

CANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2020

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

February is one of my favorite months. With the hustle and bustle of December and the long cold nights of January in the rearview mirror, February with its lengthening days can make it feel like we are walking down hill into spring. At the same time there is no shortage of winter fun to be had this time of year. February is a great month.

There are a variety of events going on this month including basketball playoffs, the start of badminton season, drama rehearsals, board game club, and SLC. I would like to thank all our students who take part in these activities, as well as our teachers for giving their time to coach, direct and mentor.

Family day and winter break is coming up during the third week of the month. Look for opportunities to talk with your child about what they are watching and/or reading. This could be during road trips, movie nights, bedtime stories, or relaxed afternoons. Try asking open ended questions that cannot be answered with a yes or no; for example "what would you do if you were the main character in the story". These types of questions can lead to some very interesting conversations.

On the theme of travel, we have been talking about winter safety here at the school. We encourage students to dress for the weather (our junior students do a much better job of this than our seniors), we have also talked about having a winter survival kit in the car and the importance of letting people know your plan when traveling during the winter months. We encourage parents to talk with your children about winter safety and what to do when the unforeseen happens such as a vehicle in the ditch, car won't start at the end of a day of ice fishing, or a snowmobile breaking down during a ride. We here at the school wish everyone a safe and enjoyable winter season.

-Mr. Brian Linn & Mr. Richard Schwehr

PAST EVENTS

Magic Show - On Tuesday, January 14, the Grade K-6 students were treated to a "Magic Show" performed by Roger Boucher. He told the students that he learned his magic from books. He first became interested in magic as a college student when he met a magician.

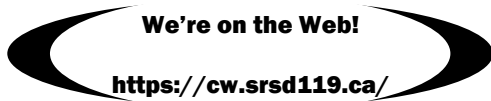
For a warmup trick, two students joined him for a card trick. He transferred cards from one student to the other without touching any of the cards. The second trick he performed was the "magic net" trick. He placed four balls into the net. These four balls turned into many balls, the net was overflowing. The students were all very excited when he pulled out his bull whip. He showed us how he learned to use the whip. He then chose a student from the audience to assist him with the next trick. The assistant wrote his name on a playing card and then he placed it back into the deck of 52 cards. The assistant threw the cards into the air while the magician cracked his whip. Amazingly, the card that was "whipped" in half had the assistant's name on it! Trick number 4 was performed with three ropes of different lengths. When he pulled both ends of the ropes, they all changed to become equal lengths. He then changed them back to their original lengths. He put the shortest two into his pocket. He ran his hands over the longest rope "gluing" both ends into a loop. His performance was filled with humor when he brought out his "magic weasel"!



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The following are quotes about the magic show:

"The Show was amazing", "Roger was really funny. My favourite trick was the ball and net trick", "It was very cool", "I liked the whip", "I enjoyed the first warmup trick with the cards because it was confusing", "I like how he took 3 cards away from 10 cards without touching them", "I enjoyed when he made a dog out of one balloon....SO COOL!". -Canwood Public School Grade 5 Class

ONGOING EVENTS

Elementary Skating -The elementary students will continue their afternoon school skating program in February. Kindergarten to Grade 3 on Friday afternoons from 1 to 2 p.m., Grade 4 to Grade 6 on Monday afternoons from 1 to 2 p.m.. We welcome all parents, caregivers, grandparents and community members to come and help tie skates and watch the children skate.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Report Cards - Grade 9 to Grade 12 report cards will be sent home with students on Tuesday, February 4.

February Break - Monday, February 17 to Friday, February 21. The school will be closed.

THANK YOU

Thanks - to Ed and Eleanor Bahnuick for donating a pair of skates for our elementary skating program.

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Congratulations - to Sharon Chesley, the winner of the garden shed. Thanks to everyone who supported the Grad Class of 2019 by buying tickets.

Attendance - Winter weather, the snow and cold temperatures, can present challenges to getting children to school. So can colds, fevers and earaches that seem to increase during the winter months. There's not much we can do about the weather, but we can remind our children that hand washing is important in helping them stay healthy and we can have a back-up plan to get our children to school if, for instance, our vehicles won't start. Let's continue to build the habit of good attendance during the winter months as we look forward to Spring!

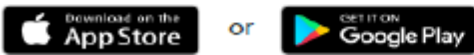
Yearbooks - We have the following yearbooks for sale at the school office: 2013-2014 for \$25, 2014-2015 for \$35, 2015-2016 for \$35 and 2016-2017 for \$35.

School Website - On the Canwood Public School website <https://cw.srsd119.ca/> you will find bus updates, contact information, newsletters, calendars, staff lists, the school handbook and more. Add the Canwood School website to your favorites or to your home screen to quickly check the calendar, announcements for upcoming events and noon meals.

Remind notifications for SRPSD buses are available. Follow these simple steps to receive important information about your school bus, sent right to your phone! We ask that along with your specific school(s) you also subscribe to "All SRPSD buses". Important division wide information may be sent only to "All SRPSD buses" in some circumstances. For instance, in the case of buses being cancelled because of weather thresh holds, notice will be sent out on the "All SRPSD buses" channel.

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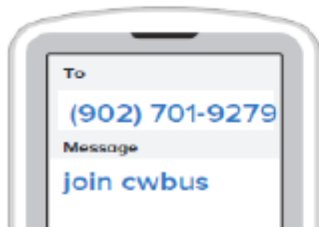
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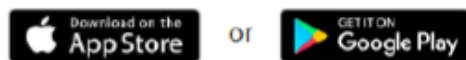
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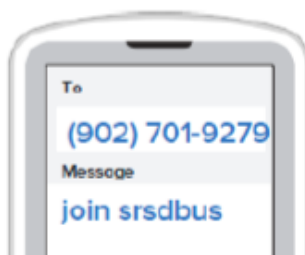
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February 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Mrs. Dorothy Schluff, Social Worker, will be at Canwood School on February 4, 11 & 25</p> 	<p>Skating Grades 4-6</p>	<p>Grade 9-12 Report Cards</p>	<p>S & S Pork on Rice \$3.50 K-4 \$2.50</p>		<p>Smoke in a Bun \$2.00 Skating K-3</p>	
	<p>Skating Grades 4-6</p>		<p>Chicken & Waffles \$3.50 K-4 \$2.50</p>		<p>Chili \$2.00 Skating K-3</p>	
	<p>PreK</p>		<p>Pre-K Family Day</p>		<p>Happy Valentine's Day</p>	
<p>FEBRUARY BREAK - SCHOOL CLOSED</p>						
	<p>Skating Grades 4-6</p>		<p>Perogie Casserole \$3.50 K-4 \$2.50</p>		<p>Piggie in a Blanket \$2.00 Skating K-3</p>	
						