

STRIVING TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE OUR POTENTIAL FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

February 04, 2013

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Basketball: Thanks to our volunteer coaches, we have four teams participating this year.

Safety Concerns: The entrance to the parking lot needs to have an entry and an exit. We are trying to accomplish this by putting a traffic cone in the center of the entrance. Please do not park in this area as it causes a huge congestion problem with traffic flow!

Parent Advisory Council Meeting: Tuesday February 12th, at 6:30 pm in our Library! Babysitters will be provided.

Ready Set Learn: For parents of children three/four years old at Bert Ambrose. If you are interested please contact the office to register for the four sessions. Starting April 4th in our Library, Mrs. Shuffler will instruct the program from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. The next three sessions will follow April 11th, April 18th and April 25th.

The School Improvement Plan is a living document and the following is a progress report: The school's three R's. Respectful, Resourceful, and Responsible

<u>Goal #1 :</u> Social Responsibility: (Solving Problems in Peaceful Ways) We continue to study the virtues and follow our school's Code of Conduct. From the Ministry's rubric on solving problems in peaceful ways, our last findings <u>still</u> indicate that 98% of our students are meeting these expectations. This has been the trend for the last few years. This means that about 2% of our population is not yet meeting expectations. (2% of 321 students is 6 students)

<u>Goal #2:</u> To Improve Reading Comprehension, with a focus using DRA and QCA. (Developmental Reading Assessment & Quick Comprehension Assessment) In October every Intermediate student was assessed to set a baseline for every student, and to diagnostically search out areas which need attention.

<u>GOAL 3:</u> To improve the Critical Thinking Skills of all our students by using the Smart Reading Rubric. So far this school year we have 94% of our students meeting or exceeding expectations.

Dates to look forward to:

- Feb 06 Hot Lunch: Pizza
- Feb 11 Monday: Family Day No School
- Feb 12 PAC Mtg. in our library 6:30 to 7:30 pm
- Feb 13 100's Day for Primary
- Feb 13 Quizno Hot Lunch
- Feb 14 Cultural Event Flying Bob's Circus in our gym : 1:30 to 2:30 pm
- Feb 15 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Families in Motion (In our Gym)
- Feb 20 Booster Juice Hot Lunch
- Feb 27 Saigon Noodles Hot Lunch
- Feb 27 Anti Bullying Day Virtues Assembly at 1:00 pm
- Feb 28 Gr. 6 Basketball Tournament at NPSS (Boys)
- Mar 01 Gr. 6 Basketball Tournament at NPSS (Girls)
- Mar 01 Pro D (School not in session for students)
- Mar 05 Science Fair at Bert Ambrose
- Mar 12 Report Cards go home
- Mar 13 & 14 Early Dismissal Days (Students dismissed at 1:45)
- Mar 15 Healthy Living Conference
- Mar 18 Mar 29 Spring Vacation
- April 2 First day back from Spring Vacation

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