



Katimavik Elementary School

64 Chimo Drive Kanata, Ontario K2L 1Y9

School Hours: 8:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Phone: (613) 592-5462

24 hour Attendance Line: 613-592-5462 press 1

katimavikes.ocdsb.ca @katimavikschool



May 2017 - Newsletter

The month of May provided many opportunities for students to show us their talents. We had a successful Variety Show on May 17 and the Junior and Senior bands performed on Thursday, May 18. Great job to all students involved. Thank you to the staff for providing students with this opportunity.

School Council provided staff with a wonderful Staff Appreciation Lunch on Thurs, May 18. It was a great opportunity to actually sit down and enjoy a lunch break together – Thank you very much on behalf of staff.



Director of Education

Jennifer Adams, the Director of Education, paid a visit to the school on May 24th and spent over 2 hours with us. She made a point to visit EF8A, the class that organized the Alzheimer's Fundraiser, and a few other classes. We had four of our grade 8 students give Jennifer Adams the tour and they did an excellent job showing off our school.

YMCA After School Registration

Y Kids Club registration packages for September 2017 for the after school program are available on the school website.

<https://katimavikes.ocdsb.ca/Pages/YMCA.aspx>

Milk Bags

Katimavik will no longer be collecting milk bags come Fall 2017. You are encouraged to take ALL plastic bags to a store like Food Basics as they have a plastic bag recycling program.

Spirit Day

Decade Day has been CHANGED to June 15th and will be our last spirit day of the school year.

Community Festival

The Castlefrank ES and Katimavik ES School Councils are organizing the annual CES/KES Community Festival. The community festival will be held on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017 4:30pm - 7:00pm at Katimavik School**. Come and enjoy the fun, food and FREE entertainment!! Circus Delights will provide a Giant Slide, Obstacle Course, Velcro Wall and a Bouncer. Grillmaster will be selling burgers, hotdogs, fries and drinks for dinner. Concession stands will also be selling cotton candy, sno-cones and ice cream! School Council is looking for your help - please sign up below if you are available. Please see the attached poster for more information. Much appreciated!

Food Delivery sign-up sheet: [click here](#)

Cash Ticket Sales sign-up sheet: [click here](#)

Set up / clean up sign-up sheet: [click here](#)

Crowd Control sign-up sheet: [click here](#)

Splash Machine Patrol sign-up sheet: [click here](#)

Morning Drop-Off

I would like to promote the use of our **Kiss and Ride** lane during the **MORNING drop-off**. Many students are being dropped off in the school parking lot creating congestion when vehicles are exiting the lot to turn left or right onto Chimo Drive. I have also witnessed students walking through the parking lot and between cars creating unsafe situations. Please use the **Kiss and Ride** lane (far left bus lane in the morning). Thank you.

Lates

A reminder that school starts at 8:45 a.m. and students are expected to be in class ready to learn at this time. When arriving late to class teaching and learning is disrupted. Arriving between 8:30-8:40 each morning ensures that students can enter the school with the class, receive important instructions from teachers and hear the morning announcements. Thank you for your understanding.



Katimavik Elementary School

64 Chimo Drive Kanata, Ontario K2L 1Y9

School Hours: 8:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Phone: (613) 592-5462

24 hour Attendance Line: 613-592-5462 press 1

katimavikes.ocdsb.ca @katimavikschool



Staffing Updates:

In addition to Sandra Agro, our Office Administrator, retiring in June and Harry de Roo moving to Half Moon Bay P.S. next year, there have been a few more staffing changes for next year.

