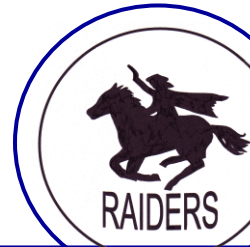


# DAVIDSON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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FEBRUARY 2012

## DATES TO NOTE

- Feb 1** Report Cards – Grades 10-12
- Feb 2** Grade 10 Taco-in-a-bag Lunch
- Feb 7** K of C Free Throw Competition
- Feb 9** Turkey Casserole Lunch
- Feb 14** SRC Spirit Day 'Valentine's Day'
- Feb 14** Gr 12 Scholarship Help – 12:10
- Feb 14** SCC Meeting – 7:00
- Feb 16** Subway Lunch
- Feb 20** Family Day – no classes
- Feb 21 – 24** Mid-Winter Break – no classes

### Looking Ahead:

- Mar 1** SRC Telemiracle Fundraiser - Family Fun Night
- Mar 26-28** Central Sask Music Festival

## SKATING

DS Students will continue to make use of our excellent community recreation facilities in February. Grades 6 to 12 will skate during their Phys. Ed. classes, and below is a list of dates and times that Grades K to 5 classes are scheduled to skate. We can always use extra hands to tie skates, so please call the school (567-3216) if you are able to help us out.



**The school is in need of helmets and skates for skating and curling. Students are not allowed on the ice without a helmet! If you have any helmets or skates in good condition to donate, they would be greatly appreciated!**

	1:00 – 2:00	2:00 – 3:00
<b>Feb 3</b>	Gr 1 & 2	Gr 3, 4, 5
<b>Feb 9</b>	Gr 1 & 2	Gr 3, 4, 5
<b>Feb 10</b>	K *10:30-11:30*	
<b>Feb 17</b>	Gr 1 & 2	Gr 3, 4, 5
<b>Mar 2</b>	K	

## REPORT CARDS



January 31<sup>st</sup> marks the beginning of the second semester for Grade 6 – 12 students. Be sure to check out the new timetable that your child has received as classes and teaching assignments have changed! Report cards will be handed out to Grade 10 – 12 students on Wednesday, February 1, and course outlines for Semester 2 will be sent home soon.

## HOT LUNCH



On Thursday, Feb. 2, the Davidson School Grade 10 class is pleased to offer a hot lunch to students. They will be selling Taco-in-a-bag to raise money for their exchange trip to Gjoa Haven, Nunavut, in May.

Davidson School will also offer students a hot lunch of Turkey Casserole, which was made with the leftovers from the Christmas Turkey Dinner, on **Thursday, Feb. 9**. There will be a charge of \$1.00 to cover the cost of extra supplies. Order forms have been sent home with students and are due back on **Monday, Feb. 6**.

Davidson School, along with Davidson Subway Restaurant, is pleased to offer students a sub lunch on **Thursday, Feb. 16**. Order forms have been sent home and are due back on **Thursday, Feb. 9**.

## SRC

The SRC Spirit Day this month celebrates 'Valentine's Day' - wear pink or red to support your intramural team!



Beginning on Feb. 1, the SRC will be selling 'helping hands' for \$1.00 each. All proceeds will go to Telemiracle.



On Thursday, March 1, the SRC will be hosting a 'Family Fun Night' to raise money for Kinsmen Telemiracle. The evening will include a carnival, supper, dance, and silent auction. Watch for details to follow!

## BASKETBALL



Basketball Club for Grades 3 – 6 has begun and will occur every Tuesday from 3:15 to 4:15. If your child is interested, please be sure that they have indoor running shoes, and that arrangements have been made for pick-up after basketball at 4:15.

The Davidson Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Free Throw Competition on Tuesday, Feb. 7, in the DS Gym. High school students will compete during the lunch hour and elementary students will follow.

## PLEASE NOTE

### CAREER GUIDANCE

#### NEW

Once a month I will be having a noon-hour scholarship help time in the computer room. I encourage ALL GRADE 11 & 12 students to come. (Parents, you are also welcome!)

#### SCHOLARSHIP HELP

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 14 at 12:10**

**DAVIDSON HIGH SCHOOL COMPUTER ROOM**

#### **Upcoming Information for Grade 12 students:**

1. If you are planning on going to Post secondary school in the fall, please apply soon. If you apply by mid-February, you can also apply for the University Awards and Scholarships. So, this means you must complete the University Application form AND an awards application form.

2. [www.myexplore.ca](http://www.myexplore.ca)

Discover another region of Canada while learning French (5 weeks long) most expenses are covered

3. [www.bursary.ca](http://www.bursary.ca)

Kin Canada Bursary. DUE FEB 1. If you are applying to this please ask me and I will tell you where to hand it in. It is different in each town.

4. <http://sasktel.com/about-us/community-involvement/scholarship-bursaries>

SaskTel Bursary DUE: March 10

5. [www.garfieldwestonawards.ca](http://www.garfieldwestonawards.ca)

Are you going to College - this award is for students going to College (ex. Siast)  
DUE MARCH 28  
\$8,000/year for 3 years

6. [www.cma-saskatchewan.com](http://www.cma-saskatchewan.com)

Certified Accountants - \$1,000 DUE JULY 31  
For students entering Business Administration, Commerce, or a Business Program

7. [www.agriculture.gov.sk.ca/scholarship](http://www.agriculture.gov.sk.ca/scholarship)

DUE FEB 15 - \$1000

Student interested in anything related to Agriculture

8. Do your own internet searches for scholarships - there are lots out there!

*Jill Long, Career Development Teacher*

### MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Central Saskatchewan Music Festival will be held March 26-28, 2012. We are pleased to have Davidson School students participating! Ms. Haas and Mrs. Willner are working with students to prepare for the Speech Arts portion of the festival. The deadline for entries is Jan.30. We will provide a list of noon and after school practice times at a later date.



