

February Newsletter



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February Principal's Message

Just like that, January is over!

It was a joyful end to the month when we finally had some snow on the ground to play with. It's perfect timing for the last days of our intermediate ski/snowboard program. Students have been fabulous through the first two days and we are excited that they get to experience some fresh snow for their final week. A huge thank you to all of the parents and staff that help make this program happen. There have been so many stories of perseverance and growing confidence this year!

February also brings more skating days, outdoor trips, and a continued focus on Mastery in Learning. As we get closer to our next learning updates (they'll come home right before Spring Break), teachers are especially focusing on building skills and pushing student learning to the next level. This can best be supported at home by a consistent home-reading schedule and any chance you have to talk about numbers throughout your day-to-day.

This month we are also completing the Middle Years Development Index Surveys with Grade 4 and 7 students. this survey provides information to schools and Interior Health about trends in our population. It's anonymous and most kids find it pretty interesting!

Please feel free to check in if you are wondering how things are going for your child. We know they tend to tell you nothing happens here, but our days are full of learning experiences that we are happy to talk with families about if they are interested!

Upcoming Events

February 2 PAC Meeting
in the library at 5pm

Feb. 2&3 Final Ski and
Snowboard Days

Skating continues for
many classes on various
dates

Feb. 16 Family Day (No
School!)

Feb. 20 Feel Good Friday

Feb. 25 Kindness Day
(Wear pink or a favourite
shirt!)

Feb. 26 Monthly
assembly at 11:30

Kirsten & Shawn

Kindness Day (February 25)

Later this month we will be celebrating Kindness Day. This is also known as Pink Shirt Day and focuses on how we can treat each other well at school. The story of Pink Shirt Day is about acceptance of differences and the idea that everyone should be able to express who they are at school and be accepted and welcomed here. For this reason, we encourage students to wear pink or a favourite shirt, and more importantly, think about how we treat each other. This is a conversation we have daily at Perley but it's a great time to remind students about our core rules:

Take care of yourself, take care of others, and take care of our school.



Circle of Courage: Mastery



This month we continue to focus on the area of Mastery, learning how to be strong learners by exploring

- Goal Setting
- Confidence and pride in a job well done
- Taking Healthy Risks
- Trying new things

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for weekly home-connection ideas!

Perley Peace Club

The Perley Grade 6/7 Peace Club has started up again! Students meet once a week to come up with ideas for how to make our school a more caring, peaceful place. In February they will be starting two initiatives: Acts of Kindness Cards (spreading kind acts) and Compliment Cards (surprise compliments throughout the school). Thanks to Marcie Carney and Ms. Danyluk for coordinating this group!



See you at the PAC meeting on February 21!

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