- Cara Doxsee will continue in a consultant role at the board office. As a result Natalie Ramsden will return to the LRT role and Bruce Gray will return to the school.
- Anik Mackey has been hired full time at A. Lorne Cassidy. We thank Ms. Mackey for providing students with engaging math instruction during her time here.
- Jordana Polowin has increased her status from 80% to 100% and Carissa Blaseg has increased her status from 80% to 88%.
- Roxanne Merits (Librarian) will be retiring in June. Thank you to Mrs. Merits for supporting students and helping us start the process of transforming the library into a learning commons.
- We received our EA allocation and will have 3.5 EAs next year (up 0.5)
- We have received an additional 0.58 needs allocation position to help support students.
- I would like to thank Victoria Castellano who has done a great job teaching R4/5 while Mrs. Wilson has been on leave. Thank you to Kayla Jackson who has also done a great job in her role this year supporting junior students while Ms. Arsneault has been away. Finally, Emily Barr has been with us most of the year as an educational assistant and has done a superb job supporting students in the junior and intermediate divisions.

Tentative Class Organization for 2017-2018

English Program: (4 classes)

Gr. 4/5 - Hamm

Gr. 5/6 - Wilson

Gr. 7 - Blaseg

Gr. 8 - Polowin

General Learning Program (GLP) - Reid

Junior LDSIP – Massie

Intermediate LDSIP – Baker

French Program: (8 classes)

Gr. 4 - Leclerc

Gr. 4/5 - Morbi

Gr. 5 - Goodier

Gr. 5/6 - Touabi

Gr. 6 - Thorp

Gr. 7 - Gray

Gr. 7/8 - MacLeod

Gr. 8 - Hart

Jump Rope for Heart

Our Jump Rope for Heart school wide event was on Thursday June 1st 1:40 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Thank you to everyone who participated and donated. Should families wish to donate online, the school page is ready to go <http://www.jumpropeforheart.ca>, click on DONATE, click on DONATE TO A SCHOOL, type KATIMAVIK...

Great job EF7A and EF7B

Congratulations to EF7A (Hart) & EF7B (MacLeod) who came in 3rd place overall across Canada in the *Imagine Culture Photo Contest*. The students had to Snap a photo that explores the cultural traditions in their family, school, or community. Then they had to write a short blurb (200 words) about what stories of cultural heritage are told by these people, places and things. They have been awarded a Chapters Indigo gift card, which will be used to purchase French Books for the Intermediate students at Katimavik ES.

Returning Next Year

If you are planning to move or change schools over the summer and you haven't contacted us already, please notify the school office at 613-592-5462 or email me (jeff.gervais@ocdsb.ca) as soon as possible. If your child is returning to Katimavik ES or attending a specialized program in the OCDSB, there is no action required on your part.

Forget Me Not – Alzheimer's Fundraiser

As posted in the Kanata Courier

On Thursday April 27th, 2017, our grade 8 class posted a charity event, the Alzheimer's Awareness Night at Katimavik Elementary School, in support of The Alzheimer's Society of Ottawa and Renfrew County. During our event, we hosted a silent auction, served food and beverages accompanied by a live music concert performed by our grade 8 class, plus a donations table. We had a special guest coming to our event, Susan Kennedy, a representative from the Alzheimer's Society who came to speak to us and our guests about Alzheimer's. The event was a huge success and raised more than \$3000, surpassing our original goal of \$1000. We never anticipated the generosity of all the people that helped support our event, and thanks to the generous donations from local businesses around our community, and plentiful donations from the family, friends and guests attending, we were able to help support the Alzheimer's Society greatly.



Katimavik Elementary School

64 Chimo Drive Kanata, Ontario K2L 1Y9

School Hours: 8:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Phone: (613) 592-5462

24 hour Attendance Line: 613-592-5462 press 1

katimavikes.ocdsb.ca @katimavikschool



When our teacher, Mr. Gray, told us back in January that our class was participating in The Entrepreneurial Adventure Program we were very excited and began to come up with ideas right away. This Canada-wide competition is an opportunity for youth grades 1-8 to have to the chance to experience the world of business. We do this by coming up with a business, event or product to sell/host to people to raise money and donate to a charity of our choice.