### ART CLUB

Art Club for Grade 5 – 9 students will begin on February 1 and will take place on the following Wednesdays from 3:15 – 4:30:

- February 8 & 29
- March 7 & 28
- April 4 & 25

If you have any questions or would like to join the club, please see Mrs. Rettger.



### TOY SALE FOR HAITI

The Grade 5 class did a fantastic job raising money for Haiti with their toy and book sale on January 27. They would like to thank everyone who donated items, as well as the teachers who helped by bringing their classes and collecting the money. Special thanks to Ms. Haas, who shared her experience and skills to guide pricing items and adding up the profits.

Together, we raised over \$300, which was the goal set by the Grade 5 students.



And thank you to everyone who participated. We hope you enjoy your new (to you) toys and books!

**The Home Ec lab would appreciate any donations of thread and fabric scraps for school projects. If you have any that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the school office.**



## SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### SCC Update:

The Davidson School Community Council held their last meeting on Jan. 10. A timeline for scholarship dates was outlined [see below].

Thanks to SCC members who are reading to K-5 students on Fri. Jan. 27 to commemorate Family Literacy Day. Mrs. Jestin has selected Willow Award nominees for us to enjoy! Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 7:00.



### GR.12 SCHOLARSHIP DATES TO NOTE

1. Scholarship orientation session: TBA during the week of March 5-9. SCC members will hand out scholarship packages to Gr.12 students and will provide an overview of guidelines and expectations. The time will be arranged in class in conjunction with teachers.

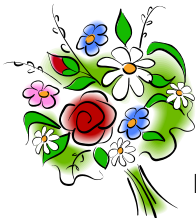
2. Thursday, April 5: Due date for applications - hand in NO LATER than 3:10 in the Davidson School office.

3. Tuesday, April 24: Scholarship selection meeting at 7:00 in high school library.



Laura Willner, Secretary

## BOUQUETS



Davidson School would like to thank members of the SCC for reading nominated Willow Book to students on Jan. 27, Family Literacy Day. Voting will take place the week of February 13<sup>th</sup>!

Davidson School would like to extend a warm welcome to Max Bumphrey in Grade 10 and Russell Hagen in Grade 12, and to Educational Assistants Mrs. Michelle Morrison, Mrs. Danielle Schneider, and Mrs. Teaka White. We are glad to have you at our school!

As well, we wish a warm welcome to Ms. Lacy Schultz, who will join our school on Monday, February 6. She will be teaching Grade 1 while Mrs. Gregoire is on leave for several weeks. Good luck and best wishes to Mrs. Gregoire – we hope to see you back at school soon!

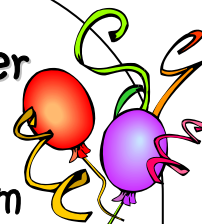
A big thank you to William Kwok, who provided hot chocolate and donuts for the entire school for William Kwok Day on Tuesday, January 31!

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### SRC Telemiracle Fundraiser

Thursday, March 1, 2012  
Davidson High School Gym

Carnival ~ Supper  
Dance ~ Silent Auction



Keep watching for further details  
to be announced soon!

### Carlton Trail Regional College

#### Snowmobile Safety Clinic

Rescheduled for Saturday, February 4, 2012

9:00am to 5:00pm

Cost: \$75.00/person or \$155.00/family



Anyone born after January 1, 1989, is required to complete a safety training course.

To register, phone the college at 567-2885.

## Grade 10 Fundraiser!

TO RAISE MONEY FOR THEIR  
EXCHANGE TRIP TO GIOA HAVEN,  
NUNAVUT,  
THE GRADE 10 CLASS IS HOLDING AN  
ONGOING

RECYCLING FUNDRAISER  
UNTIL EARLY MAY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY BOTTLE OR CANS  
THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE,  
PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL AT 567-  
3216.

THE GRADE 10 CLASS  
WILL GLADLY PICK THEM  
UP!

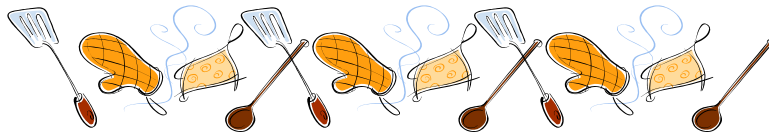


# Let's Cook!

Learning to cook teaches children skills that enable them to eat healthy for life. Learning to cook also helps kids learn:

1. **Math** - counting, measuring, and working with fractions.  
Doubling recipes is math practice.
2. **Muscle Control** - stirring, chopping, kneading, and scooping.  
Activities that help develop children's motor skills.
3. **Social Skills** - sharing tasks and utensils and working together.  
Kids can practice teamwork by cooking with family and friends.
4. **Cultural Awareness** - pass along family traditions and try foods from around the world. The Internet is one option to learn about foods of other cultures.

Hands on learning helps children remember the skills they are taught. Encourage kids to make their own breakfast and pack their own lunch. Remember to include foods from all four food groups through the day.



Consider teaching other concepts such as food safety along the way:

- Clean - wash hands, utensils, and surfaces with hot soapy water before preparing food.
- Separate - avoid cross-contamination; keep raw meat away from fresh produce.
- Cook-Chill - keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold.

Eating and cooking with family and friends can help everyone eat better. Enjoy spending time in the kitchen together!



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