## O LA SEMAINE O C EN REVUE

ÉCOLE J. H. SISSONS SCHOOL 18 AU 22 FÉVRIER 2019

#### THIS WEEK

**Lundi 18 février** ASAP: Archery Subway forms go home

Mardi 19 février Subway forms due ASAP: Judo (gr.2-5)

Mercredi 20 février PAC Meeting 7:00 pm rescheduled from last week same agenda

Jeudi 21 février Subway Lunch ASAP: Dance

**Vendredi 22 février** Regular Day

### Principal's Message

This issue of "La semaine en revue" is one of thanks. There are many things that have taken place over the last few weeks and there are many people who should be recognized for their contributions to the education of your children at École J.H. Sissons. Thank you ~~ to the team of teachers who collaboratively worked to evaluate the reading levels of our Grade 1 to 3 students, to Mme Sylvie who orchestrated the book exchange with the help from a few teachers and parent volunteers, to Caroline Roux for preparing and delivering the session to parents last Monday on Reading Strategies. to the staff members who supported Mme Caroline at the presentation, to the parents who come out weekly to start a fire in the wall tent and finally to those who recognize that the bus and emergency vehicle lanes are to be kept clear and no longer park in them interfering with the flow of traffic. We are preparing for the next round of Parent / Teacher Conferences. Once again parents will receive an email from their child's Homeroom Teacher with the instructions explaining how to sign up for a scheduled meeting time. This year's Camp de neige will be held April 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 & 11 for Maternelle to Grade 3 students. More information will be shared with Parents before March Break. Have you thought about the impact arriving late has on your child's education? Not only do they miss vital information about the schedule for the day, in many instances the teachers have to wait to begin their 1st lesson. Arriving late can also impact the education of the entire class. Mme Stéphanie in the Office has been recording the number of students arriving late for the past 6 school days. The numbers below do not include students who arrive late because their bus arrived

late. Feb 7 - 45 lates Feb 8 - 75 lates Feb 11 - 49 lates Feb 12 - 46 lates Feb 13 - 42 lates Feb 14 - 48 lates

#### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**

Monday March 4: AGA Canadian Parents for French at 7:00pm, École St-Joseph School

**Tuesday March 12 & Wednesday March 13:** Parent/Student/Teacher Interview 4:30pm - 7:30pm

Friday March 15 to Sunday March 31: March Break -No school

Thursday April 4 - Thursday April 11: Camp de neige for grades K-1-2 and 3 (more details to come)

> Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting Agenda - DRAFT Wednesday, Feb 13, 2019 7 pm in the Music Room

All are welcome! Snacks provided!

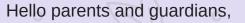
1. Welcome and approval of agenda and previous minutes - Jan

2. Quick Standing Updates a. Principal's/PAC Financial Report b. Trustee's Report c. Communications Report

3. Hot Topics a. Outdoors Committee b. Plant Sale d. Parent Information Sessions e. Walking School Bus f. Promotion of CPF g. JHS School renewal

> 4. Other Items Visual arts at JHS

**Review of Action Items** 



The PAC Plant Sale Committee is looking for lots of help in order to organize and run the 2019 Plant Sale. This fundraiser has raised between \$3,000 and \$4,000 for the school each year, funds which have contributed to initiatives such as bringing artists into the school to work with students, paying for teachers' expenses to attend the Territorial Track Meet in Hay River, and setting up outdoor classroom space at the school.

A core group of parent volunteers have organized the Plant Sale for the past few years and have found it an extremely rewarding project with very tangible benefits to the students and staff at Sissons, through growing plants with kids, and in terms of fundraising for valuable programming at the school. Parent volunteers spend time planting seeds with students in each classroom in early April, and then provide support to teachers for watering and transplanting the growing seedlings over the following few weeks. Families are also given the opportunity to order planting kits for growing at home. On the last Saturday in May, we set all the plants up and hold a garage-sale-style Plant Sale at the school, which has become very popular with Yellowknife gardeners.

It takes a lot of volunteer power to pull off the Plant Sale, and this year we need even more help as a couple of key parent volunteers will be stepping back. Some of the roles that will need to be filled this year include:

- -Overall Plant Sale Co-coordinator
- -Class Planting Co-ordinator
- -Classroom planters
- -Advertising assistance
- -Sale Day volunteers

Please consider volunteering to help make the Plant Sale a success this year. Even if you can't commit to specific jobs right now, an indication of your interest would be much appreciated. Please send an email to jhspac@gmail.com by Tuesday, February 12 to let us know how you can help out. Thank you!

### **Bag Lunch Book Club**





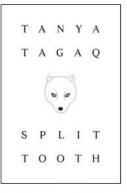
Jan 30

Northern Wildflower By Catherine Lafferty



Feb 27 Children of Blood and

Bone by Tomi Adeyemi



**Mar 26** 

Split Tooth by Tanya Tagaq



April 23 **TBA: NorthWords** Author

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#### Yellowknife Public Library presents

Library Meeting Room @ Noon - 1pm





**BLACK FUTURES MONTH** 



## Feb. 17 Feb. 24



**Brown Girl Begins** 

Sorry to Bother You

## FILM SERIES

Library Meeting Room

1:30pm

**Popcorn Provided!** 

Film introductions by Chris Vaughn.

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Meditation.

Free.

All welcome.

Fridays Library Meeting Room

Noon - 1pm

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#### February is Heart Month Let's Take Care of Each Other



# FÉVRIER, C'EST LE MOIS DU CEUR DONNEZ AVEC CŒUR!



The Canadian Parents for French (CPF) State of French Second Language Education in Canada reports examine a variety of long-standing and emerging issues in FSL education, like equitable access to FSL programs, developing more effective FSL programs, student and teacher proficiency, additional teacher and program support and more.

The State of French Second Language Education in Canada in 2018: Focus on French Second Language Teachers | L'État de l'enseignement du français langue seconde au Canada 2018: Pleins feux sur les enseignants de français langue seconde

The 2018 report explores current French as a second language research findings which focus on FSL teacher experience, proficiency and retention.

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