

# MACKENZIE MIDDLE SCHOOL

## APRIL 2019



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### DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 9 Parent Council Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
- April 8 - 12 Bullying Awareness Week
- April 10 Pink Day
- April 15-18 Family Life for Grade 7
- April 19 Good Friday - No School
- April 24 MMS Grade 6 Band Trip - Brandon
- April 25 MMS Grade 7 Band Trip - Brandon
- April 26 P.D Day - No School for Students
- April 27 Badminton Divisionals - Winnipegosis
- April 29 Gr. 7/8 MADD Presentations - p.m.
- May 13-14 MMS Grade 8 Band Trip to Moosejaw
- May 20 Victoria Day - No School
- May 28-31 Vegreville Field Trip - Grade 8 Ukrainian
- June 11 Grade 6/7 Spring Band Concert - 7:00 p.m. DRCSS
- June 13 Grade 8 Spring Band Concert - 7:00 p.m. MMS



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 \* Robb Nash Presentation \*  
 \* On April 25th, all MMS staff and \*  
 \* students will be attending the "Robb \*  
 \* Nash" presentation at the Credit \*  
 \* Union Place. The event starts at 11:30 \*  
 \* a.m. and will finish at 12:20 p.m. We \*  
 \* will be walking as a school to and \*  
 \* from the CUP, and once we return we \*  
 \* will have a single lunch hour from \*  
 \* 12:30-1:30 p.m. ALL students are \*  
 \* expected to be back in their \*  
 \* homerooms by 1:30 p.m. as the \*  
 \* timetable will resume with regular \*  
 \* classes starting for period 7. \*  
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### Spring Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you for another successful Book fair! Our total sales where \$2367.35 This gives us over \$1000 in new materials for the library. Our \$25.00/ \$25.00 classroom draw was won by Kimberli Bulmer from Ms. Cook's class. The gift basket draw was won by Kendal Rempel and our poster draw winners where Ellen Duck, Alex Wi, Christian Nahuliak, Cora Stratuliak, Mia Schwartz, and Colby Shanowsky. Congratulations to our draw winners!

Thank you to our librarian, Mrs. Eiffert, for helping to update our library!

### WEAR PINK TO RAISE AWARENESS OF BULLYING

On Wednesday, April 10th, Mackenzie Middle School will recognize the Red Cross Day of Pink. Our goal is to raise awareness about the impact of bullying by wearing pink to show that we are taking a stand! Students and staff are encouraged to support Pink Day by wearing pink.



### GRADE 8 MMS

### BACKPACKING CLUB



The Backpacking Club for Grade 8 students will begin to gear up the beginning of May. The trip is planned for Wednesday, June 5th - Friday, June 7th. Interested grade 8 students will need to fill out an application form in order to be eligible. All selected participants going on the trip MUST attend ALL lunch hour meetings held during the month of May and must be able to walk 30 km carrying 12 - 15 kilos on their backs. When selecting participants, Mr. Johnson considers students' cooperative, positive, and responsible behaviors and academic efforts during the school year.

### Family Life

April 15th - 18th, the Grade 7 students will be involved in Family Life Education. It takes four half-day sessions to cover the curriculum, which is required of all students. Opt out forms will be circulated to students the week before. The form will only need to be returned if your son/daughter **IS** opting out.



## Grade 6's Cooking Up A Storm

Grade 6 students have been busy in the Home Ec kitchens. So far, we have had the chance to make Breakfast Smoothies, Pizza Buns, Tomato Soup and Grilled Cheese Sandwiches and Chocolate Mug Cakes. Students are also working on building their kitchen safety and sanitation knowledge and skills. Helping out in the kitchen at home either by preparing meals independently, or with you, is a great way for students to continue their learning!



## *Congratulations Mrs. Kuzyk*

*We would like to congratulate Mrs. Kelly Kuzyk, who teaches Grade 7, on being awarded Brandon University's "Distinguished Teacher" award for the grade 6-9 category in Manitoba. She was nominated by two students and the guidance counselor who wrote an essay as to why she deserves this award. She will be recognized at this year's University Convocation in May. Our school will receive a \$200 award in support of student leadership activities.*



## **News From The Band Room**

### **1) Countryfest Clean Team**

We have sent home a form regarding our Countryfest Clean Team fundraiser, which runs from June 27th-July 1st this year. Each year, the Dauphin-Ochre Band Parents organize a team of volunteers to manage waste and sort recycling at Countryfest. Shifts are four hours long and run from 7 a.m. -11 p.m. daily (except Thursday evening, which carries a single 7pm-11pm shift). Each volunteer that supports a child from our program is paid \$8.50 per hour (increased this year from \$7.00) which goes directly into that child's student account, which can be used to pay for trips. Countryfest Clean Team forms are due back to the school by April 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **2) Treasurer**

The DOBPO is looking for someone to fill the role of Treasurer. Because of the importance of this role, we encourage anyone interested to attend our meetings in April and May to help us support you with the transition and to learn the ropes from our current board! If you are interested in helping out, please contact me!

