

### **CKES Council News**

## Grade 7 Grad Reception

On June 12, Council in partnership with Grade 6 families will host a reception following the Graduation Mass. We are very excited to celebrate the successes of these students that will be moving on to High School in the fall. Thank you to Grade 6 families for their support in making this event a success! All the best to the graduates.

### CKES Family BBQ Postponed

Council will be hosting a
Welcome Back BBQ to
celebrate the new 2019/20
school year in August
instead of doing the Family
BBQ in May this year.

The BBQ will coincide with CKES open house on September 12. Watch for more details at the beginning of the school year!

Council has been working hard to support the students and staff of Christ the King Elementary School. Here are some things that we have been working on these last few months.

#### Food for Learning Update

The Food For Learning program works to ensure every student has access to nutritious healthy food while at school. Through this program, Council purchased healthy snacks and lunch supplements for our students who need it. In addition, this year, the Food For Learning program was able to provide the school with a new fridge, stove and microwave, which came in very handy for service learning projects and storing and preparing perishable foods. For a portion of the year, Food For Learning also subsidized the fresh fruit bowl pilot project. Council will continue to work with the program funders and teachers to augment students' nutritional needs at school as necessary.

#### Staff Appreciation Breakfast

This year Council continued the annual tradition of hosting a Staff Appreciation
Breakfast. It took place on May 24th, and we were pleased to represent the parent community in recognizing the hard work and dedication of CKES staff. We have an amazing team of professionals working at our school that support our students every day, and this event is just one way we can thank them for all of their efforts.

Question or comments,

contact us at <u>ckescouncil@gmail.com</u>

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Gina and Shanna

#### **Fundraising Efforts**

Council has worked hard to fundraise for projects to support the school over the last number of years. This year we were pleased that we were able to reach out to the teachers and staff to solicit ideas for where funds could be directed to benefit students. We got a number of great ideas back from teachers that support the themes of enhancing school spirit and pride, and promoting healthy lifestyles. Stay tuned for an announcement in early Fall regarding the projects we were able to fund. Thank you to parents and families for your support in our fundraising efforts!

# School Supply Program Discontinued

Council has decided to discontinue the school supply program. After a review of the 2018/19 opt-in program, we realized the complexity outweighed the benefits. The goals of the school supply program were to reduce costs for families by buying items in bulk and also by building a stock of supplies that could be reused each year in the classrooms. Teachers also appreciated having a classroom supply of all the same items to support instruction.

Unfortunately, the opt-in program did not achieve these goals so we have made the decision to discontinue. All the school supply lists will be posted on the CKES website.

