

# Parkside News

News from around the School

## Winter Book Fair – Grow a Reader

### Dates to Remember

February 8 <sup>th</sup> - Home and School Meeting 7pm	March 8 <sup>th</sup> - Report cards sent home with students
February 10 <sup>th</sup> - Last day for Elm Street students at Parkside	March 10 <sup>th</sup> - Parents teacher interviews (after school and evening).
February 16 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> - Winter Book Fair	March 11 <sup>th</sup> - Parent teacher interviews (all day - NO CLASSES)
February 21 <sup>st</sup> - Islander Day (NO CLASSES)	

Exciting news! Parkside will be hosting a second Scholastic Book Fair to be held next week. Preview days for students will be Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 14 & 15<sup>th</sup> with sales beginning Wed., Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> and continuing on Thursday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. The Fair will be open after school and until 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday and until 5:00 p.m. on Thursday. **New this Fair:** we will be able to accept debit cards, along with credit cards, cash, and cheques.

With all the cold and snowy winter days we're having, what better way to spend time inside by cozying up with a good book. The theme for this Book Fair is "Grow with Great Books" and we know that the more children read the better readers they will become and this will help them grow academically.

As always, a percentage of sales from the Book Fair will go towards the purchase of more books and resources for our school library. With this Fair we have decided to partner with the Little Red School House (LRSH) and will share our profits with them to show our support for the services they provide.

The Little Red School House is a Teacher Resource Centre of the Western School Board located in Parkside School. It houses over 1000 resources and all teachers in the Western Board are able to use it to borrow books at any time. Resources include class sets of novels (expensive items for individual schools to purchase) DVDs and videos, and resources to assist teachers in preparing lessons and activities to teach the curriculum. Each month,

approximately 200 items are in circulation from the LRSH throughout the school board.

LRSH is a non-profit organization with a Coordinator and a Board of Directors. It operates on grants from the Western School Board, PEITF, and teacher donations. Their funds were cut back this year so they are hoping to be able to generate funds with this book fair so they will be able to continue serving the needs of the teachers in the Board.

Please come out and support your school library and our teachers and get some great books into the hands of your growing readers. See you at the Fair!!

## Home and School Meeting

A reminder of the Home and School Meeting on Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7pm. These meetings provide a great opportunity to meet other Parkside families, stay up to date on what is happening at the school, and be a part of making things happen within the school. Just by coming to a meeting you could win your child's class an ice cream party!!

## What Happens If It Storms On Pizza, Sub or Hotdog Day

If Wednesday is a storm day, Thursday becomes pizza day.  
If Thursday is a storm day, Friday becomes a sub day.  
If Friday (last Friday of the month) is a storm day, Hotdog and Chip day will be cancelled.

## Birthday Book Club Newest Members

The newest members to join the Birthday Book Club and select a new book to add to the library collection are: Megan Mann (4B) who chose *L'universe de Munsch*; Lana Gillis (KD) who chose *Purplicious*; and Andrew Morrison (3A) who selected *Plantzilla Goes to Camp*. Welcome to the Club and thank you for joining!

## Heritage Fair

The Parkside Heritage Fair will be held on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. As part of their social studies programs, all students in grades 4, 5 & 6 are expected to participate in the fair. Most of the work on the projects will be done at school, but, if needed, students will have to work on their projects at home.

## Provincial Math Results

Earlier in the school year, grade four students completed the provincial math assessment. Student results for this

assessment will be sent home with grade four students on February 14<sup>th</sup>. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions about the results.

## 1 Hour Delay in School Opening

Parents please take note that at times, because of weather conditions, it is necessary to delay the opening of school by 1 hour. Though the weather in the city may look alright, the conditions in the rural areas may not be, so it is important to listen to the radio every morning. Thank you for your cooperation.

If there is a hour delay, then Parkside's schedule will be:

### ONE HOUR DELAY

9:15 Office Opens  
9:25 Teachers on Duty Outside  
9:35 School Begins  
No Recess  
12:00 Noon Recess  
12:25 Lunch  
12:50 Start P.M. Classes  
2:45 - 2:50 Dismissal

