



#### **Dear BME families**

In February, we have been busy with several activities that has brought our community together with many of our students and teachers working on their term two goals, learning about the Heart and Stroke Foundation, participating in an Energy Challenge, preparing for our Pink T shirt Day as well as having a lot of fun in the snow. Teachers and PAC are taking a look at several options for 'Bringing Our Learning Outdoors' which provides engagement and tremendous learning for our students. Congratulations to the both the girls and boys basketball teams as they have worked hard this month practicing and playing games with wonderful teamwork and great game skills. There is a definite buzz in the air as students work on their inquiry projects, partner math games and wonderful artwork that we see displayed throughout the school.

February is a busy month with Kindergarten and Grade Eight registrations. Please read below for important information regarding registration and timelines, transfers and information about Spring Break closures. As always, feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Laureen Hickey

#### **GRADE SEVEN NEWS...**

Registration for Grade 8 is on-line through the Parent Portal. The portal will open until February 20<sup>th</sup> at noon. We encourage you to have created your profile on the Portal and be linked to your child prior to this date. If you have any questions about specific programs at any of the secondary schools, do not hesitate to contact them directly.

## PINK SHIRT DAY...

On Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> we encourage everyone to wear something PINK to promote kindness. Check out the Ministry of Education website: http://www.erasebullying.ca/

#### **KINDNESS COUNTS**

A few resources: https://www.prevnet.ca/bullying/parents /how-to-encourage-empathy https://heartmindonline.org/resources/parent-led-kindness-fortune-event

### **BOOKFAIR...**

Once again BME will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair in February. The theme this year is "Dino-Mite: Stomp, Chomp and Read!" More detailed information will be coming home with your child closer to the event. Thank you in advance for supporting this worthwhile event. If you wish to lend a hand, please do not hesitate to email the PAC at bmepac@gmail.com

# LOST and FOUND...

It is just amazing how quickly our Lost and Found boxes fill up. We strongly encourage parents to drop in and have a look for items that might belong to their household.



#### **SPRING BREAK REMINDER...**

A two week Spring Break begins Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> with students returning Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

#### ME TO WE...

Me to We is collecting used books starting on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> so if you have any extra used books you would like to get rid of, please drop off to our library on Feb. 25, 26 or 27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.



Just a reminder to parents that we offer the ability to report your child's absence or late arrival through email OR on the parent portal.

To report an absence or late arrival, please email <a href="mailto:bm">bm</a> reception@sd42.ca</a>. Please make sure you indicate your child's teacher on the email and the reason for their absence. Thank you

# Parent Portal Reminder

**DON'T MISS** OUT on another announcement, event, newsletter or field trip! In the fall, all forms and announcements will continue to be communicated from the school through the SD42 Forms and Parents Portal. If you are not on the portal please take a few minutes of your time to create an account at <a href="https://parents.sd42.ca/">https://parents.sd42.ca/</a>.

Parent make sure you have completed the policy/permission forms awaiting your approval on the portal!

# STUDENT CONFERENCES

Wednesday, March 13th – Dismissal at 11:30 am Thursday, March 14th – Conferences all day (Students only attend for their conference)

On Wednesday, March 13th students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. so that we may conduct Student Inclusive Conferences. These conferences are for parents, teacher and students to review student growth and to set learning goals.

# WOLF PAW - recognition for one of the Six Pillars of Character

- Div. 1 Brian D., Dina N., Dylan B.
- Div. 2 Aidan S,
- Div. 4 Chad S., Maddy W., Brock H., Jeremy W., Retish S., Ethan R.,
- Div. 6 Kingston P., Taylor G, Cody M., Nathan, P., Chase V., Samuel E.,
- Div. 7 Jordan B., Rylee B., Bentley C., Madison H., Jake I,
- Div. 8 Ryder M., Carter J., Chase B., Zoe S.
- Div. 11 Hunter V.,
- Div. 12 Chase S
- Div. 13 Christy M.
- Div. 15 Gavin R., Madison W., Jada G., Maddy U., Benjamin M.





# REQUESTS FOR STUDENT TRANSFERS FOR GRADES 1 - 7



School District No. 42 allows parents and students to attend a school other than their "catchment" or "neighborhood" school, provided there is space available at the school of choice. Parents who wish to have their children in grades 1 to 7 transfer to another school for September must do the following: Obtain a STUDENT TRANSFER REQUEST FORM from their current school, complete the transfer form

including signature and have the current principal sign and date it. Current school retains the Student Transfer Request Form. The principal takes the transfer forms to the elementary principals' meeting to see if there is room for your child's transfer. Info is on the school district website under the Parent Tab.

Phase One: February 12th to April 4th Phase Two: April 5th to June 12th Phase Three: June 13th to August 22nd

# HALL OF FAME

**Division 1:** •Callum D., Jack C., Ojay M. **Division 10:** Joshua E., Lila B., Spencer B.

**Division 2:** Lilly C., Sydney C., Hanna S., Isabella B. **Division 11:** Braeden S., Alexa M.

**Division 3:** Tiana, Jayden, Kira, Tyler **Division 12:** Brielle B., Mason M.

**Division 4:** Jacob G., Chad S., Jordyn W. **Division 13:** Talon, Alexis, Tyson

**Division 5:** Hunter A. , Lucas C., Jack M. **Division 14:** Heath H., Kara K.

**Division 6:** Sophie R., Chloe G. **Division 15:** Gavin R., Stella, H., Nolah L.

**Division 7:** Avery B., Gavan D. **Division 9:** Arianna, Gage, Maysam

**Division 8:** Bryanna, Annabelle, Zoe

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Feb 25 – Feb 27	
Feb 17	
March 7	
	Parent/Teacher/Student Conference - 11:30 dismissal
March 14	Parent/Teacher/Student Conference - No school for students
March 25	
March 18 – 22	
March 25 – 29	NIS days — No school
April 1	School reopens after break – "no foolin"
April 4	
	Class pictures
April 16	Div. 11, 14, 15 The ACT Field Trip
April 17	
April 18	Div. 12 & 13 The ACT Field Trip
April 19	
April 20	
April 25	
	Div. 14 – Bugs Life visit
April 29	NID (district) – No school for students
May 2	
May 14	
May 15	
May 17	
May 20	Victoria Day – No school
	NID (School based) No school for students
June 6	
June 6 & 7	
June 10	
June 18	
June 19	
June 21	
June 24	
	Gr. 7 Leaving Ceremony (during school hours)
June 26	
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**PAC INFO: Facebook** 

# **Blue Mountain Parent Information**