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JANUARY 2016 NEWSLETTER

Dates to Remember

Dates	Activity or Event
Jan 7-31	French Immersion Registration
Jan 27	February Pizza Orders Due
Jan 28	Grade 6's Skiing at Chicopee
Jan 28	Movie Night, 6:30
Jan 29	PA Day – No School
Feb 1	Grade 4&5's Tubing at Chicopee
Feb 3	Skating Race Try-outs
Feb 8-12	Kindergarten Registration
Feb 9	School Council, 7:00-8:30
Feb 15	Family Day – No School
Feb 19	Report Cards go home
Feb 26	PA day – No School Skating Races, 7pm
Mar 12-20	March Break – No School
Mar 25	Good Friday – No School
Mar 28	Easter Monday – No School

Administration Messages

Welcome to 2016 from the Tait Street administration team, James Bond (Principal) and Jenni Guy (Vice-Principal). Along with the rest of the Tait staff, we are dedicated to providing a safe, fun and challenging learning environment for our students. We believe strongly that healthy student well-being is critical for all our students to achieve to their highest potential. As a school community, we are continuously learning how we can better serve our students through highly engaging instruction, activities, field trips, events and clubs. Parents play a key role in helping us do the above, so please check out the School Council Corner to see how you can get involved. Also, please contact us if you have any ideas or concerns.

In service to our students and staff,

James Bond 007 & Jenni Guy

From the Office

Kindergarten Registration If your child was born in 2011 or 2012, registration starts **ONLINE January 22** at wrdsb.on.ca. Once you have completed the online registration, you will be required to come into the school with your child's documentation (proof of birth date and address) to be copied by office staff. Call to book a time.

Inclement Weather Check local radio stations, wrdsb.ca, tait.ca or @wrdsb for bus cancellation and school closing information. Please keep emergency contact information up to date at school. Parents are encouraged to use their discretion in considering whether it is safe for their child to attend school on a stormy day. Please call the attendance check if your child is going to be absent. You do not need to call if your child is affected by a school bus cancellation.

French Immersion Now accepting registrations on line, wrdsb.ca/french. Registration form closes on January 31, 2016.

Milk Tickets If you run out before the next forms are sent home, we have extra forms in the office your child can pick up to order any time.



We're on the web

tai.wrdsb.ca

For the latest news

And on Twitter

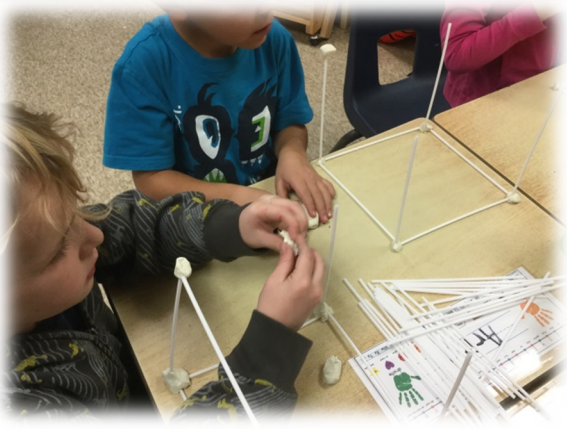
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Why Tait is Great!

- Movie Nights
- Holiday Concerts
- Pizza & Milk Days
- Halloween Parade
- Food Drives
- Supporting Our Syrian Newcomers
- Respectful Remembrance Day Assembly
- School Council Support to Purchase \$3500 of Home Reading
- Field Trips



Well-Being

How Do you Know You Have Headlice?

Signs of head lice include:

- live or dead head lice in hair
- nits (empty egg cases)
- cast skin cases of head lice
- an itchy head
- a rash around the neck or ears
- dark gritty dust found on pillows or collars



Remember.... Anyone can catch headlice – young or old.

Check your family's hair once a week.

School Council Corner

Introducing your 2015-2016 School Council Executive:

Chair: Heather Cavers

Treasurer: Jen Noble

Co Chair: Lisa Kersey

Secretary: Tina Moore

- With the school year half completed we have accomplished a number of goals, and are excitedly working towards new ones.
- The Norcard fundraiser in September was a great success despite some challenges and brought \$6000 into the school. The pizza lunch continues to be popular and has spurred us to explore more exciting options. Keep eating that pizza Tait tigers!
- In December Council passed its 2015-2016 budget, and thanks to generous parent support, we are pleased to once again be able to support many programs and activities throughout the school. These include: home reading programs (English and French), field trip money per class, school speakers, and the chess program to name a few.
- Upcoming Events in February – MacMillan's Fundraiser (cookies and soup...yum!)
- Council webpages will be updated and expanded, so make sure to check these out.
- We always hope to see new faces!
- Our next meeting is February 9th at 7:00pm in the library. Enter through the library door at the back right of the school.
- Volunteers are an amazing resource, and to help keep everyone organized, Tait Street now has a volunteer coordinator. Please contact Shawna at volunteertait@gmail.com to pass along your details or for more information about opportunities around the school.