The first step was deciding on what charity we would like to donate to. It was a difficult decision because there is no wrong choice when it comes to picking charities, but in the end we chose The Alzheimer's Society of Ottawa and Renfrew County. We chose this particular charity knowing that a couple of us in the class are directly and indirectly affected by the disease. We began to discuss ideas on what we could do to support The Alzheimer's Society. A couple of ideas we had were hosting a film night, math or French tutoring, an evening dinner, selling baked goods, selling customized t-shirts, or even a garage sale. But in the end, the idea that struck out to us the most was hosting an event to raise awareness for this serious cause.

Our class of 31 split up into five groups to organize the event, including Social Media Management, Logistics, and Local Business Support, Budget, and Advertising teams. The Social Media Management and Advertising teams worked on spreading the word about our event online and through posters and other advertising means. The Logistics Team made the plans for the night, including the program and the menu. Our Local Business Support team created letters to send out to almost 100 businesses and companies to ask for donations to our event and silent auction. And lastly, our Budget team calculated all of the costs for everything we needed for our event, and helped organize the gym, so we could set it all up.

And after everything, our class learned so much from this amazing experience and we are definitely thankful to have been a part of The Entrepreneurial Adventure Program. We would have never realized how much effort and planning you had to put in just to set up a simple two hour event. We are sure that students and the community are now more aware of the effects of the chronic disease that is Alzheimer's, which affects so many of us.

City of Ottawa Summer Camps

The City of Ottawa Community Centres in the west end has many summer camp programs for children from ages 3-12 and also leadership camps for youth ages 13-17. If the families have any questions, they can find more details available online in the full summer camp guide:

http://documents.ottawa.ca/sites/documents.ottawa.ca/files/ss2017_summer_camps_en_v2_0.pdf

Track and Field Day KES

By: Anastasia Graves, Grade 4

On Thursday May 11, KES had their yearly Track and Field day. Track and Field day is a very special day where you get to compete in running, ball throw and long jump against the people in your grade and gender. Before Track and Field day, we got to choose the two races we were running such as the 100m, 200m and the long and tiring 800m races. When the day started, almost everybody was talking about the Track and Field day and reminding their friends about it. When the students went to their homeroom classes, the teacher took the attendance and the students grabbed their needs for the outdoors. They were outdoors all day so they had to be prepared. As soon as the classes went outside, most were anxious as the chilly breeze washed over them. Everyone stayed with their class and listened to the instructor's instructions about Track and Field day. Soon enough, people were called for their races like the grade 4 girls 200m and such. The first races that happened were the 100m dash. Everyone cheered with excitement as each heat of six were on the track. The six on the track were very anxious because only the top three can move on to the semifinals and on to the finals where if you were one of the top three, you made the team. After the first and second periods, we had the results for the 100m. In the 3rd and 4th periods, we did 200m, 800m, ball throw and long jump. It was a rather thrilling experience! In the last periods of the day, we finished off the races and such. Everyone had a great experience and congratulated the ones who tried hard. Some felt a bit disappointed that they didn't make the team but they knew that there was another chance for them, next year.



Katimavik Elementary School

64 Chimo Drive Kanata, Ontario K2L 1Y9

School Hours: 8:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Phone: (613) 592-5462

