



## May 2019 Newsletter

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The month of April was filled with many activities and ended with our annual event, Défi Sportif. Here are some activities that took place in April or have been planned for the months of May and June:

Last week, from April 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>st</sup> inclusively, our students participated in the annual *I Love to Read Week*.

This week, from April 29<sup>th</sup> to May 3<sup>rd</sup> inclusively, some students participated at the Défi Sportif event at the Centre Claude Robillard. The names of the medal winners will be announced and an award ceremony will be held later this month. More information to follow.

The Halo Road Race will take place on May 16<sup>th</sup> at Mount Royal for Grades 4, 5 and 6.

From June 5<sup>th</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup>, four groups of students from Mackay Centre School will be going to Camp Massawippi to enjoy a variety of outdoor activities.

### **IMPORTANT DATES - Please take note of the following dates in May and June:**

April 29 <sup>th</sup> to May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Défi Sportif events at Centre Claude Robillard
Thursday, May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Halo Road Race - to be held at Mount Royal for <b>Grades 4, 5, and 6</b>
Monday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Victoria Day / DDO Day - NO SCHOOL (No Daycare Service)
Wednesday, May 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Music Concert for Mackay Centre School</b> beginning at 10:00 AM
Friday, May 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Philip E. Layton School</b> Grad Gala and Movie Premiere beginning at 10:30 am
Monday, June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mackay and Philip E. Layton Professional Day – NO SCHOOL (Daycare Service available)
June 5 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup>	Mackay Centre School -Field trip Camp Massawippi for some of the classes
Tuesday, June 4 <sup>th</sup>	Philip E. Layton School Governing Board meeting – staff room at 3:15 p.m.
Tuesday, June 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mackay Centre School Governing Board meeting – staff room at 6:30 p.m.
Friday, June 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mackay Centre School Awards and Graduation ceremony</b> (for all students leaving Mackay Centre School) at 10:00 a.m.
Monday, June 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mackay Kindergarten Graduation</b> ceremony
Friday, June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of School and Dance Party (FULL DAY of school)

### **VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE: Cancellation of May 10 Professional Day**

Please note that due to the school closure on Wednesday, February 13 (second snow day), the May 10 professional day is cancelled; therefore, May 10<sup>th</sup> will be a regular school day for all students.



### **MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION: SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019**

Please accept our best wishes for a Happy Mother's Day!

### **MACKAY CENTRE SCHOOL MUSIC CONCERT**

For all Mackay Centre School Parents: You are cordially invited to attend a music concert organized by the music teacher Mme. Hélène Diguier on **Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.** All Mackay Centre School students will participate. The theme of the concert will be African Music. Performances from all our students and our school choir promise to be entertaining. See you all on the 29<sup>th</sup>!



### **PHILIP E. LAYTON SCHOOL GRAD GALA AND MOVIE PREMIERE**

For all Philip E. Layton School Parents: You are cordially invited to attend the Philip E. Layton School *Grad Gala and Movie Premiere* on **Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 a.m.** More information to follow in the next few weeks. Please mark your calendars. See you all on May 31<sup>st</sup>.



### **MACKAY AWARDS AND GRADUATION CEREMONY - FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2019**

The Mackay awards and graduation ceremony will take place on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m., in the gymnasium.

### **MACKAY KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION CEREMONY - MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2019**

Attention all Kindergarten parents! The Kindergarten graduation will take place on Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m., in the GYMNASIUM.

### **DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER**

As the warmer weather is starting to set in we would like to remind all parents to dress your child accordingly; furthermore, we ask if possible to apply sunscreen on your child and for your child to bring in a sunhat and proper footwear.



### **MONTHLY THEME**

This month we are focusing on the theme "**A Good Attitude**". Each class will be touching on this theme during the course of the month. We encourage you to have discussions at home and to ask your child(ren) what they have been talking about in the class.

### **INTERBOARD AGREEMENT**

We remind all families that are living **outside** of the English Montreal School Board territory that they **must** contact their school board of origin as soon as possible (for Riverside School Board, Sir Wilfred Laurier School Board and New Frontiers School Board) to renew the Interboard Agreement for the 2019-2020 school year for your child. **Please ensure the renewal of this document as soon as possible.**

### **PARENTS IN THE SCHOOL**



When coming to the school we would like to remind all parents to please announce yourself by **pressing the intercom button located on the left wall at the main entrance**. Please note that our camera system is now operational. Ensure to state your name and purpose of your visit so we can better direct you. Kindly refrain from knocking on the daycare window as it is only the secretaries who can buzz you in. We thank you in advance for your collaboration in this matter. Your child's safety and security is paramount.

### **LOCKDOWN DRILL**

It is good practice for schools and centres to have an emergency response plan with health and safety procedures, even for unlikely events; therefore, it is in this light that we advise you of our emergency preparedness efforts at our schools with respect to lockdowns. Just as we prepare our children to respond to a fire drill, students should be aware of what usually used in response to acts or threats of affect the school. During a lockdown, all one is permitted in or out of any area once it respond quickly to lockdown instructions to get one, other than the police, is permitted access to lockdown drill we will be having is just a practice our top priority is the safety and well-being of our keep them safe. If you have questions, you may member of the administration.



### **RPSS News**

On May 8<sup>th</sup>, RPSS will celebrate PAB Appreciation Day! If you would like to send in a card or note for your child's classroom PABs please deposit it in your child's communication binder.

We will be sending home the *medical information* sheet on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Please complete it and ensure it is sent back by May 31<sup>st</sup> at the latest. This is very important information to help us plan our Nursing needs for the 2019-2020 school year.

RPSS wishes you a happy and healthy month of May!