who would like to improve their math skills before moving to grade 7, 8, or 9.

### **Description:**

- Interactive and engaging learning
- Improve skills
- Taught by certified teachers
- Interactions with peers.

If you are interested, please contact me for a registration form.

## PROGRAM NOTES

We have been focusing on our ability to evaluate text. When we analyze text, we make judgments on the author's intent and purpose. We have completed a num-

ber of shared reading lessons in which we assessed the expository writing of others. This week, students will continue to participate in guided reading activities. Reader's Notebooks are due this week.

**In Writing,** students are working on their expository essay on a topic of their choice. An expository essay exposes or educates us about a topic. It has no personal opinion but it may include the opinions of others. The essay must include "Works Cited". The essay is due on Friday, April 10.

**Math:** Ask your son/daughter how he/she did on the recent Number Sense and Numeration unit on Integers. We have begun our new unit on Algebra. We have learned how to substitute in for a variable, simplify equations and solve them. This week we will continue to work on translating word problems into algebraic equations and solving them.

**History:** We will be completing our study of the BNA Act (our first constitution). Students can expect a test on Thursday, April 14.

**Science:** We have begun our new unit on Mechanical Advantage and Efficiency. We will begin by doing a series of labs on the mechanical ad-

vantage of the lever.

**P.E.:** We have completed our unit on badminton skills. This week we will be transitioning to dance.

**Dance:** We will be exploring the basic elements of dance. The students will then create a dance using these elements to convey a message. Students will also research a type of dance and present their research to the class.

**Geography:** We are presently studying the different job sectors. These include the primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary industries.

### **Dates to Remember**

**April 8:** Author's visit

**April 10:** Expository essay due

**April 14:** History test

**April 15:** Class trip to Toronto

**April 13:** Last Muskoka Woods payment is due

**May 25-27:** Muskoka Woods Trip

**June 23:** Graduation @ 6:00pm

**June 30:** Last day to register for Summer School

**HAVE A  
GREAT  
WEEK!**