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CKES Council Newsletter

COUNCIL CORNER

The current CKES Council members are:

Paula Stoker - Chair, Shanna Epp, Andrea Lefebvre, Gina Macleod, and Joanne Organ - Secretary/Treasurer.

Kerry Campbell has resigned from the CKES Council. Thanks Kerry for all your help during your term! We have a new member in the process of joining the team for the rest of the 2017/18 school year. It is an election year so anyone interested in being on the CKES Council can put their names forward in April. Elections will be in early May for the 2 year term commitment.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

The Incredibles

January 12

Doors open at 6:30 pm, show at 7:00 pm

\$3/adult \$2/child Concession Open

CKES Craft Fair Update

The CKES Craft Fair was held on Sunday November 12 due to the Remembrance Day holiday. This is the first year that we had Craft Fair on a Sunday and it was a successful event! We had all 67 tables rented out to crafters and made \$1849.11. The Grade 7's also ran the concession for a fundraiser. Thanks to everyone that came out and supported the crafters and the sale!

SCHOOL SUPPLY SURVEY UPDATE

Thank you to everyone that took time to do the school supply survey. We were very pleased with the response rate - 95 surveys completed.

Of those surveys completed, 89 respondents (94%) wanted the school supply program to return. The main reasons people cited for wanting the school supply program back were time saving for busy families, lower cost due to bulk buying, ensuring the teachers have the supplies they need as well as all the kids having the same supplies.

We will be looking at offering an opt-in program with commitment needed before the end of the 2017/18 school year for the 2018/19 supplies. More information to come in the next few months as the program details are finalized.

WE NEED YOU!

We are looking for volunteers to help us organize the School Supply program for 2018/19 school year. If you are interested in helping us put program together, please send your name and contact information to ckescouncil@gmail.com *by end of January.*

Christmas Celebration DVD Sales Update

The Christmas celebration DVD fundraiser was a success again this year. Thank you to Mr. Miller, the students and staff for putting on another amazing show! There were 109 DVDs purchased and were delivered in backpacks on Monday December 18. The sales raised \$720 for the CKES Council School Improvement Fund.

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CEAY UPDATE

CEAY is the Catholic Education Association of Yukon. The non-profit association provides a forum for partners to come together to discuss issues which affect all Yukon Catholic schools.

As you know, the organization is currently going through a process to review their strategic plan. CEAY thanks all who completed the recent survey to help define the current needs of Yukon Catholic schools.



There were 182 responses in total from students, parents, school staff, parish and community groups. The data has been organized into common themes to identify emerging issues, opportunities and challenges.

These themes will be the basis for a discussion day on Saturday, January 27, for representatives from all school partners. Parents who are interested in attending, please contact ceayukon@gmail.com for more information.

WHERE DO OUR FUNDRAISING DOLLARS GO?

Here are some of the things that the CKES Council spend their fundraising dollars on to support the students and staff at CKES:

- Welcome for the Staff at beginning of year
- Landscaping project on the school grounds
- Staff appreciation lunch
- Grade 7 Graduation Reception after Mass
- 2 - Grade 6 " Most Improved" Student Awards
- Contribute to Mother Teresa Fund
- Contribute to Catholic PD Day for teachers

Upcoming Fundraisers:

Family Movie Night - January 12

Indoor Garage Sale - March 3 (Tentative) NEW EVENT - more info will be sent out soon!

Family BBQ - May (TBD)

FOOD FOR LEARNING

The CKES Council has applied/received funding to help support children of families who may be struggling to send nutritious snacks/lunch. The CKES Council, partnering with the Food for Learning program, stocks some healthy snacks that these children can access as needed to ensure they get what they need to support learning. CKES Council has been organizing this program for over 10 years,