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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year.

Now that Christmas holidays have come and gone, students are back at work studying for tests, completing assignments and doing whatever is necessary for Term 2.

For all those parents who attended our Christmas concerts (Band and Ukrainian) in December, we thank you for your continued support. Thank you to the Band Parents and English/Ukrainian Bilingual Parents Committee as well as the teachers for making these evenings a success.

In December we were also treated to the play "Anne of Green Gables". I would like to thank Mrs. Forfar, her cast and the many students and staff that helped out and support the show, it was awesome. Thank you to many of you that also supported the play with your attendance.

Just a reminder to parents that if your child's bus is going to be more than 15 minutes late you will be notified by the driver or the school. As to school closures due to cold weather, we adhere to the following policy: - 40 degrees temperature and/or - 45 degrees with the wind chill.

February is "I Love to Read Month". We will be having a number of guest speakers visiting our school to read to our students. As well, our librarian Mrs. Artimowich is having the students take part in a Read-a-Thon. More information will be sent home with the students.

Congratulations to our torch bearers, Robin Armstrong, Meaghan Sternat and Cailyn Cheasley. This was obviously an awesome experience which they will remember for a lifetime.

I would like to thank Mr. Makowsky, Mrs. Procyshyn, leadership students and all staff for organizing the events on Friday Dec. 18/09 in the afternoon. This was a great way to start the Christmas Break. The students seemed to have a great time with the activities and Soc Hop that was provided that afternoon.

I would also like to welcome our new student from South Korean, Mingyeong Ji, otherwise known as Judy M. She will be attending Grade 7 in Mrs. Flett. Welcome to E.S.M.S., Judy.

Grade 7 and 8 Assessment

This year, all students in grades 7 and 8 at ESMS will again be participating in the provincial assessment program: Grade 7 – Mathematics, Student Engagement and Grade 8 – Reading Composition, Expository Writing. While the information does not have to be reported to the province until the end of February, we will be sending home the results of the assessments with the March report cards.

These assessments do not have any bearing on a student's grade as indicated on their progress report or report card. These assessments only show the level of achievement in certain key competencies as determined by the province. For further information regarding the assessments, parents of students in these grades should refer to the brochure that was sent home with your child this past fall.

Electronic Devices, Cameras

Following the Christmas season, we have seen more Electronic Devices in the building. Cell Phones are not to be used during class time. They are to remain turned off and out of sight. Digital pictures are only to be used for staff directed school projects. East Selkirk Middle School sees Cyber-bullying as another form of bullying and is therefore unacceptable.

Teacher e-mails

If parents are wishing to contact teachers by e-mail. Please contact the General Office via e-mail and staff will then respond.

Registrations for 2010/11

During the months of January and February, Grade 10 registration will take place. On Feb. 18th the High School will hold an open house at 7:00 p.m. The final registrations are due at the end of February. Registration for the remainder of our students will take place in March, more information will be in the next February Hawklane.

Noon Hour Free Skating

Noon hour skating has started for Grade 5 and 6 at the Recreation Center next door to the school. Students will have an opportunity to skate on Tuesday and Friday. We also would like to thank all the staff supervisors as well as those parents who have taken the time out of their day to help out. Without these volunteers the skate program would not be able to exist.

WOW Awards For December

- 5-1 Julia Brown, Shaleyn King
- 5-2 Ria Noonan, Brandon Monkman
- 5-3 Christian Milgaard, Mathew Muth
- 6-1 Taylor Campbell, Kara Perfanick
- 6-2 Cindy Saluk, Connor Wien
- 6-3 Bailey Wilson, Derek Petrasko
- 7-1 Reagan Croy, Colton Slobodian
- 7-2 Jared Fawcett, Carly Van Mil
- 7-3 Josh Thompson, Alicia Ruptash
- 8-1 Dylan Painchaud-Niemi, Elexis Wadden
- 8-2 Haley Rubashewsky, Larissa Mannhart
- 8-3 Quinn Cove, Casslynn Ennis
- 9-1 Trisha Martin, Harley Wiebe-Wall
- 9-2 Desiree D'Errico, Hailey King
- 9-3 Cailyn Cheasley, Nial Carmichael

