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Principal's Message

I hope Sunday was a marvelous Fathers' Day for every one of our families. This week we experience the Summer Solstice and a full moon, and the joy of summer is alive throughout the school. We have class parties and our annual "water wars" to celebrate the arrival of summer after a remarkable year. The students have grown this year in every way: in their ability to reason thoughtfully, in their acquisition of skills, in their kind and respectful interactions with their peers, and in their self-knowledge. Parents, you have amazing children, and every day we feel fortunate that you entrust us with their learning.

This month saw the Choice School production of *The Wizard of Oz* which wowed us all with the students' musical talents and creative efforts. The cast and crew received well-deserved accolades from the audience. We thank the hard-working cast and crew, Mrs. Harker, and the production team of Mr. Thomas, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Sargeant for the many hours and weekends they spent in making this magical performance happen.

We are basking in our reflection of the children at Friday's *Images of Greatness* celebration. Their presentations and costumes, their mature and serious demeanor, and the knowledge and understanding they were able to share with the guests were remarkable and made us immensely proud. We owe huge thanks to everyone who contributed to making the *Images of Greatness* program a success, to the students and teachers who worked so hard on their projects, and to parents who worked wonders with the costumes and food. A heartfelt thank you must go to Mrs. Harker and Mr. Sargeant who so efficiently organized the displays and the food in the gym so that the morning could run seamlessly.

At La Fete on Friday we will have the opportunity to revisit some of the highlights of the year, and we are hoping that you all will be able to join us. We are dedicating La Fete to the very special fathers in the Choice Community. Parents are invited to gather at 9:45 AM in their child's classroom. Students will have chosen a favourite book for their dad or mum to read with them for a few minutes. Each class in turn will take their parents to the Flex Room for coffee, tea and light refreshments. After recess, we will proceed to the gym for our final celebration.

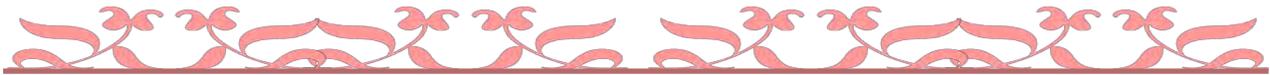
The students have been working with Mr. McLaren to prepare musical treats for their parents that we know you will enjoy. Each student will receive a class award for his or her area of growth or exemplary effort, and we will honour the students who have graduated from Grade 7.

School will adjourn for the year following La Fete and students will receive their final report cards. Staff will be at the school next week, however, should you wish to speak with any of us.

We look forward to seeing you on Friday for our final good-byes.

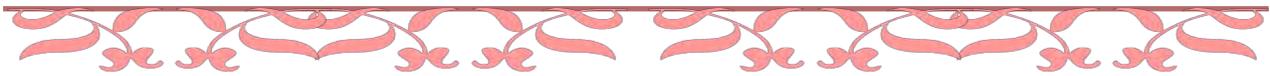
Warmest Regards,

Lynn



Reminders

June 22, 2016	Water Wars (1:45 - 2:30 PM)
June 24, 2016	Father's Day Breakfast (9:45 - 10:15 AM) & La Fete (10:30 AM - 12:00 PM)
June 25 - Sept. 6, 2016	Summer Holidays
August 24, 2016	Office Re-Opens



