F.E.S. Family Connections

February 15th-19th

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Monday, Feb. 15th	Thursday, Feb. 18th
 Student led clubs continue Art with the Seniors (3 Culligan) 	 Chess club Student Led Clubs at lunch Home and School Meeting at 7pm
Tuesday, Feb. 16th	Friday, Feb. 19th
Upper Elementary ChoirStudent Led clubs at lunch	Student led clubs at lunchGrade 2 Choir
Wednesday, Feb. 17th	Upcoming Dates:
 Drama at lunch Student Led clubs at lunch Grade 1 Pancake Breakfast 	Feb. 22 nd - Yearbook photos will be taken Feb. 26 th - Grade 3 & 6 Registration forms due Feb. 29 th -March 4 th - Winter Carnival (more details to follow) March 3 rd - TNB Young Company- The Space Between

Information Items:

- -A huge thank you to **Natasha Clare** and her committee for organizing an awesome "**Staff Appreciation Week**" and to all parents who donated goodies for us throughout the week. We were treated like royalty and spoiled every day with treats, take home items, prizes, and kind messages!
- -Registration forms for grade 3 and grade 6 were sent home on Monday with our grade 2 and 5 students. Please select the program of choice (continue with the English Prime Program, or begin French Immersion) for your child and return by **February 26th**. If you have already made your decision, please return the form as soon as possible. For Early Immersion grade 5 students only parent and student signatures are required as the children will continue in Immersion.
- A huge thank you to our P.S.S.C. for hosting a very informative parent session on "Internet Safety" last evening. The information and experiences shared by our three presenters was extremely valuable to parents. We gave each presenter a small token of appreciation and made a donation to **Kids Help Phone** in their honour.
- -We have submitted our order of "**Pink Shirts**" to Key Industries. When they arrive on Monday, Feb. 22nd, we will send them home with the students who ordered. Please remember that **Wednesday**, **Feb. 24**th **is Pink Shirt Day** and we encourage everyone to wear pink to show that we are all working together to prevent bullying in our schools, in our communities and online.
- We are looking to update our "**Falcons In The Spotlight**" bulletin board. If you see articles of present and former students in the media, please send them in to us! Let's celebrate our "Falcons"!

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- Please remember to exercise caution when using our '**drop off zones**' in the morning and follow the following safety measures;
 - Students should exit vehicles on the side closest to the sidewalk or gate (depending on which drop off zone used)
 - o Parents must follow the flow of traffic and wait for the vehicle in front to advance (No backing up/reversing to go around the vehicle in front of you)
 - Vehicles need to watch for walkers coming up Strong Street and on the cross walk on School Avenue
 - o Please remember that **drop off is for dropping off only**. There is no time to sit and chat with your child about the day's events. If you need to get out of your vehicle to help your child with his or her bookbag, hats, mittens etc... please park in the visitors parking. It is important to maintain the flow of traffic.
- -Thanks to the creativity of our library coordinators, our library will be transformed into a Harry Potter themed setting for the next two weeks.
- District Education Council (DEC) elections are coming up in May and the DEC will be having information evenings for potential candidates. Please see attachment for more information on the DEC and its role. It is important for the DECs to have candidates who are committed to education and willing to invest time into making good policy decisions for all of our students and schools. Please see dates and locations below for information sessions:

Thursday, Feb. 18, 6-8pm Hampton High School, Learning Commons

Thursday, Feb. 25, 6-8pm Saint John Education Centre, 490 Woodward Ave., Donaldson Room

- The Home and School is looking for people who are interested in helping to organize this year's **Family Fun Night.** Please drop them a line at <u>fairvalehomeandschool@gmail.com</u> if you are interested.
- --Our weekly **Family Connections** are also posted on our school website under the **Synrevoice** tab.