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MAVERICK WINTER ACTIVITY DAY - FEBRUARY 12

On Friday, February 12 Morris School is going to be having our 5th Annual Maverick Winter Activity Day. This is being organized to recognize the Healthy Lifestyle initiatives set out by the provincial government and our desire to build a sense of community and a positive culture in Morris School. The day is currently being planned for all K-12 students. There are a wide variety of activities being organized for that day so that all students will have a choice of activities to participate in. At this point we know that this is going to be downhill skiing/snowboarding at Holiday Mountain, curling, skating, tobogganing, cross country skiing and many others. Specific details of the day and activities will be forthcoming in the next week. Anyone interested in volunteering to help out is asked to call the school and leave your name and phone number. If anyone has any questions, comments or suggestions please call Darren Skog at 746-2612 ext. 223.



Principal, Darren Skog



I LOVE TO READ 2010 CHALLENGE (K-6 STUDENTS)

The K-6 staff are challenging their students to read 6000 books during the month of February, "I Love To Read" month. If the book amount is met, our Admin will be performing a "dance routine on skates." The class who reads the most books will have a pizza party.



MATH OLYMPICS / 100TH SCHOOL DAY

On Wednesday, February 10th our K-6 staff and students will be kicking off the Olympics with an opening ceremony in the small gym with the K-6, it will include a presentation by a Torch Runner, Kevin Young.



The rest of the morning will be an indoor math Olympics with 100th day activities. One of the stations will be a picture taking station that your child will have their picture taken with the torch - if they would like a picture to take home, we are asking for a donation to Haiti - a suggestion donation would be a loonie.

The students will be split into 6 "color" teams on this day - the students are asked to wear as much of their "color" on this day as they can.

In the afternoon, the library will have Lloyd the Intern from 103 FM as a guest reader.

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PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS - APRIL 15/16

Just a reminder that Parent/Teacher interviews will be held in the evening on April 15 and in the morning of April 16 - please contact Julie at 746-2612 ext. 221 to book your appointments - please have a list of teachers with you when you call - thank you. You can call after February 15th to book appointments.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Morris School Library will be hosting its spring book fair during parent/teacher interview times on April 15th and April 16th. We invite you to participate in this year's spring Scholastic Book Fair. The fair gives our school the opportunity to bring families and books together. It's the ultimate book event!! Additionally, a portion of the sales benefits our school library.

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| Date: | Thursday, April 15 | Friday, April 16 |
| Time: | 3:30 PM - 8:30 PM | 9:00 AM to Noon |
| Location: | Morris School Library | |



MORRIS SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
2010 -2011

Child must be 5 by December 31, 2010

Birth Certificate and Medical Numbers needed when registering

Call 746-2612 ext 222 for more information

PLEASE REGISTER AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ASAP
WATCH FOR NOTICE REGARDING INFORMATION NIGHT!!!



GRAD 2010 NEWS!!

Safe Grad (only) Committee Meeting - February 1st - 7:00 p.m. - library

Grad Committee Meeting - February 8th - 6:30 - Students and Parents

Bill's Pizza Fundraiser - \$8.00 per pizza - Delivery Date - March 17th

ATTENTION POTENTIAL GRADUATES

Now is the time to be checking out available bursaries and scholarships. Deadlines for applications vary so please see Mrs. Joel-O'Hara, Guidance Counselor, for details about any awards at your earliest opportunity.

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NOTIFICATION OF INFORMATION CHANGE

It is of utmost importance that parents notify the Student Records department (746-2612 ext 222) when there is a change in your child's information such as - phone number/address change, emergency contact change, court orders etc. We rely heavily on the information in our student records files and if it is not current, problems can arise.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

WEDNESDAY WALKING CLUB

Congratulations to the following students who have completed their 20 laps and received a Toe Token: *Hannah Sheane* and *Carter Zilke*. We are into our final weeks before the Olympics. The walkers are enjoying carrying our Torch around the field wearing our Olympic mitts. Thanks to the grade 5 and 6 students for helping out!



DATES TO REMEMBER

- February 1 - 4 - Grade 9 - 12 exams
- February 4 - Deadline for Ski/Snowboard trip slips and payment
- February 5 - **NO CLASSES - ADMIN DAY**
- February 5 - Grad Photo Day
- February 12 - Grade 9 - 12 Course Change Deadline
- February 12 - Maverick Winter Activity Day
- February 15 - **NO CLASSES - LOUIS RIEL DAY**
- February 25 - Grade 9 - 12 Course Withdrawl Deadline
- February 26 - **NO CLASSES - DIVISIONAL INSERVICE**
- March 15 - **NO CLASSES - ADMIN DAY**
- March 29 - April 2 - **NO CLASSES - SPRING BREAK**
- April 5 - Return to classes



CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

Decisions respecting the closure of schools will be made by the Superintendent /CEO after consultation with the RRVSD Transportation department, RCMP, Highways department, other school divisions, and consideration of the following criteria:

1) visibility

2) extremely cold temperatures (-35 or lower) - We consult the Environment Canada Website, and use the temperature as reported from The Winnipeg International Airport to help us make our decision respecting the closure of schools. Environment Canada Manitoba (telephone 1-900-565-5555) .
http://weatheroffice.ec.gc.ca/forecast/canada/mb_e.html

3) wind-chill factor (-45 or lower) - For more information on Wind Chill, please visit the Environment Canada Website at
http://www.msc.ec.gc.ca/education/windchill/index_e.cfm



The decision to close schools shall be made prior to 6:45 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. Media announcements shall be made by 7:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m..

The announcements shall be through the medium of the following radio and television stations:

CFAM - CJOB - CBC-990 - CKSB - CHSM

If we close due to cold weather or poor road conditions, parents and guardians are asked to keep students at home or make alternative arrangements.

Once students have arrived at the schools, schools will remain open until regular dismissal time. In the event that evening bus routes are cancelled by the Superintendent/CEO because of inclement weather or other emergencies, schools will implement contingency plans to accommodate students.

The Morris High School Mavericks Hockey Team and Parents need your HELP!

We, the Morris Mavericks Hockey Team have decided to collect Kits for the
Disaster in Haiti!

The Kits consist of hygiene items needed and currently not available in Haiti.

**Here is a list of things we will be collecting at Home Games at The Morris School until the end
of the Hockey season:**

4 large bars of bath soap (leave in wrapping)

1 plastic bottle of Shampoo

4 large Bars Laundry Soap (Fels Naptha, Sunlight, or Zote brands are preferred)

1 squeeze-tube toothpaste (leave in box)

4 adult-size toothbrushes (leave in packages)

4 bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors)

2 wide tooth combs

1 fingernail clipper

1 box of adhesive bandages (minimum 40 assorted)

1 package sanitary pads

A collection box will be available at the Morris School Office Monday January 25th until the end of the hockey season. Donations can be made at Mavericks home games on Saturday February 6th at 5:00pm and February 12th at 7:00pm at the Morris Arena. If you have any questions about donating please call 746-2506. Thank you for your consideration in this most worthwhile cause.