

Lakecrest Link

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St. Patrick's Day is alive and well at Lakecrest with Leprechauns galore.

◆ Dates To Remember
Wednesday, April 13th

Vaisakhi (Sikh)

Friday, April 15th
Dress Down Day

Wednesday, April 20th
John Carter Lecture
@ 7:30 p.m.

April 21st-29th
Ridván (Bahá'í
Declaration of
Bahá'u'lláh)

Friday, April 22nd
Earth Day

Sunday, April 24th
Passover (Jewish)

Friday, April 29th
Wine Tasting Evening

April 30th
Ramanavami (Hindu)

Looking Forward to May

Friday, May 6th and Saturday,
May 7th
Honk! Musical at MUN Reid
Theatre

Monday, May 16th
First Tuition Installment due

Friday, May 20th
Professional Development Day
(No Classes)

Monday, May 24th
Victoria Day Holiday

Friday, May 27th
Kindergarten Orientation Day

How Are Our Graduates Doing In High School?

One question we frequently hear from prospective parents is, "How do your students do when they go into high school?" We are receiving feedback from parents which tells us that our graduates seem to be doing very well, generally. "Her teachers describe her as confident, prepared, hard working and a good role model for others.", said one parent. Another commented, "She had no difficulty moving from one of the smallest schools in the city to the largest." Yet another parent told us, "It was a real benefit that Science 1206 and Math 1204 were completed in Grade 9 at Lakecrest. They were able to advance directly into grade eleven classes from the start."



Graduates (Continued)

Parents report their children are widely involved in high school activities from music to sports. Their social lives are flourishing and at the same time they are maintaining very high academic marks. In some cases, their marks in Grade Ten are higher than they were in Grade Nine at Lakecrest. This success speaks well of the students' families' constant support and encouragement as well as of the excellent teaching and guidance they received at Lakecrest.

*"All that is necessary to break the spell of inertia and frustration is this: Act as if it is impossible to fail."
(Dorothea Brande)*



Take THAT, son! Bill Morrissey stuffs Liam's shot as parents and teachers dominate students In the Lakecrest Basketballfest 2005.



Science Fair award winning project creators. Future Einsteins on the march.

Star Students

Reagan Howard's story, "Mimi's Pet Frog" won the Literary Contest in her age group sponsored by the St. John's Libraries.

Our Junior High Math League Warriors took fourth place in the meet at MacDonald Drive Junior High. **Alex Munn, Kirsten Schoenberg, Thomas Munn and Hannah Martin** represented Lakecrest well.

Emma Blackwood passed Star Level 2 in Synchronized Swimming. **Max Taylor** and his team took the silver medal in hockey.

Peter Roth drove his creation "The Wave" to the regionals in the Cub Kar at the Village Mall.

Philip McDermott participated in the Prince of Wales Skating Club Ice Show. **Iona Stylianides** received the Canskater of the Year Award with the Prince of Wales Skating Club.

Matthew and Joanna Snelgrove won the bronze medal in their hockey tournament. **Jessica Carter** advanced to Aqua Badge in Swimming.

Star Students, Continued

Kanha Shete scored two of his team's three goals in their gold medal hockey win. **Christoph Pike** has been awarded his Red Belt in Tae Kwon Do. **William Heldt** won a competition at Mile One to have coaching with the Maple Leafs. **Peter Roth** was complimented on his reading at the Kirk at a service attended by the Lieutenant Governor.

Anna Stylianides took part in the Prince of Wales Skating Club Ice Show and she got a Bronze Medal in the pre-juvenile figure skating at the Mount Pearl Frosty Festival. **Phillip McDermott** took a bronze medal in Tae Kwon Do.

Cherry and Joanna Snelgrove got gold in their hockey tournament.

Christoph Pike delivered a lecture on Life in Russia under the Putin Regime to assembled students of Russian and several faculty members at Prince of Wales Collegiate.

Aman Hambleton, Giles Ayers, Theo Stylianides and Alexander Jessome represented Lakecrest at the Regionals of the Canadian Chess Challenge and they all did very well indeed.

