



SCHOOL COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Centennial Library

*We show respect, we work together
We'll make a better school, for now and forever!
Friendship, diversity, leadership too!
We'll use these "keys" to improve me and you!
Roar, Centennial, Roar*

1. Welcome

Jennifer

Welcome to everyone.

2. Chairperson Update

Jennifer

Thanks to everyone who participated in the magazine sales.

3. Principal's/Vice Principal's Report

Betti/Brian

Magazine Fundraiser-thank you for your support. We have surpassed our on-line sales from last year and have a total of 221 subscriptions. Final profit for school will be forthcoming at our next meeting. Fundraiser is over but anyone can still purchase magazine. Typically raise about 3,000.00.

Staffing-welcoming new staff to Centennial over the past week. Thanks to our families for your understanding. Staffing changes are due to increase number of students across the system. Mrs. Byrnes has been successful at gaining a teaching job at JW Gerth and we will welcome Ms. Kelly to teach 707 and 708 (Language, History, Geography). Ms. Fritsch has been successful at gaining a teaching job at Silverheights and we welcome Mr. Barber who will be teaching Science and Music. We welcome Ms. Robbins who will be sharing 802 with Ms. McKenzie.

Progress Reports will go home on November 14 and our PD day is on Nov. 18. Parents should contact subject teacher or homeroom teacher if they wish to discuss any aspects of their child's progress. This can be done through email, voice mail or calling the office.

Student Teachers-we are fortunate to have several student teachers with us this year from both Laurier University and Nipissing University.

Math Pro Grant-Thanks to Jill Magazine who prepared and submitted a Parent Reaching Out Grant proposal on behalf of Centennial School Council to support our math focus. Currently we are looking at a variety of ways to support our families with home help in math. More to come.

Fundraisers-please connect with Betti and Jennifer if you have any known fundraisers you think would benefit our school and perhaps willing to help with.

NEXT MEETING: We will have one of our guidance staff share the Grade 8 to 9 transition information with us and answer any questions.

Sarah Westbrook did an excellent job of sharing her message with our students on Friday. She included both musical songs and reflective, positive messages for our students.

4. Teacher's Report

Gary Kauk

Math

Grade 7 - Measurement and next Geometry

Grade 8 – Integers starting algebra

Visual Arts

Grade 7 – Finishing graphic design and starting Line Drawing – Nov 7

Health

Grade 7 – fitness and nutrition

Immersion – personal safety

English – nutrition grade 8

Geography

Prendergast – United Nations Global Goals and Sustainable Development

Immersion Language Arts Grade 8

Read aloud practice

Read and listen

Science

Grade 8 – prep for science fair, parents should have received a form about dates of science fair and timing and deadlines; in class unit - Basic unit of cells

Grade 7 – scientific method, ecosystems (Laurel Creek visits)

Extracurricular Activities

- Caribou Math – can volunteer and/or may be nominated – month of Nov (Mr. Bumstead is lead teacher) This is considered math enrichment.

- Coding club – Arduino and scratch languages for coding
- Trading Card Club – continues
- Chess Club – continues, if anyone knows of a tournament let Mr. Watt know
- Music
 - Glee Club started this week (sing and dance)
 - Orchestra and Chamber orchestra going on
 - Band and Band ensemble
- Ukulele Club
- Gardening Club – going on and ending soon.
- Yearbook Club – received training from company, photos, layout and training
- Surrealism Art Club – just finished Thursday
- Next Art Club - Thematic Development and/or Scary imagery – Mrs. VW - Wed and Thursday – after school next month
- Art Drop-in – every day of Break A
- Library Helpers – 16 helpers for each term Oct to Dec, Jan to March, April to June
- Football and Field Hockey done for the year
- Volleyball Teams selected and club for both boys and girls will start soon
- Intramurals and Teacher Challenge has been a huge success

5. Report from WRAPC

Next month's meeting is Nov 1 at 7 p.m. at the Education Centre on Ardelt Drive
There is a tour that evening and many of the Board's Superintendents will be present.

6. Questions and Roundtable Discussion

All

Jill Magazine wanted to let people know about the Digital Citizenship Summit at Bluevale on November 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Last week a reminder was sent through Centennial news. This event for families whose children attend our schools will focus on discussions relating to digital technology and social media, as it applies to children. Participants will attend different workshops that they are interested in, all relating to technology and digital citizenship; Jennifer Moss, Cofounder of Plasticity Labs is the keynote speaker. Registration is free and lunch is available for \$5.

Year End Trips – This year students will be able to go to Camp Kintail for 1 night and 2 days. This was one of the trips that happened last year and was well-

received by students and staff. Cost will be approximately \$100. Grade 8 graduation will take place on Monday, and then camp will be Tuesday to Wednesday for one group and Wednesday to Thursday for another group. It hasn't been decided how they will divide the students into groups for camp. November 14th is a PD Day and will focus on report cards.

7. Future Agenda Items

All

At the next meeting, we will have one of our guidance staff share the Grade 8 to 9 transition information with us and answer any questions.

Reminder to let Betti and/or Jennifer know if you have any ideas for the next fundraising initiative and whether you would like to lead the initiative.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 29th at 6:30 p.m. and then Tuesday, January 31st.