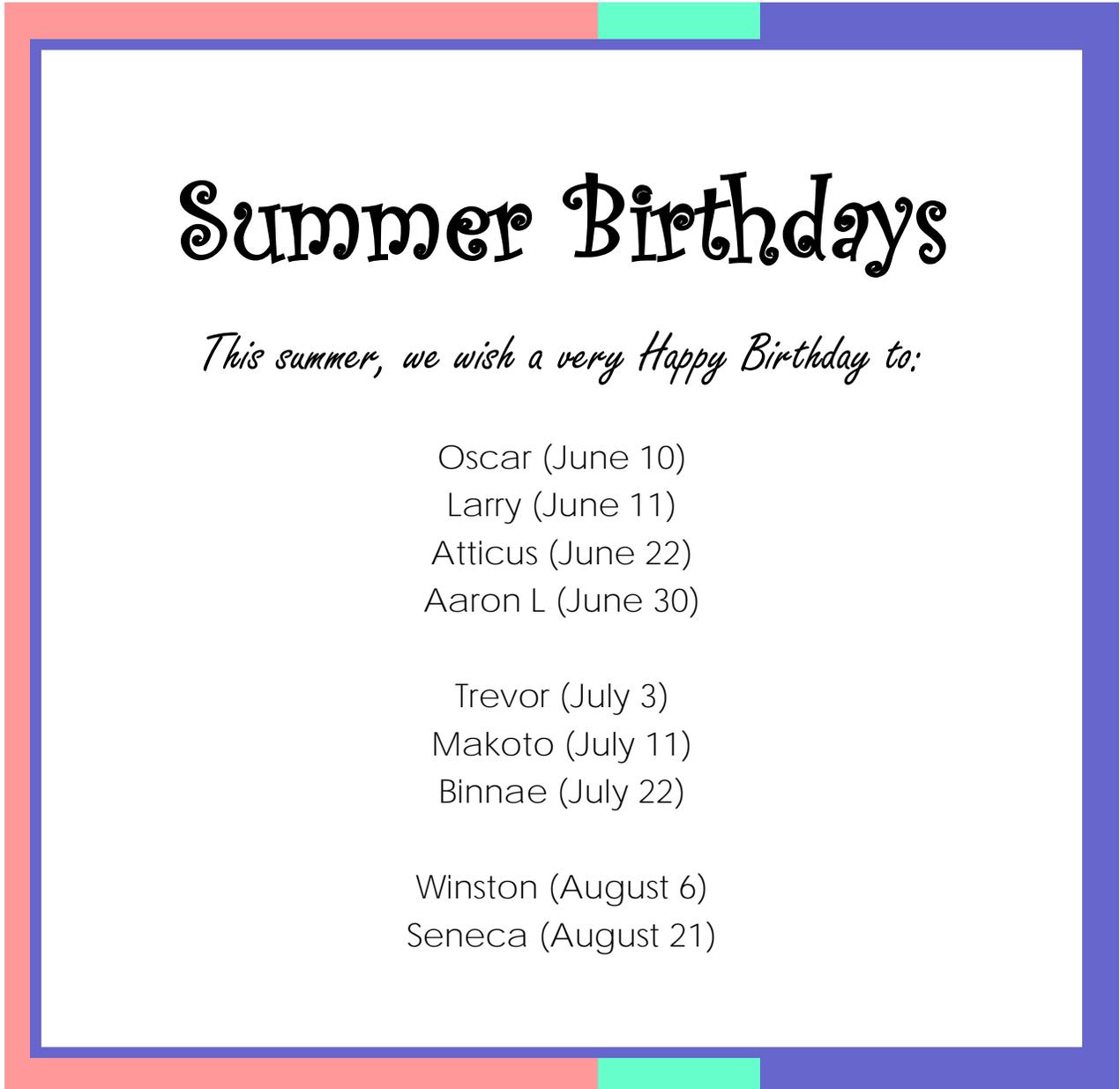
Summer Birthdays

This summer, we wish a very Happy Birthday to:

Oscar (June 10)
Larry (June 11)
Atticus (June 22)
Aaron L (June 30)

Trevor (July 3)
Makoto (July 11)
Binnae (July 22)

Winston (August 6)
Seneca (August 21)