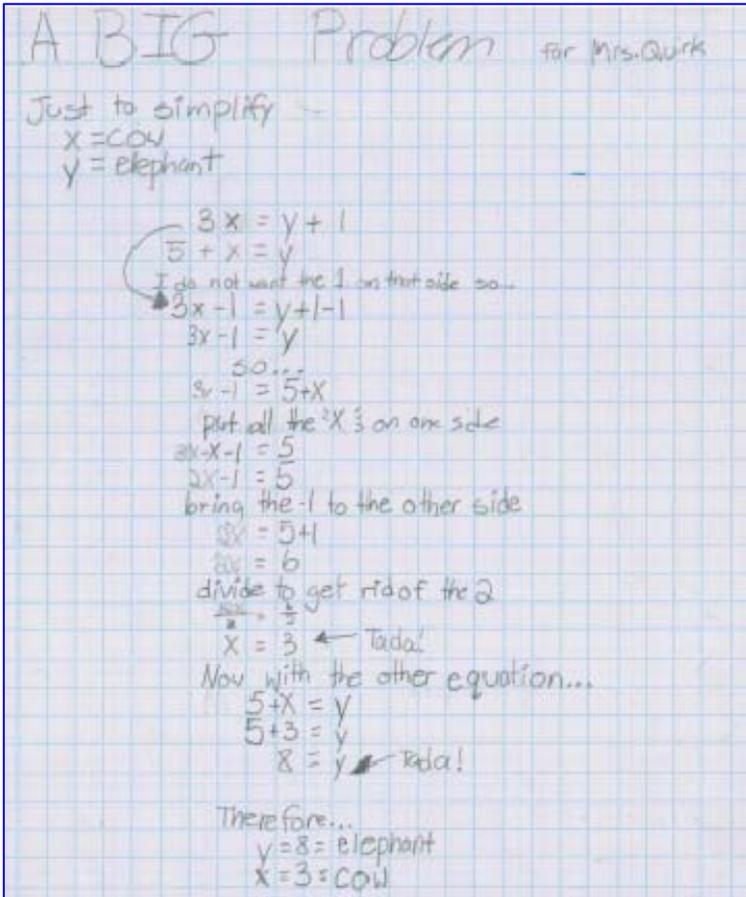
24 hour Attendance Line: 613-592-5462 press 1

katimavikes.ocdsb.ca @katimavikschool



MATH PROBLEM OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Anastasia in Grade 4 who not only solved last month's Math problem, but did it like a rock star. That algebra is way above Grade 4 Math - hats off to you and thanks for participating.



Countless hours of volunteer work have been put into our school this year, and the staff would like to acknowledge a few who have gone above and beyond this year by regularly helping out. We are sorry we cannot recognize everyone and/or include everything that some volunteers have done. We know more people have helped than have made this list, but here are a few key players from this year:

- **Megan Venner** : Co-Chair of School Council
- **Leah Laframboise** - Co-Chair of School Council
- **Claudette Nyenhuis** - Treasurer of School Council
- **Teri MacDonald**-Secretary of School Council
- **Ian Urbach**- School Council OCASC rep, pizza, popcorn and rink duties
- **Sheila Ball**: School Council regular, movie nights and teacher appreciation lunch
- **Chantale Kaye**: School Council regular, Arrowhead fundraiser and teacher lunch
- **Rebecca Leclair**: School Council regular and Chapter's Night fundraiser
- **Deidre Mander**: School Council regular, Bake sales
- **Carla Backmeier**: School Council regular
- **Stephanie Naismith**: Organized bake sales and popcorn sale
- **Glenn Backmeier**: Weekly laminates teacher materials
- **Tom Patterson**: Community volunteer who helps a number of students every week
- **Eduardo and Jen Guerra**: Organized Screenagers showing, Book Fair
- **Ken Dixon**: Hands out pizza every Monday
- **Joe Nyenhuis**: Rink co-ordinator
- **Paul Burges**: Rink duties, book fair
- **Scott Simser**: Rink duties
- **Jay Quirk**: Rink duties
- **Jennifer Johnston**: Lunch monitor and breakfast program coordinator
- **Melanie Ferland**: Lunch monitor and reads to ESL students
- **Ray Baggs**: Lunch monitor

Thank you to our Volunteers!

It's that time of year where we begin to wrap up and reflect on our school year. Parents, thank you for being continually *engaged* in your child's education and learning. Thank you for all the field trips you have chaperoned, the sports teams you have driven, the class activities you have supported, the homework you have helped with and the overall support that you give to your teachers and school throughout the year. Our job is easier with your support! It takes a village and Katimavik is very happy to have you as part of ours.



***If you would like to be more involved in School Activities, please check out the School Council Website at:**

<http://kesparentcouncil.edublogs.org/>

They are always looking for an extra set of hands.