

ATHLONE ADVISOR

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June, 2017

Principal, Mr. J. Baker



Dates to Remember

June 2
Early Dismissal
2:45 p.m.

June 15
Free Hot Lunch provided
by Parent Council from
Pizza Pizza

June 16
Admin. Day
No School

June 22
Tabloid Day

June 28
Year End Celebration
10:00—11:30 a.m.

June 29
Last day of Classes
Report Cards Issued

June 30
Admin. Day
No School



Principal's Message

The end of another school year is fast approaching.

The staff has already started looking towards next year. We have been working on our school goals and reflecting on the progress we have made this year.

There will be, of course, celebrations in June for all classes as they look back at all their past accomplishments and look towards the future. This is a special time that we look forward to every year. We will have our Celebration of Learning assembly on Wednesday, June 28th starting at 10:00 am.

Report cards will be distributed at 3:15 pm on the last day of school, Thursday, June 29th. Parents may submit a self-addressed stamped envelope to the school office to have the report card mailed out to them, if they prefer.

There are some farewells to acknowledge. We hope that all our families who are moving to new homes have a safe journey. We wish all of our grade fives and their families the best as they head off to Middle School. Our term teacher, Ms. Mackelson, who worked so hard in Kindergarten for the last year and a half, will be leaving us. We thank her for her dedication to our school and our students. Mrs. Lavallee will be heading out on maternity leave and won't be with us next year. Mrs. Ferriello and Mrs. Vosper will both be returning to us in September. We will also be welcoming a new term teacher, Mr. Garrett Young. Finally we wish to say thank you to our term educational assistants this year. Thank you to Ms. Sutton, Ms. Kluz, Ms. Farr, and Ms. Werenich.

Finally, I want to thank all the students, their families and our community partners for making it a privilege to come to work each day. Have a fun and relaxing summer!

Jonathan Baker

**Year End
Celebration
June 28
10:00—
11:30 a.m.**

Staffing for 2017-2018

Principal—Mr. J. Baker
 Kindergarten—Mrs. N. Vosper
 Grade 1-22—Mrs. K. Whitely
 Grade 1-24—Mrs. T. Ferriello
 Grade 2-23—Mr. G. Young
 Grade 3-02—Mrs. C. Krahn-Matias
 Grade 3/4—Mrs. J. Andrews/Mrs. G. Carter
 Grade 4-03—Ms. B. Devine
 Grade 4/5-04—Mrs. J. Miller
 Grade 5-09—Mrs. W. Jensen
 Grade 5-10—Ms. D. Schmitt
 Phys. Ed.—Mrs. M. Parnell
 Music—Mrs. J. Dunk
 Guidance/Reading Recovery—Ms. M. Laing
 Resource—Mrs. L. Posillipo
 Head Administrative Assistant—Mrs. J. Morris
 Educational Assistants:
 Mrs. K. Boisvert
 Mr. C. Croker
 Ms. M. Felde
 Mrs. D. Ives
 Mrs. H. Levasseur
 Mr. B. McFarlane
 Ms. H. Ottenbreit

Community Supplies For 2017-2018 School Year

Some classes will be doing community supplies. Please note that payment for community supplies is due at opening conferences. The school provides ample notice of the cost of supplies and when they are to be paid, therefore, no postdated cheques will be accepted.



Report Cards

If your child will not be at school to receive his/her report card on June 29, you may send a 9 x 12 self-addressed envelope with sufficient postage, to the office. It will be mailed to you on June 30. If your child is absent and you do not send a self-addressed envelope you may pick up the report card after August 23 at the school office.



School Opening September 2017

Tuesday, September 5—Inservice — No School
 Wednesday, September 6 —
 Opening day conferences 1:00—7:00 p.m.
 Thursday, September 7 —
 Opening day conferences 9:00—3:00 p.m.
 Friday, September 8 — First Day of Classes

Once again the Athlone School Conference Manager will be open to book your opening day conferences. A sheet on how to book your conferences will be included in your child's report card envelope. Athlone School Conference will open on Wednesday, August 23, 2017 for you to book your appointments. If you do not have access to a computer you may call the school office on or after August 23 to book your appointment.



Caribou Math Contest

This year some of the students in Mrs. Jensen's grade 5 class participated in the Caribou Math Contest. These were very challenging questions and the tests occurred 6 times throughout the year. The tests usually involved only 18 questions and were timed against not only grade 5 students, but also grade 6 students across the country and even other parts of the world. We are very proud of Tyler, Jeremy, Vlad, Daniel and Jilnee for accepting this challenge.

Some noteworthy results:

Vlad finished 3rd out of 161 in the province and 250th out of 9 340 in the country.
 Tyler finished 6th out of 161 in the province and 727th out of 9 340 in the country.
 Jeremy finished 36th, Jilnee finished 51st, and Daniel finished 54th out of 161 in the province.

Great job mathematicians!

Athlone School Parent Council Newsletter

June 2017

A Huge Thank You

The ASPC wants to thank all the families that volunteered for our various activities this year. A **VERY** special thank you goes out to Devin Soroka, Adam Melnyk and Angela Maclean for holding executive positions this year; to Maria Soroka and Sarah Daenick for organizing hot lunch and to Holly Arnason for running the milk program!

Outdoor Classroom Update

The ASPC is extremely pleased to tell you that we have received \$19,500 in grants toward our outdoor classroom and playground project. The estimated cost of the materials and professional installation is approx. \$34,000. We are awaiting confirmation of one more grant in the amount of \$5,000. The ASPC will be voting on additional funds to approve toward the project at the June meeting and discussing the contractor quotes. We will be sending home information with your child before the end of school about a community planting day and tree watering throughout the summer. We will need help:

- Watering trees (twice per week)
- Constructing a garden and planting tall grasses, native flowers and shrubs
- Reporting suspicious activity and vandalism to the Winnipeg Police

Thank you to all families who sold cheese, coffee or gathered donations – this helped us to meet our fundraising goal and the majority of the project will be completed this year!

May ASPC Meeting Highlights

The ASPC will be providing free pizza lunch and kindergarten snack on Thursday, June 15th. The ASPC also voted to provide freezies for students on Tabloid Day on June 22nd. Funding was also approved to purchase the 2017 Grade 5 stepping stone.

Call for Nominations – ASPC Executive

The ASPC AGM will be held on Tuesday, September 26th at 6:30 p.m. Nominations will be open for ASPC executive positions including President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. Consider getting involved in the ASPC for 2017/18 – it is a great experience and you will be working with a team of friendly, dedicated and hard-working parents.

Back-to-School BBQ

The ASPC plans to hold its annual back-to-school BBQ on Thursday, September 21st. Order forms and more information will be going home with Athlone students in the first days back to school. This year, we will also be celebrating the grand opening of the outdoor classroom and playground project with some special guests. Mark your calendar!!!

The last parent council meeting of the school year is Tuesday, June 13th at 6:30 p.m.

Do you have questions or ideas? Would you like to volunteer at one of our events? Contact Erin Robbins, ASPC President erinrobbins@shaw.ca or 204-807-8594.



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