Lakecrest Open House

Ambassadors Needed on May First
We hope you will join us as ambassadors of the school on that Sunday afternoon to greet and guide curious families and prospective parents through our wonderful facility. Last year's Open House was a great success and it impressed many prospective families.

Science Fair

Congratulations to our Grade Seven, Eight and Nine students whose creations at the annual Science Fair showed a high degree of creativity and precision. The panel of judges from Memorial University were hard-pressed to rank the projects. Here are the placements they assigned:

Grade Seven:

First Place: "Do You Beat To the Music?" by Alex Sansom and Rory Campbell.

Second Place: "Swimming and Lung Capacity" by Zamé Engelbrecht

Third Place: "Rust Remover" by Leah Aitken and Sarah Murphy

Grade Eight

First Place: "Tasty Vegetables" by Giles Ayers

Second Place: "AGP vs PCJ Express" by Stefan Pike and Thomas Munn

Third Place: "Recycle and Retain" by Liam Morrissey

Grade Nine

First Place: "Salt Stress on Pea & Cress" by Andrew Snelgrove

Second Place: "Music vs Noise" by Rachel Crosbie and Sarah Simms

Third Place: "How Does the Cookie Crumble" by Alex Munn and Carolyn Pridham

Good Luck to our science students who will represent our school at the St. John's Regional Science Fair this coming weekend.

Scenes from Life at Lakecrest



Guest Presenter Doctor Fagan demonstrates stethoscope technique to Kindergartens.



Come on, Zachery, have a heart.



An outing to the sliding hills with students, teachers and parents.

Leprechauns were everywhere on St. Patrick's Day.



Ah, Springtime in Newfoundland !



Is Lakecrest going to the dogs?

Lakecrest Well-represented at Kiwanis Music Festival

Again this year, the number of Lakecrest students participating in the Kiwanis Music Festival has been interesting. 24%, almost one quarter of our entire student body performed at the festival. The number of places and awards won in the various categories was impressive, with Lakecrest students receiving an above-average percentage of honours. We salute our families who support their children in this pursuit, through the transportation to lessons and the overseeing (or overhearing) of lessons at home and the encouragement that means the most. We congratulate the music teachers who help the children prepare. Most of all we offer our praise to the students who are so brave and generous in sharing their beautiful talents with the community.

Here is a list of the students in our school who took their places on the stages during the Festival:

Sophie Penney
Benjamin Jessome
Zayd Khraishi
Luke Burton
Sarah Veber
Philip McDermott
Jeremy Costello
Theo Stylianides
Anna Stylianides
Reagan Howard
Alexander Jessome
Shaun Morrissey
Laura Howells

Kiwanis Continued...
Christie Costello
Quinn Crane
Jennie Sansom
Cecilia Penney
Leah Cardinal
Michael Furey
Jaimie Casson Henderson
Nada Marzouk
Sarah Murphy
Mae Barron
Alexa Bailey
Zamé Engelbrecht
Carolyn Pridham
Kirsten Schoenberg
Chetan Muram
Giles Ayers

We have published all the names we received. If your child's name is not included in this list and he or she participated in the Kiwanis Festival, please let us know and we will add the name to our next newsletter.

Hoop Dreams

We have had the biggest basketball season in the school's history this year. Thanks to the initiative and generosity of some parents and staff, we obtained new team uniforms, held countless practices and had more games than ever before. We even held the first annual Lakecrest Invitational Basketball Tournament. Everyone from Grade Three through Grade Nine who wanted to play basketball got a place on the team and a chance to play in real games.

The addition of an electronic score clock added new excitement to the basketball fever that swept the school. Spearheaded by Becky Paluch, Lynn Morrissey and Helen Martin, the program expanded like wildfire and lots of games were added. With the refereeing talents and coaching skills of Ms. Toope, Ms. Conway and Mr. Guzzwell, our players skills grew to the point where they were able to hold their own with schools of two and three times our population. Well done, everyone !

Our Heroes



Grade 6-9 Lakecrest
Lightning, with Coaches



Grade 3-5 Lakecrest
Lightning, with Coaches