## April 2016 Newsletter

## K. David McLennan, Principal Tracy Rideout-Brace, Vice-Principal

## Message From the Principal

April Showers/Snow Flurries? Bring May flowers. I hope everyone had a chance to enjoy a restful and relaxing Easter vacation this year and are ready to shift gears into a new season.

As we enter Spring at College Park school this year, you will notice our grounds are a tad muddy as the grass has not had a chance to take. Please ensure the your children bring appropriate footwear to school and remind them to remove any dirty/ wet/muddy shoes or boots in their boot room before coming into the school. Also, please reinforce the notion of staying off the newly seeded areas of the school grounds for a few weeks until the grass has had a chance to take.

Thank you to the parents who took the time to fill out our "Tell Them From Me" survey. This survey provides us with a great source of information as to what we are doing well and not so well as a school. Our students will be engaged with this survey in April which will provide valuable information about what our students feel about their education and schooling. This is a very important way that we can access our students' "Voice". We utilize this important feedback to help us address our students' learning needs and work towards maintaining and improving a safe and caring environment in which to learn.

Our spring fundraiser will occur during April with an early May delivery. The money raised from this fundraiser pays for all of the extra and special activities that virtually all College Park students benefit from. Please support the fundraising efforts of our students, your children, to ensure they can continue benefit from these activities.

Planning for the 2016-2017 school year has begun. Any parent requests for student placement need to be in writing, addressed to the attention of Mr. McLennan and submitted by May 20 in order to receive due consideration. Student scheduling decisions are made with all of the students' best educational interests at heart. Due to competing influences such as Band, special programs, classroom size and balance, etc., not all parent requests can be met; however, each one is examined and we will exercise due diligence in our scheduling efforts.

Enjoy the upcoming spring.
K. David McLennan, Principal


## Band Recruiting (CURRENT GRADE 5 STUDENTS)

Parents of current grade 5 students are invited to the Band Parent Information Meeting being held on April 11th in the College Park
Theatre. Information about band costs and expectations will be shared at this meeting.

For starters, I would like to take the opportunity to celebrate the Grade 8 Band's trip and performance at the AIBF Festival in Edmonton. Students travelled from March 16-17, and had the opportunity to work with Dr, Shelley Axelson from Monclair State University in New Jersey. Students also got to watch the River City Big Band and the New Edmonton Wind Sinfonia in concert! Students were excellent cobras, and even got a little 'revenge' on one another in the lasertag arena!

April will be incredibly busy month in our band room:
Grade 9 students travel to Edmonton to participate in the Cantando Festival from April 17-18. Permission forms have come home and will be due April 8. All students are expected to participate.


Grade 7 students will travel to Edmonton to watch the Edmonton Symphony in rehearsal on April 22nd. Students will be away from school for the day. On April 11th, our grade 7 students will have composer Brian Balmages work with them on HIS music via Skype. We are VERY excited about this unique opportunity!


Lloydminster Kiwanis and District Festivals
Our students are ALSO participating in the Lloydminster Kiwanis and District
Festivals on the following dates/times (open to the public):
Grade 6: April 20 @ 2:30 PM
Grade 7: April 21 @ 9:00 AM
Grade 8: April 21 @ 2:30 PM
Grade 9: April 20 @ 9:45 AM
All performances will be at the Vic Juba Community Theatre.

## JUST JAZZ

Once again LPSD jazz bands will be hosting the annual Just Jazz Big Band Dance. This year's dance will be on Friday, May 6, at 7:00 PM and will feature performances by all LPSD big bands as well as featured artists Mark Dejong of Calgary, $A B$ on saxophone, and local band Tangerine Blue.

Tickets are $\$ 20$ and will be available soon from your favourite jazz band students!

## LPSD BAND BURSARY

Applications for the LPSD Band Bursary and Just Jazz Bursary have gone home. The successful applicants will receive a $\$ 500$ bursary to support their summer band camp efforts. Please contact Mr. Jones if you have any questions about this excellent opportunity! Applications are due April 25 and the recipients will be announced at the Just Jazz Dance.

