



Port Maitland Consolidated Elementary School Newsletter

Updates	February 2023 News
<p><u>Important Dates</u></p> <p>CLT day: Feb 1st dismissal @ 12:15 pm</p> <p>SAC meeting: Tues Feb 7 @ 6:30</p> <p>No school on Monday, Feb. 20th- NS Heritage Day</p> <p>Theme Days: Fri. Feb 3rd Inside out day (wear your clothes inside out)</p> <p>Fri. Feb 10th Red day</p> <p>Fri. Feb 24th pajama day</p> <p>Winter Carnival-a complete schedule will be sent home and posted on our school website when available</p>	<p>The month began with a shift in our administration as Ms. DeViller is off on a scheduled leave and Mrs. Forrest has joined the team to finish off the school year. We look forward to welcoming Mrs. Forrest and making her feel at home here at PMCES. Mrs. DeViller, we wish you all the best and look forward to you returning in the fall.</p> <p>Lost and Found is overflowing!!!! Please try to stop in for a quick visit to see if anything looks familiar.</p> <p>Free T-shirts, If you have not already done so please email PMCES@tcrce.ca or send a note in your child's agenda with your child's t-shirt size as we will be making a school shirt order soon.</p> <p>Volunteers- we are always accepting of help here at PMCES and would love to expand on our team. If you are interested please reach out so that we can make the process as easy as possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All volunteers need to complete the required screening each year • We are looking for volunteers to assist with the trail upkeep, snack program, breakfast program, clubs, chaperoning activities like class trips and Fun Nights, library support, etc. <p>Weather- This winter sure has been different, please be mindful of changes in the temperature and pack accordingly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing that matches the weather (boots, ski pants, coat, hat mittens) • To receive a text message when school has been cancelled ensure you are registered through the TCRCE Text Message Service- to opt in to text messages from the region text Y to 978338. To OPT OUT text STOP. • If you do not have the text option, check the TCRCE facebook or website or listen to Y95 radio for updates on whether school is cancelled. No notice means that school is on as planned. <p>Winter Carnival 2023- We will be celebrating winter through a week of activities here at school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will spend time outside so please pack for the conditions.

- A trip skating is one of the events planned, so please ensure you sign the consent form or your student may have to stay at the school.
- Activities planned include some at the school as well as some that will include your family at home- more details to follow

Daily Screening

- Families are reminded that if your child is sick, they should not come to school.
- Families should make alternative plans in case a student calls home sick through the day as they can not stay at the school sick.
- If you would like a COVID-19 Rapid Test kit, contact the school and we will send some home.

Coastal Financial Credit Union Holiday Card Competition

- each year the Credit Union sponsors a card making competition where the winner has their card used by the Credit Union for their holiday correspondence and the school of that student wins \$1000
- This year Grade 5 student, Bria Amirault's card was selected and our school was the recipient of the \$1000 donation.
- Congrats Bria!!!

Breakfast and Equity Food funding from the province has increased so we are pleased to be able to continue our snack program. Breakfast program snacks (and often times fresh fruit) are available throughout the day and not just in the morning in all classes in case students are hungry.

Home toys

- a reminder that home toys are not permitted in classrooms or outside
- Students who bring them for the bus are asked to keep them in their backpack through the day (unless the class has a home toy activity that day - and communication is sent home to let you know)
- We continue to ask that scary toys such as Huggy Wuggy not be sent to school, not even for the bus, as our young students are sometimes scared and it upsets them through the day