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HOOF PRINTS

There will be no Parent council meeting in May!
If you would like to join us we will have a meeting again in June!

Ronald McDonald House pull tab competition.

We have been collecting pull tabs again this year for the Ronald McDonald House.

We have until May 6th to collect tabs in the hopes of re-

taining the pull tab Champion trophy! If you have any pull tabs you would like to donate please send them in with your child. Last year Innisfail Middle School collected 124.3 pounds of pull tabs!



- 1—Pizza day Gr 6-8
- 2—Pizza Day Gr 5 & Mr. Pivert Class
- 3—Good Friday
- 6—Easter Monday
- 8—Grade 5/6 Soup/Salad day
- 17—May hot lunch/milk order deadline
- 15—Grade 9 Orientation Night IHS gathering area 6:00pm
- 15—Hot Dog day
- 17—Subway day
- 20-25—Spring break—no school
- 27—Classes resume
- 29—Grade 7/8 Soup/Salad day



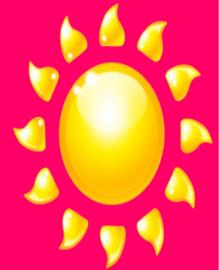
2015—2016

We are now in the process of preparing class lists for next year. During the placement process tremendous consideration will be given to the academic, social and emotional needs of each child. Social dynamics, academic balance, and gender ratio in each classroom become factors as the staff creates class lists. Balancing the variety of factors involved in student placement is a difficult process and requires a vision that encompasses the individual student, student dynamics, the individual classroom, the grade team and the school as a whole. If parents have concerns about their child's placement they can contact administration regarding their child's academic needs. Please do this before the end of May because once the lists are created, changes are difficult.

If you are moving or not returning to IMS for the 2015–2016 school year, please phone the office and let us know. This helps us to plan for next year. Our student numbers impact staffing and funding.

AS WARM WEATHER APPROACHES (hopefully) please note the following reminders:

- ◆ A reserved dress code is imposed at IMS. All decisions regarding clothing will be to the principal's discretion, however if you suspect an outfit may be inappropriate, please do not permit your student to wear it to school. If it is determined that a student's attire is not appropriate parents will be contacted to bring alternate clothing to the school.
- ◆ Students will still require indoor and outdoor shoes and should be mindful of the fact that construction is taking place and flip flops or sandals may not be the best choice, nor are they permitted in phys-ed class.
- ◆ Slurpees and sunflower seeds are not permitted in the school or on the school grounds.
- ◆ Bicycles should be parked in the bicycle racks immediately upon arrival at school. It is recommended that bicycles be locked to the bike rack as a precaution against theft.
- ◆ Use of skateboards, scooters, roller blades and shoes with wheels during school hours is prohibited on school property due to safety and liability issues. These items will be confiscated by the supervisor and held in the office until the end of the day. In the event that a supervised activity using these items occurs then all safety regulations will be followed.



Grade 8 Students and Parents...

Please come to the Innisfail High School student gathering area on April 15th at 6:00pm for the grade 9 orientation night. All parents and students are encouraged to attend.



Spring

If anyone has an old discman with a power adapter that they would like to donate to IMS, we have a couple of classrooms setting up listening centers as there are some pretty great audio books available.



Encouraging the leadership potential of our students

A Message from the Superintendent

In Chinook's Edge, we believe in developing leadership at every level, particularly with respect to our students. In fact many times we simply follow their lead, as our students devote themselves to a long list of important initiatives that impact the people around them. We are continually impressed with the scope of the projects our students are prepared to tackle, and we recognize that many strong and committed volunteer leaders can be found in our classrooms.

During National Volunteer Week from April 12-18, we acknowledge the efforts of our dedicated student leaders. They are working alongside many others in our Chinook's Edge school communities who are reaching out to others. Whether they are undertaking long-term volunteer commitments or simply extending smaller gestures of kindness, we are proud of their many accomplishments. We are all learning important lessons from the great young leaders in our schools – be sure to visit your child's school website to see the contributions they are making through their volunteer efforts!

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent of Schools