## SAVE THE DATE

Our SPRING CONCERT will be held JUNE 7th at 7:00 PM at the Vic Juba Theatre. We will feature our grade 6-9 and jazz bands at this concert! We are asking all students to please save this date as it is our 'final game of the season'.

The LPSD BAND BLAST will feature all grade 6 LPSD students and will be held on June 16th at Jack Kemp School.

## Lloydminster Border Blades \& KidSport Presents:

## Try Speed Skating!

## Sunday, Apr. 10, 2016

## Rusway Arena

Speed Skates provided!
You will need:
Helmet, neck guard, soft knee pads, thick mitts or gloves

For More Information:
http://borderblades.com borderblades@gmail.com

We have speed skates! Please come 30 minutes before the session to have your speed skates fitted!


Track and Field Team Outdoor Season

Kids ages 6-10 may join our Run, Jump, Throw program which will run for 8 weeks. Starts on May 3-June 21. Cost is \$80. Tuesdays 5:00- 6:00 pm LCHS Track.Please feel free to email our club if you are interested in registering your child.

Kids ages 10 - adult may join our Split City Sonics Track Team. Registration with Athletics Alberta will be mandatory in addition to registration fees. PeeWees and Bantams are \$200, and Midgets, Junior, Youth and Masters are \$250. All that is required for practice is sportswear and shoes. To compete in competitions, singlets will be available for purchase. For additional information please feel free to email our club.

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At Lloydminster Comprehensive High School Track
March 22 \& 24, 2016 @ 5:00 pm
splitcitysonics@gmail.com
www.splitcitysonics.com


# April, May \& June 2016 Programs for Parents 

Pre-registration is required for all programs
To register, please call Midwest Family Connections at 306-825-5911

## Triple P Seminars

## Focus on ages 2-12

## The Power of Positive Parenting



Wednesday, April 13 ${ }^{\text {th }} \quad 6: 30$ to $8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$

This seminar introduces parents to the five core principles of positive parenting. These principles include creating a safe, interesting environment, having a positive learning environment, using assertive discipline, having realistic expectations and taking care of yourself as a parent. Join us for this chance to hear about positive parenting, meet other parents and ask questions.

Held at: Mother Teresa Early Learning Centre 5129-39 Street


Raising Confident, Competent Children Wednesday, May $11^{\text {th }} \quad 6: 30$ to 8:00 pm

This seminar introduces parents to the six key building blocks children need to do well in life.
These skills include showing respect, being cooperative, being considerate of others, becoming independent, having healthy self-esteem and becoming a good problem-solver.

Held at: Father Gorman Community School
3112-47 Avenue


## Infant Massage

Fridays, June $3^{\text {rd }}, 10^{\text {th }} \& 17^{\text {th }} \quad 10: 00-11: 00 \mathrm{am}$
Do you have a baby who is 3 weeks or older? Join us for information and massage techniques that can: help deepen the bond with your child, improve communication with your baby, stimulate your baby's growth and development and learn how to help relieve stress in both your child and yourself.
Held at: Midwest Family Connections \#103 4910-50 Street
"If music be the food of love, play on."
William Shakespeare

## Hello from the Choir Room!

On Friday, April 22nd, we are hosting a movie night for our Senior Choir. Doors will open at $6: 00$ and the movie (in our College Park Theater) will begin at 6:30. We will be viewing Disney's, Aladdin or Annie. Playing games and practicing our repertoire will also happen this evening. You may drop your child off at the front doors and pick them up at 8:30. Popcorn will be supplied! Please send a water bottle with your child for the show. We ask that parents/caregivers enter the school to collect your child. As a group, we must be out of the building by 8:30.

