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November's Principal Message...

Thank you to all the parents who attended our first round of Parent-Teacher Interviews at the end of October. You are important partners in your child's education and we appreciate your active involvement. The first round of formal report cards will come home on December 4th. Please never hesitate to contact your child's teacher(s) if you have any questions about their progress.

We have spent the month of October focusing on student behaviour using our MP3 matrix. We are pleased with the shift we have seen and we have handed out hundreds of "Gotcha Good" tickets to students who are choosing positive behaviours. Every day, we draw four names from each grade who win a prize. Please take a moment to review our matrix of behaviour expectations here

(<http://www.innisfailmiddle.ca/view.php?action=object&id=35293&stream=Students%20News>) and ask your child what the acronym KHFAAOOTY means.

Danica Martin
Principal

November Dates to Remember:

3—Parent Council

4— Remembrance Day Service
9:30 am

4 — Pizza day

6-11 Fall break—no school

12—Soup/Salad Gr 5/6

18—Hot Dog Day

20—Subway Day

20—December lunch order
deadline

25—Soup/Salad Gr 7/8

27- Compressed Day—no
school

27 & 28 IMS/Spruceview
School co-host Leadership
conference at IMS

27 & 28 Parent council Casino

On October 27th the IMS Leadership students had the privilege of being part a group of students to attend the **WE Day Alberta** presentation at the Calgary Saddledome. This energizing day encourages and empowers youth to lead local and global changes to bring a generation together.

Power School Parent Portal...

Parents should have now received a letter containing login information for the Power School Parent Portal. If you have not received this letter please contact the school.

This student records program permits parents access to students attendance, grades and the ability to email teachers directly.

Please feel free to contact the school if you require more information in this regard.

REPORT CARD Date change! Report cards did NOT come home November 5th. They will now be coming home December 4th.





Junior High Leadership Conference

November 27th and 28th are going to be exciting days at IMS! Together with Spruce View school, we are hosting the Alberta Association of Students' Council and Advisors (AASCA) Junior High Leadership Conference. Our halls will be filled with nearly 400 student leaders and advisors from all over Alberta. We are pleased to be welcoming keynote speakers Chris Koch, Tad Milmine, and Alison Springer. As well students and advisors will have opportunities to learn from each other and share ideas.

We are still looking for sponsors for this event. If you would like to donate please contact Miss Oakley or Mr. Stones at 403-227-0060.



Our Cookie Dough fundraiser is over for another year. Thank you to all families who participated, each grade did a fantastic job of raising money to offset the cost of their field trips. There are extra tubs left, if anyone is interested in purchasing some more, please call Leanne 403-227-0060.



Achieving success in Chinook's Edge

A message from the Superintendent

We are very purposeful and relentless when it comes to ensuring student success, and our division's achievements reflect the hard work and clear priorities of our entire team. Our staff are collaborating in a variety of ways to enhance the experience of every student in each of our classrooms, and the results from the most recent Accountability Pillar results show several positive upward trends.

Chinook's Edge continues to be proud of our excellent high school completion rates which, at 81 percent, are well above provincial average. We are putting a great deal of work into supporting academic success and are pleased with the strong results reflected in our Accountability Pillar Report. We have seen an increase in the number of students achieving Excellence in Diploma Exams, and are above provincial average on the acceptable standard on Provincial Achievement Test results. Our priority is to ensure interventions, structures and processes are in place to support each and every student along their learning path. This is resulting in a high level of satisfaction for school improvement and the quality of education. As always, we are thrilled by the high results we continually receive for the safe and caring culture in our schools, because we strongly believe this is the foundation for all other successes in our division.

We are discussing the Accountability Pillar results with our staff, analyzing the data and working together to focus on key goals for continued improvement. Chinook's Edge is a division of hardworking students, skilled staff, devoted parents and supportive communities. Together, we are a force in support of our mission to help our students achieve success as compassionate and innovative global citizens.

Kurt Sacher

Superintendent of Schools

