

Moffat Creek Public School School Council



Save The Date!

- **Feb. 11** – School Council Meeting in the library 6:30 – 8:00 pm
- **Feb. 27** – Special Lunch day: Mr. Sub (orders due on 20th)
- **March 3 & 5** – Moffat Creek Family Dinner Nights at Crabby Joe's – *Advance tickets required, Hespeler Rd. location only*
- **March 4th** – 6:30pm Fun Fair committee meeting.
- **No School Council meeting in March** due to March Break
- **March 20th** – Special Lunch day: Pancakes! (orders due March 6th)
- **March 25th** – Family Movie Night 6:30 – 8:30 in the gym
- **April 8th** – School Council Meeting in the library 6:30 – 8:00
- **April 15th** – Special Pasta Lunch day! (orders due Apr.4)
- **June 12th** – 2nd Annual School Council Spring Fun Fair!

THINK SPRING...THINK PLAYGROUND!

School Council is beating winter's deep freeze by thinking of warmer temperatures and dreaming of...a PLAYGROUND!

On January 15, 2014, seven Moffat classes (representing all grade divisions) participated in a dream session for a much needed playground for our beautiful but relatively empty campus. Evergreen School Ground Greening Consultant, Dennis Wendland, spoke about how to plan for a greener and more enjoyable playground. Dennis was fun and interactive with the kids, asking them what kinds of things they thought were important in their play areas and what they

would like to be able to do outside. He talked about more naturalized ideas for play, and also about ways to create shade on the school property.

The students then returned to their classes to discuss ideas that they wanted to incorporate into the playground plan. Students were inspired and eager to brainstorm and teachers filled out an Evergreen survey with the kids responses! Mr. Landon's class even created some cool plasticine designs (pictured below)!

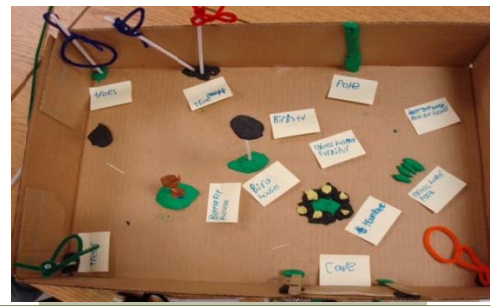
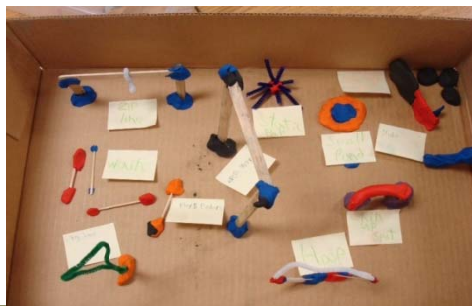
Top results of the student visioning about what they would like to be able to do include:

Climbing, sliding, playing

in secret places/hiding spots, having shaded areas to sit and hang out with friends.

Our Playground Committee's next step is to put these dreams to paper and create our first draft design! We are dreaming BIG and considering creating four 'play' areas: one each for Kindergarten, Primary, Junior & Intermediate students.

The Moffat Creek Playground Committee is comprised of parent volunteers & school staff. It is a sub-committee of School Council. If you are interested in being a part of our discussions and in the planning process, please email us at moffatcreekcouncil@gmail.com



**CRABBY JOE'S FAMILY
DINNER NIGHTS!**

We had so much fun with our Cardinal friends and family at our family restaurant night last year that we're doing it again!

Mark **Mon. March 3** &
Wed. March 5, 2014 on your calendar to come for dinner at Crabby Joe's (Hespeler Rd. location only) and support our school at the same time. We're offering an all you can eat pasta buffet for just \$10 per adult and \$6 per child. Tickets must be purchased in advance from the school for this event – stay tuned for more info!

School Council News

THE BOTTOM LINE

At the end of the day, (almost) all of it costs money! And, like us, we are sure you would like to know where your contributions to School Council fundraising initiatives are going!

School Council's proposed 2013-2014 budget is based on projected revenues and expenses of \$26,300.00.

A brief breakdown of expenses in percentages is as follows:

18% to Field Trips, Classroom & Divisional Resources

3% to Student Achievement & Celebrations

3% to Compassion Fund (helping students and families of Moffat in need)

6% to miscellaneous expenses (special funding requests, unforeseen expenses)

68% to a designated Playground Building Fund

As you can quickly see, our goal this year is to raise enough funds to start building a playground for our students! This will be a multi-phase project that will take several years to complete. Help us to reach our goal for our students and continue to support generously School Council Fundraising initiatives!

FUN FAIR NEWS

Cake Walk, Snow Cones, Games, Face painting, Bake Sale, Pie In the Face...These can only mean one thing - Moffat Creek's 2nd Annual Spring Fun Fair! Last year's event was SO MUCH FUN, you simply won't want to miss it this year! Mark your calendars for **Thursday, June 12th, 2014, 4:30pm – 7:30pm.**

Planning is underway, so stay tuned for more news and ways that you can be involved. As always, if you are interested in getting in on the planning or running of this event, we would love to have you!

DONORS NEEDED!

While countless volunteer hours and financial support through fundraising initiatives can go a long way, we will need the help of private and corporate donations to raise the funds needed to pay for playgrounds at Moffat Creek P.S.

If you own a business, or are part of a business or corporation that would be interested in being a donor to the Moffat Creek Greening and Playground initiative please contact us and let us know. Individual donors are also welcome! **Tax receipts will be issued for all donations received.**

We are currently thinking of ways to recognize and thank our donors with memorial items incorporated into the playground.

Contact the school at (519) 621-1661 or email moffatcreekcouncil@gmail.com



** SPECIAL LUNCH DAYS **

Thursday, February 27th – Mr. Sub
(order forms due Feb.20th)

Thursday, March 20th – Spring Pancake Lunch
(order forms due March 6th)

Tuesday, April 15th – Hot Pasta Lunch with 'The Lunch Lady' (order forms due April 4th)

Tuesday, May 27th – Grilled Cheese Lunch
(order forms due May 20th)

Monday, June 23rd – Pita Pit
(order forms due June 16th)

Students are loving our monthly special lunches... and we've heard that parents are enjoying the break from making lunches! ☺

If parents would like to send one payment for multiple children in one family, please send the money with the oldest child and still submit a completed order form for each child to each child's class with a note on all forms indicating to which class the money was sent. Please remember that our volunteers are **not able to process change**, so exact change is required for all pizza orders and special lunches. If we receive orders with excess funds, we thank you for your contribution!

Thank you for supporting Moffat Creek P.S.!

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Much of the content you put in your newsletter can also be used for your Web site. Microsoft Word offers a simple way to convert your newsletter to a Web publication. So, when you're finished writing your newsletter, convert it to a Web site and post it.

The subject matter that

appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

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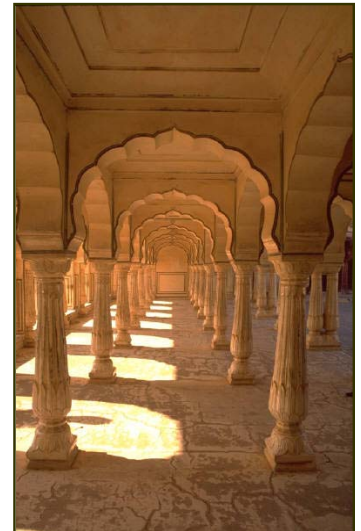
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About Our Organization...

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context.

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also several tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

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