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## *HPCS May News 2019*

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

- May 14 - SAC 6:00pm & PTA 7:00pm*
- May 15, 16 - Spring Concert*
- May 17 - School PD - No School for students*
- May 20 - Victoria Day Holiday – No school for students*
- May 21-31 - Grade 3 Provincial Literacy Assessment*
- June 1 - Spring Fling*

### **CLASS REQUESTS:**

Classes for next year are always on everyone's mind at this time of year. Please be assured that a great deal of thought and time is spent in creating class lists. Many different circumstances are considered when your child is placed in a particular class. Requests for class placement will not be accepted unless you feel you have a serious academic/social concern for your child. If so, you should draft a letter (or email) clearly stating your concerns and submit these to the office. These concerns will be considered by the administrative team, but it does not mean we will be able to honor your request.

### **INDOOR SHOES:**

Now that spring has arrived FINALLY and with it wet and muddy play conditions. It is very important that your child have indoor shoes to change into each day. This greatly helps in containing the amount of mud brought into the school to the hallways and not in the classrooms.

***Please remember*** when visiting our school that we are nut smart and scent smart. We have several students that have life threatening allergies or sensitivities to nuts and/or scented products.

## PIRATES!

Our concert dates are quickly approaching. Please note the date your child's class will be performing. There is a **10:45 a.m.** and **6:30 p.m.** concert for each date. Grandparents, preschoolers, friends etc. are invited to the morning performance and tickets are not required. **Because of fire regulations, only two tickets are provided for each family for the evening performance.**

Wednesday, May 15th, 2019 10:45 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.	Thursday, May 16th, 2019 10:45 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
<b>3 Bowers</b>	<b>3/4 Perry</b>
<b>3 Caron</b>	<b>3 Dean-Levy</b>
<b>3/4 Greeley</b>	<b>4 Bowers</b>
<b>4 Shanahan</b>	<b>5 Hasey</b>
<b>4 Spidell</b>	<b>5 White</b>
<b>5 Steele</b>	<b>4/5 Gallant</b>
<b>5 Fraser</b>	

### COSTUMES:

All students will be playing the part of a Pirate in our spring musical. We ask that each student dress as a pirate and the following suggestions should help:

Striped shirt or poufy, white blouse, vest, head kerchief, shorts,  $\frac{3}{4}$  length pants or cut off or rolled up pants etc., no big hats please! Students have had luck at Value Village and other second hand stores in the past or you can make a costume up with things from home. Every pirate must have a **sash, scarf or belt** that will tie at the waist (I have extra to lend) and a **sword** (I have extra to lend but they can be purchased at the dollar store or made at home). Accessories such as colourful beads, eye patches, and skull and crossbones jewelry etc. are encouraged but not necessary.

Students are asked to wear their costume to school for both the daytime and evening performance in May. Please see the HPCS March newsletter for the day/evening your child performs.

Here are some additional details to help you with your planning for the evening concert:

- **All students are to wear/bring their pirate costume to school for the day performance and then wear their costume to the evening performance.**
- The school will open at 5:30 and parents may begin lining up outside the gym doors.
- **Gym doors will open at 6:00 p.m.** and supervision will begin in the classrooms. While waiting for the gym to open, **all students are to remain with their parents in line as classroom doors will be locked until supervision begins.**
- A volunteer silver collection will be taken at the door in lieu of selling concert tickets to help offset the cost of our concerts.
- **6:30:** The concert begins (**tickets required for each person**).

### **EXTENDED ABSENCES:**

Please note that extended absences such as for vacation should be reported to the teacher for attendance purposes. Also, teachers are unable to provide work packages for such absences as they run interactive hands on programs that specialize in developing key concepts and as such work sheets are not developed for this purpose.

### **LIBRARY:**

Annual HPCS Library .25 cent used Book Sale will be June 4-7. Watch for upcoming details. Donations welcome and can be dropped off at the library.

### **HPCS X COUNTRY RUNNING CLUB:**

All students in grade 2 to grade 5 are invited to join the HPCS X Country Running Club this spring, regardless of fitness level or experience with running. Walking breaks will be encouraged when necessary and students will gradually build their stamina with each run they do. Run club will take place at lunch hour on Tuesday and Thursday's from May 7th-June 11th. A permission form will go home with students who are interested in participating.

### **PTA NEWS:**

- Orders have been submitted for the Spirit Wear – We hope to have them in your child's backpack by mid-May.
- We had a great Spring Dance- loved all the little bunnies hopping around to the music– Thank You to all the wonderful volunteers who helped make it a success!
- Thank you also to all the families who came out last weekend in between the rain to pick up garbage around the school perimeter – we were able to pick up 17 bags of garbage and even found \$5 which was donated to the PTA funding goals – the grounds are looking great!
- Concert Tickets will be raffled off and winners will be notified May 6th/7th so make sure you get your name in before the deadline on May 3rd.
- Last big fundraiser event of the Year will be the BEST ONE YET – SPRING FLING – June 1st 10am-2pm! – This event typically brings in 50% of our fundraising goal for the year! So, over the next month you will be receiving a large amount of letters about the Spring Fling and the donation requests that we'll be gathering to make the event a successful one. We thank you in advance for your tremendous support. That being said we realize that every family cannot contribute to everything so please know that we're appreciative of everything that you can help with and please do not feel obligated to contribute to every ask that comes home.

