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# Creighton Community School

## Newsletter

### November, 2008

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#### Principal's Message

Greetings to all students, parents, and members of the communities of Creighton, Denare Beach and Amiskosakahikani hk. The school year is progressing quickly and the first reporting period for the grades K-6 students is near at hand.

The parent/teacher conferences that will occur on the evenings of November 27<sup>th</sup> and November 28<sup>th</sup> (see Significant Date section for times) will provide an excellent opportunity for parents, students, and teachers to communicate with each other. The academic and social growth of the students is the major areas of review during these conferences and appropriate plans can be developed to support or enhance the growth and development of the student. Please feel free to schedule an interview or to drop in to discuss educational issues or concerns with me. Information regarding booking interviews will be sent home later this month.

School Picture Retakes will be done on November 13 from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Please remember that the school doors are locked until 8:30 a.m. in the morning so students should not arrive before that.

In fact, the students are only allowed to go to their classrooms following the 8:45 a.m. bell, so there really is no need for them to arrive at school prior to this time. We also appreciate the effort that parents and guardians are making in picking up/dropping off students on Main Street. This has resulted in a safer environment.

Good luck to our Junior, Junior Varsity, and Senior volleyball teams in the various tournaments, district, conference, and provincial playoffs that are coming up.

Please refer to the Significant Date section of this newsletter for the upcoming school closures and activities that will be occurring during the month of November.

Please join the students and staff in the annual Remembrance Day Service that will be held in the gym on November 6<sup>th</sup> starting at 11:00 a.m.

#### School Community Council

The next School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

#### Child Care

Free child care will be available in the gym for teacher/parent interviews. The interview times are Thursday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 9 PM and Friday Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> from 9 to noon.

#### Old Telephone Books

The new phonebooks are now out and we are collecting the old ones to recycle. Please send them to school with your child.

#### Santa Store

The Santa Store is a favourite for all the younger students in our school. We look for donations of Xmas items, candles, china, ornaments and any small items that would make a great gift for a child to purchase for a parent or family member. This is an opportunity for children to shop in secret for their family for Xmas. If you would like to volunteer to help

with this project, please call Jane R at 688 7409.

### **Lost & Found**

Our lost and found fills up quickly and has several very good items in it. Please encourage your child to check there for any missing items. They are bundled up and taken to the thrift store after a couple of months as we have a limited space.

### **Graduation 2009**

It is that time of year where we start to organize our school's graduation. This year's grad class should be a good size and we are very excited to start planning the event. Make sure to mark your calendar for grad which will take place on Tuesday, June 23, 2009. Our first planning meeting for our graduates and their families will be on Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the L.A.P. room (room 144). The agenda will include student credit checks, scholarship information, and the planning of the days' events.

If you are unable to make this meeting please call the school and I can share the information with you. Hope to see all of you there!

Jane Dupre - Grad Chairperson

### **Athletics' Report**

October was, again, a very busy month for Kodiak Athletics. With volleyball season heading into its second month, the Girls

and Boys teams were travelling and playing extensively.

The Senior 'B' Girls travelled to Melfort to participate in the NESSAC league championships. The girls played very well and managed to make the finals where they finished second to a strong Melfort team. On October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> the girls were at home where they played a lot of good volleyball and managed a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish. Congratulations girls.

The Senior 'A' girls were very busy in October as they travelled to Wadena, Melfort, and travelled to Nipawin for Conference Championships. In Wadena the girls went 14-2 and won the tournament. In Melfort, the girls went 13-5, placing second to Kinistino. At home the girls were able to go 14-0 for the tournament win. During this past weekend the Kodiak girls travelled to Nipawin for the SHSAA Conference Championships. In Nipawin the girls were a perfect 6-0, thus winning the Conference Championships giving them the right to advance to The SHSAA Regional Championships in Canora. This is one step away from SHSAA 4A Provincials in Caronport on November 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Good Luck Girls.

The Senior boys team was also busy travelling to PACI and Nipawin where they showed great

improvement have expect big things when they travel to Nipawin for their SHSAA Conference Championships. In Nipawin they will face off against Nipawin, La Ronge, and Pelican Narrows. Good Luck boys.

A reminder that the junior volleyball team consists of grades 6-8 students and practice from 3:30-5:00 and games are from 3:30-5:30. The junior schedule is as follows.

Junior Boys coached by Mr. Biberdorf —Monday (practice) and Wednesday (games).

Junior Girls coached by Mrs. Gogol, Mrs. Petalik, and Ms. Atkinson. Tuesday (practice) and Thursday (games).

There will be a Junior tournament in The Pas on November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Upcoming Events:

November 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> - Senior 'A' Girls @ Canora—Regional Championships.

November 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>—Senior Boys @ Nipawin—Conference Championships.

November 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> - Senior 'A' Girls @ Caronport—Provincial Championships.

November 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>—Senior Boys @ TBD—Regional Championships.

November 22<sup>nd</sup>—Junior Teams @ The Pas—Volleyball Tournament.

Again, thank you to all the coaches that are volunteering

their time. Athletics at Creighton School is dependant on the coaches, parents, community members, and students that generously give their time.

If you have any questions concerning athletics please feel free to call Jason Straile or Ryan Trumbley at the gym office (688-3633) or the school office (688-5138).

