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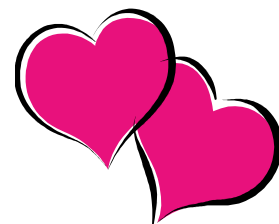
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# COUGAR CONNECTION

*Collins Bay Public School*

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Although our weather has been unseasonable mild, cold February days may keep us indoors for some of our recess times. Please ensure that students arrive with snow pants, boots, mitts and hats for those days where the sun is shining and it is above -25 degrees with the wind chill factor. We all love to be outdoors!

We are very excited to be hosting a full day of fun with curling. The Canadian Association of Curling will be teaching curling to all our students in gym classes. The special rocks designed for gym use were purchased and we look forward to planning intramural teams for recess games.

Thanks to families for checking the daily agenda and keeping connected with what's happening in your child's classroom each day and reading with your student at home. Current research in reading reveals three important considerations for parents and teachers:

- Children who read, and read widely, become better readers.
- Reading and writing are complementary skills.
- Parents are important to children both as role models and as supporters of their efforts.

Thank you for your ongoing support of your children's education.

Administrative Team

Laurel Cruise-Alkenbrack and Colin Skinner

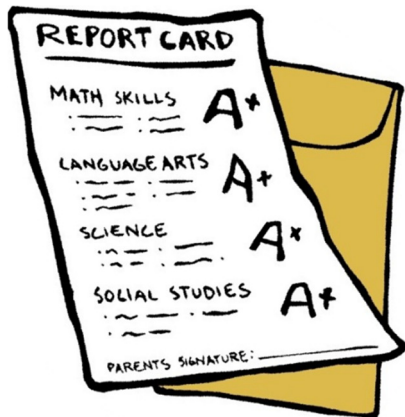
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## Upcoming Events

- **Feb 3:** PA Day – No Classes
- **Feb 9:** Hearing & Vision Screening SK & gr. 1
- **Feb 10:** Art Program, 4/5
- **Feb 20:** Family Day
- **Feb 22:** MADD Presentation Gr. 7/8
- **Feb 27:** Report Cards
- **Feb 28:** Gymnastics, 1/2 & 2/3
- **Feb 28:** Character Recognition Assembly
- **Mar 3:** PA Day – No Classes
- **Monday's:** Choir & Karate Kids
- **Friday's:** Pizza



## Report Cards

Student report cards will be sent home Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>.

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## Check Bus Cancellations



**Tri-Board Website:** [www.Triboard.on.ca](http://www.Triboard.on.ca)

**Tri-Board Twitter:** @BusDelayNCancel

**LDSB Twitter:** @LimestoneDSB

## **Kindergarten Registration**

Registrations are now being accepted for children who are eligible for the Fall 2017 Kindergarten Program. We are pleased to offer full day, every day Kindergarten. If you have a neighbour who has a child that will be of school age in September, please let them know. Registration requirements include proof of birth date, ie. Birth certificate or passport, immunization record and health card. Junior Kindergarten pupils must be 4 years of age on or before December 31, 2017, and Senior Kindergarten pupils must be 5 years of age on or before December 31, 2017. Please contact the school office for further information.

As we move further in to spring, Collins Bay P.S. will be hosting an orientation for parents/caregivers and children, where they will receive early learning resources and strategies for using the resources at home. At the orientation, families connect with kindergarten teachers, school resource personnel and staff from the community support agencies.

Kindergarten marks a new beginning for you and your child. As parents and as educators we all want to make this transition as smooth as possible.



Did you know...

Collins Bay Child Care Centre provides a **Before and After School Program**, licensed by the Ministry of Education, for children 3.8 years -12 years of age right in the Collins Bay Public School!

This seamless day concept enables the children to continue to learn and grow hours after the school bell rings with fewer transitions and disruptions to contend with during their day and their family's day.

Full Day School Age Care is also offered on all P.A Days and School holidays; there is still space available for the Feb. 3/17 PA Day.

Spaces are currently available and you are invited to contact us at 613-634-6694 or visit our website at [www.kingstondaycare.org](http://www.kingstondaycare.org) for further information on how to register your child today!

## ***Kernels Popcorn Fundraiser***

Don't miss out on purchasing these deliciously nutritious snack bags!

All orders are due February 7<sup>th</sup>, with delivery expected February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your support.