PSSC MEETING

Monday, May 8, 2017

Harvey Elementary School

1. Welcome

2. Staffing

- H.E.S. will have the same number of teachers for the 2017-2018 schoolyear, as they have this schoolyear.
- Next year, Mrs. Murphy will be teaching grade 1, French Immersion.
- Two grade 5 teachers will be hired for next year.
- Our school will be losing one Educational Assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. We currently have 3 Educational Assistants and will be down to 2 next year.

3. Washrooms

- Mme. Szo met with the facilities personnel from district office regarding the issue of Harvey Elementary School not having a wheelchair accessible washroom. She was given 2 options and after speaking to staff and the members of the PSSC, she has decided to go with option 2. The choices were as follows:
 - Have 1 wheelchair accessible stall in each washroom.
 - 2. Renovate the custodian closet beside the gym to become a wheelchair accessible washroom.
- Mme. Szo showed the facilities personnel the students' washrooms and she agrees that the washrooms are in high need of repair/renovations.
- District will be painting at our school on June 28, 29 & 30 and at this time, will be asked to paint the washrooms until they are able to improve the facilities.

4. Volunteer Appreciation

- Staff and students at Harvey Elementary School would like to show their appreciation to the many volunteers from the community who donate their time at our school (breakfast program, classroom volunteers, skating helpers, fundraisers...). Mme. Szo has a gift in mind for these volunteers which Brenda is helping her to order.
- Staff and Students at H.E.S have invited the many volunteers to attend their "Volunteer Appreciation Event" which they will take place on Monday, June 12, 2017.

5. Twitter

 Mme. Szo will be sending a message to all parents to inform them that H.E.S. is now on Twitter. Social Media is a great way to get information out to parents quickly.

6. Harvey Elementary School's new website

 Mme. Szo mentioned at one of her meetings that the PSSC members at Harvey Elementary School are not happy with the school's new website as it is not user friendly. District is willing to make changes to their website and are looking for specific examples.

7. Important Upcoming dates

- May 10 Musician is coming (workshops/presentation) Keith Mullins
- May 26 Grade 3-5 track and field
- June 1- district track and field
- June 8 -Wellness day
- June 5 Volunteer Appreciation Day

8. Wellness Day

The H.E.S PSSC has organized a wellness day for the children to attend on June 8. The children will rotate through the activities listed below, in small groups, to learn about things that are necessary for their well-being.

K-2 Wellness Activities

- 1. Bicycle Safety
- 2. Glow Germs Presentation
- 3. Seedlings
- 4. Dental Hygiene Presentation
- 5. Nutritional Snack

Grades 3-5 Wellness Activities

- 1. Cyber Bullying Prevention
- 2. First Aid Presentation
- 3. Tick Safety Presentation
- 4. Nutritional Snack
- 5. Composting
- Home and school will provide a healthy snack for all those presenting.

9. Bike for books

In February, the Mason's of Harvey presented the students of H.E.S. with an opportunity to win a bicycle by reading multiple books through their "Bike For Books" campaign. Students were given multiple ballots which they could fill out for each book they read, to enter a draw for a chance to win a bicycle.

In the afternoon, on June 8, the Masons will be presenting the winning students with their bicycles at H.E.S.

Next meeting/Last meeting June 12.