Counselling News

Attention all parents/guardians of Grade 9 Students:

Re: GRADE NINE ORIENTATION

Orientations at each Junior High/Middle School

The Grade Nine Orientation is planned for Monday, Feb.1. The orientation will include a high school team visiting our school to discuss the registration process. This will take place for our students on Monday, February 1st between 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Vocational Tours at LSRCSS February 2

A tour of vocational areas for our students will take place Feb. 2, 2010. Our students will be heading over to the High School on this date between 9:25 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. More information will be coming soon.



High, 516 Stanley Avenue (south-west doors)
ph. 482-TEEN.

**Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive
Secondary School Open House**

Thursday, February 18, 2010 7:00 p.m.

LSRCS will be hosting an Open House Evening to highlight academic and technical vocational programming in the school. A more detailed reminder will be sent home closer to this date. Important information will be presented at this open house regarding the choice in Math programs for all students entering grade 10 in Fall 2010.

Registration guides, forms, and student fees

Following the presentations and tours parents and students will receive registration packages for Grade 10. These, along with a student fee will be due towards the end of February.

Any question? Call Mr. Udod 785-2036

Hawkeye Awards

Every month our school hands out Hawkeye Awards (2 awards per Grades 5 – 9) for students caught doing nice deeds or simply displaying good school citizenship. The winners for December were: Grade 5 – McKenzie Brooke and Owen Schwartz, Grade 6 – Josh Fudali and Courtney Kuhl, Grade 7 – Erik Christensen and Janine Starodub, Grade 8 - Ashley Kubic and Brooke Schoenborn, and for Grade 9 – Mackenzie Deamel and Tim Koos. Winners for January were: Grade 5 – Logan Fraser and Leith Schroeder, Grade 6 – Melody Ennis and Chance Taylor, Grade 7 – Colton Slobodian and Brooke Mayo, Grade 8 - Donnie Barnett and Brad Hicks, and for Grade 9 – Meaghan Sternat and Jesse Desmottes. A big congratulations to all those who were drawn. Keep up the good work! Thanks again to Brianna Frykas and Nicole Burnett for conducting the draw.

Public Health Nurse

Mrs. Evange Brook is our school's Public Health Nurse. Mrs. Brook visits to our school every Thursday between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Any student wishing to see her can come directly to the Guidance office beside the Computer Lab, or arrange a meeting through myself, Mr. Udod. Earlier in October, Evange came to address all classes about proper hand-washing and safety precautions regarding flu season.

Selkirk Teen Clinic

The Selkirk Teen Clinic is a walk-in clinic for youth ages 12-21. It operates every Wednesday from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm at Ecole Selkirk Junior

Information Centre

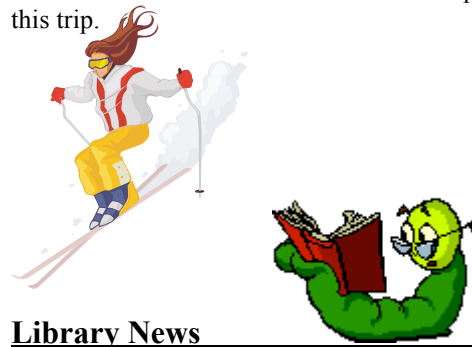
Any parents/guardians looking for information regarding various topics such as drug and alcohol information to family counseling opportunities, and a whole range of topics in between, please feel free to contact the guidance area any time.

Mr. G. Udod, Guidance Counsellor

Asessippi Ski Trip

The Asessippi ski trip for grade 7 to 9 students is fast approaching. The trip will take place on Feb. 17 & 18. Final payment of \$100.00 plus rental equipment fee is due on Feb. 3.

Students who signed up for the trip are reminded that they must complete all assigned work and be on their best behaviour in order to take part in this trip.



