

# CKES SCHOOL COUNCIL



*Joyeux Noel!*

## *2015-2016 School Council Members*

Your School Council consists of 5 elected parents and an appointed Secretary/Treasurer. Our goal is to enhance our students' learning through the cooperative efforts of parents, students, educators, parish members, government and others in the Community.

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*Council Members - from left: Paula Stoker, Monica Lauer, Joanne Organ, Kerry Campbell, Andrea Lefebvre & Shanna Epp (missing from photo).*



**Parents are welcome to attend any school council meeting. The next CKES Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 5 at 7:00 pm in the staff room.**

## *Farewell Andy*



At the end of last school year, the CKES Council Co-Chairs sadly accepted the resignation of Council member, Andy Muir. Andy had served on Council for three years contributing to all meetings and situations with due consideration, professionalism and compassion. We also really appreciated Andy's involvement in all Council events, flipping burgers, preparing food, hauling tables and always giving of his time. It was time for him to move on to new adventures, as his children have all left CKES now. On behalf of all parents at CKES, we say "THANK YOU ANDY"!

## *Welcome Shanna & Kerry*

This Fall, we have been lucky enough to find 2 new parents to fill the vacant spots on our Council.

We would like to welcome Kerry Campbell and Shanna Epp as Council Members. Shanna and Kerry currently both have 2 children attending the school, and both bring experience, knowledge, fresh ideas and enthusiasm to the table. We are grateful that they have stepped forward to be part of our Council, and look forward to working with them on Council initiatives.



# CKES Christmas Celebration

Our Christmas Celebration will be on Thursday, December 17, 2015. There will be 2 shows again this year, one at 1:30pm and one at 7:00pm.

Each family has already received two (2) passes to attend the celebration in the evening. Extra passes for the evening show may be available starting on December 4th. The same celebration will be performed in the afternoon as well, and will be open to anyone who wishes to attend.

In past years, concerns were brought forward by parents to the Fire Marshall about the number of people who were in attendance. The number of people at the evening celebration is now limited.

If families do not need all the passes given to them, please return passes to the school so they can be available for other families to access.

We are always pleased that everyone is so supportive of this special event and that it is so well attended, but we do need to address the safety requirements.

## Christmas Celebration DVDs - Fundraiser Reminder

The evening Christmas Celebration on December 17 will again be filmed and provided on DVD this year for anyone who wishes to purchase a copy. DVD order forms were recently sent home with student report cards. Cost is \$15 per DVD – it's a wonderful Christmas gift to send to family and friends or a great keepsake of your child's performance! All funds raised will go toward the School Improvement Fund.

If you wish to order a DVD, please complete and send in the order form with appropriate funds to the office. You can also order DVDs prior to each of the two presentations of the Christmas celebrations on December 17. A table will be set up outside the gym with Council members in attendance to take your order.

DVDs will be sent home with students on the last day of school prior to Christmas break (Dec 18).



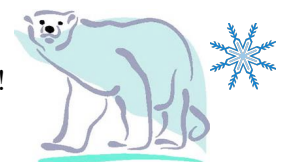
## Cold Weather Policy and Polar Bear Club initiative



**CKES Cold Weather Policy:** All students are expected to go outside for recesses except on days when it is -25 degrees Celsius or colder, including wind chill factor, as determined by Environment Canada. Between -26 and -35 degrees Celsius, including wind chill, the Administration is required to approve options that allow students to go outside.

**Polar Bear Club:** This is a new initiative the school is trying out this winter. The Polar Bear Club is for students who would like to go out for fresh air and play, instead of having an inside recess during cold weather days. It is OPTIONAL and students will need parental permission to join. The Teacher Leader will go out with the students to supervise and ensure the safety of Club members. Students who do join the Club, and go outside for recess will be allowed back in to the school at anytime, if they get cold or uncomfortable. If they choose to go inside early, they must go to their classroom for the remainder of the recess. If a student joins Polar Bear Club, but doesn't feel like going outside with the Club one day, they may choose to stay inside.

Look for an Information and Parental Permission form to be coming home with your student soon! If you have any questions, please contact Paula Stoker at 633-2724 or ckescouncil@gmail.com





## CKES Mabel's Labels Fundraiser

Please remember to support our school council fundraiser when you are needing labels for all your new gear! These labels are amazing, and work on everything your child (and you) own - from shoes to lunch containers to school supplies to backpacks and sports gear. They are machine washable, dishwasher and microwave safe and last a really long time. You order right from the CKES Mabel's Labels website ([www.mabelsfundraising.com/c/23136](http://www.mabelsfundraising.com/c/23136)) and products are shipped right to your door! A portion of every label sold comes back to CKES School Council for our School Improvement Fund. Orders are automatically credited when someone uses the campaign link. Click on the pink "go shopping" button to place your order. You'll know you're in the right place by the tagline at the top of each webpage, identifying the CKES campaign by name. You will also see a confirmation of your support at the bottom of your receipt. Thanks for your support!

### *RPAY Action Grant*

CKES Council received a Recreation and Parks Association of Yukon (RPAY) Action Grant for \$500 last spring. The money is to be used to increase opportunities for physical activity for children during the school day. The school is now using the money to put on Zumba classes for all interested students on Fridays at lunch recess. Thanks to RPAY for their continued support and the opportunity to receive these grants.



## *Christmas Craft Fair Summary*



The 8th Annual C.K.E.S. Christmas Craft Fair was held on Saturday, November 14 in the school gymnasium. This event was organized by the School Council in order to raise money toward our School Improvement Fund. It was a very successful day, with the maximum number of tables (69) booked with 50 vendors taking part and a concession run by the Grade seven students and parents. The Fair was well attended and raised over \$2,000 for the school. Vendors all said they were very pleased with the Fair and look forward to attending next year!

C.K.E.S. School Council would like to sincerely thank the many volunteers that helped make the Fair possible: Adam & Sherri Hennings, Lefebvre family, Kadia & Kerry Campbell, Joanne Organ, Monica Lauer, Rylan Stoker, Austin Au, Tony Kim, Quinn & Keira Howard, Remie Cherepak, Arlene Carpina, Mr. Miller & Mrs. Woolridge, and the Grade 7 students and parents who helped with the concession.

## *Have you noticed...?*

Your School Council is very pleased that they were able to get some more landscaping done at the end of summer. We had landscapers add flowering trees and shrubs, clean up the grass and garden area and put in a privacy/wind break line of dwarf trees between the garden and the parking lot. It is still a work in progress, so if you have any suggestions, comments or ideas you would like to pass along to us, please email us at [ckescouncil@gmail.com](mailto:ckescouncil@gmail.com).



## **Family Movie Night**

**A Friday evening in late Jan/early Feb.**  
Movie, date and time to be announced.

All students and their families are invited to attend.  
Students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

This event is a fundraiser hosted by the School Council  
with all proceeds going to the School  
Improvement Fund.

**Thanks for your support!**