### **3) Band Trips**

The Grade 6 Band will go to Brandon's Level One Festival on Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> all day and return in the early evening. If any parents or relatives want to watch them perform in the Westman Centennial Auditorium at Brandon University, they perform at 3:00 PM. Trip forms and payment for this trip are due April 5<sup>th</sup>.

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The Grade 8 trip to Moose Jaw runs Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. Projected trip cost is \$200, and your child must sign up for a hotel room by April 12<sup>th</sup>. Forms will go home the second week of April and will be due back by the end of the month.

### **4) Parent Chaperones - Grade 7 and 8**

If you're interested in accompanying the Grade 7 band to Brandon (Grade 7 parents) on Thursday, April 25th, or the Grade 8 band to Moose Jaw on Monday, May 13th and Tuesday, May 14th (Grade 8 parents - overnight), please let me know. We always need plenty of chaperones. Prospective parents should have recent Criminal Record and Child Abuse Registry checks and be on file with the division.

## **Tech Ed Projects Underway**

The Grade 8 classes used a CNC router to engrave an image in their wooden table projects this term.

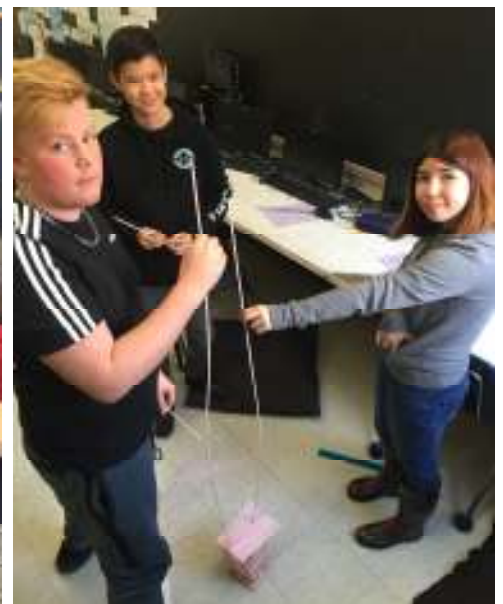


# Grade 7 Science Activities

Students in Grade 7 Cook and Rodgers participated in a unit wrap up related to Interactions with Ecosystems, by creating 3D or 2D representations of a specific ecosystem in the world. Representations included both the abiotic (non-living) and biotic (living) components of the systems. Each project had to include how these parts interacted with each other through a food web and pyramid explanation. Excellent thought was put into these projects which highlighted



Students from 7 Slobodzian were experimenting designing various towers to kick off their unit on Forces and Structures. Congratulation Jaitanna, Brady and Keyden for winning the challenge of designing the tallest free-standing tower!



## Sewing Professionals

The Grade 7 students learned how to sew the running, back, and overcast stitches during the month of March. They also learned how to sew on a button, so if you need any mending done, you know whom to ask ;)



## **How do other countries eat?**

The Grade 8 students are researching different country's meal etiquettes. The students will create and present a digital presentation to their classmates.



## Countryfest 50/50 Student Council/Registration Fee Fundraiser For DRCSS

Anyone interested in selling 50/50 tickets at Countryfest, to help offset the cost of their child's 2020 registration fees for DRCSS extra-curricular activities and/or for the Parkland Vipers, should contact Ted Rea as soon as possible. You can choose to sell during the morning, afternoon, or evening of June 27, 28, 29, 30, as well as Wednesday, June 26 in the afternoon or evening. You can sell on one day or more than one, whatever works for you. Sellers must be 16 years of age or older to sell on Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday but need to be 18 or older to sell on Wednesday. If a seller is 16 or 17 years old, then they will need to be accompanied by an adult. This year Funding Changes will be bringing in more handheld selling devices so sellers will not need to use their phones. There will also be a training session for new sellers at the Countryfest office on June 4. If you or someone you know, wants to sell, please send the following info to [Ted.Rea@mvsd.ca](mailto:Ted.Rea@mvsd.ca)

Seller's name(s) and name of child that you are selling for

Days and times you can sell

Do you require a parking pass? (Buses are free if you have a volunteer bracelet)

Do you require a volunteer wristband?

If you have any further questions, please call or text me at 648-4433. You will have until May 30 to sign up. Thanks for your support!

Ted Rea



# April 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
7	8	9	10 Pink Day	11	12	13
	Bullying Awareness Week					
	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Family Life for Grade 7's - April 15 - 18				Good Friday	
	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Grade 6 Band Trip Grade 7 Band Trip Brandon Robb Nash Presentation 10:30 - 12:30 Day 4	P.D. Day No School for Students	
28	29	30				
	Day 5	Day 6				