Library News

With a New Year comes new idea's and one of these idea's is a new way to celebrate the upcoming "I Love to Read" month.



At East Selkirk Middle School we will be hosting an Usborne Books Read-a-thon to **earn** books for our students and school. Not only will the Read-a-thon promote literacy among our students but it will also help students develop a love of reading by surrounding them with books in the home, classroom and library.

Your child will be bringing home information on this event. Please read over the literature. The information will also be available on the ESMS library website.

A big thank you to Kyle Zaharkiw and Katie Kilgour for their donation of books/magazines to the library.



Donna Artimowich

Morning Sport Activities

A reminder to parents and students – if students are participating in a morning sports activity please use the doors that pertain to your Grade level. The front entrance is off limits to students before 9:00 am. Thank you.

Band Parents News

Watch for our upcoming fundraiser CT Custom Meats and Alantra Foods in February. Students still have time to boost their accounts for the Brandon Jazz Trip.



EUBP NEWS

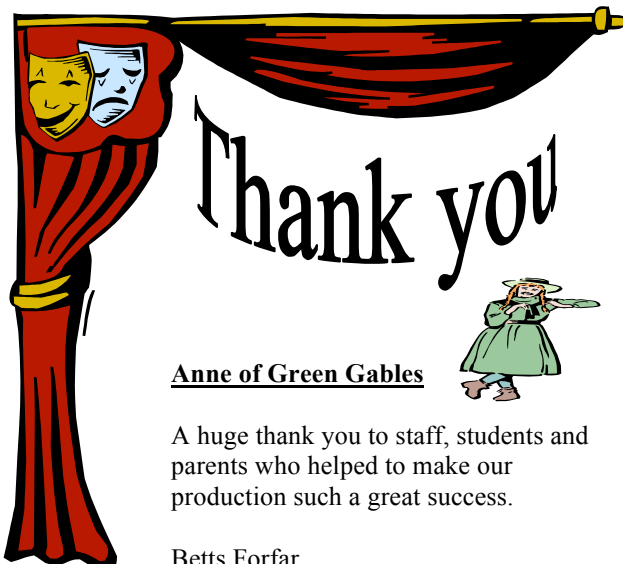
Welcome back everyone—We hope your holidays were memorable.

The Ukrainian Concert went very well this year. The carol singing was wonderful; it had us clapping our hands, tapping our feet and singing along to the music. The introduction of Petrusia Pirohy, the addition of the Zorya dancers and the Fialka Ensemble really made the concert extra special, along with the visit of St. Nicholi.

We'd like to thank everyone who worked organizing and who continue to make our concerts so spectacular...the teachers and students, Father Isador and Father Chorney, Sheila Stark-Perreault from ESMS for use of the home ec. Room, Brenda Bidinosti and Nikki for warming up the piroshky, the volunteers who helped set up tables and chairs, butter bread, cut up kubassa, arrange the dainty trays and make coffee and tea. The servers who made sure we were well fed and had something warm to drink, Martin Modrejewski for video taping the concert and donating copies to the school and we can't forget the people who stayed and helped us clean up after the concert.

On Friday, January 8th students went Ukrainian Christmas caroling. They visited Selkirk's Tudor Home, Knights Center, Lord Selkirk School Board office and the R.M. of St. Clements then Selkirk Mall. So many people enjoyed hearing our students sing, more places are requesting visits for next year.

The Ukrainian Kindergarten class enjoyed a traditional Ukrainian Christmas meal. Pani Tymchuk set out the meal explaining the blessings and significance of each dish.



Anne of Green Gables

A huge thank you to staff, students and parents who helped to make our production such a great success.

Betts Forfar

Come experience a Ukrainian Zobava on Friday, February 5th. A Family Fun Night hosted by EUBP celebrating the English Ukrainian Bilingual program's 30th year. Have you ever wondered what it's like to polka with a pyrogy, win a spot dance and party to a live band? This promises to be a fun night for the whole family. Open to everyone, so bring the kids, a neighbour, grandma, grandpa, baba and dedo. Held at East Selkirk Hall beside Domo 7:00 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help with decorating and organizing the hall before the Zobava. If you can help, contact Chris Boychuk 482-5216.