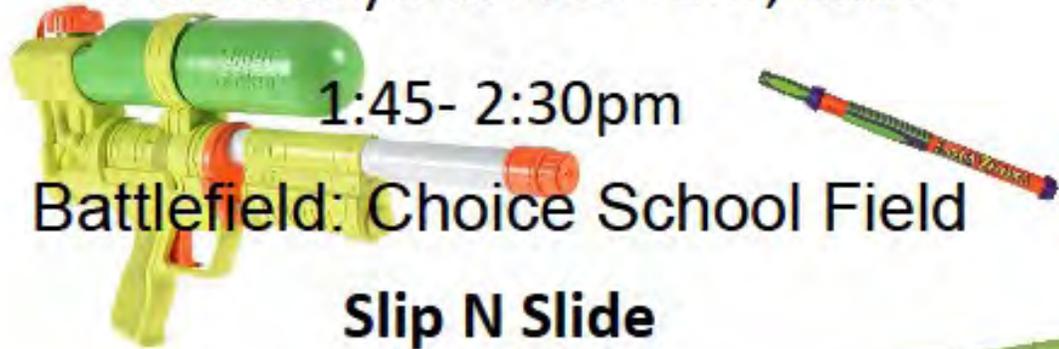
WATER WARS

Wednesday **June 22**, 2016

1:45- 2:30pm

Battlefield: Choice School Field

Slip N Slide



Bring towel, change of clothes, shoes and water squirting device.

No water balloons

Afternoon of the Notables

Albert Einstein



Edward Jenner



Dr. Seuss



Amelia Earhart



Sir Isaac Newton



Oskar Schindler

Lawren Harris



Michael Jordan





Class C Riddles

By Yikai

I am essential in the human body,
I am hard yet soft
I am white yet yellow
I am small yet big and I am in the body. WHAT AM I ??????!!!!??????

By Jack

I am full of a sweet substance
I will give you a disease if you give me too much, especially if you're pregnant
We process, process, process
Without me, you wouldn't die, but life would be hard
I produce an important hormone that can be injected
I am in the back of the abdomen
I am really important, I help you function on a daily basis
What am I?

Eric's riddle:

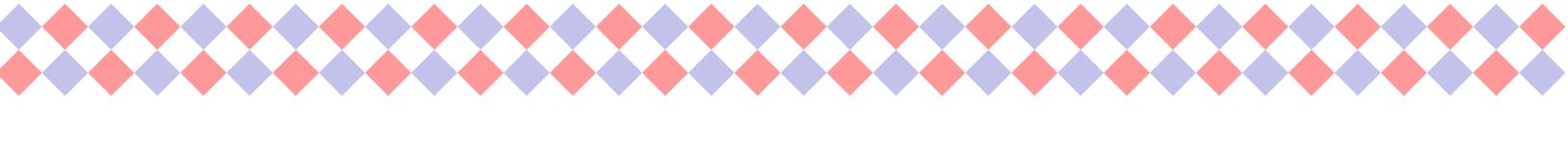
**I like vegetables and milk.
I hear my heart pumping.
I feel the wind blows on my skin.
I smell delicious food.**

JOHNNY'S RIDDLE

Moving, I can keep you alive
Still, I can kill you
Fast, I can make you dizzy
Slow, I can drain your energy
Alive, I will keep on jumping
Dead, I will sit there and do nothing
WHAT AM I?????????????

MY RIDDLE- BY WINSTON

**I STORE A YELLOW-GREEN LIQUID PRODUCED BY THE LIVER.
THEN I RELEASE IT INTO THE INTESTINE.
I HELP THE BODY, NOT HARM IT.
NOT ALL ANIMALS HAVE ME, BUT LIKE THEM, YOU CAN LIVE WITHOUT ME.
I HELP DIGEST FAT, AND I LIVE UNDER THE LIVER.**



Makoto's Riddle:

As soft as silk, I have thousands of brothers and sisters
As thin as a sheet of paper, I help you get bugs
Long or short, I can be identified to the person I belong to
Bright or dark, scissors can kill me
What am I?!!