### **Resource Centre News**

The RC continues to be a busy place; students have been enjoying scary Halloween stories and will soon be finding Christmas books on display. We are fortunate to have a bright spacious RC and it is certainly well used.

Please remind your son or daughter to come to the RC to pick out a birthday book on their special day. The birthday book shelves have been re-stocked and there is a very good selection for all ages. Thank you to the generous sponsors who have made the Birthday Book tradition possible.

One more reminder: if you see a book in your home that belongs to the school, please see that it is returned. Your help is appreciated as we do our best to encourage students to be responsible borrowers.

Have fun reading!

### **Homework Club**

Homework club is held at 12:45-1:15 for all grade 7-12

students every Monday-Thursday in the L.A.P. Room. There is an expectation that students with undone homework will attend to complete their assignments. We are pleased with the number of students who have chosen to attend the homework club before their homework is actually due. Congratulations on your responsible choice! Our staff is present at the homework club to assist our students. If you have any questions about homework club please contact

Jane Dupre

### **National Addiction Awareness Week**

There will be a free skate on Sunday Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> at the Sportex. Come out and skate with the Bombers and favourite mascot. First one hundred kids will receive free hot dogs and hot chocolate.

### **Public Skating**

Begins Nov. 7, Free skating and scrub on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at the Sportex.

### **Creighton Community Children's Christmas Party**

Will be held Friday November 28<sup>th</sup> at the Creighton Community Hall. The Tree Lighting will be held at 6:30 at the Creighton Tourism Office.

### **Peanut/ Nut Safe Snacks**

A big thank you goes out to Candice Riehl, Austin Harrower, Taylor Dundas and Wesley Custer for handing in their snack that may have contained peanuts/nuts. Remember kids, if you find something in your lunch that may contain peanuts/nuts bring it to the nutrition room and trade it in for a peanut/nut safe snack.

### **Des Scriber Reporting**

Last weekend (October 15) I had the opportunity to interview the coach of the Senior Girl's Volleyball team. Des - "Hello, Mr. Straile, your girls have done very well so far this year. What is it that has made them so good?" Mr. Straile - "The reason that the girls are doing so well is because they work really hard. They work hard in practice and they are really enjoying themselves." Des - "What tournaments have you won this year?" Mr. Straile - "Well, we won our home tournament at the beginning of the year and then we won one in Wadena. The other tournaments we went in we lost in the final and finished second three times." Des - "How long have you been coaching Sr. Girl's volleyball?" Mr. Straile - "I have been coaching for five years." Des - "Do you enjoy coaching volleyball?"

Mr. Straile - "Absolutely, its one of the best times that I have been coaching and teaching!"

Des - "I have one more question for you, how do you like my hat?"

Mr. Straile - "I love your hat, it's like the best hat ever!"

Des - "It makes me feel like Indiana Jones!"

**Halloween Parade**

Hello folks! Des Scriber reporting on the annual Halloween Parade. You should have seen the awesome costumes at the parade. There was Wayne and Garth from Wayne's World, Spiderman, Batman, a whole bunch of witches and Jerome Iginla.

Mr. Walker played some tunes, and the parade started off with the small kids going first. Some of the high school students wore costumes as well, so Creighton Community School has great spirit.

There was also a great turnout of parents and guardians for the parade as well.

Super costumes! I can hardly wait until next year.

Des Scriber, CCS NEWS

**Significant Dates**

The following is a list of significant dates of interest to students and parents. While the dates are currently fixed, but circumstances beyond our control may result in changes.

Nov. 6 - Remembrance Day Service, 11:00 a.m.

Nov. 10 - school closed

Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day

Nov. 12 - early dismissal, 2:15

Nov. 13 - school picture retakes

Nov. 14 - school closed

Nov. 20 - Grad/Parent Meeting @ 7:00 p.m. in the L.A.P room

Nov. 21 - Report Cards issued

Nov. 27 (4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.) - Parent Teacher Interviews

Nov. 28 (morning) - Parent Teacher Interviews (9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.), no school for students all day

Dec. 10 - early dismissal, 2:15

Dec. 19 - last day before Christmas Holidays

Jan. 5 - first day back from Christmas Holidays

Jan. 14 - early dismissal, 2:15

Jan. 26 - end of Semester 1, no school for grades 7-1

Feb. 11 - early dismissal, 2:15

Feb. 16-20 - February Break, note that these are tentative dates

Mar. 11 - early dismissal, 2:15

Mar. 13 (p.m.) - school closed for the afternoon

Mar. 26 (evening) - Parent Teacher Interviews

Mar. 27 (morning) - Parent Teacher Interviews, no school for students all day

Mar. 30-April 4 - Spring Break

Apr. 8 - early dismissal, 2:15

April 10 - Good Friday

May 8 - school closed

May 13 - early dismissal, 2:15

May 18 - Victoria Day

June 10 - early dismissal, 2:15

June 23 - last day for classes

June 23 - Graduation Ceremonies

June 26 - report cards issued

**It is time to pre-order your child's milk for the next month. Remember to put their full name, class and what size and type of milk they want. It is \$1.00 for a large and \$0.75 for a small. Have them return it to the nutrition room as soon as possible.**

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