Haiti Earthquake

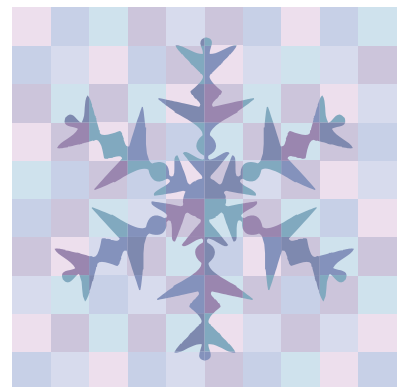
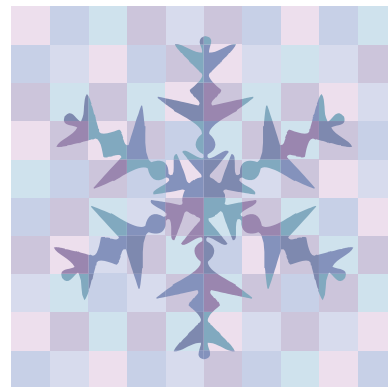
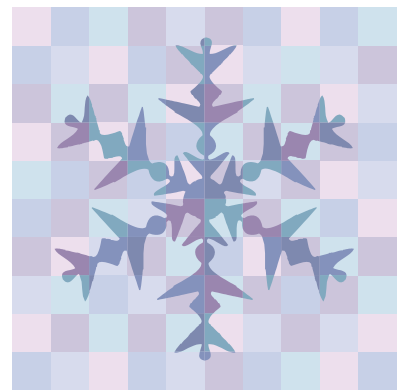
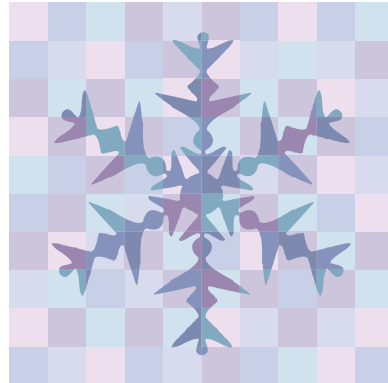
The 7-1 class held a bake sale this week to raise funds to donate to the Red Cross Haiti Relief effort. As we have been studying earthquakes in Science class, it was very powerful for the students to see the destruction an earthquake can cause., and for us to realize how fortunate we are in Canada.

Students and staff were very generous when donating and purchasing baked goods. Many people also gave a donation over and above the amount asked. After all the donations were tallied, we will be sending a cheque for \$1000.00 to the Red Cross. The 7-1 class would like to thank everyone for their generosity.



Milk Prices

A friendly reminder that as of January 1 2010, our milk prices have increased. A milk card for ten purchases will cost \$9.00 and a milk card with 20 purchases will cost \$18.00.



Lord Selkirk Regional School – Open House

Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

The Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive School will be hosting an Open House informational evening on Thursday, February 18 at 7:00 p.m. All Grade 9 students and parents from the Lord Selkirk School Division are invited to attend, as well as any non-resident students/parents.

Please be seated in the Theatre by 6:55 p.m. There will be a short information session at 7:00 p.m. followed by a number of breakout sessions. Each breakout session is maximum 10 minutes in length. Students and parents can attend scheduled presentations and/or tour the many different program areas in the school. The purpose of the Open House is to provide information regarding Grade 10 course selections for the 2010-2011 school year.

7:00 – 7:30	General Information Session & School Video (Theatre)	
7:45 – 8:00	Breakout Session # 1	Tour Classrooms/Labs
8:00 – 8:15	Breakout Session # 2	
8:15 – 8:30	Breakout Session # 3	
8:30 – 9:00	Tour Classrooms / Labs	

Breakout Sessions will be hosted by the following areas:

- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- French Immersion
- International Student Program