By Jaden

Taking bad drugs can harm me a lot
Without me you wouldn't be able to make good and bad decisions
When I'm alive I'm pink, when I'm dead I'm Gray
I send signals to your muscles so you can move

By Oscar

*I am transparent,
I protect your eyes, and you would have sight problems without me.
I am small and without me your eyeballs would not be round.
What am I?*

By Owen

Without me you wouldn't survive.
We wouldn't be like we are if I was smaller.
People take me for granted.
An octopus has 9 of me.

By Justan

I help you understand things
If you don't use me you're a mole
I am your light, without me you're dark.

By: Andrew

I protect your cells from damage or stress.
I make the outer layer of your skin.
I can help a bird hold onto a branch.
Some people may have me short, long and in different colours.

BY WINSTON

**I AM EVERYWHERE AND EVERYTHING IS MADE OF ME.
THE ENTIRE BODY, IS MADE OF ME.**

I AM ESSENTIAL TO THE WORLD AND THE UNIVERSE, WITHOUT ME THERE WOULD BE NOTHING.

HOWEVER, NOT ALL OF ME ARE THE SAME.

THERE ARE 120 DIFFERENT TYPES OF ME KNOWN TO MAN, AND MORE TO BE FOUND.

SOME TYPES OF ME ARE DANGEROUS, WHILE OTHER ARE USEFUL, OR USELESS.

Dear Parents of Choice School Students,

It is that time of year and we are already starting to look ahead to next year.

We want to share with you some of the visions and goals PAC has set, as well as give you some practical information and suggest ways you can get involved. Our current PAC Executive runs with parents who have children in grade 6 and will be graduating soon. This is a great opportunity for parents whose kids are in younger grades to get involved and to learn over the next year.

We urge all parents or guardians to take a look and consider putting your name forward for one of the positions. If we cannot fill those positions that could mean that your children will not have any additional events that the PAC traditionally organizes or the many other services and supplementary supports the PAC can only provide with new volunteers.

What is the PAC?

The Parents Advisory Committee is dedicated to the education and well-being of the children and to helping the school provide the best education possible for its students as it works towards common goals. The role of the PAC includes:

- supporting educational opportunities for students
- facilitating communication between home and school
- advising the administrative team of ongoing issues and concerns
- advising the administrative team/staff of parental views about school programs, policies and activities
- organizing parent activities and events (educational, special events, fundraising, etc.)

Who belongs on PAC?

ALL parents/guardians of students at Choice school automatically belong to and are voting members of the Choice School PAC. Parents are encouraged to participate in meaningful educational activities and decision-making to strengthen the role of families in education.

Executive Positions are available for the 2016-7 school year. The roles include:

Chairperson - convene and preside at membership, special and executive meetings; prepare and present meeting agenda; act as official spokesperson for the organization; and act as a signing officer for the PAC.

Co-Chair or Vice Chair- assume the responsibilities of the Chairperson in the Chairperson's absence or upon request; assist the Chairperson in the performance of his/her duties; act as a signing officer; and accept extra duties as required.

Secretary- record the minutes of all general, special, and executive meetings; keep an accurate and up-to-date copy of the Constitution and Bylaws and have copies available for members upon request; and issue and receive correspondence/minutes on behalf of the organization.

Treasurer- one of the signing officers of the PAC; receive all funds for the PAC; disburse funds authorized by the executive or members; maintain an accurate record of all expenditures of the Council; give a report of all receipts and expenditures at the general meetings; deposit all funds collected on behalf of the PAC in an account at a recognized financial institution; assist with any financial audits and ensure that the accounting procedures as laid out by Board of Directors are followed.

When Does PAC meet?

Parent meetings are held once a month and the principal Ms Chartres also attends. This is a time for all parents to hear the latest on happenings at Choice School, and to discuss parents' ideas and ask questions. The Choice School PAC meets on the **first Friday of every month at 8:30 a.m.**

Please consider becoming a voice and an active part in Choice School.

Sincerely,

Your PAC Executive