

FOREST HILLS SCHOOL

We Build Inclusion, Capacity, and Learning Communities

Newsletter - November 2011

Acting Principal: Mrs. M. Savoie Acting Vice-Principals: Mr. P. Hickey, Mrs. E. Brown

Report Cards / Parent Teacher

Report Cards will be sent home with students on Monday, November 21st, 2011. Parent Teacher Interviews will take place on Thursday evening (4:00 – 7:00) and on Friday afternoon (1:00 – 3:00). Please look for information from your child's teacher regarding sign up procedures. The school will be continuing with our format of using Student Led Conferences.

School Connects and Website

Voicemail will continue to be sent home on Fridays and will also be copied on our website. Be sure to check out our school website for updated school information.

Kindergarten Registration 2011 Events

We will be hosting our parents and students who registered for Kindergarten 2012 at our Kick Off to Kindergarten Event on November 9^{th} at 4:00pm in the middle school library. Parents will receive a presentation on the various events taking place this year as well as receive some information about the school. Please encourage any families you know who live in our area to register their child and attend these informative events.

<u>Canadian Tire Fundraiser</u>

This year the Home and School had another tremendously successful fundraising event with 2178 tickets sold and just under \$4000 raised to support various initiatives for the students. This year's grand prize winner of a \$500 gift card was Greg Stackhouse. Kelly Simmons and Karson Black were the top ticket sellers and won the top prize. Alyssa Kingston, Cassandra Paul, and Darrelyn Masson also won prizes for their efforts. Thanks to all who supported this fundraising effort for the school and a great big THANK YOU to the Home and School for organizing this event!

Movember



In support of Movember and prostate cancer research, some of our male teachers are going to be sporting some serious moustaches. We will be having "Moustache Day" where students can draw on their very own moustaches. We are asking for a donation to this worthy cause, and if we raise \$1000, students will be chosen to shave the male teacher's facial hair at an assembly...great fun!

<u>Christmas Flea Market</u>

We are gearing up for our Annual Christmas Flea Market. More information on this event and a silent auction will come home with your child soon.

FHS Movie Night

FHS Home & School will be hosting a school movie night on Dec. 7th at 3:30. We will be watching The Smurfs! At the end of the viewing, one lucky student will get to take the movie home with them[©] Admission is \$3 and there will be popcorn and drinks for \$1 and we would also ask that you try to bring a canned good for our local food bank. Also, if you are interested in volunteering for this event, please let Mrs. Savoie know.

Home & School

The Home & School is looking for volunteers. If you are unable to join the H&S, but would still like to help out, please let us know. Even if you are only able to help out once in a while, it would be greatly appreciated!

<u>Book Fairs</u>

There will be a Scholastic Book Fair in both the Elementary and Middle School libraries during the week of Nov. 21 - 25. Profits from sales will be used to get new books from Scholastic for both libraries as well as Teacher Resources. The Book Fairs will be open during Parent-Teacher interview times on Nov. 24 (4:00-7:00) and Nov. 25th (1:00-3:00). Students will bring flyers home on Nov. 18 with a letter attached giving exact dates and times for student visits.

The Elementary Book Fair will be open for class visits from 9:00 - 3:00, Nov. 23 - 24 (Wed. and Thurs). The times for middle school students to visit the Book Fair is yet to be determined.

<u>Positive Behaviour Intervention and Support</u> (PBIS) School

We have adopted a new Falcon Code of Conduct: Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be Safe. Each month we are focusing on a different Character Education Theme as part of our Celebrate Assemblies. This month the theme is **Empathy**.

Literacy Night

On October 26th the school had a great turn out for our Family Literacy Night and Spook Trail. We thank Ms. O'Blenes for organizing these great events as well as all the teachers and Spirit Leaders who helped out.

School Supply Store

The school supply store is open for business. It is open from 8:35 until 8:55 each morning for students.

Family Fun for November

Friday November 11 - Remembrance Day Ceremony Harbour Station, seated by 10:45am

Saturday, November 19th - 1:00 pm Mad Hatter Holiday Pre-Parade Party There is a party at the Market Square Atrium, filled with activities, entertainment, and giveaways.

Saturday November 19th - 6:00pm. The 59th Annual Greater Saint John Santa Claus Parade will begin its march throughout the city streets.

Friday November 25, 2011 - Annual Mayor's Tree Lighting Ceremony. Caroling beginning at 5:30. The ceremony officially begins at 6pm. Refreshments will be served and there will be giveaways for children. Located at Loyalist Plaza; rain location inside the Market Square Atrium.





Hey Parents!

Go-Go Gymnastics is hosting a Holiday Party for kids on Saturday, December 3, 2011; designed to allow parents to have a night off (great time to Christmas shop!) while making it extra fun for the kids! All children ages 4 - 11 years are invited!!

Kids will enjoy a physically active night with gymnastics, parachute games, inflatable jumping castles, pizza party and more! **Date:** Saturday, December 3, 2011

Location: Forest Hills School

Time: 4:30pm - 8:30pm

Cost: \$25 for 1 child, \$20 for each additional child in the family

Pre-registration is required as spaces are limited! To reserve your child's spot (and a night off for you!) call 1-877-977-4646 or email <u>tumble@gogogym.com</u> WWW.GOGOGYM.COM

Upcoming Important Dates

Nov. 8 - Quebec Parent Meeting, 6:30 PM main gym Nov. 9 - Kick Off to K, 4-5PM (parent of student entering Kindergarten in Sept. 2012) Nov. 9-16 - Grades 3, 5, 8 Math Benchmark Nov. 10 - French Cultural Presentations 3-5 FI & IF Nov. 10 - Remembrance Day Assembly @ 1:10

- Nov. 16 PSSC Meeting 7-9 PM
- Nov. 21 Report Cards go home
- Nov. 24 Parent Teacher (4:00 7:00 pm)
- Nov. 25 Parent Teacher (1:00 3:00 pm)
- Dec. 1 Elem. Basketball Jamboree (@ FHS)
- Dec. 6 Welcome to K
- Dec. 7 Movie Day Smurfs (3:30pm)
- Dec. 8 & 9 Christmas Flea Market
- Dec. 8 Middle Level Dance (6-8 PM)

Ballot Bonus:

Complete and return the form below to qualify for a \$5.00 Coles Gift Certificate draw for your child. I have read this newsletter and wish to qualify for the draw. Child's name: _____

Grade and Teacher: _