Wednesday, April 27th - LloydMall (by David's Tea) at 12:45. We will walk over to the Dr. Hemstock and sing our repertoire for the residents there at $1: 30$. Please join us for both or one of the performances if you are able.
Monday, May $2^{\text {nd }}-$ Music Monday at the Lloydminster Comprehensive High School. This will be an evening performance. Please invite loved ones and friends as this is truly a celebration of Music in our whole School Division! There will be a silver collection at the door. Look for more information as the performance nears.
Thursday, May $12{ }^{\text {th }}$ - Celebrating the Arts College Park Style - This will be a lunch hour performance so parents are invited to come and join in for ALL of the arts celebrations as well as our Senior Choirs' Performance!

## Sincerely yours in singing,

Mrs. BA $\mathcal{N a m u r}, \mathcal{M a d a m e ~ L . ~ K a r d a s ~ a n d ~ M r s . ~ K . ~ M o l i n e ~}$

## COBRA CREATIONS

Do you dance with a studio after school? Do you take violin or voice lessons from a music teacher outside of school? Did you take an art class and have a potted bowl you'd like to show off? Would you like to show your talents to kids, staff and parents at your school? Then we have a deal for you! College Park is going to give our talented artists a forum at school to showcase their talents. Join us on Thursday, May 12th from 12 pm until $2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. We will have a couple of main stages as well as performers placed throughout various pods in our school.

There will be displays of wonderful visual arts, vignettes of drama performances, classrooms doing choral speaking, classrooms dancing, bands playing, classes singing as well as individual performances of dancers and musical numbers.

Our concession will be open over the lunch hour. Please stop in for a treat and coffee at our concession during the afternoon performances.

If you would like to be a performer, please fill out the registration form attached to this newsletter and return it to Mrs. Wright or Mrs. Moline before April 22nd.



An allotment of 10 minutes/ performance.
Students should be prepared to perform by practicing at home or at their respective studios.
School time should not be counted on to be given for practicing.

Title of Performance: Name of performer/s \& homeroom/s:
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Type of performance:

Equipment required: (ie music stand, etc)

Will recorded music be required (please circle one) ? Yes No

* After registration forms are handed in, music should be emailed or turned in as an MP3 with the Title of the Performance and Name of Performers to koree.moline@lpsd.ca
$\square$ As a parent I will be able to make my child's performance. (Check if yes)
Parental Printed Name and Signature of Consent :

By allowing your child to perform you are accepting that they may be photographed by the local paper, used in media coverage, photographed for the year book or used on College Park Social Media Accounts. (Check if yes)

MONDAYS
Grades 5-6 Badminton Practice 7-8 am
Jazz 2 3:15 pm
Grades 7-9 Badminton Practice 3:30-4:30 pm
Middle School Art Club 3:30-5pm
TUESDAYS
Grades 7-9 Badminton Practice 7-8 am
Jazz 1 7:45-8:30 am
Chess Club @ Noon
Middle School Math Club 12:30 pm
Grades 7-9 Badminton Practice 3:30-4:30 pm WEDNESDAYS

Grades 7-9 Badminton Practice 7-8 am
Grades 4-6 Lego Club @ Noon
GAAC @ Noon (Even Days)
Gold Band 3:30 pm
Grades 7-9 Badminton Practice 3:30-4:30 pm

## THURSDAYS

Grades 7-9 Badminton Practice 7-8 am
Jazz 1 7:45-8:30 am
Chess Club @ Noon
Grades 5-6 Badminton Practice 3:30-4:30 pm

## FRIDAYS

Grades 7-9 Badminton Practice 3:30-4:30 pm


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 and more!


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@CollegeParkLPSD

The Art Club will meet on Monday April 11th and 18th in the Art Room from 3:30-5pm. Look for our RBC Cup painted wood panels at the upcoming hockey tournament.

Spring is here and so is spring cleaning. If you are purging any of the following items please consider sending them to the Art Room: rolling pins, plastic bowls/plates, cupcake tins, cookie sheets, cookie cutters, ceramic tiles, vinyl records, cd's, magazines, buttons, small toy pieces (dominos, plastic letters, lego, spirograph, puzzle pieces, etc.) plastic containers (yogurt, sour cream, etc.), toilet paper and paper towel cardboard rolls.



